

## Legislation Text

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A MOTION authorizing the chair of the council to enter into a contract for services to represent the county before the United States Congress and the federal administration.

WHEREAS, the county is a subdivision of the state of Washington, and

WHEREAS, as a result the county's services, operations and finances are to a significant extent controlled by the laws of the state and the federal government, and

WHEREAS, actions of the United States Congress will affect the county's services, operations and finances, and

WHEREAS, the grants, proposals and actions of the federal executive branch will affect the delivery of services to the citizens of King County, and

WHEREAS, the attack on the United States of September 11, 2001, and the ongoing war on terrorism has created added expenses and demands on the taxpayers of King County, and

WHEREAS, a request for proposals process has been conducted to continue to allow King County officials to keep abreast of developments on a broad range of issues being considered by Congress and federal agencies, and

WHEREAS, after the competitive procurement process a staff group evaluated the proposals and unanimously selected the Ferguson Group as the preferred consultant, and

WHEREAS, it is estimated the contract for the federal lobby contract will not exceed two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars, and

WHEREAS, Motion 10651, Section III, as amended, and OR 1-020 requires the council to authorize the

council chair to sign contracts in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars;

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

A. The council hereby authorizes the chair of the council to sign a contract in an amount not to exceed two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars with the Ferguson Group for the interest of the residents of the county for the county to have representation before the United States Congress and the federal administration on a broad range of complex issues.

B. The chair of the metropolitan King County council is authorized to enter into a contract, in an amount not to exceed two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars per year with the Ferguson Group. The contract is for the services of representing the county before and monitoring actions by the United States Congress and the federal administration on issues of concern to King County, and to be an advocate on the county's behalf on issues including, but not limited to, the adopted federal agenda.

C. If recommended the chair of the metropolitan King county council is authorized to renew this agreement, in single-year increments, for a total of three years, subject to funding.