

LEGISLATIVE FACT SHEET

DATE: 03/11/22 BT or RC No: _____
 (Administration & City Council Bills)

SPONSOR: School Board of Duval County, Florida
 (Department/Division/Agency/Council Member)

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PURPOSE: White Paper (Explain Why this legislation is necessary? Provide; Who, What, When, Where, How and the Impact.) Council Research will complete this form for Council introduced legislation and the Administration is responsible for all other legislation.

(Minimum of 350 words - Maximum of 1 page.)

The School Board of Duval County, Florida (the "Board") is charged with operating public schools within the county and has as its primary goal the continued improvement of the education provided to its students. Unfortunately, the funds available to the Board through traditional means, such as the state funding formula and the required local millage option, do not give the Board the resources to continue improving and providing the excellence in education that its students deserve. Since 2008, the Florida Legislature has mandated a steady decline in the Required Local Effort millage rate from 5.11 to 3.56, so a 1 mill increase in the rate if approved by voters will still be significantly less than the 2008 level, which funds operational expenses and helps keep up with growth for all Duval County schools.

The national teacher shortage and an alarming increase in the number of resignations and retirements have created a large vacancy rate in Duval County public schools, and national exit interviews indicate that low pay is one of the primary reasons for departures from the classroom. The Board has concluded that a significant increase in teacher compensation, particularly for experienced teachers, is crucial to recruiting and sustaining a highly qualified faculty work force. The Board further faces a shortage of various support services positions, primarily due to pay significantly lower than the private sector for similar services. The Board will not use the revenues to increase compensation for its members, the Superintendent, or executive-level (senior Cabinet) positions in the District office.

To address the problem, the Board seeks one additional mill for operational purposes. The Board intends that the revenues generated by the additional mill for operational purposes shall be used to retain and recruit instructional personnel including teachers, support staff, safety personnel, administrators and school counselors, and to make its compensation competitive with surrounding counties and other large Florida school districts.

Moreover, the Board intends to use some of the revenue generated by the additional tax to enhance art, music and athletic programs. Although dedicated revenue sources exist for many other programmatic needs, such as student mental health, school safety and transportation, there is no specific funding source for arts and athletics. On this point, one-time federal American Recovery Act funds supporting the arts are inadequate to meet the needs of all schools.

Finally, funds raised by the additional 1 mill will be proportionately shared with public charter schools based upon student enrollment, as prescribed by the Florida Legislature.

APPROPRIATION: Total Amount Appropriated \$0.00 as follows:

List the source name and provide Object and Subobject Numbers for each category listed below:

(Name of Fund as it will appear in title of legislation)

Name of Federal Funding Source(s)	From: _____	Amount: _____
	To: _____	Amount: _____
Name of State Funding Source(s):	From: _____	Amount: _____
	To: _____	Amount: _____
Name of City of Jacksonville Fundin	From: _____	Amount: _____
	To: _____	Amount: _____
Name of In-Kind Contribution(s):	From: _____	Amount: _____
	To: _____	Amount: _____

Name & Number of Bond Account(s):	From: _____	Amount: _____
	To: _____	Amount: _____

PLAIN LANGUAGE OF APPROPRIATION / FINANCIAL IMPACT / OTHER:

Explain: Where are the funds coming from, going to, how will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame? Will there be an ongoing maintenance? ... and staffing obligation? Per Chapters 122 & 106 regarding funding of anticipated post-construction operation costs.

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ACTION ITEMS: Purpose / Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification, and code provisions for each.

ACTION ITEMS:	Yes	No	
Emergency?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Justification of Emergency: If yes, explanation must include detailed nature of emergency. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Federal or State Mandate?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Explanation: If yes, explanation must include detailed nature of mandate including Statute or Provision. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Fiscal Year Carryover?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Note: If yes, note must include explanation of all-year subfund carryover language. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
CIP Amendment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate CIP form(s). Include justification for mid-year amendment.
Contract / Agreement Approval?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Attachment & Explanation: If yes, attach the Contract / Agreement and name of Department (and contact name) that will provide oversight. Indicate if negotiations are on-going and with whom. Has OGC reviewed / drafted? <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Related RC/BT?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate RC/BT form(s).
Waiver of Code?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Code Reference: If yes, identify code section(s) in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Code Exception?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Code Reference: If yes, identify code in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Related Enacted Ordinances?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Code Reference: If yes, identify related code section(s) and ordinance reference number in the box below and provide detailed explanation and any changes necessary within white paper. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED: Purpose / Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification, and code provisions for each.

ACTION ITEMS:	Yes	No	
Continuation of Grant?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Explanation: How will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame and/or multi-year? If multi-year, note year of grant? Are there long-term implications for the General Fund? <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>

Surplus Property Certification?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reporting Requirements?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate form(s).

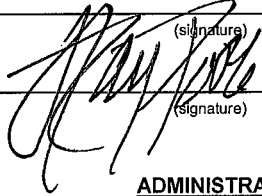
Explanation: List agencies (including City Council / Auditor) to receive reports and frequency of reports, including when reports are due. Provide Department (include contact name and telephone number) responsible for generating

Division Chief: _____

Date: _____

Prepared By: _____

Date: 3/11/22

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Legislation from Independent Agencies requires a resolution from the Independent Agency Board approving the legislation.

Independent Agency Action Item: Yes No
Boards Action / Resolution?

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate documentation. If no, when is board action scheduled?

FACT SHEET IS REQUIRED BEFORE LEGISLATION IS INTRODUCED