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Legislation Text

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Health and Human Services Agency, Social Services Division, recommending the Board authorize the Chair to sign a Budget Transfer increasing In-Home Supportive Services Program Administration revenue and appropriations by \$123,000, decreasing In-Home Supportive Services IP Program revenue and appropriations by \$141,973, and decreasing operating transfers and increasing appropriations for contingencies by \$141,973 within the Social Services 1991 Realignment fund due to a change in State payment methodology for the In-Home Supportive Services program. (4/5 vote required)

FUNDING: 85% Federal/State In-Home Supportive Services Allocation with 15% required County Match met primarily with realignment resources.

BUDGET SUMMARY:	
Total Estimated Revenue.....	\$123,000
Budgeted.....	
New Funding.....	\$123,000
Savings.....	
Other.....	
Total Funding Available.....	\$123,000
Change To Net County Cost.....	\$0

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost

This Budget Transfer does not result in a change to Net County Cost.

Background

Each County in California is required to operate an In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program to provide personal care and domestic services to aged, blind or disabled individuals in their own homes. The purpose of the program is to allow individuals who are recipients of these services to live safely at home rather than in costly and less desirable out-of-home placement facilities. The individual recipient of services is not only the consumer of the services, but is also the actual employer of each individual provider, holding all powers and responsibilities of employers with the exception of determining the total number of hours that may be worked each week and the salary and benefit levels.

Reason for Recommendation

Effective July 1, 2012 Senate Bill 1036 required all counties to have an In-Home Supportive Services

(IHSS) Maintenance of Effort (MOE) in lieu of the State/County costs sharing ratios previously specified by State law for IHSS services and administration of the IHSS and IHSS Public Authority programs. On January 24, 2013 the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) released the preliminary FY 2012/13 IHSS MOE requirements for counties and began billing counties the MOE on a monthly basis. In FY 2012/13 the IHSS MOE for each county is based on the county's actual expenditures on IHSS services and administration during FY 2011/12. Counties will be reimbursed for 100 percent of costs claimed through the IHSS County Expense Claim to CDSS including any administrative costs exceeding the MOE requirement during FY 2012/13. A Budget Transfer is necessary to adjust the IHSS Program budget as a result of the change in payment methodology for IHSS Program administration and services.

Action(s) to be taken following Board approval

1. Chair to sign the Budget Transfer Request.
2. Board Clerk's Office to forward signed Budget Transfer to Auditor-Controller's Office for processing.

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