

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-628

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member White

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2024

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 158 – Emergency and Nonemergency Medical Transportation Services – to permit not-for-profit medical facilities that have contracts with the City of Jacksonville to provide indigent care and provide those services in facilities owned by the City of Jacksonville to be issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity for ground transportation ambulance service regardless of the number of certificates that may already have been issued by the City.

Background Information: The Code currently provides that new ambulance ground transportation certificates may be issued when the total number of valid, outstanding certificates falls below four, not including the certificate issued to the Fire and Rescue Department. The Code states that this number is based on a current ratio of one certificate per 200,000 people or fraction thereof residing in Duval County as determined by the Director of the Fire and Rescue Department.

The amendment would permit UF Health Jacksonville, as the City’s contracted indigent care provider hospital operating in a City-owned facility, to be eligible for a certificate

Policy Impact Area: Emergency medical transportation

Fiscal Impact: None to City

Analyst: Clements