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**MEMORANDUM**

October 17, 2014

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**FROM:** Kayla Olsen, Director *KO*  
Office of Management and Budget

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement Re: Proposed Ordinance Pertaining to the Sale, Giving Away, Offer or Advertisement for Sale, or Public Display for Sale, of Kratom

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**Summary**

The proposed ordinance amends Section 20-13 and Chapter 8½ of the Broward County Code of Ordinances and prohibits the sale, giving away, offer or advertisement for sale, or public display for the sale of Kratom. Kratom is a tropical tree indigenous to areas of Southeast Asia that is being used as an herbal drug and has been found to be both psychotropic and addictive. As such, the proposed ordinance prohibits the distribution of Kratom in Broward County and any violation of such will have the same civil penalties as other synthetic substances commonly used as alternatives to illegal drugs.

**Fiscal Impact**

The proposed ordinance is not anticipated to have any fiscal impact.

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