



## Legislation Text

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- 2) Authorize the Purchasing Agent to sign a Purchase Order for same.

**FUNDING:** General Fund.

### **DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

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### **DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND**

The NetBackup appliance was purchased from Novacoast in 2014. It was bundled with 6 TB of licensing and an additional 8 TB was purchased separately. The appliance does not prevent additional data beyond licensed capacity from being added to the backup management schedules. Over time, the data protection needs of the County grew at a very rapid pace. Because the device seamlessly managed the additional data, there was never a sense of urgency to true-up the licensing. Prior to purchasing the Netbackup appliance, the software was running on a Windows server, copying files from the server to tape storage. The NetBackup appliance allows for faster data restores.

IT is currently licensed to use the Veritas NetBackup system to manage 14 TB of data. For the past 2 years, IT has been managing as much as 30 TB with this appliance. Currently, IT is under-licensed by 16 TB. Purchasing this package from DataEndure will enable IT to true-up licensing in compliance with the Veritas software licensing agreement. IT will also purchase an additional 2 TB to provide sufficient capacity to remain in compliance with the license agreement over the next year.

IT has recently been contacted directly by Veritas about being under-licensed. At this stage, it is an informal notification however, Veritas has been recently acquired and IT has been notified that there is a concerted effort underway at Veritas to recover license fees and penalties from under-licensed customers. DataEndure is working with IT to avoid penalties from Veritas and has indicated it will not pass through any penalties as long as they know the County is in the process of purchasing the additional licensing.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

Should the Board decline to approve this purchase, IT will be out of compliance with the Veritas software licensing agreement and subject to penalty fees and full MSRP for the new licensing through Veritas.

**OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT**

N/A

**CAO RECOMMENDATION**

Approve as recommended.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no change in Net County Cost. Funding for this purchase if available in the Information Technologies Department FY 2016-17 Budget.

**CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS**

N/A

**STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT**

Infrastructure

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