

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 6, FILE 081476

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File 081476 is an ordinance relating to charges for patient services delivered by the fire department.

Background and Discussion

1. The purpose of this ordinance is to increase some of the fees charged by the fire department for patient services.
2. The increase in fees include the following:
Paramedic service without transport (Resident) from \$75 to \$105.
Paramedic service without transport (Non-resident) from \$125 to \$150.
Paramedic service with transport Level – ALS-1 (Resident) from \$585 to \$625.
Paramedic service with transport Level – ALS-2 (Resident) from \$635 to \$675.
Paramedic service with transport Level – ALS-1 (Non-resident) from \$635 to \$675.
Paramedic service with transport Level – ALS-2 (Non-resident) from \$685 to \$725.
Mileage (rate per loaded mile) from \$12 to \$14.
3. Invasive treatment without transport fees were discontinued in lieu of the ability to charge for service and/or treatment without transport along with oxygen, drugs, EKG and other items delivered at the scene.
4. An estimate in the increase in fees to be collected is based on the revenues generated by Advanced Life Support (ALS) transports conducted by the fire department in 2008 at the new rates.
5. The estimate of the additional revenues collected based on 2008 transports is \$102,000.

Fiscal Impact

Approximately \$102,000 additional revenues will be generated annually by the new fees.

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