

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2022-96

Sponsor: Council Member Cumber

Date of Introduction: February 8, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS

Date of Analysis: February 9, 2022

Type of Action: Amendment; Requesting Emergency Passage

Bill Summary: This legislation intends to clarify the intent of the Council to prohibit simulated gambling devices in the entire City except in the cities of Atlantic Beach, Neptune Beach, Jacksonville Beach and the town of Baldwin instead of only in the First Urban Services District. This legislation amends Chapter 250 (Miscellaneous Business Regulations).

The nature of the emergency is to expedite the City's ability to pursue enforcement against public nuisance facilities currently operating in violation of the ordinance code and to clarify and fulfill the Council's original intent for City-wide enforcement, except for the cities of Atlantic Beach, Neptune Beach, Jacksonville Beach and the town of Baldwin.

Background Information: On May 28, 2019, the Council enacted 2019-209-E, which declared the use of simulated gambling devices for any commercial, promotional or pecuniary gain or purpose to be a public nuisance and prohibited their continued use in the City's First Urban Services District within six (6) months of the August 1, 2019 effective date.

Policy Impact Area: Amendment of Enforcement area

Fiscal Impact: No known fiscal impact

Analyst: Distel