CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2023-801

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

Date of Introduction: November 14, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: F, NCSPHS

Date of Analysis: November 16, 2023

Type of Action: Appropriation of grant funds, outlining of risk-assessment project, designation of oversight.

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$1,000,000 from the Department of Homeland Security, with no City match, to provide for the FY 23 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program to fund a risk-analysis project to assess the impacts of extreme temperatures on, among other things, infrastructure and crime. It designates the City of Jacksonville Emergency Preparedness Division as the oversight department.

Background Information: The Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program is a FEMA Preparedness Grant that supports the building of state and local capacity to manage catastrophic incidents by improving and expanding collaboration for catastrophic incident preparedness. The City submitted a proposal providing that the core component of the City's project will be a risk-analysis study to evaluate the impacts of extreme temperatures on critical infrastructure. The proposed risk-assessment project will identify failure points of hard infrastructure from extreme temperature, assess information flow between hospitals and the energy sector, examine the correlation between extreme heat and crime, and identify and evaluate potential mitigation efforts.

Policy Impact Area: Risk assessment, infrastructure, climate

Fiscal Impact: This bill appropriates \$1,000,000 from the Department of Homeland Security with no City Match.

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