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PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM RATIONALE

TO: Matthew L. Blomstedt, Ph.D.
Commissioner of Education

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PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM: Grant the Commissioner the authority to accept a sub-award from the RAND Corporation of Santa Monica, CA, in the amount of \$2,479,897.00 and its terms and conditions.

RATIONALE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Under the agreement of the sub-award, the NDE will participate in the research project: *Taking Effective School Violence Prevention to Scale*.

The Nebraska Department of Education will:

- Serve as a fiscal agent for schools, teachers, and coaches participating in the study
- Hire contract coaches to support implementation
- Hire a contract coordinator and administrative assistant to monitor and support implementation of the Good Behavior Game
- Monitor the work of the coordinator and administrative assistant
- Coordinate logistics for trainings of the Good Behavior Game
- Support acquisition and transfer of data for high quality implementation of the Good Behavior Game
- Support acquisition and transfer of administrative data for research
- Lead school recruitment
- Ensure compliance with the regulations of the National Institute of Justice grants

ESTIMATED COST: n/a

FOR CONTRACTS AND GRANTS INDICATE THE FUNDING SOURCE (e.g., state general funds, federal Perkins career and technical education funds; federal Title I funds):

The Federal Awarding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice/Office of Justice Programs/National Institute of Justice