

Legislation Text

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Approve conflict of interest code amendments for the Department of Information Technology, Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District, and SolTrans

 Published Notice Required?
 Yes _____ No _X

 Public Hearing Required?
 Yes _____ No _X

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

County Counsel recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve the Conflict of Interest Codes for the following County Department and Local Agencies:

- 1) County department:
 - Department of Information Technology
- 2) Local agencies:
 - Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District
 - SolTrans

SUMMARY:

The agencies listed above have reviewed and revised their Conflict of Interest Code and submitted them for Board of Supervisors approval under the provisions of the Political Reform Act relating to Conflict of Interest Codes, Government Code section 87300 et seq.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with approval of the Conflict of Interest Code amendments.

The costs associated with preparing the agenda item are nominal and absorbed by the department's FY2019/20 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION:

Under the Political Reform Act, public agencies are required to adopt conflict of interest codes designating individuals subject to the Act's reporting requirement. The Act requires that each public agency with a Conflict of Interest Code review and update its code at a minimum in even-numbered years under Government Code section 87306.5, and also as needed by changed circumstances under Government Code section 87306. When amendments to the Conflict of Interest Codes are necessary, the agency is responsible for submitting a revised Conflict of Interest Code to its reviewing agency. The Board of Supervisors is the reviewing body for the County entities and designated local entities listed above, under Government Code section 87303.

The Office of County Counsel in conjunction with the Office of Registrar of Voters has attached the following documents.: A) a list of County departments with revisions, a summary of revisions and supporting documents from each department; and B) a list of Solano County local agencies, a summary of revisions and supporting

documents from each agency.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board can disapprove the amended Conflict of Interest Codes. However, this option is not recommended because 1) the Government Code requires the review of the Conflict of Interest Codes and submission of amendments to the Board; and 2) the amendments are appropriate.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The affected County department and designated local agencies listed above were involved in reviewing their Conflict of Interest Codes and submitting their revisions for approval to the Board of Supervisors through the Registrar of Voters with review by the County Counsel's Office.

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION