

Dennis Butler

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Supervisors,

I believe PJ has notified you that I've been reassigned to the criminal docket in our office until some more prosecutors can be hired to fill the numerous open positions in our office. I believe the plan is to refer civil matters to outside counsel for the indeterminate future.

Given my sudden move to full-time on the prosecution side I was not able to fully research the question of the permissibility of a loan to the City of Movable for the inspector position.

In the research that I was able to do, I did not find any statutes that would authorize it and I tend to think that it probably is not permissible (esp. since part of the funds would be used for salary and the duties of the position would be wholly within cities and partially out of county).

However, perhaps there is a way that I was not able to identify in my limited research.

I encouraged Dennis to reach out to his contacts in the State Auditor's office and Department of Revenue to see if they had any thoughts.

It seems to me that the concerns identified by the Mayor of Movable concerning the funding of the position raised by the State Auditor could be alleviated if all the cities sign the 28E agreement prior to the request for, and expenditure of, funds.

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