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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE:	October 10, 2017
то:	Board of Supervisors
FROM:	Clifford Newell
SUBJECT:	Resolution authorizing acceptance of grant funds from the California Department of Insurance for \$77,734.00 for investigation and prosecution for the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

Adopt the resolution accepting the grant award.

FUNDING:

The California Department of Insurance funds the investigation and enforcement of workers' compensation fraud to serve the community and protect consumers. The revenue will be expended on the salary of a temporary District Attorney Investigator and associated operating expenses. These revenues and expenses are budgeted; however the award is \$2,685.00 more than budgeted. The additional funds will be used for software licenses, requiring a budget amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Under the direction of the Insurance Commissioner of the State of California, the California Department of Insurance administers the grant program and the distribution of funds for enhanced investigation and prosecution of workers' compensation insurance fraud by local district attorneys. The authority is granted to the Insurance Commissioner under Section 1872.83 of the California Insurance Code.

This is the fifth year the District Attorney's Office has been awarded this grant. A request for application was submitted to the Insurance Commission in April 2017. The District Attorney's Office presented the Nevada County Plan to the California Department of Insurance Worker's Compensation Grant Review Panel on June 8, 2017. Based on the Review Panel's evaluation of each county Plan, the Panel forwards funding recommendations to the Commissioner. The

recommendation of the review panel to the Insurance Commissioner was reviewed and approved to include Nevada County. A total of 37 counties in California are participating in this program.

Item Initiated by: Denise Harben

Approved by: Clifford Newell

Submittal Date: September 11, 2017 Revision Date: