



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE related to the fee for failure to bring a case to completion; and amending Ordinance 13330, Section 16, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.71.050.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. A. Section 2 of this ordinance clarifies who may be charged a fee by the department of judicial administration for failure to bring a case filed with the superior court to completion because of noncompliance with the case schedule.

B. This fee is assessed pursuant to K.C.C. 4.71.050.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 13330, Section 16, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.71.050 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

Fee - failure to bring case to completion. The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee to either parties to an action filed with the superior court or attorneys representing the parties, or both, who fail to bring cases to completion because of failure to appear for trial, failure to file final order on settlement, failure to follow case schedule, failure to file final judgment or appeal following an arbitration award, lack of action of record(($\frac{7}{7}$)) or failure to comply with court-ordered deadlines for reports. The fee assessed shall be thirty dollars to cover costs associated with identifying these cases and notifying either the parties or the attorneys, or both.