

Legislation Text

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## AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2009 ANNUAL BUDGET TO INCREASE THE POLICE BUDGET BY \$1,174,447 TO PAY FOR ESTIMATED BILLING FOR 2009 AND FIVE MONTHS OF DELAYED BILLS FROM 2008

WHEREAS, the original budget was \$1,010,000 for 12 months of jail bill fees. However, the appropriation becomes necessary due to receiving five (5) months billing for 2008 in 2009, which the city already paid this year. The additional \$1,174,447 will be appropriated from unallocated general fund reserves to cover the cost of the total jail bill fees to be paid in 2009.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas has previously established the 2009 city budget through Ordinance No. 09:005. The line item budget for jail fees was \$1,010,000 to cover the anticipated cost for 12 months.

WHEREAS, the Police Department of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas requests additional appropriations of \$1,174,447 to fund combined expected cost of remaining jail fees for 2009; and the 2008 bills already paid in 2009, due to the delayed billing process, which was not in the City's control.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council for the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas that:

SECTION 1: The annual 2009 budget of the City of Jonesboro is amended by the addition of \$1,174,447 for the Police Department's Jail Fees.

SECTION 2: It is further found that due to immediate need to pay bills as they are due, pursuant to a new payment agreement with Craighead County an emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, it shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.