

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2019-393

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Crescimbeni

Date of Introduction: May 28, 2019

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: May 30, 2019

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 602 – Jacksonville Ethics Code – to create a new Section 602.408 - Lobbying by Appointed Officials Required to File Form 1 Financial Disclosures; Prohibition. The section would prohibit former appointed officials required to file Form 1 financial disclosures from lobbying for compensation the board, commission, committee, council or authority of which that person was an appointed official for a period of 2 years after vacating the position.

Background Information: The Florida Ethics Commission recently issued an opinion finding that City Council members are prohibited from lobbying the council for a period of 2 years after they leave office. This bill extends the same 2-year lobbying prohibition to City-appointed board and commission members who are required to file Form 1 financial disclosures with the state because their entities wield substantive power over financial, land use or other issues and therefore might be the subject of attempts to influence their decisions. Form 1 filers include the following:

Planning Commission	Building Codes Adjustment Board
COJ Retirement System Board of Trustees	PFPF Pension Fund Board of Trustees
DIA/Southside/Northbank CRA boards	Jacksonville Health Facilities Authority Board
JEA Board	Jacksonville Aviation Authority Board
Jacksonville Housing Authority Board	Jacksonville Port Authority Board
Jacksonville Transportation Authority Board	Jacksonville Ethics Commission

Policy Impact Area: Lobbying restriction

Fiscal Impact: Would prevent a former appointed official from receiving compensation for lobbying activity directed at their former agency for a period of 2 years.

Analyst: Clements