

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(19)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

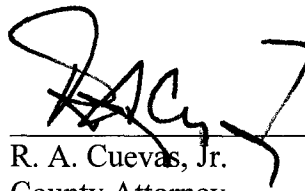
**DATE:** January 10, 2008

**FROM:** R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution directing County  
Manager to prepare report  
regarding equipping taxicabs  
with fire extinguishers

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Senator Javier D. Souto.



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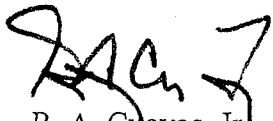


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Please note any items checked.

- "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- No committee review

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

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Veto \_\_\_\_\_

1-10-08

Override \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION DIRECTING COUNTY MANAGER TO  
PREPARE A REPORT REGARDING THE FEASIBILITY AND  
ADVISABILITY OF REQUIRING TAXICABS TO BE  
EQUIPPED WITH FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

**WHEREAS**, nearly 1 out of 5 fires involves a motor vehicle; and

**WHEREAS**, 1 out of 8 fire-related deaths results from motor vehicle fires; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 500 people are killed, and 1,800 civilians and 1,200 firefighters are injured each year from motor vehicle fires; and

**WHEREAS**, sections 4-49(a)(9), 30-371(g)(b)(3) and 4-8(e) of the Code of Miami-Dade County require that non-emergency vehicles, ambulances and school buses be equipped with functioning fire extinguishers; and

**WHEREAS**, special transportation service vehicles are required by contract to be equipped with fire extinguishers; and

**WHEREAS**, taxicabs are not currently required to be equipped with fire extinguishers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission finds that a study regarding the feasibility and advisability of requiring that taxicabs be equipped with fire extinguishers is in the best interest of the citizens of Miami-Dade County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that the County Manager is directed to prepare a report regarding the feasibility and advisability of requiring that each

taxicab be equipped with a functioning fire extinguisher. The report shall be submitted to the County Commission within ninety days from the adoption of this resolution.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Sen. Javier D. Souto and offered by  
Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by  
Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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|                      | Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman        |
|                      | Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman |
| Jose "Pepe" Diaz     | Audrey M. Edmonson                 |
| Carlos A. Gimenez    | Sally A. Heyman                    |
| Joe A. Martinez      | Dennis C. Moss                     |
| Dorrin D. Rolle      | Natacha Seijas                     |
| Katy Sorenson        | Rebeca Sosa                        |
| Sen. Javier D. Souto |                                    |

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2008. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

GKS

Gerald K. Sanchez