

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2025-469

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Johnson

**Date of Introduction:** June 24, 2025

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

**Date of Analysis:** June 20, 2025

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; waiver of Ordinance Code

**Bill Summary:** This bill appropriates \$10,000 from the Special Council Contingency Account to the Subsidies and Contributions to Private Organization Account to Provide Funding to Jacksonville Public Education Fund, Inc. (JPEF) for the Franklin L. Smith Educator Leadership Initiatives Program. It provides for carryover to FY- 25-26 and waives Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Ch. 118 (City Grants), to allow for a direct contract with JPEF. This bill also provides oversight by the Grants and Contract Compliance Division of the Finance Department.

**Background Information:** This legislation appropriates \$10,000 from the Special Council Contingency account to provide a grant to Jacksonville Public Education Fund, Inc. (JPEF) for the Franklin L. Smith Educator Leadership Initiatives Program. This Program supports Duval County public education by strengthening the capacity of teachers and school administrators through three primary initiatives: the Teacher Leadership Initiative, the Delores Barr Weaver Peer Coaching Program, and the School Leadership Initiative. These initiatives offer coaching, workshops, and training in healing-centered leadership practices. The City's funds will help cover a portion of the salary of JPEF's Vice President responsible for overseeing the Program. The ordinance includes a waiver of Section 118.107 to allow for direct contracting due to JPEF's unique qualifications.

**Policy Impact Area:** Educational leadership

**Fiscal Impact:** This bill appropriates \$10,000 from the Special Council Contingency Account.

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