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1	Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS)	Mental Health Funding	<p>A. King County requests \$21.9 million in supplemental budget funds to achieve adequate Medicaid rates.</p> <p>B. King County supports the original allocation methodology for mental health funding stated in the 2005 budget proviso concerning state-only funds. We request \$7.4 million in a supplemental appropriation to fund non-Medicaid services for those in need in King County.</p> <p>C. King County requests funding of “liquidated damages” to King County’s RSN, as occurred in Pierce County.</p>
2	Department of Records, Elections and Licensing Services	Elections	<p>A. Primary Date: King County supports the proposal submitted by the Secretary of State to move the primary to the third Tuesday in August with adjustments to the dates for candidate filing, extending the certification period for special elections and primaries, and amending the cutoff dates for filing resolutions calling for special elections.</p> <p>B. Ballot Processing Machines: King County requests funding for new high-speed ballot processing machines in order to process a larger volume of ballots more quickly to meet the demanding deadlines for certification of elections.</p> <p>C. Automated Signature Verification: King County supports amendments to RCW 29A.40.110 and corresponding administrative rules to authorize the adoption of automated signature verification and OSOS authority to draft rules for standards and criteria for its use.</p> <p>D. Voter Challenges: King County supports legislation that amends the voter registration challenge process to: clarify the ability of those without traditional residential addresses to register to vote, require the challenger to file their challenge in proper form including the factual basis on which the challenge is made, and to maintain the requirement that challenges based on residency require the challenger to provide the address at which they believe the voter actually resides. Additionally, for challenges filed within thirty days of an election where the challenged voter has returned a voted absentee ballot prior to the filing of the challenge, the challenges shall be processed as if received more than thirty days prior to an election and the ballot for the current election will be processed.</p> <p>E. Voting Rights for Former Felons: King County supports legislation that would simplify the process of restoring voting rights for former felons – specifically that voting rights of former felons is automatically reinstated upon release from incarceration. Many States, including neighboring Oregon, Idaho, Utah and many other Western states automatically reinstate the civil rights of former felons.</p>



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3	Executive	Annexation Reform and Smart Growth Management	<p>A. GMA Implementation/Annexation Transition Funding - King County supports the creation of GMA implementation funding for cities to address capital infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>B. Surface Water and Local Parks Facilities and Properties Automatically Transferred to Cities upon Annexation - King County supports amending RCW 36.89 and/or 36.94 so that surface water management facilities, properties and local parks facilities and properties owned and/or maintained by counties become the responsibility of cities upon an annexation or incorporation. RCW currently provides for county roads to become cities' responsibility at the time of annexation/incorporation – this requested action would provide the same for surface water facilities and properties, and local parks facilities and properties.</p>
4	Department of Transportation (KCDOT)	Transportation Solutions	<p>King County supports legislation that identifies additional revenues for cities and counties to meet urgent and growing needs of maintaining aging transportation infrastructure, and general transportation improvements to increase the overall carrying capacity of the transportation system while revenues are diminishing. Specifically, King County supports:</p> <p>A. Legislation that identifies funding to replace the VLF revenues lost to King County and the cities within King County with the passage of I-776 (\$18 million per year in VLF revenues lost to local jurisdictions in King County), and that authorizes new or higher user fees at the local and regional level.</p> <p>B. Passenger-Only Ferries (POF): Support continuation of passenger-only ferry service (POF) between Vashon Island and Seattle provided by the Washington State Ferries (WSF) through the end of the 2007 fiscal year.</p>
5	Department of Public Health	Public Health Funding; Communicable Diseases Funding	<p>A. King County supports a revenue source to adequately fund “basic public health” and the consequences of new and emerging terrorism threats and communicable diseases such as SARS, TB, and West Nile Virus.</p> <p>B. King County supports emergency funding to prepare for possible pandemic influenza outbreak.</p>
6	Department of Natural Resources and Parks	Habitat Project Liability; Puget Sound Recovery; Salmon Recovery; Regional Trail Acquisition; Prevention Grants; Regional Water	<p>A. Habitat Project Liability: King County supports legislation to reduce local government liability for unexpected damages accrued to third parties following completion of a habitat restoration or improvement project</p> <p>B. Puget Sound Recovery Initiative: King County supports a new RCW or amendments to existing RCW's pertinent to enabling a coordinated and comprehensive recovery of Puget Sound including coordination with Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Plan; water supply planning; and appropriate roles of tribal, local and state agencies including PSAT, DOE,</p>



