

Legislation Text

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A MOTION accepting response to the 2015/2016 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17941, Section 75, Proviso P2, related to emergency medical services, concerning the establishment of criteria, protocols and procedures to allocate the basic life support core service reserve funding; and authorizing the release of \$1,500,000 currently held in reserve.

WHEREAS, the 2015/2016 Biennial Budget Ordinance 17941, Section 75, Proviso P2, related to emergency medical services, states that \$1,500,000 shall not be expended or encumbered until the executive transmits a plan and motion, by June 30, 2015, establishing the criteria, protocols and procedures to allocate the basic life support core services reserve funding, and

WHEREAS, the King County emergency medical services division worked collaboratively with a broad range of regional emergency medical services partners that are committed to identifying ways to improve the basic life support system as a whole to develop a proposal addressing how the funding would be allocated and used, along with the process and requirements for requesting, approving and receiving funds for basic life support core services funding, and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services advisory committee, which provides ongoing governance, oversight and key counsel to the emergency medical services division on regional Medic One/emergency medical services policies and practices, unanimously approved the BLS Core Services proposal on March 18, 2015, and

WHEREAS, the executive has transmitted to the council the requested plan, and

WHEREAS, the council has reviewed the plan, which is Attachment A to this motion, that addresses the

following proviso areas:

1. The process that should be used by a basic life support service provider to request funding from basic life support core services reserve funding;
2. A standardized form to be used to request basic life support core services reserve funding;
3. Identification of limits or requirements for matching funds or amounts necessary for the basic life support service providers to render;
4. Approved purposes of allocating the core services reserve funding;
5. Process and timelines for review and disposition of the request, including communication of decisions to the requesting providers;
6. Standards for ensuring equitable allocation of the funding by BLS service providers;
7. The party or parties responsible for approving a request to allocate basic life support core services funding; and
8. Options for addressing requests that exceed basic life support core service funding levels;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

A. The council acknowledges receipt of the executive's response to the 2015/2016 Biennial Budget Ordinance 17941, Section 75, Proviso P2, related to the office of the emergency medical services, which is Attachment A to this motion.

B. The \$1,500,000 currently held in reserve in Ordinance 17941, Section 75, emergency medical services, is hereby released.