



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 3/17/16
Agenda Item #: C.6
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 3/9/16

Agenda Title: **Letter to Oregon Congressional Delegation in support of Criminal Justice Reform Legislation.**

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.

Requested

Meeting Date: 3/17/2016 **Time Needed:** Consent Agenda

Department: Non-D, District 3 **Division:** D3

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Presenter

Name(s) &

Title(s): Consent Agenda

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Approval of a letter to the Oregon Congressional Delegation in support of appropriations for the Byrne JAG program, the Second Chance Act, and the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act (MIOTCRA) currently in front of the United States Congress.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

The United States Congress is considering appropriations for public safety: the Byrne JAG program, the Second Chance Act, and the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act (MIOTCRA).

Byrne JAG is the cornerstone federal crime-fighting program. Counties use Byrne JAG to test emerging and evidence-based approaches to the public safety challenges locally. Because Byrne JAG is flexible, counties are able to use funding to address needs and fill gaps across the entire criminal justice system – in prevention, enforcement, courts, prosecution and defense, corrections, victim assistance, and other community support.

The Second Chance Act provides resources to states, local government and nonprofit organizations to improve outcomes for individuals returning to communities from correctional facilities.

MIOTCRA funds are used by counties to develop and implement a variety of programs designed to improve outcomes for individuals with mental illness involved in the criminal justice system.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

N/A

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

No direct policy issues involved. If the appropriations are passed, funding may become available for public safety programs in Multnomah County.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

This letter will be sent to members of Oregon's Federal Congressional Delegation.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department
Director:**

/s/ Judy Shiprack

Date:

3/9/2016

Note: Please submit electronically. Insert names of your approvers followed by /s/ - we no longer use actual signatures. Please insert date approved.