

Item # 49

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL

Regular Meeting

MARCH 28, 2019

SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

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MEMORANDUM

March 26, 2019

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Norman Foster, Director *N.F.*
Office of Management and Budget

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement Re: Proposed Ordinance Amending Chapter I of the Broward County Code of Ordinances Relating to Claims Against or on Behalf of Broward County

Summary

The proposal amends section 1-51.3 of Chapter 1, Article IV of the Broward County Code of Ordinances, which relates to claims against or on behalf of the County. Under the current ordinance, the County Administrator is authorized to: (a) settle, adjust, or otherwise compromise claims exceeding no more than \$15,000; and (b) to settle, adjust, or otherwise compromise a county claim for subrogation or relating to personal injury or property damage on a presuit basis for the full claim amount if the claim amount does not exceed \$100,000. The proposed amendment would authorize the County Administrator to reject settlement proposals of less than \$200,000. The County Administrator would also be authorized to reject settlements of more than \$200,000 if the terms of the settlement preclude timely consideration by the Board. In order to exercise this proposed authority, the County Administrator would be required to consult with the County Attorney and determine that acceptance of the settlement would not be in the best interest of the county.

Fiscal Impact

The proposal would authorize the County Administrator to reject settlement proposals after consulting with the County Attorney and determining that acceptance of the settlement would not be in the best interest of the county. Granting the County Administrator this additional authority should have no fiscal impact.

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