

RESOLUTION

of the
ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
regarding
**CURRENT LITIGATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
JUVENILE JUSTICE AND PROPOSED LEGISLATION
AMENDING THE SHARED COUNTY AND STATE
RESPONSIBILITY FOR JUVENILE DETENTION**

Resolution No. 2016-M-08

WHEREAS, Orange County is presently involved in litigation with the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice regarding detention cost sharing for juvenile detention; and

WHEREAS, two bills are presently pending in the Florida Legislature (Senate Bill 1322 and House Bill 1279) each of which as currently drafted would amend section 985.686, Florida Statutes and create a 50-50 split between the State and the Counties for juvenile detention costs; and

WHEREAS, 50 percent of the cost of juvenile detention in Orange County is a significantly lower percentage than the County is routinely responsible for under the current statutory language and corresponding interpretation of such language by the Department of Juvenile Justice; and

WHEREAS, Orange County is interested in resolving its detention cost issues with the Department of Juvenile Justice and moving forward from the history of conflict and litigation that has resulted from the current statutory language.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY:

Section 1. Dismissal of pending litigation. The Board of County Commissioners of Orange County ("the Board") hereby determines that it is in the best interest of Orange County to dismiss pending litigation with the Department of Juvenile Justice regarding detention cost sharing if the 50-50 split is signed into law and funds for such are appropriated for the Department of Juvenile Justice's budget.

Section 2. Effective date. This Resolution shall take effect upon the date of its adoption.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF FEB 09 2016, 2016.

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: Board of County Commissioners

By: *Teresa Jacobs*
Teresa Jacobs
Orange County Mayor

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie, County Comptroller
As Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

By: *Craig A. Stopyska*
for Deputy Clerk

