

Legislation Text

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County Counsel recommending the Board adopt and authorize the Chair to sign Resolution **095-2015** approving the use of authentication of electronic signatures on electronically submitted documents.

FUNDING: N/A

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

County Counsel is recommending the Chair Adopt sign Resolution pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code section 1603(g) and Government Code section 16.5.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

California Government Code section 16.5 provides that properly authenticated electronic signatures on documents that are submitted to a public entity shall have the same legal force and effect of manual signatures. Certain state statutes, including but not limited to Revenue and taxation Code section 1603(g) (providing for the electronic submission of Assessment appeals Board appeal application), require that the Board of Supervisors approve the method of authentication of electronic signatures. The accompanying resolution provides Board of Supervisors approval of the standard authentication techniques for authentication of electronic signatures involving the use of a user identification number or password in compliance with Government Code section 16.5. The recommended Board action will allow County departments to utilize existing technology where appropriate to accept the electronic filing or submission of documents. This will result in increased efficiencies for County departments and greater convenience for members of the public.

ALTERNATIVES

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT Multiple

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution XXX-2015 approving electronic signatures on documents submitted to a public entity.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

None.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

The Clerk of the Board shall transmit one (1) copy of the fully executed Resolution to County Counsel.

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