Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution accepting a grant from the Tennessee Department of Health to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to prepare for, respond to, and recover from public health threats, including, but not limited to, the response and recovery from COVID-19 and Mpox outbreaks.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Health has awarded a grant in an amount not to exceed $8,918,957.11 with no cash match required to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to prepare for, respond to, and recover from public health threats, including, but not limited to, the response and recovery from COVID-19 and Mpox outbreaks; and,

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that this grant be accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the grant by and between the Tennessee Department of Health, in an amount not to exceed $8,918,957.11, to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to prepare for, respond to, and recover from public health threats, including, but not limited to, the response and recovery from COVID-19 and Mpox outbreaks, a copy of which grant is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the amount of this grant is to be appropriated to the Metropolitan Department of Health based on the revenues estimated to be received and any match to be applied.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Analysis

This resolution accepts a grant from the Tennessee Department of Health to the Metropolitan Board of Health to prepare for, respond to, and recover from public health threats. The funding would provide Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC) Enhancing Detection Expansion services that directly address the ongoing response and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. These services would also be directed to respond to Mpox infections. Cases of Mpox in Tennessee have been primarily found in Davidson and Shelby counties.

The grant award is no greater than $8,918,957.11 with no cash match. The contract term beings on July 1, 2023 and concludes on July 31, 2026. The Tennessee Department of Health would have the right to extend the contract twice by no more than 12 months each. However, the maximum contract term shall be no greater than 60 months.