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Adopt an urgency ordinance enacting a requirement that all licensed health care providers and private commercial laboratories within Monterey County report information regarding COVID-19 testing to the County Health Officer and Health Department.

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt an urgency ordinance enacting a requirement that all licensed health care providers and private commercial laboratories within Monterey County report information regarding COVID-19 testing to the County Health Officer and Health Department.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Pursuant to duties imposed by the Health and Safety Code, the County Health Director requires access to testing data performed by all licensed health care providers and private commercial laboratories in Monterey County for the COVID-19 virus. While private commercial laboratories have provided some data pursuant to an order from the California Department of Public Health, new methods of testing may become available for other licensed health care providers in the County. Accordingly, this ordinance is necessary to ensure that information necessary for the Health Director to carry out statutorily mandated duties is available to the Health Director and the Health Department.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Administrative Office and Health Department concur in the recommendation.

FINANCING:

There is no financial impact to the County from this ordinance

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Mark a check to the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives

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Attachments:

Draft urgency ordinance