## CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2021-446

**Sponsor:** Council Member Salem

Date of Introduction: July 27, 2021

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

Date of Analysis: July 28, 2021

**Type of Action:** Creating a New Section, Trust Fund

**Bill Summary:** This bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 111 – Special Revenue and Trust Accounts – to add a new Section 111.394 – Mental Health Offender Program Trust Fund – to accept gifts, donations and other funds for mental health purposes.

**Background Information:** The Mental Health Offender Program Trust Fund will be a permanent, ongoing trust fund of the City, which shall carry forward each fiscal year. The fund is authorized to accept gifts, fees, and other donations. Monies deposited in the fund, together with any interest accrued thereon, shall carry over fiscal years to provide funding for the Mental Health Offender Program. Monies deposited into the Fund shall be limited to alleviating the traditional criminal justice system from incarcerating misdemeanor offenders who exhibit mental illness by providing services directly related to behavioral health and all other wrap-around support these individuals need to successfully treat their mental illness and reintegrate back into the community. Funds utilized for these purposes are hereby to be appropriated by Council action.

Policy Impact Area: Mental Health Program funding

Fiscal Impact: Allows for money to be donated and held in trust fund

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