

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2025-148

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Freeman

Date of Introduction: February 25, 2025

Committee(s) of Reference: R, F

Date of Analysis: February 26, 2025

Type of Action: *Ordinance Code* amendments

Bill Summary: This bill amends several Sections of Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code* related to the Jacksonville Small and Emerging Business program.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to permit nonprofit organizations to participate in the JSEB program. The bill also amends the *Ordinance Code* to:

- require the JSEB Monitoring Committee to set annual program goals;
- require twice annual presentation from Risk Management to the JSEB Monitoring Committee about insurance options;
- change the membership requirements for one Mayoral appointee to include a general contractor, replace one council appointment with a council member designated by the council president, and add hospitality associations to the trade association member category;
- add a designation of a vice chair appointed by the council president;
- specify staffing for the Monitoring Committee to be conducted by OED and OGC;
- clarify quorum to be 4 members, establish substitute membership, permit audit requests;
- require quarterly reports to be posted on the JSEB website;
- certification criteria to include financial statements and training programs;
- set term limit on program participation;
- specify criteria for small for-profit and nonprofit JSEBs;
- describes the de-certification and challenge process.

Policy Impact Area: JSEB program operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey