

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2019-731

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Salem and Co-sponsor Council Member Hazouri

**Date of Introduction:** October 8, 2019

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

**Date of Analysis:** October 8, 2019

**Type of Action:** Appropriation

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates \$390,673.00 from Special Council Contingency to Northeast Florida Regional Council (NEFRC) for membership dues and requests a one cycle emergency passage.

**Background Information:** NEFRC, a state-mandated council, provides various statutory functions and programs regarding emergency and disaster planning, economic development, visioning, and strategic planning development. NEFRC was established in 1977 by an interlocal agreement that oversees Regional District 4, which consists of Baker, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Putnam, Nassau, and St. Johns Counties, and their 26 municipalities. NEFRC promotes the coordination and collaborative efforts of federal, state, and local governments for a transparent regional perspective to communicate issues, convene stakeholders, collaborate with others, calculate and analyze, and construct solutions.

Membership fees with NEFRC are based on the county's population, according to the Bureau of Economic Business Research (BEBR). The rate is \$.41 per capita. The fees are used to fund NEFRC's annual operating budget. The FY 19/20 began October 1, 2019, which requires an emergency passage.

**Policy Impact Area:** Northeast Florida Regional Council

**Fiscal Impact:** The appropriation of \$390,673.00 from the Special Council Contingency Fund to pay membership dues.

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