

King County

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Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE increasing the user fee charged for facilitator services related to domestic cases as authorized under RCW 26.12.220; and amending Ordinance 16306, Section 2, and K.C.C. 4.72.034.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this ordinance authorizes the superior court to charge a user fee of up to thirty dollars per visit for facilitator services, as authorized under RCW 26.12.240. Retained revenues would be used entirely to support costs associated with operating the facilitator program.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 16306, Section 2, and K.C.C. 4.72.034 are each hereby amended as follows:

The superior court is hereby authorized to charge a user fee of up to ((twenty)) thirty dollars per visit for facilitator services, as authorized under RCW 26.12.240.

- A. A user fee of ((twenty)) thirty dollars is imposed per visit for facilitator services rendered to review documentation related to domestic cases before finalization, in accordance with RCW 26.12.240.
- B. The department of judicial administration is authorized to implement ((adopt)) procedures, in accordance with K.C.C. chapter 2.98, to waive all or part of the fees based on an applicant's showing of bona fide hardship. Collection of the ((service)) user fee shall be the responsibility of the superior court and the department of judicial administration. Should it prove necessary, the prosecuting attorney shall assist the department of judicial administration, superior court and the clerk of the superior court in collection of the fees.

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