

King County

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Legislation Text

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A MOTION appointing Kari Ulatoski, who resides in council district eight, to a term of two years on the Vashon Island ferry advisory committee.

WHEREAS, RCW 47.60.310 provides for the appointment of ferry advisory committees to express to the management of Washington state ferries the views of local community groups regarding the service provided by the state ferry system and any problems being experienced within the area served by the ferry system, and

WHEREAS, RCW 47.60.310 provides for Vashon Island to have a ferry advisory committee consisting of three members appointed by the Vashon/Maury Island community council to serve staggered four-year terms, and

WHEREAS, RCW 47.60.310 provides that if the Vashon/Maury Island community council fails to appoint a qualified person to fill a vacancy on the Vashon ferry advisory committee within ninety days after the vacancy occurs, the legislative authority of King County, which is the King County council, shall appoint a qualified person to fill the vacancy, and

WHEREAS, the Vashon/Maury Island community council is no longer operating and is listed in the Washington state records of nonprofit corporations as having been inactive since September 2013, and its records, if they still exist, cannot be located, and

WHEREAS, Kari Ulatoski has lived for twenty years on Vashon Island, for the past ten years in a home that is about a three-minute drive from the ferry terminal, and for twenty years has been a frequent user of the ferries serving Vashon Island, and

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WHEREAS, in addition to living on Vashon Island herself, Kari Ulatoski has two elderly parents who live on the island and commute by ferry to medical appointments several times a month, so she is aware of the needs of the elderly and disabled on the island, and

WHEREAS, Kari Ulatoski was appointed to the Vashon ferry advisory committee by the Vashon/Maury Island community council and believes that her appointment was more than four years ago, that her term has expired more than ninety days ago, and that no one has been appointed to replace her, and

WHEREAS, in reference to the statutory requirement in RCW 47.60.310 that "not more than two members of any terminal-area committee may be from the same political party at the time of their appointment," Kari Ulatoski associates more with the Democratic party, but considers transportation and building a fully integrated transportation network, using ferries, buses, light rail, autos and cars, to be non-partisan issues that will affect the entire state, and

WHEREAS, Kari Ulatoski would like to be reappointed to the Vashon ferry advisory committee so that the Vashon Island community will continue to have a means of expressing its views to the management of Washington state ferries about the ferry service that is being provided to the community;

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

Kari Ulatoski, who resides on Vashon Island, which is in council district eight, is hereby reappointed to the Vashon ferry advisory committee to a two-year term to expire on June 30, 2018.