

# County of El Dorado

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# Legislation Text

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Human Resources Department recommending the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign Resolution **221-2019** adopting, effective the pay period containing January 1, 2020, new salaries for the classifications affected by El Dorado County Charter, Section 504; the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of El Dorado and the Deputy Sheriffs' Association, Article 5, Section 2; and the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of El Dorado and the El Dorado County Law Enforcement Management Association, Article 4, Section 1B for an estimated total annual cost of approximately \$426,605 (approximately \$213,303 for the remainder of FY 19-20).

# FUNDING: General Fund. DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

The El Dorado County Charter, Section 504, requires the Board of Supervisors to determine the average salaries for South Lake Tahoe Police Department, Amador County Sheriff's Department, and California Highway Patrol (comparator agencies) annually, and to adjust the salaries of specific, comparable law enforcement classifications to be at least equal to the average of the salaries for comparable positions in those agencies.

Additionally, the County has agreed through the Deputy Sheriffs Association' Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that the salary range of the Investigator (District Attorney) will be maintained so that Step 5 of the salary range for the Investigator (District Attorney) is equal to Step 5 of the salary range for Sheriff's Sergeant, and that the Supervising Investigator (District Attorney) classification will receive the same percentage increase received by the Investigator (District Attorney) classification.

The County has also agreed through the El Dorado County Law Enforcement Management Association MOU, Article 4, Section 1B, that the Chief Investigator (District Attorney) will be internally tied to the classification of Sheriff's Captain, which would result in the Chief Investigator (District Attorney) receiving the same percentage increase as the Sheriff's Captain.

Using the Deputy Sheriff II as the benchmark classification, the Human Resources Department conducted the annual survey of the comparator agency classifications (see attachments). The annual survey indicates that the Deputy Sheriff II is 1.65% below the average salary of the comparator agencies. Therefore, it has been determined that the Deputy Sheriff II should receive a 1.65% increase. In addition, the subsequent classifications should also receive a 1.65% increase to maintain the current internal alignment.

The estimated fiscal impact for the remainder of this fiscal year is \$188,825 for the Sheriff's Office and \$24,478 for the District Attorney's Office. These amounts have not been budgeted and it is anticipated that the Sheriff's Office will be able to offset the costs with salary savings. If the District Attorney's Office does not have savings sufficient to offset these costs, the District Attorney's Office will return to the Board of Supervisors to request a transfer from the General Fund contingency.

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### **ALTERNATIVES**

The Board may choose to adopt a different rate of increase; however the Charter requires that the salaries be set "at least equal" to the average of the salaries for comparable positions in other agencies.

#### PRIOR BOARD ACTION

The most recent action taken with regard to Charter Section 504 was on December 18, 2018, Legistar # 18-1832.

## OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

N/A

#### CAO RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve this item.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

The estimated total annual cost of this item is \$426,605 (approximately \$213,303 for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2019-20).

Approximate Estimated Cost:

- Sheriff's Office Annual \$377,649 / Remainder of FY 2019-20 \$188,825
- District Attorney's Office Annual \$48,956 / Remainder of FY 2019-20 \$24,478

# **CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS**

Upon Board adoption and approval, please provide a copy of the fully executed Resolution to Katie Lee in Human Resources.

## STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

Good Governance

#### CONTACT

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