



Legislation Text

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A JOINT MOTION AND RESOLUTION of the Metropolitan King County Council and the Pierce County Council making a prospective appointment to fill the vacancy that will exist in the position of state representative for the 31st legislative district.

WHEREAS, a vacancy will exist effective January 9, 2017 in the position of state representative for the 31st legislative district due to the appointment of state representative-elect Phil Fortunato to serve as state senator for the 31st legislative district, and

WHEREAS, the 31st legislative district is a multicounty legislative district, including part of King County and part of Pierce county, and

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 15 of the Washington state constitution provides that in the event of a vacancy occurring in a multicounty legislative district the vacancy shall be filled by joint action of the legislative authorities of the respective counties from a list of three candidates nominated by the state central committee of the same political party as the legislator whose office is vacated, and

WHEREAS, the candidates must reside in the 31st legislative district and be of the same political party as the legislator whose office is vacant, and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Republican Central Committee has submitted the names of three constitutionally qualified candidates to fill the vacancy that will exist on January 9, 2017 if state representative-elect Phil Fortunato is appointed to serve as state senator for the 31st legislative district;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED AND RESOLVED by the Councils of King County and Pierce County:

A. _____, one of the three nominees, is hereby appointed to the position of state representative for the 31st legislative district in the Washington state House of Representatives effective January 9, 2017 continuing until a successor is elected at the next general election, and has qualified.

B. The clerks of the councils shall provide a copy of this joint Motion and Resolution to the clerk of the Washington state House of Representatives, the governor of the state of Washington and the chair of the Washington State Republican Central Committee.