



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the transfer of \$455,000 between object levels within and the supplemental appropriation of \$197,000 in the Photo Red Light Fund. This fund was established in 2005 through Ordinance No. 1015-2005 to receive deposits of revenue generated by the Photo Traffic Enforcement program. Proceeds from this revenue source are earmarked for expenditures related to public safety initiatives.

Funds were appropriated to this fund as part of the 2008 budget process, for overtime expenses associated with the police strike force initiative. However, funds were placed in the transfer object rather than the personnel object. Therefore, a transfer of \$455,000 is necessary. In addition, funds in excess of the original projection are available for appropriation to fund this important safety initiative. Emergency action is requested to allow prompt posting of accounting documents.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$455,000 will be transferred between object levels within the Photo Red Light Fund and \$197,000 will be appropriated from the unappropriated balance in the fund to the personnel line item, both for overtime expenditures related to the strike force initiative within the Division of Police. Expenditure corrections will be done to redirect a portion of the cost of the strike force initiative to this fund.

To authorize a transfer of \$455,000 between object levels within the Photo Red Light Fund; to authorize the supplemental appropriation of \$197,000 in the Photo Red Light Fund; and to declare an emergency (\$652,000).

**Whereas**, the Photo Red Light fund was established in 2005 through Ordinance No. 1015-2005 to receive deposits of revenue generated by the Photo Traffic Enforcement program; and

**Whereas**, proceeds from this revenue were designated to be used for public safety initiatives; and

**Whereas**, funds were appropriated to this fund as part of the 2008 budget process, to fund overtime expenses associated with the police strike force initiative; and

**Whereas**, it is necessary to transfer these funds to the appropriate Object Level Three; and

**Whereas**, supplemental funds are available in the fund for police overtime expenses associated with the police strike force initiative; and

**Whereas**, expenditure corrections will be done to redirect a portion of the cost of the strike force initiative to this fund; and

**Whereas**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Safety, Division of Police in that it is immediately necessary to transfer and appropriate the aforementioned funds, 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 City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer \$455,000 within the Photo Red Light Fund, Division 30-03, Fund No. 293, OCA Code 293001 from Object Level One 10, Object Level Three 5501 to Object Level One 01, Object Level Three 1131.

**Section 2.** That from the monies in the fund known as the photo red light fund, fund, 293, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources during the 12 months ending December 31, 2008, \$197,000 be and hereby are appropriated to Division 30-03, OCA 293001, Object Level One 01, Object Level Three 1131.

**Section 3.** That in the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part thereof, 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.