

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(5)

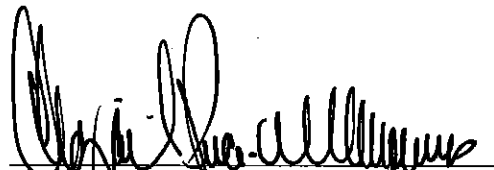
TO: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: November 15, 2016

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging the Florida
Legislature to enact legislation
that would require Qualified
Target Industry businesses to
fill not less than 20 percent of
the jobs created with residents
of the County where the business
is located

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz.


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County Attorney

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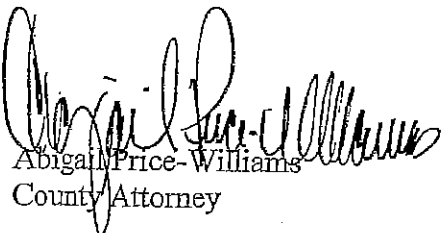


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Please note any items checked.

- "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
- Statement of social equity required
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor'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 _____

11-15-16

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION THAT WOULD REQUIRE QUALIFIED TARGET INDUSTRY BUSINESSES TO FILL NOT LESS THAN 20 PERCENT OF THE JOBS CREATED WITH RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY WHERE THE BUSINESS IS LOCATED

WHEREAS, the Board finds that attracting, retaining and providing favorable conditions for the growth of target industries provides high quality employment opportunities for residents of this county and enhances the county's economic foundations; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has pronounced similar objectives with respect to attracting and retaining certain target industries, and has codified in section 288.106(1), Florida Statutes, the policy of this state to encourage the growth of a high-value-added employment and economic base by providing tax refunds to qualified target industry businesses that create new high-wage employment opportunities by expanding existing businesses within this state or by bringing new businesses to this state; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature in support of the policy set forth in section 288.106(l), Florida Statutes, has enacted legislation creating the Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund Program ("QTI Program"), which permits tax refunds to qualified target industry businesses in accordance with section 228.106; and

WHEREAS, the refunds permitted under the QTI Program include the following taxes due and paid by the qualified target industry business: corporate income taxes under chapter 220, Florida Statutes, intangible personal property taxes under chapter 199, Florida Statutes, excise taxes under chapter 221, Florida Statutes, excise taxes on documents under chapter 201, Florida Statutes and ad valorem taxes paid, as defined in section 220.03(1), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the state requires an applicant requesting certification as a qualified target industry business to include with its application, among other things, a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the county in which the project will be located that recommends that the target industry business be approved as a qualified target industry business and that the commitments of local financial support necessary for the target industry business exist; and

WHEREAS, the state also requires funding from local sources, public or private, ("Local Financial Support") to be paid to the Economic Development Trust Fund equal to 20 percent of the annual tax refund for a qualified target industry business; and

WHEREAS, in each application of a business seeking to be certified as a qualified target industry business, this Board has provided the Local Financial Support from Miami-Dade County general fund revenue; and

WHEREAS, although Miami-Dade County has provided the Local Financial Support, there has been no guarantee or requirement that the businesses would hire or employ any residents of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Miami-Dade County and its residents to ensure that residents of Miami-Dade County have the opportunity to be employed in the high wage jobs created by qualified target industry businesses, especially when Miami-Dade County funds are financing 20 percent of the tax refunds to those businesses through the Local Financial Support,

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 enact legislation that, to the extent permissible by law, would require Qualified Target Industry businesses to fill not less than 20 percent of the jobs created with residents of the County in which the business will be located.

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

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the passage of the legislation set forth in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2017 Legislative Package when it is presented to the Board.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz. 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:

Jean Monestime, Chairman	
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dennis C. Moss	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	Xavier L. Suarez
Juan C. Zapata	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 15th day of November, 2016. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the 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.



Shannon D. Summerset-Williams