

**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST**

(Amendment of the Whole, dated 5/2/2012)

[Administrative Code – Board Approval of Grants and Grant Increases Over \$100,000]

**Ordinance amending the San Francisco Administrative Code by amending Section 10.170 1, to set a threshold of \$100,000 or more for Board of Supervisors approval of the acceptance and expenditure of grants or increases in grants.**

Existing Law

Before a City department may accept and expend a state, federal, or other grant, the Board of Supervisors must approve the action by resolution.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposal would amend the Administrative Code to provide that departments would only need Board approval to accept and expend grants of \$100,000 or more (including any required City matching funds), or to accept and expend later increases to a grant that raised the cumulative total amount of the grant to \$100,00 or more.

The proposal would also authorize the Controller to adopt rules for departments to accept and expend grants of less than \$100,000, or later increases to the grant that did not raise the cumulative total amount to \$100,00 or more.

If a grant had been previously approved at any point by the Board, the department could accept and expend without further Board action any individual increases of less than \$50,000.

A grant that included the creation of a position in City service would still have to be approved by ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, regardless of the amount of the grant.

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*This amendment of the whole, dated 5/2/2012, differs from the legislation on file, dated 3/13/2012, as follows: First, it adds a provision to Section 10.170-1(b) stating that Board approval would still be required if a later increase to a grant raised the cumulative amount of the grant to \$100,00 or more. Second, it adds a provision to Section 10.170-1(c) explaining*

*that the Controller may adopt rules for departments to accept and expend later increases to a grant without getting Board approval if the cumulative amount of the grant remained below \$100,00. And if any grant, in its original amount or following a later increase, was approved by the Board under Section 10.170-1, the department could accept and expend without further Board action any further increases of less than \$50,000 apiece.*