



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

This ordinance authorizes the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges to accept a price increase to the original proposal submitted by Columbus Bar Association (CBA) to provide foreign language interpreter services. Formal bid SA005114 was done and closed on September 30, 2013. The contract with the CBA was a three-year contract with an optional fourth year.

The CBA has requested a modification to the terms of the contract; specifically, to increase their rate from \$60 per hour to \$65 per hour. The Court considers this rate increase fair and reasonable.

FISCAL IMPACT - using approximately 50 hours of services would cost the court \$250 for the year.

EMERGE CNY - Emergency legislation is requested to avoid an interruption in essential services and to ensure continued compliance with federal and state mandates regarding interpreting services.

To authorize the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to modify its contract with the Columbus Bar Association; and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the Franklin County Municipal Court provide foreign language interpreter services for non-English speaking persons that may come before the Court; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to modify its contract with the Columbus Bar Association for these services; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the city in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to modify its contract with the CBA for provision of foreign language interpreter 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 modify the contract with the Columbus Bar Association (CBA).

Section 2. 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.