

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Accept and Expend Grant and Amend the Annual Salary Ordinance - Retroactive - Board of State and Community Corrections - Resentencing Pilot Program - \$750,000]

Ordinance retroactively authorizing the Public Defender's Office (PDR) to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$750,000 from the Board of State and Community Corrections, to comply with Penal Code, Section 1170.01(e)'s mandate to use these funds to support the resentencing of individuals under newly enacted Penal Code, Section 1170.03, for example, by "ensuring adequate staffing of deputy public defenders and other support staff to represent incarcerated persons under consideration for resentencing, identifying and recommending incarcerated persons" who should be considered for resentencing, "and developing reentry and release plans" for the period of September 1, 2021, through September 1, 2024; and to amend the Annual Salary Ordinance No. 109-21 (Annual Salary Ordinance, File No. 210644 for Fiscal Years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023) to provide for the addition of two grant-funded positions, 1 FTE in Class 8446 Court Alternative Specialist I and 1 FTE in Class 8173 Legal Assistant for the PDR Resentencing Pilot Program.

Background Information

The Public Defender's Office received a \$750,000 grant from the Board of State and Community Corrections as part of the newly enacted County Resentencing Pilot Program under Penal Code section 1170.03. The purpose of the funding is to ensure adequate staffing of deputy public defenders and support staff to represent individuals who are incarcerated and under consideration for resentencing, identify and recommend individuals who should be considered for resentencing, and develop reentry and release plans.

Proposed Ordinance

The proposed ordinance retroactively authorizes the Public Defender's Office to accept and expend a \$750,000 grant from Board of State and Community Corrections to comply with the State's County Resentencing Pilot Program and support the resentencing of individuals. The grant term is September 1, 2021 through September 1, 2024. The grant does not include a provision for indirect costs. The grant funds will be used to pay for staff salaries in the Public Defender's Office.

Pursuant to Administrative Code § 10.170-1(d), the ordinance also amends the Annual Salary Ordinances for FYs 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 to reflect the addition of a grant funded Class 8446 Court Alternative Specialist I position (FTE .33 for FY 2021-2022, and FTE 1.0 for FY

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2022-2023) and a Class 8173 Legal Assistant (FTE .33 for FY 2021-2022, and FTE 1.0 for FY 2022-2023) at the Public Defender's Office.

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