

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS  
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Chief Executive Office

BOARD AGENDA # \*B-11

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE March 30, 2010

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES  NO   
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES  NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Appoint the Chief Executive Officer as the Interim Administrator of the Department of Child Support Services

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Appoint the Chief Executive Officer or his designee as the Interim Administrator of the Department of Child Support Services in accordance with California Family Code Section 17304.
2. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to conduct a classification review for the Administrator position, and within one-year recommend to the Board of Supervisors a candidate for appointment as the Administrator of the Department of Child Support Services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Final Budget included \$16,100,137 for the Department of Child Support Services budget, funded from departmental revenue of \$15,812,663, and \$287,474 in department fund balance.

With the Board's approval of this matter, there is no additional fiscal impact associated with this action.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2010-163

On motion of Supervisor O'Brien, Seconded by Supervisor Chiesa

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman Grover

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) \_\_\_\_\_ Denied

3) \_\_\_\_\_ Approved as amended

4) \_\_\_\_\_ Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

## **DISCUSSION:**

### **Background**

In 1999, Governor Davis signed legislation which reformed California's child support program. It established a new State Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) to provide program oversight and charged the State Director of DCSS with the responsibility of increasing collections and improving services to families. Additionally, the legislation provided that the State Director, in consultation with impacted counties, may consolidate county agencies into a single regional child support agency if the State Director determines that this consolidation will increase the efficiency of the program, provided each county has at least one local child support office accessible to the public (Family Code Section 17304(a)).

On July 11, 2000, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Chief Executive Office to establish a new county Department of Child Support Services pursuant to Family Code Section 17304 and add a new Department head position of Director of Child Support Services. Legislation requires the Administrator be appointed by the Board of Supervisors in each county.

Recently the Director of Child Support Services tendered his resignation as the Administrator/Director of the Department of Child Support Services, effective March 31, 2010.

At this time, the Chief Executive Office requests Board approval to appoint the Chief Executive Officer as the Interim Administrator of the Department of Child Support Services in accordance with California Family Code Section 17304. Existing senior level Department Child Support Services staff will assist the Chief Executive Officer in managing the day to day operations of the Division until a new Administrator is appointed. The California Code of Regulations Title 22 Division 13 lists the qualifications for the local child support agency director.

## **POLICY ISSUES:**

This action is consistent with the Board of Supervisors priorities of Efficient Government Operations as well as supporting A Healthy Community.

## **STAFFING IMPACT:**

The Chief Executive Office staff will assist existing Departmental Staff during the transition period and until selection of a new Administrator. During this time, the Chief Executive Office will perform a classification review of the position of Director of Child Support Services and prepare recommendations for the appointment of the Administrator position.

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