

**WOODBURY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM(S) REQUEST FORM**Date: 9/22/16Weekly Agenda Date: 9/27/16**ELECTED OFFICIAL / DEPARTMENT HEAD / CITIZEN:** Supervisor Smith**WORDING FOR AGENDA ITEM:**

Iowa Policy Project data on raising the minimum wage in Woodbury County

**ACTION REQUIRED:**Approve Ordinance ☐Approve Resolution ☐Approve Motion ☒Give Direction ☐Other: Informational ☐Attachments ☒**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**full report can be seen at <https://iowapolicypoints.org/2016/09/14/is-it-time-for-woodbury-county-to-join-the-party/>

Minimum wage data:

10,000 workers in Woodbury County would be impacted by raising wage

With a working population of 51,000 in the county, that equals roughly 1 in 5 workers

80% of those benefitting from increase are above age 20 ( not teenagers sacking groceries)

1/3 of workers are full time and 26% are parents, meaning this is their primary income for raising a family

**BACKGROUND:**

Counties in Iowa studying raising the minimum wage or have already raised it are Linn, Johnson, Polk, Lee, Wapello

Counties are given home rule authority, pursuant to an amendment to the Iowa Constitution, which allows Woodbury County to raise the wage.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

**IF THERE IS A CONTRACT INVOLVED IN THE AGENDA ITEM, HAS THE CONTRACT BEEN SUBMITTED AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR AND ANSWERED WITH A REVIEW BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Consider data and proceed in the best interest of our citizens.

**ACTION REQUIRED / PROPOSED MOTION:**