



# Mendocino County

## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 16-1288, **Version:** 1

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** County Counsel and Planning and Building Services

**Meeting Date:** January 10, 2017

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**Item Type:** Consent Agenda

**Time Allocated for Item:** N/A

**Agenda Title:**

Adoption of Ordinance Creating New Chapter of County Code Establishing Office of County Hearing Officer to Satisfy Due Process Requirements in Conformance with Language in California Government Code and Applicable to Multiple Departments (Sponsors: County Counsel and Planning and Building Services)

**Recommended Action/Motion:**

Adopt the ordinance creating Chapter 2.76 of the County Code establishing the Office of County Hearing Officer; and authorize Chair to sign same.

**Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:**

Board of Supervisors referred this matter to the General Government Committee on November 14, 2016; General Government Committee referred this matter to Board of Supervisors on December 12, 2016. The Board of Supervisors introduced and waived reading of the ordinance on December 19, 2016.

**Summary of Request:**

County Counsel and PBS propose this ordinance to establish the Office of County Hearing Officer. This new chapter will satisfy due process requirements in conformance with the language in Government Code section 27720, et seq. It will also standardize the process when utilizing hearing officers, identify the required qualifications, powers and responsibilities of hearing officers, provide rules regarding the process of appointing and contracting with hearing officers, and create consistency within the code.

**Alternative Action/Motion:**

Provide further direction to staff or take no action.

**Supplemental Information Available Online at:** N/A

**Fiscal Impact:**

**Source of Funding:** N/A

**Budgeted in Current F/Y:** No

**Current F/Y Cost:** N/A

**Annual Recurring Cost:** N/A

**Supervisory District:** All

**Vote Requirement:** Majority

**Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel:** Yes

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**CEO Liaison:** Alan D. Flora, Assistant CEO

**CEO Review:** Yes

**Comments:**