



Contra  
Costa  
County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Mark Peterson, District Attorney  
Date: June 9, 2015

Subject: 2015/16 Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Prosecution Program Grant Application

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

ADOPT Resolution No. 2015/164 approving and authorizing the District Attorney, or designee, to submit an application and execute a grant award agreement and any extensions or amendments thereof, pursuant to State guidelines, with the State Department of Insurance for the 2015/16 Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Prosecution Program in an amount not to exceed \$1,107,063 for the investigation and prosecution of workers' compensation fraud cases, for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The District Attorney's office will receive \$1,107,063 of 100% State revenue. No County match. Budgeted in the 2015/16 Recommended Budget.

**BACKGROUND:**

The State Legislature has determined that one of the significant factors driving up the cost of workers' compensation insurance is fraud. While fraud is recognized as a growing problem across the country, California is an area of concerted criminal activity in insurance fraud. The cost of insurance is a factor in the high cost of doing business in the State. SB 1218 (Presley) was enacted to provide resources for enforcement of current laws. If the

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **06/09/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I  
Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II  
Supervisor  
Mary N. Piepho, District III  
Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV  
Supervisor

ABSENT: Federal D. Glover, District V  
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: June 9, 2015

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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grant is approved, the District Attorney will continue to place staff in the criminal fraud division, who will be able to concentrate on the growing problem of workers' compensation fraud.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Failure to approve the recommendation will result in the inability of the District Attorney to apply for State funds designated for use by Contra Costa County in the prosecution of workers' compensation insurance fraud. A County which fails to which fails to submit the application shall not be considered for funding, and their undistributed funds shall be returned to the Department of Insurance to be reprogrammed.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution No. 2015/164