

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(13)

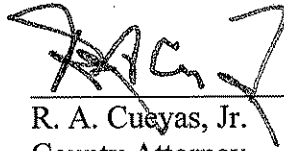
TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: December 6, 2011

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT Resolution urging the Florida
Legislation to pass legislation
requiring that an unemployed
person complete an application
with the local workforce agency
before receiving unemployment
compensation

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan.



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Please note any items checked.

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- No committee review
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor

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Veto _____

12-6-11

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO
PASS LEGISLATION REQUIRING THAT AN UNEMPLOYED
PERSON COMPLETE AN APPLICATION WITH THE LOCAL
WORKFORCE AGENCY BEFORE RECEIVING
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

WHEREAS, the September, 2011 unemployment rate for Miami-Dade County was 11.5 percent, with approximately 150,000 residents out of work; and

WHEREAS, South Florida Workforce is a local workforce agency and a public-private partnership that establishes state and federally funded workforce development and training policies for Miami-Dade and Monroe counties; and

WHEREAS, local workforce agencies such as South Florida Workforce provide services and resources to anyone at no cost through a network of career centers located throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, current state law does not require an unemployed person to complete an application with the local workforce agency prior to receiving unemployment compensation from the state; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that legislation will be filed for the Florida Legislature's 2012 session that would require an unemployed person to complete an application with the local workforce agency prior to receiving unemployment compensation from the state; and

WHEREAS, local workforce agencies such as South Florida Workforce can provide assistance to people who are out of work, but are unable to assist unemployed people who have not applied for employment with them; and

WHEREAS, if more unemployed people are in the local workforce agencies' systems then more people can be assisted to find new jobs; and

WHEREAS, this Board supports legislation that would require an unemployed person to complete an application with the local workforce agency prior to receiving unemployment compensation from the state,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

Section 1. Urges the Florida Legislature to pass legislation requiring an unemployed person to have a completed application with the local workforce agency before receiving full unemployment compensation.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit certified copies of the resolution to the Governor, the Senate President, the House Speaker, and the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the issue identified in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2012 State legislation package to include this item and include this item in the 2013 state legislative package.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan. It was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman

Bruno A. Barreiro	Lynda Bell
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto
Xavier L. Suarez	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of December, 2011. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Jess M. McCarty

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