



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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### **BACKGROUND:**

This ordinance authorizes the Administrating and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to enter into contract with Alere Toxicology Services and authorizes the expenditure of up to \$25,000 for drug screening of urine samples.

The Franklin County Municipal Court Administrative and Presiding Judge respectfully asks for a waiver of the competitive bidding requirements of Section 329 because House Bill 86 requires that the Municipal and County courts must work together when people are on probation in each court simultaneously. Each court currently uses the same vendor for this service which enables them to receive the results from both sides. The courts need to have access to the test results for the individual probationers regardless of which court tested them.

Alere Toxicology Services contract compliance is 720846066 and expires 9/21/13.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** There are sufficient funds available within the probation user fees fund to support the requested expense for 2012. This contract term is from April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013.

This legislation is considered an emergency measure to ensure the continuation of uninterrupted payments for drug testing of urine samples.

To authorize and direct the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to enter into contract with Alere Toxicology Services; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$25,000 with Alere Toxicology Services for drug testing of urine samples; to waive the competitive bidding provisions of the Columbus City Codes; and to declare an emergency. (\$25,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, the Franklin County Municipal Court is in need of drug testing of urine samples from Alere Toxicology Services; and

**WHEREAS**, \$25,000 is needed to provide for services during the period through March 31, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance is requested as an emergency to permit the timely procurement of needed services and to ensure the continuation of uninterrupted payments to the vendor; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the City to waive the competitive bidding provisions of the Columbus City Codes, and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the city, in that it is immediately necessary to contract and expense for drug testing of urine samples with Alere Toxicology Services thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; Now, Therefore,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court be and is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Alere Toxicology Services for drug testing of urine samples for the period ending March 31, 2013.

**SECTION 2.** That to pay the cost of the aforesaid contract, the expenditure of \$25,000 or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized from the Franklin County Municipal Court, department number 2501, probation user fee fund, fund number 227, sub fund 003, oca 250324, object level 1 - 03, object level 3 - 3408.

**SECTION 3.** That the provisions of Sections 329.06 of the Columbus City Codes are hereby waived.

**SECTION 4.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.