Contra Costa County

To: **Board of Supervisors**

From: Mark Peterson, District Attorney

Date: June 21, 2016

Subject: Approval to Submit an Application and Execute a Grant Award for funding of Automobile Insurance Fraud

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ADOPT Resolution No. 2016/403 to approve and authorize the District Attorney 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 funding of the Automobile Insurance Fraud Prosecution Program in the amount of \$881,691 for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The grant will partially fund salaries and benefits for Attorneys, Sr. Inspectors, a clerk, and small amounts of other staff time assigned to the program. Supplantation is prohibited.

BACKGROUND:

The State Legislature has determined that one of the significant factors driving up the cost of automobile 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 Automobile Insurance Fraud Prosecution award is allocated from a trust fund financed by an assessment per insured vehicle, payable by the insurer. A portion of the assessment

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Action of Board On: 06/21/2016 APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER			
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VOTE OF SU	PERVISORS		
AYE:	Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor 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 21, 2016 David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors	
ABSENT:	John Gioia, District I Supervisor	By: Chris Heck, Deputy	
Contact:	Cherie Mathisen		

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amount is earmarked for distribution to District Attorneys for enhanced prosecution of automobile fraud.	

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The District Attorney will be unable to apply for and accept the grant.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

No impact.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution No. 2016/403