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MEMORANDUM

April 17, 2014

TO:

Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Kayla Olsen, Director

Office of Management and Budget

SUBJECT:

Fiscal Impact Statement Re: Proposed Ordinance Amending Chapter 4 of the Broward County Code of

Ordinances, Relating to Pet Retention and Redemption Programs

Summary

The proposed ordinance allows for civil penalty and fee payment options for pet owners. Violation warning notices may be issued by an officer before a citation, in order to establish a thirty (30) day time period in which the violation can be corrected without incurring a fee. In addition, the Division may set up a payment plan for individuals who are unable to pay the entire amount of the fees and/or civil penalties due. Finally, the Division may waive or reduce applicable fees for individuals who meet federal low income guidelines.

Fiscal Impact

Due to the recent focus by the Division on quickly reuniting pet owners with their pets in hopes of establishing positive outcomes, similar practices were recently put into place and the proposed ordinance is not expected to have any additional fiscal impact.

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