



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: May 14, 2024

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AGENDA CONTENT: Discussion and possible action to approve an Interlocal Cooperation Contract with the Texas Department of Public Safety for the Failure to Appear Program.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Consent Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: N/A

FUNDS REQUESTED: N/A

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Due to changes occurring in the 88th Legislative Session, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) revised the Failure to Appear (FTA) contract (ICC). A newly signed contract is needed to continue to participate in the FTA program. It is imperative that all participants in the FTA program adhere to these updated terms to ensure the program's continued effectiveness and compliance with relevant legislation.

The following changes have been made to the contract (ICC):

- Changes to language and restructuring of the original ICC to provide clarity regarding the specific responsibilities held by each party.
- Inclusion of indigency into the program as mandated by House Bill 291, 88th Legislative Session.
- Language to account for future changes to the current statute, either federal or state, ensuring that the ICC remains in compliance with the latest legal requirements until a revised ICC is available.

The FTA contract with DPS is needed to continue to place holds on defendants driver's licenses who fail to appear in court.

This has been reviewed and approved by legal.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the ICC FTA