

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - U.S. Department of Justice - Justice Reinvestment Initiative - Amendment to Annual Salary Ordinance - FYs 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 - \$1,000,000]

Ordinance retroactively authorizing the Office of the District Attorney to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice to fund the Justice Reinvestment Initiative; and amending Ordinance No. 166-20 (Annual Salary Ordinance File No. 200568 for Fiscal Years (FYs) 2020-2021 and 2021-2022) to provide for the addition of two grant funded Class 8133 Victim/Witness Investigator III positions (FTE 2.0) in the Office of the District Attorney for the period of October 1, 2020, through September 30, 2023.

Background Information

The Justice Reinvestment Initiative is a District Attorney-led program that aims to develop and implement innovative and research-based responses to a range of criminal justice system problems through the following actions: (1) creation of the Young Adult Justice Initiative Workgroup, which will use the Sequential Intercept Model to examine the experience of young adults at various points in the justice system, including pre-adjudication and post-release; and (2) expanding the use of alternatives to incarceration and social services to support young people in contact with San Francisco's justice system.

Proposed Ordinance

The proposed ordinance retroactively authorizes the District Attorney to accept and expend a \$1,000,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to support the Justice Reinvestment Initiative. The grant term is October 1, 2020, through September 30, 2023. The grant does not include a provision for indirect costs. The grant funds will be used to pay for staff salaries in the office of the District Attorney, and to pay for contractual services provided by third parties to implement the goals of the program, technological supplies, and printing costs.

Pursuant to Administrative Code §10.170-1(b), the ordinance also amends the Annual Salary Ordinances for FYs 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 to reflect the addition of two grant funded Class 8133 Victim/Witness Investigator III positions (FTE .08 for FY 2020-2021, and FTE 1.50 for FY 2021-2022).

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