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**MEMORANDUM**

August 24, 2010

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners  
**FROM:** Kayla Olsen, Director   
Office of Management and Budget

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement Re: Proposed Ordinance Amending the Code of Ethics, Section 1-19 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances

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**Summary**


The proposed ordinance amends the Code of Ethics to provide an exception to the gifts restriction and prohibition, allowing County Commissioners to accept accommodations to attend official events and functions that are provided for, or otherwise arranged by, state, regional, national, and international organizations, including the National Association of Counties (NACo) and the Florida Association of Counties (FAC), which promote the exchange of information or the professional development of elected public officials, thereby saving Broward County the cost or potential cost of such attendance.

**Fiscal Impact**

Based on the current Code of Ethics, Broward County Commissioners cannot accept accommodations to attend organization meetings and therefore the expense would be borne by the County if Commissioners attend such meetings. This ordinance amendment affords them the opportunity to attend these meetings at no cost or a lower cost thus saving the County an indeterminate amount of money.

KO:

Broward County Board of County Commissioners

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