Resolution No. 65 - 01/16

Urging the State Legislature to Include Fourth Time OWI Offenders in 2009 Wisconsin Act 100 Funding

Moved/Sponsored by: Executive Committee

WHEREAS, 2009 Wisconsin Act 100 ("Act 100") currently provides probation, assessment, and treatment options for persons convicted of second or third OWI offenses; and,

WHEREAS, Walworth County does not utilize Act 100 funding for those convicted of a second OWI offense because of the lack of incentive for the individual to participate in the program and the fact that, in many cases, the high level of supervision required by the program would be inappropriate for a low-risk offender; and,

WHEREAS, Walworth County OWI Treatment Court currently provides treatment services to those convicted of third and fourth OWI offenses; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide Act 100 funding for the inclusion of fourth OWI offenses because statistically, in Walworth County, fourth time OWI offenders are higher risk of reoffending, have increased co-occurring disorders, and are diagnosed as alcohol dependent at a higher rate than those convicted of second OWI offenses; and,

WHEREAS, if the current Act 100 funding is not being fully utilized, then funds would be available to provide services to those convicted of fourth OWI offenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Walworth County Board of Supervisors hereby urges the state legislature to include fourth time OWI offenders in 2009 Wisconsin Act 100 funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Governor, assembly members and senators representing Walworth County, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Nancy Russell
County Board Chair

Kimberly S. Bushey
County Clerk

This Resolution/Ordinance was:
Adopted: Roll Call/U.C. Voice
Rejected/Referred/Laid Over
Ayes: Noes: Absent:

Date: January 12, 2016

Action Required: Majority Vote X Two-thirds Vote ___

Policy and Fiscal Note is attached.
Reviewed and approved pursuant to Section 2-91 of the Walworth County Code of Ordinances:

David A. Bretl
County Administrator/Corporation Counsel

Nicole Andersen
Deputy County Administrator - Finance

If unsigned, exceptions shall be so noted by the County Administrator.
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I. Title: Urging the State Legislature to Include Fourth Time OWI Offenders in 2009 Wisconsin Act 100 Funding

II. Purpose and Policy Impact Statement: The purpose of this resolution is to urge the state legislature to include fourth time offenders in Act 100 funding.

III. Budget and Fiscal Impact: This is an advisory resolution and it will have no fiscal impact on the current budget.

IV. Referred to the following standing committees for consideration and date of referral:

Committee: Executive Committee  
Meeting Date: December 14, 2015

Vote: 5 - 0

County Board Meeting Date: January 12, 2016

Policy and fiscal note has been reviewed and approved as an accurate statement of the probable policy and fiscal impacts associated with passage of the attached resolution.

David A. Bretl  
County Administrator/Corporation Counsel  
Date: 11/28/15

Nicole Andersen  
Deputy County Administrator – Finance  
Date: 12/28/15

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