

**INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION  
COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**

DATE: March 22, 2013

TO: Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Medical Examiner's Office Policies

We request that this matter be referred to the Committee on Judiciary, Safety and General Services for approval of the attached resolution and ordinance creation.

In October of 2012 (File No. 12-860), the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution authorizing and directing the Medical Examiner, together with Corporation Counsel, to develop and implement a detailed policy outlining the process of investigating all cases of death in law enforcement custody. The resolution also requested a report recommending how such policy changes could be codified into the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances in a manner which would not conflict with the duties enumerated to the Medical Examiner in Wisconsin state statutes.

At the March 11, 2013 meeting of the Committee on Judiciary, Safety and General Services (hereafter, "the Committee"), the Medical Examiner and Corporation Counsel presented an informational report (File No. 13-192), in response to the directive set forth in File No. 12-860, which contained recommended language which could be codified into the ordinances. The Committee referred the report back to Corporation Counsel with a request that Corporation Counsel return to the Board with an ordinance amendment for adoption in the April 2013 County Board Meeting Cycle. The attached resolution and ordinance amendment contains the language suggested in the report.

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