



# County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors  
Chambers  
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## Board Report

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Adopt an ordinance (Attachment A) amending Section 2.12.040 of the Monterey County Code and adding Chapter 2.22 to the Monterey County Code to:

- a. Change the appointing authority of the Public Defender and establish the Public Defender as an appointed position to be appointed by and serve at the will of the Board of Supervisors; and
- b. Change the appointing authority of the Director of Child Support Services; and
- c. Update the reference to the County Department of Social Services to reflect a prior change in the name of the department.

### RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The proposed ordinance amends the Monterey County Code to change the appointing authority for the Monterey County Director of Child Support Services and Monterey County Public Defender consistent with state law. Under state law, the Board of Supervisors appoints the Director of Child Support Services and appoints the Public Defender if the Public Defender is established as an appointed rather than an elected position. Accordingly, this ordinance removes these positions from lists of officers appointed by the County Administrative Officer and adds these positions to the list of officers not appointed by the County Administrative Officer. Under the ordinance, the Monterey County Public Defender is established as an appointed position to be appointed by and serve at the will of the Board of Supervisors.

The proposed ordinance also updates a reference to the County Department of Social Services to reflect a prior change in the name of the department approved by your board on December 11, 2012.

On October 18, 2016 the Board of Supervisors introduced, waived reading and set November 1, 2016 as the date for adoption of this ordinance.

### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has approved the ordinance as to form.

### FINANCING:

There are no costs associated with the proposed ordinance.

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Attachments:

Attachment A: Draft Ordinance

Attachment B: Redline Version

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