



Legislation Text

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A MOTION approving the work plan for a public health operational master plan.

WHEREAS, the county is responsible for providing regional public health services to the 1.8 million citizens in King County, and

WHEREAS, examples of the wide range of public health services provided by the county include food service and drinking water inspections, emergency medical services, community health clinics, vaccine distribution, communicable disease control and bioterrorism planning, and

WHEREAS, regional public health services are supported by significant contributions from the county's general fund, state funds, and variety of federal sources, and

WHEREAS, over the past decade, revenues supporting public health services, such as the motor vehicle excise tax, have been eliminated, reduced or limited, and

WHEREAS, reductions in or limitations on funding for public health services are likely to continue in the future, and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing public health services is increasing, and

WHEREAS, the scope of public health services provided is increasing with new mandates and new communicable disease risks, and

WHEREAS, a public health operational master plan will guide development of a sustainable operational and financing model for the provision of regional public health services, and

WHEREAS, the county has successfully undertaken operational master planning processes in other major program areas that have led to system-wide operational changes resulting in millions of dollars of annual

budget savings and improved outcomes for individuals, and

WHEREAS, in Ordinance 15083, the ordinance adopting the 2005 King County budget, the council authorized funding for a Public Health Operational Master Plan ("PHOMP"), and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 15083 contains provisos requiring the office of management and budget, in collaboration with staff from the Seattle-King County department of public health, the board of health and the council, to submit to the council and the board of health for their review and approval, a work plan for a PHOMP, and

WHEREAS, the executive has transmitted, to the council with this motion and to the board of health, a work plan for a PHOMP, developed collaboratively with staff from the department of public health, the board of health and the council;

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

The work plan for a public health operational master plan, Attachment A to this motion, is hereby approved.