



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This ordinance authorizes an appropriation of \$2,978,038.81 from the unappropriated balance of the Federal, and State Law Enforcement Contraband/Seizure Funds for the Division of Police. Funds were received from seized and forfeited property and are used solely for law enforcement purposes as specified in Ordinance 1850-85. These funds are used to purchase various services, supplies, and equipment.

**EMERGENCY DESIGNATION:** Emergency legislation is requested in order to appropriate the funds needed for travel and training this year, and for software/license renewals, maintenance, and computer services contracts that are near the end of the current contract term.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This ordinance authorizes an appropriation of \$2,978,038.81 in the Federal and State Law Enforcement Contraband/Seizure Funds for the Division of Police.

To authorize an appropriation of \$2,978,038.81 from the unappropriated balance of the Law Enforcement Contraband Seizure Fund to the Division of Police to fund travel and training needs and the purchase of equipment, supplies and services; and to declare an emergency. (\$2,978,038.81)

**WHEREAS,** monies were received from seized and forfeited property; and

**WHEREAS,** funds received from these forfeitures must be solely used for law enforcement purposes as specified in Ordinance #1850-85; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Public Safety Department, Division of Police, in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate funds in the Law Enforcement Contraband Seizure Fund for travel and training this year, and for software/license renewals, maintenance, and computer services contracts that are near the end of the current contract term, for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **now, therefore:**

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

**SECTION 1.** That from the unappropriated monies and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, the sum of \$2,978,038.81 is appropriated in Fund 2219 Law Enforcement Contraband Seizure Fund in Object Class 02 Materials and Supplies, Object Class 03 Contractual Services, and Object Class 06 Capital Outlay per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 2.** That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 1 shall be paid upon order of the Public Safety Director and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

**SECTION 3.** That all funds necessary to carry out the purpose of these funds in 2024 are hereby deemed appropriated in an amount not to exceed the available cash balance in the funds.

**SECTION 4.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations between object classes in the seizure fund as needed upon request by the Columbus Division of Police

**SECTION 5.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby 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.