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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of County Commissioners

THROUGH: John A. Titkanich, Jr., County Administrator

FROM: Susan Prado, Deputy County Attorney

DATE: February 28, 2024

SUBJECT: Code Enforcement Complaint Intake

It has been brought to our office's attention that there have been anonymous code enforcement complaints forwarded to the Commissioners seeking code enforcement action to commence.

Unfortunately, County Code Enforcement Officers cannot take code enforcement action based on an anonymous complaint due to the recent change to Florida Statute Section 162.21(3)(b), which requires the person making the complaint to give their name and address. In order to comply with this statutory requirement, any anonymous complaints received by any County office should not be initiated without the complainant's name and address. I know your natural reaction is to try to help a constituent, but we must follow the path laid out in statute.