

AN ACT RELATING TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, AS ESTABLISHED IN CHAPTER 92-341, LAWS OF FLORIDA, AS AMENDED; RELATING TO THE COUNCIL AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE; AMENDING ARTICLE 5 (THE COUNCIL), SECTION 5.07 (POWERS) OF THE CHARTER, TO LIMIT THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS BY INDEPENDENT AGENCIES IN DEROGATION OF CITY ORDINANCES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 1. Article 5 (The Council), Section 5.07 (Powers) of the Charter of the City of Jacksonville, as established in Chapter 92-341, Laws of Florida, as amended, Part A, Charter Laws, is amended to read as follows:

PART A. CHARTER LAWS CHARTER OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

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ARTICLE 5. THE COUNCIL

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Section 5.07. Powers.

All legislative powers of the consolidate government (except such as are retained by the second, third, fourth, and fifth urban services districts) are vested in the council, and the council may legislate with respect to any and all matters which are within the powers of the consolidated government. The council shall review the budgets and appropriate money to the consolidated government and any independent agencies which request appropriations from the consolidated government and shall also levy taxes as required to meet the budgets approved by it. The ordinances of the City of

1 Jacksonville which have not been preempted by state or federal law
2 shall be binding upon the consolidated government and its
3 independent agencies, and no independent agency shall expend any
4 funds in violation of an ordinance nor expend in excess of \$10,000
5 without Council approval to pursue relief from any ordinance. The
6 council shall fix the salaries of the property appraiser, the tax
7 collector, the sheriff, the supervisor of elections, and the clerk
8 of the circuit and county court for Duval County, but not lower
9 than the highest salary by the most recent general law as it may be
10 from time to time amended setting a salary for those elected
11 officials in counties similar in population to Duval County. No
12 salary set by the council pursuant to the preceding sentence shall
13 be reduced during the term of office of the elected officer
14 receiving that salary. The council shall be the judge of the
15 elections and qualifications of councilmen. The council shall
16 provide for payment of reasonable per diem and travel expenses
17 incurred in travel and other duties performed for public purpose by
18 officials and employees of the consolidated government and its
19 independent agencies and candidates for such positions, and for
20 payment of relocation expenses for new officers and employees
21 thereof, the provisions and limitations of s. 112.061, Florida
22 Statutes, notwithstanding.

23 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This act shall become
24 effective upon becoming law.