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Bill Type and Number: 2020-123

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Diamond

Date of Introduction: February 11, 2020

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 10, 2020

Type of Action: Resolution

Bill Summary: This bill is a resolution urging independent authorities and their boards to adopt a uniform procedure by which they communicate and timely comply with the Council Auditor's requests for information. This resolution is focused upon the following independent agencies: the Jacksonville Port Authority, the Jacksonville Aviation Authority, the Jacksonville Transportation Authority, the Environmental Protection Board, the Duval County School Board, the Jacksonville Downtown Investment Authority and the Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Board of Trustees.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to encourage the independent authorities of the consolidated government of Jacksonville to adopt a policy or directive in similar form to Employee Services Directive - 0534 which provides guidance to all City employees regarding the process for communication with the requests of the Council Auditor. Similar legislation has already been introduced which applies to JEA and other City Departments, wherein requests made by the Council Auditor will be acknowledged by electronic mail within 2 business days of receipt with the desired information, or an estimated timeframe in which the information will be available to the Council Auditor, or the reason why it cannot be provided.

Policy Impact Area: Council Auditor's requests and independent authorities

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey