



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE relating to the medical examiner's office; establishing fees under RCW 70.58.230 for certain medical examiner services to align revenues to associated costs; and amending Ordinance 15952, Section 2, and K.C.C. 2.24.135.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. A. Section 2 of this ordinance proposes a new fee for persons reporting a death to the medical examiner's office of a person whose remains are to be buried, cremated, or otherwise disposed.

B. The fee is imposed under RCW 70.58.230.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 15952, Section 2, and K.C.C. 2.24.135 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

A. A person shall not bury, cremate or otherwise dispose of the body of a decedent who died in the county without first reporting the death to the medical examiner's office and receiving an authorization from the medical examiner releasing the body for ~~((cremation))~~ disposition.

B.1. A person reporting a death to the medical examiner's office of a person whose remains are to be buried, cremated, or otherwise disposed shall be charged a fee of fifty dollars.

2. The medical examiner may waive the fee for a cremation only if the cost of the cremation to be performed was paid before January 1, 2008. The fee shall not be charged if the cost of the cremation is borne by the county.

3. Revenues generated by the ~~((cremation))~~ body disposition permit fee shall be

expended to support the King County medical examiner's office.

SECTION 3. This ordinance takes effect January 1, 2011.

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