

## ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Please email requests to the Mayor's Legislative Team  
at [MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org](mailto:MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org) by **3:00pm on Monday**.

**\*All fields must be completed.\***  
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Date of Request: **June 21, 2017**

Please mark one:  Bill Request or  Resolution Request

**1. Has your agency submitted this request in the last 12 months?**

Yes  No

**If yes, please explain:**

**2. Title:** *(Include a concise, one sentence description – please include name of company or contractor and contract control number - that clearly indicates the type of request: grant acceptance, contract execution, amendment, municipal code change, supplemental request, etc.)*

A request to establish a new Special Revenue Fund under the Risk Management Division of the Department of Finance to support the Firefighter Heart Benefit Program.

**3. Requesting Agency:** Budget and Management Office, Department of Finance

**4. Contact Person:** *(With actual knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution.)*

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**5. Contact Person:** *(With actual knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution who will present the item at Mayor-Council and who will be available for first and second reading, if necessary.)*

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**6. General description of proposed ordinance including contract scope of work if applicable:**

Senate Bill 14-172 was passed and signed into law by the governor in 2014 to create the Firefighter Heart Benefit Program and became effective on January 1, 2015.

This Bill, which was backed by Colorado Firefighters, and the Colorado Fire Chiefs association created a benefit program for firefighters who sustain certain identified heart and circulatory malfunctions within 48 hours of a defined work event. The Act provided specified payments to eligible firefighters based on the nature and extent of their illness. Funding was appropriated for this program, and the Firefighter Heart and Circulatory Malfunction Benefits Fund was created. This fund is administered by the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) at the State level.

Program reimbursements to public entities are based on the actual number of eligible firefighters employed by the entity and the actual cost or projected rate needed to cover future payments of benefits. The Risk Management team has been accounting for the funds in the Worker's Compensation Internal Service Fund since 2015, but a separate fund is needed for purposes of transparency and to give the Risk Management team a more effective way to track revenue, expenditures, and earnings.

The requested new special revenue fund (SRF) will be named the *Firefighter Heart Benefit Program* (11864-2550000), and will be set-up as a non-lapsing, cash-basis fund with the main sources of program revenue being payments from the State of Colorado, any interest accumulated from the fund, and/or any other sources of revenue. Upon creation, a transfer of \$414,465 will be made from the Workers Compensation ISF (65100-2550000) into the newly established *Firefighter Heart Benefit Program* SRF. This amount is the accumulation of annual transfers from the state of Colorado since the program became effective on January 1, 2015.

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Expenses under the fund will be paid out pursuant to the statutory awards schedule for affected firefighters and the expending authority of the fund shall be the manager of finance.

**\*\*Please complete the following fields:** (Incomplete fields may result in a delay in processing. If a field is not applicable, please enter N/A for that field.)

- a. **Contract Control Number:** N/A
- b. **Duration:** N/A
- c. **Location:** N/A
- d. **Affected Council District:** N/A
- e. **Benefits:** Increased transparency and a more effective way to track program revenues and expenditures.
- f. **Costs:** N/A

**7. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance?** (Groups or individuals who may have concerns about it?) **Please explain.**

None that that Department of Finance are aware of.

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