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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

This ordinance authorizes the Franklin County Municipal Court Administrative and Presiding Judge to modify and extend the contract with Kroll Laboratory, Inc. (formerly Scientific Testing Laboratories, Inc.) and to authorize the expenditure of up to \$10,000 from the Municipal Court Judges probation fee fund for on-going urinalysis and oral fluid testing for offenders sentenced to probation.

In a significant number of cases, the Court requires urinalysis and oral fluid testing of offenders sentenced to probation be performed to determine whether or not the offender has substance abuse issues and if so, what substances are being used. Urinalysis and oral fluid testing are important tools for probation officers to use in designing an appropriate treatment regimen for each offender. In addition, throughout the term of an offender's probation, regular testing ensures that any drug use will be detected, thereby assuring the continued compliance of the offender's conditions of probation and abstinence from drugs.

On July 24, 2006, ordinance number 1354-2006, City Council authorized the original contract with Kroll Laboratory, Inc. The Probation Department has recommended to the Court that, for continuity of service, the Court continues to receive urinalysis testing services from Kroll.

Kroll Laboratory, Inc. contract compliance # 7208466066 expiration 7/24/2009

FISCAL IMPACT: Funds are budgeted and available within the 2008 Franklin County Municipal Court probation fee fund budget for this purpose.

This legislation is considered an emergency measure to ensure the continuation of uninterrupted service and payments for the needed urinalysis and oral fluid testing.

To authorize and direct the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to modify and extend the contract with Kroll Laboratory, Inc. (formerly known as Scientific Testing Laboratories, Inc.); to authorize the expenditure of up to \$10,000 with Kroll Laboratory, Inc. for urinalysis and oral fluid testing of offenders sentenced to probation; and to declare an emergency. (\$10,000.00)

WHEREAS, Franklin County Municipal Court has a need for the urinalysis and oral fluid testing of offenders sentenced to probation to determine the probationer's status, design appropriate treatment regimens, to assure offender compliance with the conditions of probation and to ensure that public safety is not compromised; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Court, for continuity of service to procure the needed services from Kroll, Inc.; 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; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the city, in that it is immediately necessary to modify and extend the contract and authorize the expenditure for urinalysis and oral fluid testing with Kroll Laboratory, Inc., 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 modify and extend the contract with Kroll Laboratory, Inc. for urinalysis and oral fluid testing for the period ending March 31, 2009.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$10,000 or as much thereof as may be necessary is hereby authorized from the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges, department number 2501, probation fee fund, fund number 227, subfund 003, oca 250324, object level 1 - 03, object level 3 - 3408.

SECTION 3. 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.