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Legislation Text

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Child Support Services, Revenue Recovery Division, recommending the Board discharge the relevant department heads from further accountability to collect the debts listed on the Discharge of Accountability Report in the amount of \$424,058.12, pursuant to Government Code Sections 25257 through 25259. These debts date back as far as 1992 and are uncollectible due to expiration of the statute of limitations, death, or bankruptcy.

FUNDING: N/A - These debts are considered uncollectible and have not been factored into fund balances or projected revenues for the departments.

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost:

No change to affected departmental budgets. These debts are considered uncollectible and have not been factored into fund balances or projected revenues for the departments.

Reason for Recommendation:

The last countywide discharge of accountability was approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 28, 2011. The proposed discharge represents countywide accounts that have been referred to the Department of Child Support Services, Revenue Recovery Division. The discharge represents accounts which are deemed to be uncollectible due to expiration of the statute of limitations, bankruptcy or death.

Pursuant to Government Code section 25259, "The discharge from accountability does not constitute a release of any person from liability for payment of any amount." The statutes of limitation have expired on the majority of the unpaid debts that are being recommended for discharge of accountability. Additionally, there are debts that are uncollectible due to bankruptcy, or death. Further collection efforts cannot be pursued.

Child Support Services, Revenue Recovery Division, is requesting authorization to approve immediate discharge of the accounts listed on the attachments. The debts listed total \$424,058.12 and include accounts for a number of County departments.

Action to be taken following Board approval:

Department of Child Support Services, Revenue Recovery Division, will take necessary steps to reflect the discharge of accountability in their respective collections systems and Revenue Recovery will notify the appropriate departments that accountability has been discharged. Affected departments will coordinate with the Auditor-Controller as necessary to ensure appropriate recording of any associated financial transactions.

Contact:

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Concurrences:

Affected departments and Auditor-Controller