

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION**  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2019-565

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

**Date of Introduction:** August 13, 2019

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 15, 2019

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; authorization to execute subcontract agreement; designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates \$490,655.69 in grant funds from U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance via the State Attorney's Office under the 2018 National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) to the Sheriff's Office to provide salaries and benefits for 2 full-time cold case detectives in FY19-20 and 1 full-time cold case detective in FY20-21. No local match is required. The bill authorizes a subcontract between the State Attorney's Office and JSO for performance of investigative services. It designates the JSO's Department of Investigations & Homeland Security as the oversight agency for the contract.

**Background Information:** The SAKI initiative is part of a national effort to reduce the number of unsubmitted sexual assault kits held in evidence, to support the investigation and prosecution of cases to which these kits relate, and to examine the policies that created the backlogged inventory of unsubmitted kits. There will be no ongoing maintenance costs or other staffing obligations.

**Policy Impact Area:** Sexual assault case response

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill appropriates \$490,655.69 in federal grant funds (via the State Attorney's Office) with no local match required.

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