

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

JANUARY 31, 2001 AGENDA
FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

ITEM 8, FILE 001387
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The above file authorizes the Police Department to accept and expend funds forfeited through the Milwaukee Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Group (MMDEG) to the City of Milwaukee Police Department.

Background

1. The MMDEG Task Force conducts drug-related investigations and at time receives asset forfeiture funds. Asset Forfeiture Funds received by the Task Force are redistributed to participating agencies.
2. All funds from this account must be spent on activities that support law enforcement objectives.
3. In 2000, the Milwaukee Police Department spent \$6,123 of MMDEG forfeiture funds on computer equipment for the Investigation Bureau. However, the Police Department did not provide information on the total amount received last year from this fund.

Discussion

1. This file seeks to create a new account for this fund. The previous contribution account for this fund has lapsed. This file deals with setting up a contribution account to enable the Milwaukee Police Department to receive its share of assets seized by the MMDEG Task Force.
2. If this file is approved, the Police Department will be able to expend contributions made to this account without the Common Council's review.

Fiscal Impact

None