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May 15, 2001

Agenda: June 5, 2001

Board of Supervisors County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, California 95060

REPORT ON STATUS OF STATE CORRECTIONAL SCHOOLS BUDGET

Dear Board Members:

On March 6,200 1, the Probation Department provided your Board with a status report on the Care of Court Wards and State Correctional Schools budgets, showing an anticipated savings of \$88,000 in the Care of Court Wards budget, offset by an anticipated overrun in the State Correctional Schools budget of \$90,000. Based on that report, your Board approved a transfer of salary savings in the amount of \$90,000 from the Probation Index to cover the budget shortfall.

The California Youth Authority (CYA) has just completed evaluating four wards not previously classified for billing purposes, placing them into appropriate risk categories and adjusting invoices accordingly. Due to these reclassifications, it is now anticipated that the State Correctional Schools budget will need an additional \$35,000 in appropriations to complete the current fiscal year. The total projected cost for the State Correctional Schools budget for FY 2000-01 is now estimated at approximately \$249,000.

The Care of Court Wards budget remains relatively stable, with total placement costs for the current fiscal year now estimated at \$153,000, leaving \$79,000 in budgetary savings.

It is now necessary to transfer available appropriations in the amount of \$35,000 **from** the Care of Court Wards Index to the State Correctional Schools Index in order to process payments to the CYA for the 4th quarter of the fiscal year.

As discussed in this and in previous reports, significant effort continues to be made to address both the short and long term costs associated with the court ordered placement of juveniles. All parties involved in the placement process recognize the fiscal constraints that are placed on the County's general fund by the expenditures in these programs and will continue to closely monitor expenditures in these programs.

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IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED that your Board approve the attached AUD 74 Transfer Request, authorizing the transfer of \$35,000 from the Care of Court Wards Budget to the State Correctional Schools Budget to finance the increased cost for juvenile commitments to the California Youth Authority through June 30, 2001.

Sincerely,

JOHN P. RHOADS Chief Probation Officer

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RECOMMENDED:

SUSAN A, MAURIELLO County Administrative Officer

County Administrative Office cc: Auditor-Controller

Probation Department

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OR REVISION
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