COUNTY DEPARTMENT AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Finance	Presenter(s):	Mary S. Holland
Meeting Date:	Thursday, February 25, 2010	Type of Request:	Old Business

Wording for the Agenda:

Consideration of staff's recommended policy and procedures document titled "Eligibility Verification of Non-Citizen Applicants for Benefits," in compliance with the "Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act" as amended.

Background/History/Details:

The "Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act," passed in 2006 and updated in 2009, requires all local governments to (1) verify the eligibility of newly hired employees to work in the United States, and (2) verify the eligibility of non-citizens to receive public benefits. The Act requires that local governments use programs administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to accomplish the verifications.

At the September 5, 2007 workshop, the Board adopted Resolution 2007-22, which authorized the county to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Homeland Security. The county policy and procedures being proposed will provide guidance to county departments regarding the steps to take in compliance with the state law and the federal Memorandum of Understanding.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Consideration of approval of the proposed policy and procedures.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

Has this issue come before the Commissioners in the past?	Yes	If so, when?	Wednesday, September 5, 2007
Do you need audio-visual for the presentation?	No	Back-up Material Submitted?	Yes

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Approved by Finance	Yes	Reviewed by Legal	Yes
Approved by Purchasing	Yes	Approved by County Clerk	Yes
Administrator's Approval	Yes		

Staff Notes: