Interoffice Memorandum



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Mayor Jerry L. Demings — AND — County Commissioners

FROM:

TO:

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SUBJECT:

July 11 – Work Session Item Update on Florida Statute 125.0156's Impact on Community I.D. Programs

During the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) meeting held on November 29, 2022, Commissioner Nicole Wilson presented a Commissioner's discussion item regarding a County supported Community Identification (CID) Program. Based upon the subsequent discussion, questions, and feedback received, staff was directed to research the matter and follow up with additional information.

During Florida's annual legislative session however, the State Legislature approved a measure, Senate Bill 1718, that impacts community identification programs. Specifically, the bill expressly prohibits counties and municipalities from providing funds to any person, entity, or organization that issues identification documents to individuals who do not provide proof of lawful presence in the United States. Governor Ron DeSantis signed the bill into law on May 10, 2023. The law went into effect on July 1, 2023.

On July 11, 2023 staff will present legal analysis of the new immigration law's impact on community identification programs.

This item is an informational briefing, no action is requested.

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