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(ITEM) From the County Board’s Legislative Liaison, Office of Government Affairs, requesting authorization of the proposed 2015-2016 Milwaukee County State Policy Priorities, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the County Board’s Legislative Liaison, Office of Government Affairs, has met with policymakers, departmental staff, and stakeholder groups to develop recommended State Policy Priorities that will provide policy direction for Milwaukee County’s lobbying efforts during the 2015-2016 legislative session; and

WHEREAS, many of the recommended policy directives are long-standing positions of Milwaukee County that are intended to ensure that the County can provide high-quality programs and services to its residents; and

WHEREAS, it is critical that Milwaukee County communicate its key State Policy Priorities in areas such as health and human needs, juvenile justice, and the courts; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the proposed State Policy Priorities, hereto attached to this file; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board’s Legislative Liaison, Office of Government Affairs, is authorized and directed to communicate Milwaukee County’s State Policy Priorities to State policymakers, agency staff, and others to help effectuate these policy directives.