



Legislation Text

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Resolution - A Resolution Establishing the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 State Asset Forfeiture Budget for the Mansfield Police Department for Funds Received from the Sale of Assets Seized and Cash Seized in Certain Law Enforcement Activities in which the Department has Participated Solely or Assisted State Law Enforcement Agencies and which a Budget is now Required by Chapter 59 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure to be Adopted by the Governing Body of the Police Department

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The Mansfield Police Department receives funds from the sale of assets seized and cash seized in certain law enforcement activities in which the department has assisted state law enforcement agencies. The process for liquidating and distributing seized assets is commonly called "asset forfeiture", and each asset received by the department is considered an "awarded asset". The state asset forfeiture program is authorized by Chapter 59 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure. This chapter also now requires that the annual budget be submitted to the governing body (Mayor and Council) for adoption.

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Funds received from the sale of assets seized and cash seized in certain law enforcement activities in which the police department has participated solely or assisted state law enforcement agencies. Awarded asset funds must be used solely for law enforcement purposes and may not supplant funds previously budgeted. Generally, any funds obtained are used to purchase equipment and supplies and travel/training not provided for in the general operating budget.

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