

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2025-330

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

Date of Introduction: May 13, 2025

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

Date of Analysis: May 13, 2025

Type of Action: Appropriation; waiver of ordinance code

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$450,000 from the Environmental Protection Trust Fund balance to support expanded air monitoring activities in disadvantaged communities, with a focus on Health Zone 1. The funding will enhance monitoring of air quality and support the City's environmental protection efforts. The ordinance waives Sections 111.755 and 360.602, Ordinance Code, to authorize the use of EPF funds for these activities. The bill provides for carryover of funds into fiscal year 2028-2029 and designates oversight by the Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board.

Background Information: The Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board (JEPB) approved funding at its November 18, 2024, meeting to support expanded air quality monitoring efforts in disadvantaged communities, particularly in Health Zone 1. The funding will be used to improve the City's ability to collect and analyze air quality data in areas historically impacted by environmental health disparities. The ordinance appropriates \$450,000 from the Environmental Protection Fund and waives Sections 111.755 and 360.602 of the Ordinance Code to allow the funds to be used for operational support. The funds will carry over through FY 2028-2029, and the project will be overseen by the Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board.

Policy Impact Area: Public health

Fiscal Impact: This bill appropriates \$450,000 from the Environmental Protection Trust Fund.

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