

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

Establishing an Inmate Welfare Fund and Repealing Resolution 88-176

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:**

- a. Multnomah County operates commissaries for inmates to purchase a variety of sundry items, and commissaries may provide amenities to inmates who cannot afford to purchase them.
- b. It is County policy to recover costs of providing these items without taxpayer subsidy and without any financial benefit to the County.
- c. By Resolution 88-176, the Board established an Inmate Welfare Fund to account for the expenditure and sale of jail commissary items and set prices that would eliminate county taxpayer subsidy of commissary operations.
- d. Resolution 88-176 has become outdated and should be repealed and replaced to allow for broader fund usage and updated revenue sources similar to ORS 421.068 pertaining to the state correctional facilities.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:**

1. An Inmate Welfare Fund is established to provide money to enhance inmate activities and programs including education programs. Revenues, less operating expenses from the following sources will be deposited into this Fund:
  - (a) Operation of jail commissary;
  - (b) Operation of any other amenities made available to inmates or their visitors for purchase in correctional institutions, such as vending machines in the inmate visiting areas, or inmate telephones, as such other amenities may be instituted;
  - (c) Funds confiscated from the inmates under existing disciplinary procedures; and
  - (d) Funds donated under administrative rules promulgated by the Sheriff.
2. The Sheriff will limit use of the Fund to uses benefiting the general inmate population and enhancing inmate activities and programs including education programs.
3. The Sheriff will appoint an Inmate Welfare Fund Committee that will be responsible for approval of all expenditures out of the Fund.
4. The Committee will approve the annual budget of the Fund which will be submitted as part of the Sheriff's annual budget.

ADOPTED this            day of            2011.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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Jeff Cogen, Chair

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