

LEGISLATIVE FACT SHEET 2015-0101

DATE: 12/9/14

BT OR RC NUMBER: BT15025
(Administration Bills)

SPONSOR (Department/Division/Agency/Council Member): RCD/EQD/Environmental Protection Board Trust Fund- EREQ15AEPTF

PURPOSE/SUMMARY: To appropriate funding for a study of mercury in the Duval County Environment. A copy of the minutes of the EPB's October 13, 2014 Public Hearing, Funding Request White Paper and funding proposal are attached.

APPROPRIATION : Total Amount Appropriated: \$ \$98,000 as follows:

(Name of Fund as it will appear in title of legislation): **Environmental Protection Board Trust Fund**

Name of Federal Funding Source: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Name of State Funding Source: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Name of City of Jax Funding Source: Same as above Amount: \$ 98,000

Name of In-Kind Contribution Source: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Name of Bond Acct _____ Amount: \$ _____

Number _____

IMPACT - FINANCIAL/OTHER: This study will be the first comprehensive assessment of Mercury in Duval County. The findings of the 4 year study will be reviewed with the Duval County Health Department to determine if advisories are needed to protect human health.

*** WAIVER*** A waiver of Ord. Code 360.602 is also authorized to allow monies in the fund to be used for the purchase of equipment (Mercury Analyzer). At the Environmental Protection Board public hearing held on October 13, 2014, Board members discussed the necessity of a waiver of ordinance code provisions, and determined that the use of the funds to purchase equipment for an assessment of environmental quality and the protection of the natural environment was a worthwhile and beneficial use of the Board's trust fund monies. The proposal was voted on favorably by unanimous decision of the Board.

*** CODE EXCEPTION*** This proposal qualifies for a code exemption under Section 126.107(g), Ordinance Code (supplies or services to be provided by those specifically prescribed within authorizing legislation that appropriates the same).

ACTION ITEMS:

Emergency?	Yes ___ No <u>X</u>	Justification:
Federal or State Mandates	Yes ___ No <u>X</u>	
Fiscal Year Carryover?	Yes <u>X</u> No ___	through FY 2019-2020
CIP Amendment?	Yes ___ No <u>X</u>	(Attach CIP form)
Contract/Agreement (C/A) Approval	Yes <u>X</u> No ___	(Attach a copy only)
C/A negotiations on-going?	Yes <u>X</u> No ___	
Oversight Department Required?	Yes <u>X</u> No ___	Name of Dept. <u>RCD</u>
Related RC?/BT?	Yes <u>X</u> No ___	(Attach a copy)

Waiver of Code? Yes No (Identify Code Provision) Section
 360.602 Ordinance Code

Code Exception? Yes No (Identify Code Provision) Section
 126.107(g) Ordinance Code

Continuation Grant? Yes No

Surplus Property Certification? Yes No (Attach a copy)

Related Enacted Ordinances? Yes No Ord. # of Previous Ord.

Report Required to City Council/Council Auditors
 Yes No Date _____ Frequency _____

ADMINISTRATION TRANSMITTAL

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 (Name, Job Title, Department)

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Contact person: _____
 (Name, Job Title, Department)

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Legislation from Independent Agencies requires a resolution from the Independent Agency Board approving the legislation.

FACT SHEET IS REQUIRED BEFORE LEGISLATION IS INTRODUCED