



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 5a.

DATE OF MEETING: November 21, 2011

REQUESTED BY: Dr. Reta M. Shiver, Director, Department of Social Services

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Approving Budget Ordinance Amendment to establish an expenditure and revenue line on the county general ledger for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP): \$69,983.00

BACKGROUND: Rules governing Low Income Energy Assistance (LIEAP) payments have been revised via legislative action during the 2011 legislative session. Energy payments will be made directly to vendors on behalf of clients. The one-time payment which eligible clients are entitled will be paid in the amount specified for a given heating source. Payments of \$200 will be made for clients whose heating source is coal, electricity, natural gas or wood. Payments of \$400 will be made for clients whose heating source is fuel oil, kerosene or LP gas. The funds are 100% Federal. Payments are to benefit applicants who are 60 years and older, and disabled individuals. Only vendors will be paid as **no** checks will be mailed directly to client as has been done in previous years. Checks will be mailed to vendors and reimbursement will be claimed on Part II of the DSS 1571. Applications will be taken beginning December 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012. If any funds are available after the elderly have been served during the two-month window, other individuals may apply from February 1 through March 31, 2012.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: To consider a resolution to approve a budget amendment for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program \$69,983.00.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

RB

Initial

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that:

the FY 2011-2012 Annual Budget Ordinance is amended to increase revenue/expenditures for the following programs as follows:

Increase Revenues

LIEAP \$69,983.00

Increase Expenditures

LIEAP \$69,983.00

The Chairman/County Manager is authorized to execute any/all documents necessary to implement this resolution.

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS _____

YEA VOTES: Brown _____ Tate _____ Rivenbark _____ Ward _____ Williams _____

George R. Brown, Chairman 11/21/2011
Date

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