City of Joplin City Council Agenda Item

REQUESTED COUNCIL MEETING DATE: JUNE 18, 2018

ITEM: COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-450

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: HEALTH DEPARTMENT
ATTACHMENT: PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT FOR STATE INVESTMENT IN LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES; COUNCIL BILL

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INTRODUCTION:
This Council Bill authorizes the renewal of the Participation Agreement between the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) and the City of Joplin, in conjunction with a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the DHSS and the city health department outlining the process for participation in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Health Services Initiatives (H.S.I.) project. This is the first year of a three-year agreement cycle.

DISCUSSION:
The Participation Agreement has traditionally provided limited state general revenue funding to Local Public Health Agencies (LPHA) in the state to help offset costs to provide what are considered to be the most essential public health services in a community including disease investigation and prevention activities, promotion of healthy lifestyles, and response to disasters impacting community health.

The companion MOU outlines the process for participation in the CHIP H.S.I. project. The CHIP H.S.I. project is an initiative whereby LPHA's are now submitting qualifying expenditures in certain program areas to the DHSS who then submits them for federal reimbursement. Currently, in the city health department, certain child immunization program costs may be eligible for these reimbursements.

The period for the agreements is June 1, 2018 through May 31, 2021 and the total anticipated reimbursement from these agreements in the first year of the 3-year agreement is $97,865.

RECOMMENDATION:
City Staff recommends this Council Bill be approved on an emergency basis.