

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: 2019-396

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: May 28, 2019

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F, R

Date of Analysis: May 30, 2019

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: This bill is an appropriation of \$30,000 from the Court Costs \$65 Fee F.S. 939.185 Subfund 1S1 Fund balance to Court Costs \$65 Fee F.S. 939.185 Subfund 1S1 - Judicial Support – Professional Services Account to provide funding to assist the courts in disposing of Post-Conviction Relief.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to provide funding to assist the courts in disposing of Post-Conviction Relief – Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure 3.850 cases as mandated by the District Court of Appeal. The appropriated funds will be used to hire contract attorneys to support the courts' judicial staff attorneys in expediting Post-Conviction relief for defendants seeking to vacate or set aside a sentence.

Policy Impact Area: Post Conviction Relief

Fiscal Impact: Appropriation of \$30,000 as initiated by BT 19-091. No match from the City is required.

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