

Board Report

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Set June 2, 2015 at 9:00 A.M. or thereafter for a public hearing to consider adoption of the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Appropriation Limits pursuant to Article XIII B of the California Constitution.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

Set June 2, 2015 at 9:00 A.M. or thereafter for a public hearing to consider adoption of the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Appropriation Limits pursuant to Article XIII B of the California Constitution.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The California Constitution requires the establishment of appropriation limits on an annual basis. The Auditor-Controller recommends that the Board of Supervisors receive the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-16 Appropriation Limits pursuant to Article XIII B of the California Constitution as submitted. The Appropriation Limits are attached to this report. Documents and calculations supporting these limitations and the estimated proceeds of taxes on which they are based were developed by the Office of the Auditor-Controller and are available at that office for public review.

The Chief Administrative Office annually provides notice, as required by Government Code Section 7910, informing the Public of the scheduled date the GANN limits will be submitted for adoption. This year the Board of Supervisors will begin meetings on June 2, 2015 for the purpose of adopting the County Budget and will adopt these appropriation limits for the year ending June 30, 2016 during this process.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Funds impacted by these limitations are the General, Library and special district funds listed.

FINANCING:

The appropriation limit for the General and Library Funds, beginning with the 1978-79 base amount increased annually by the growth ratio, is calculated to be \$585,120,260 for FY 2015-16. This represents the amount of taxes allowable, under the GANN initiative, to fund FY 2015-16 appropriations. Tax proceeds exceeding the appropriation limit would need to be refunded to taxpayers if an excess occurred for two consecutive years. Estimated tax proceeds in FY 2015-16 of \$189,101,520 is well below the limit set by the GANN initiative. The estimated tax proceeds for the special districts are also below their computed limits. The FY 1978-79 base amounts, FY 2015-16 appropriation limits and FY 2015-16 estimated tax proceeds for the General and Library Funds and special districts are shown on the attached schedule.

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Attachments:

Appropriation Limits for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year