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Proposed No.: 2017-0496

1 **STRIKING AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED MOTION 2017-0496, VERSION 1**

2 On page 1, beginning on line 11, strike everything through page 6, line 108, and insert:

3 "WHEREAS, the Washington state Legislature amended chapter 81.112 RCW via  
4 Second Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5987 in 2015 to create the Puget Sound taxpayer  
5 accountability account, and

6 WHEREAS, the Puget Sound taxpayer accountability account is to be funded by a  
7 sales and use tax offset fee of three and twenty-five one-hundredths percent of the total  
8 payments made by a regional transit authority to construction contractors on construction  
9 projects that are:

10 1. For new projects identified in the system plan funded by any proposition  
11 approved by voters after January 1, 2015; and

12 2. Excluded from the definition of retail sales under RCW 82.04.050(10), and

13 WHEREAS, on July 26, 2017, the King County council's committee of the whole  
14 held a special meeting in the city of Kent to discuss the account to hear from the public  
15 on this topic, and

16 WHEREAS, the King County council adopted Motion 14923 directed legislative  
17 department staff to prepare a report, in consultation with all councilmembers and the  
18 executive branch that provides strategies for how King County can engage stakeholders

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19 in a public process to determine how to use proceeds from Sound Transit 3 in the Puget  
20 Sound taxpayer accountability account, and

21 WHEREAS, between 2018 and 2035, King County is projected to receive  
22 approximately three hundred fifteen million dollars, and

23 WHEREAS, the proceeds are required by RCW 43.79.520 "for educational  
24 services to improve educational outcomes in early learning, K-12, and higher education  
25 including, but not limited to, for youths that are low-income, homeless, or in foster care,  
26 or other vulnerable populations," and

27 WHEREAS, to the greatest extent practicable, the expenditures of the county  
28 must follow the requirements of the Sound Transit subarea equity policy, and

29 WHEREAS, the proceeds may only be spent after the Washington state  
30 Legislature appropriates them, and

31 WHEREAS, meaningful funding from the account will be available starting in  
32 2019, and

33 WHEREAS, the Youth Action Plan defines youth as people from ages sixteen to  
34 twenty-five, and

35 WHEREAS, economic status and race are predictors educational outcomes and  
36 economic mobility, and

37 WHEREAS, King County has traditionally not been involved in providing direct  
38 educational services to children or youth, and

39 WHEREAS, King County is fortunate to be home to dozens of organizations that  
40 work to improve educational outcomes for students and youth in all parts of the county;

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

42 A. King County will utilize moneys from the Puget Sound taxpayers'

43 accountability account to meet the following goals:

44 1. Ensure every child in King County is ready for kindergarten;

45 2. Improve educational outcomes for children and youth who are homeless, in  
46 the foster care system, in the child welfare system, involved in the juvenile justice system  
47 or otherwise vulnerable;

48 3. Close the opportunity gap for children and youth of color and low-income  
49 children and youth;

50 4. End the school to prison pipeline and reduce youth involvement in the  
51 criminal justice system;

52 5. Embody the King County equity and social justice goal;

53 6. Ensure all youth in King County are prepared to fill the jobs of the future; and

54 7. Build a legacy for King County that lasts beyond the duration of the funding.

55 B. In order to meet the goals stated in section A. of this motion, King County will  
56 use the following principles:

57 1. Maximize the impact of the funding by focusing on no more than three areas  
58 for investment;

59 2. Invest in programs and projects consistent with the limited duration of the  
60 funding as much as possible, such as facility or pilot projects;

61 3. Prioritize programs that are evidence based or promising practices and have  
62 measurable outcomes, while also investing in innovative approaches;

63 4. Include funding for direct services provided in and by the community being  
64 served; and



65           5. Leverage existing initiatives, organizations, programs and funding sources,  
66 such as the Youth Action Plan, , the Children and Youth Advisory Board, the Best Starts  
67 for Kids Levy, and the Veterans, Seniors and Human Services Levy, as well as related  
68 investments by cities, the state of Washington, schools employers and private  
69 foundations.

70           C. Puget Sound taxpayers' accountability account funding will be directed to the  
71 following priority areas:

- 72           1. Early learning;
- 73           2. K-12 education for vulnerable and underserved children and youth; and
- 74           3. College, career, and technical education.

75           D. The council initiative's director will lead the development of the  
76 implementation plan and will coordinate with the appropriate legislative branch and  
77 executive branch staff. The council initiatives director should provide an oral update on  
78 the progress of developing the implementation plan to the council's committee of the  
79 whole each quarter.

80           E. The King County council will engage a consultant to help facilitate  
81 community outreach and prepare an implementation plan, for the life of the account,  
82 guided by the goals and principles stated in section A and B of this motion, targeting the  
83 priority areas in section C of this motion, and in accordance with section F of this motion.  
84 The consultant shall meet with stakeholders and subject-matter experts when drafting the  
85 implementation plan.

86           F. When conducting the community outreach to develop the implementation  
87 plan, the consultant will explore a variety of strategies including, but not limited to:

- 88 1. Increasing access and success in postsecondary or career connected  
89 education, including advisory support or other necessary services at community or  
90 technical colleges via a "promise scholarship" program, or programs targeting low-  
91 income youth, youth of color or homeless youth.;
- 92 2. Constructing, maintaining and renovating facilities to support early learning  
93 programs;
- 94 3. Colocating early learning centers with affordable housing, including flexible,  
95 mixed-use space to meet the multiple needs of children and youth with limited access to  
96 services;
- 97 4. Programing or facilities to support children and youth who are homeless, in  
98 the foster care system, in the child welfare system, involved in the juvenile justice system  
99 or otherwise vulnerable or underserved;
- 100 5. Supporting asset building strategies for youth including children's  
101 educational savings accounts;
- 102 6. Identifying innovative strategies to empower students to be change agents in  
103 their schools and communities who can identify and address social and racial injustice  
104 through advocacy and organizing; and
- 105 7. Training educators in the effects that economic status and institutional racism  
106 have on educational outcomes and economic mobility.

107 G. The King County council intends to engage the public directly through at least  
108 two town hall meetings of the committee of the whole. The King County council also  
109 intends to establish an advisory committee to review and provide comments on the  
110 consultant's draft report and will establish this advisory committee in a future motion.

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111 H. The implementation plan is due to the council by September 1, 2018, and will  
112 be used to inform the development of the 2019-2020 biennial budget."

113 **Effect: Adds Children and Youth Advisory Board to examples of existing**  
114 **organizations to leverage work from; adds technical education to priority areas;**  
115 **requests the formation of an advisory committee through a separate motion; makes**  
116 **technical corrects.**