

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

DEPT: County Counsel

BOARD AGENDA # E-1

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE September 20, 2011

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Introduce and Waive the First Reading of an Ordinance to Repeal Title 25 of the Stanislaus County Code Related to Election Campaign Reform

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Introduce and waive the first reading of an ordinance to repeal Title 25 of the Stanislaus County Code related to election campaign reform.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact is associated with this action.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2011-550

On motion of Supervisor DeMartini, Seconded by Supervisor Withrow

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Chiesa, Withrow, DeMartini, and Chairman Monteith

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: O'Brien


1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No. ORD-55-O-5

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DISCUSSION:

Following a citizen request, the Office of County Counsel was requested to prepare an ordinance to amend Section 25.01.040 to increase the amount of campaign contributions that must be reported by County candidates for elective office.

State law requires candidates to disclose the total amount of contributions received during the period covered by the campaign statement from persons who have given a cumulative amount of one hundred dollars (\$100) or more, and must further disclose identifying information including the contributor's name, address, occupation and employer's name. (Gov. Code, § 84211; see Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 18401.)

Section 25.01.040 was adopted in 2001 to lower the cumulative contribution amount that must be reported to \$25 for candidates for County elective office. Rather than amend the existing ordinance to equal the disclosure amount required of all candidates by State law (i.e., \$100), the proposed ordinance repeals Title 25 of the Stanislaus County Code, which has the effect of reverting solely to State law for campaign disclosures.

POLICY ISSUES:

This action supports the Board's priority of striving for efficient delivery of public services.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There are no staffing impacts associated with this action.

CONTACT PERSON:

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ORDINANCE NO. C.S. _____

**AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL TITLE 25 OF THE STANISLAUS COUNTY
CODE RELATING TO ELECTION CAMPAIGN REFORM**

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Title 25 of the Stanislaus County Code is repealed.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days from and after the date of its passage and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after its passage it shall be published once, with the names of the members voting for and against the same, in the Modesto Bee, a newspaper published in the County of Stanislaus, State of California.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, State of California, the _____ day of _____, 2011, by the following called vote:

AYES: Supervisors:

NOES: Supervisors:

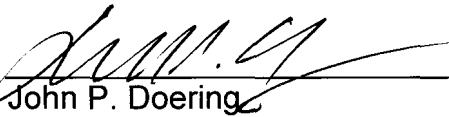
ABSENT: Supervisors:

Dick Monteith, Chair of the Board of
Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus,
State of California

ATTEST:
Christine Ferraro Tallman
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the
County of Stanislaus, State of California

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By 
John P. Doering
County Counsel