

# Ordinance No. 528-2025

By Council Member Griffin  
(by departmental request)

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE**  
To amend Section 125.01 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, as amended by Ordinance No. 443-2019, passed April 22, 2019, relating to Director's Powers and Duties.

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That Section 125.01 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, as amended by Ordinance No. 443-2019, passed April 22, 2019, is amended to read as follows:

125.01 Director's Powers and Duties

(a) The work of the Department of Law shall be distributed between a civil branch and a criminal branch. The Director of Law shall supervise and control the Department. He or she may appoint such number of Assistant Directors of Law as he or she deems necessary for the proper conduct of the work of the civil branch, whose appointments shall be subject to the approval of Council, three (3) of whom he or she may designate as Chief Counsel, Chief Trial Counsel and Chief Corporate Counsel, and not to exceed eight (8) of whom he or she may designate as Chief Assistant Director of Law.

(b) The Director shall be the Prosecuting Attorney of the Municipal Court, pursuant to the provisions of Charter Section 84. He or she may also designate not more than ~~twenty three (23)~~ twenty-seven (27) assistant prosecutors, whose appointments shall be subject to the approval of Council. Two (2) of whom may be designated, respectively, as Chief Assistant Prosecutor and First Assistant Prosecutor; and three (3) of whom may be designated as Deputy Assistant Prosecutor.

(c) The Director is authorized to employ such number of clerks, stenographers and persons in other classifications as he or she may deem necessary.

Section 2. That the existing Section 125.01 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, as amended by Ordinance No. 443-2019, passed April 22, 2019, is repealed.

Section 3. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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4-21-2025  
FOR: Director Griffin