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		Supply	<p>WADNR and WDFW.</p> <p>C. Salmon Recovery Funding: Maintain state funding for Salmon Recovery Funding Board and Lead Entity grants. King County also opposes any reductions in biennium allocations for other related state grants programs such as the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, etc.</p> <p>D. Regional Trail Acquisition - Multimodal Greenway Corridor: King County supports funding to secure the BNSF railroad right of way. This contiguous property is approximately 100 feet wide and stretches from the north end of Renton into the City of Snohomish. The regional trail system now offers over 100 miles of paved and nearly 70 miles of unpaved trails. These funds would help to secure the link that would create a seamless regional trail system in King and Snohomish Counties.</p> <p>E. Coordinated Prevention Grants: Restore \$8 million in funding for the CPG program that was reduced in the 2005 legislative session.</p> <p>F. State Funding for King County Regional Water Supply Plan: King County supports state funding to support the countywide water supply planning process that was endorsed by a multi-stakeholder "Scoping Committee" forwarded to the Executive and Council in a "Planning Framework" on October 31, 2005. Funding would support state agency participation, technical studies, and administrative support.</p>
7	Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention	Mental Health Jail; Credit Conversion Language	<p>A. Mental Health Jail: King County opposes legislation that seeks to build a Mental Health Jail in King County as a solution to mental health issues among the jail population in Washington State.</p> <p>B. Credit Conversion: King County supports legislation clarifying credit or conversion language re: time spent in County supervised community options, allowing courts to authorize earned release credit consistent with local correctional facility standards for convicted non-violent, non-sex offenders.</p>
8	Superior Court	Reinvesting in Youth	<p>A. Reinvesting in Youth: King county supports legislation amending RCW 13.40 and creation of a RIY account in the State Treasury to sustain ongoing funding and support to current program capacity created under the pilot program that was created in a 2005 state budget proviso - that invests in research-proven prevention and early intervention programs. Counties are reimbursed for a portion of the savings that accrue to the state as a result of local investments in such programs. King County would like to see ongoing funding for this program.</p>
9	Executive Services	Emergency	<p>A. Emergency Management Funding: King County supports creation of a funding</p>



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	- Emergency Management	Management Funding	<p>mechanism for state and local emergency management, similar to the State of Florida's, which accesses a small fee (\$2-\$4) on property insurance policies to fund emergency management planning/response. This revenue source could fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. SEMS: King County supports adoption of a Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) like that of California – which creates the framework for multi-agency and intra-agency coordination at the state and local level, incident response systems (ICS), master mutual aid agreements and operational areas concepts. II. Regional Emergency Management Offices: King County supports the establishment of state emergency management regional offices to assist counties and cities in developing individual and regional integrated approaches to emergency and disaster preparedness. III. Seismic Safety Research: King County supports funding for a seismic safety research and preparedness program that works in concert with USGS, that is appropriate for the 2nd most vulnerable state in the nation to seismic issues (earthquakes, volcanoes, and tsunamis). IV. Public Education: King County supports a public education program, as this is a key part of a successful emergency management plan (currently, the entire State funded all-hazards public education budget for the last biennium was \$33K). V. Citizen Access to Medications: King County supports legislation that allows citizens to keep life saving medications on hand for a minimum of seven days (many current medical insurance policies do not allow citizens to purchase appropriate levels of medications to keep on hand in case of emergencies).
10	Department of Development and Environmental Services (DDES)	Public Benefit Rating System; Clean Water Act Qualified Local Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Public Benefit Rating System: King County supports legislation that would amend state statutes establishing standards for the public benefit rating system to reduce the penalties for leaving the program. This could make the program more of an incentive to property owners impacted by limitations designed to protect the environment. B. Clean Water Act Qualified Local Programs: King County supports legislation that would amend state law to allow the Department of Ecology to take advantage of their authority, under the federal clean water act, to approve city and county storm water programs that provide equivalent protection. Currently, Ecology has concluded that existing state law does not allow it to take advantage of this authority.