LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 7, FILE # 050057

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File # 050057 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Hepatitis B Immunization Grant.

Background

- 1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Hepatitis B Immunization Grant project from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services.
- 2. This is a continuing grant.

Discussion

- 1. The purpose of this program is to assure that pregnant women who test positive for Hepatitis B are identified, assure that their infants and household contacts receive appropriate treatment and to facilitate the initiation and completion of the Hepatitis B vaccine series for at-risk groups.
- 2. This program supports the health department's objective to reduce the instances of communicable diseases, especially improving the health of women and children.
- 3. The health interpreter aide assigned to, and funded through, this project is Hmong speaking. The aide is based at the Southside Health Center but works at all three city health centers.
- 4. In 2004, the health interpreter aide engaged in family contacts, including home visits (517) and telephone conversations (735), and other types of visits/contacts, including accompanying families to physician offices (31) as an interpreter/advocate. The health interpreter aide's further activity included 38 hospital and 329 clinic visits.
- 5. This grant encompasses the period of January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005.

Fiscal Impact

- 1. The total of this grant is \$26,500, entirely from the grantor. No city matching funds are required.
- 2. This grant funds a portion of the following **existing** position's salary and fringe benefits:
 - 1 Health Interpreter Aide, SG 300

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