



AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Control: 26001614

MEETING DATE: 08/11/2026
LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION: Board of Supervisors
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT(S): All Districts
SUBMITTING AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: District Attorney
DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON(S): Matthew Pettit, (714) 347-8440
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SUBJECT: District Attorney Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Unit Annual Report FY 2025-26

CEO CONCUR

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COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW

No Legal Objection

CLERK OF THE BOARD

CONSENT CALENDAR

3 Votes Board Majority

Budgeted: N/A

Current Year Cost: N/A

Annual Cost: N/A

Staffing Impact: No

Sole Source: No

Current Fiscal Year

Funding Source: N/A

County Audit in Last 3

Revenue: N/A

years: No

Levine Act Review

Completed? N/A

Prior Board Action: 8/26/2025 #2, 9/10/2024 #S22F, 8/22/2023 #4, 8/23/2022 #3

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file the District Attorney Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Unit Annual Report for FY 2025-26 pursuant to Section 27388, subdivision (d) of the California Government Code.

SUMMARY:

Receipt and filing of the District Attorney Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Unit Annual Report covering FY 2025-26, pursuant to Section 27388, subdivision (d) of the California Government Code, will allow the continued investigation and prosecution of real estate fraud crimes in Orange County.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Pursuant to Section 27388, subdivision (d) of the California Government Code, the District Attorney is required to submit the annual report to the Board on or before September 1 of each year. By Minute Orders dated August 26, 2025, September 10, 2024, August 22, 2023, and August 23, 2022, the Board received and filed the District Attorney Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Unit Annual Reports covering FYs 2024-25, 2023-24, 2022-23, and 2021-2022, respectively. The District Attorney is now seeking the Board's receipt and filing of the Annual Report.

Listed below is a summary of Case Statistics for the last three years:

Item	FY 2025-26	FY 2024-25	FY 2023-24
Number of referrals of suspected criminal real estate fraud to District Attorney	132	109	96
Number of referrals from County Clerk-Recorder	1	0	1
Number of investigations received from law enforcement agencies	7	8	9
Number of filed criminal cases	4	9	7
Number of cases rejected	102	45	73
Cases referred to other state or federal agencies	3	0	0
Number of convictions	6	8	12

The District Attorney requests Board receipt and filing of the attached Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Unit Annual Report for FY 2025-26, in order to comply with the reporting requirements outlined in Section 27388, subdivision (d) of the California Government Code, as referenced in the Recommended Action.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFFING IMPACT:

N/A

REVIEWING AGENCIES/DEPARTMENTS:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Unit Annual Report - FY 2025-26

Attachment B - California Government Code Section 27388