

**LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**ITEM 19, FILE 090609**

**September 16, 2009**

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File 090609 is a resolution approving an agreement between the Department of Neighborhood Services and the Consumer Products Safety Commission to inspect pools to be in compliance with the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Safety Act.

**Background and Discussion**

1. On December 19, 2007, the President of the United States signed into law the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act requiring public pools and spas to be fitted with anti-entrapment devices on their recirculation systems.
2. The act required these devices to be in place on or after December 19, 2008.
3. The Department of Neighborhood Services is certified to do such inspections and routinely inspects public pools and spas.
4. The Department of Neighborhood Services has been notified, pending Common Council approval, that it will be awarded a contract from the Consumer Products Safety Commission to conduct 103 inspections pursuant to the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act.

**Fiscal Impact**

The contract from the Consumer Products Safety Commission will reimburse the Department of Neighborhood Services \$25,750 to conduct 103 inspections.

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