

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2022-563

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

**Date of Introduction:** July 26, 2022

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

**Date of Analysis:** July 26, 2022

**Type of Action:** Appropriation, agreement authorization and designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill appropriates \$229,148.25 in grant funds from U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance via the State Attorney's Office under the 2021 National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) to the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office to pay the salary and benefits of one full-time Public Safety Analyst position who will work exclusively on the SAKI project. The bill authorizes a subcontract between the State Attorney's Office and JSO for performance of investigative services. The grant period commences on the date of execution of the subcontract with the State Attorney's Office, Fourth Judicial Circuit, and continues through September 30, 2024. JSO's Investigations and Homeland Security Division will provide contract oversight.

**Background Information:** The purpose of this legislation is to provide funds for 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. The Public Safety Analyst position paid for by this grant will perform crime analyses to identify patterns, trends and evidence for the prosecution of sexual assault cases.

**Policy Impact Area:** National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative

**Fiscal Impact:** \$229,148.25 as initiated by B.T. 22-082, no local match required

**Analyst:** Hampsey