



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement for public defense services between King County and the city of Seattle.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Findings:

A. On May 20, 2013, the King County council adopted Ordinance 17588 creating a department of public defense within the executive branch.

B. Ordinance 17588 authorizes the department to provide public defense services to the state of Washington, tribal governments and municipalities in King County on a full cost recovery basis and to negotiate appropriate contractual agreements, subject to council approval by ordinance when required by law.

C. King County and the city of Seattle value the expertise of public defenders providing services to the city of Seattle and recognize the need to maintain the continuity of services and to ensure that current and future clients have access to public defense services without disruption.

D. The attached Interlocal Agreement for Public Defense Services secures the city of Seattle's ability to continue to receive public defender services and provides King County financial assurances.

SECTION 2. The executive is hereby authorized to execute an interlocal agreement for public defense services with the city of Seattle substantially in the form of Attachment A to this ordinance.