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TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Recommendations of the Juvenile Justice Standing Committee and the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Regarding Proposition 47: **Requesting Approval**

Summary

This agenda item presents the recommendations the Juvenile Justice Standing Committee (JJSC) and the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (SACJJDP) have made regarding the grant program(s) to be funded with Proposition 47 (Prop 47) dollars. With respect to the BSCC's Prop 47 grant-making responsibilities, the two juvenile committees are recommending that the Board:

- Include representation of juvenile justice stakeholders in the process of analysis of Prop 47
- Include juvenile justice representation on the Executive Steering Committee
- Consider juvenile justice programs and clients eligible for Prop 47 grant funds

Background

Prop 47 (also known as the Reduced Penalties for Some Crimes Initiative and the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act) was a referendum passed by California voters on November 4, 2014. It reduced the classification of many non-serious and non-violent property and drug crimes from felonies to misdemeanors. Exceptions include when the defendant has prior convictions for murder, rape, certain sex offenses or certain gun crimes. Prop 47 also created the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund, which will receive appropriations based on savings accrued by the state due to the initiative's implementation. Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Funds will be allocated as follows: 10 percent to the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board, 25 percent to the Department of Education and 65 percent to the BSCC.

The juvenile committees have taken a keen interest in Prop 47 since its passage. At the December 2014 JJSC meeting and the January 2015 SACJJDP meeting, the committees both recommended that the BSCC include "...an analysis of the juvenile justice impact of Proposition 47 and have adequate representation of juvenile justice stakeholders in the process of analysis". In their most recent meetings the JJSC (May 19, 2015) and SACJJDP (May 20, 2015) revised the earlier recommendation and are now asking that it be placed on the June 10, 2015 Board meeting agenda as an action item for adoption. The revised motion reads as follows:

The juvenile committees recommend that the Board, in its analysis of Proposition 47, include an analysis of the BSCC juvenile justice impact of Proposition 47 and have adequate representation of juvenile justice stakeholders in the process of analysis. Furthermore, the committees recommend that there be adequate juvenile justice representation on the Executive Steering Committee that will be convened to allocate the BSCC share of the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund and that juvenile justice programs and clients be considered eligible for Proposition 47 funds allocated by BSCC for grant programs for mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment and diversion programs for people in the criminal justice system.

Recommendation/Action Needed

Staff recommends that the BSCC consider these recommendations when it begins its work on Prop 47 Executive Steering committee formation and grant development following the conclusion of the 2015 legislative session.