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September 27, 2018
Striking Amendment

Sponsor: McDermott

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Proposed No.: 2018-0372

1 **STRIKING AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED MOTION 2018-0372, VERSION 2**

2 On page 1, beginning on line 7, strike everything through page 7, line 138, and insert:

3 "WHEREAS, the most recent available Washington state Department of Health
4 data show that firearms are the third leading cause of injury-related death in Washington
5 state, killing approximately six hundred twenty-five Washington residents each year
6 between 2009 to 2013, and firearms were involved in one in six of all deaths among
7 youth ages fifteen to twenty-four, and

8 WHEREAS, the Washington state Department of Health data also show that one
9 hundred forty-six King County residents died from a gun injury in 2015 including six
10 children age seventeen and younger. Statewide, thirty-nine children, who are age
11 seventeen and younger, died as a result of firearms that same year. That is the equivalent
12 of a child or teen being killed by gunfire every nine days. King County children
13 represent fifteen percent of all children killed as a result of firearms statewide, and

14 WHEREAS, between 2013 and 2015, the Washington state Department of Health
15 data show that twenty-five youth, age seventeen and younger, died by suicide in King
16 County, of which seven used firearms. Statewide, one hundred eighteen youth died by
17 suicide in Washington and forty-seven of these youth died from firearm suicide. King
18 County youth represent twenty-one percent of youth suicide and fifteen percent of suicide

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19 from firearm statewide, and

20 WHEREAS, the Washington state Department of Health data also indicate that
21 ninety-five King County residents were hospitalized for nonfatal firearm injuries,
22 including nine youth, age seventeen and younger, in 2015. Statewide, three hundred
23 eight Washington state residents were hospitalized for nonfatal firearm injuries in 2015,
24 including thirty children under eighteen years old. King County residents represent thirty
25 percent of all nonfatal firearm injuries statewide and approximately thirty percent of all
26 nonfatal firearm injuries among children, and

27 WHEREAS, the January 21, 2014 Annals of Internal Medicine report finds that
28 adolescents, between the ages of ten and nineteen years, with access to firearms are 2.6
29 times as likely to die by suicide as adolescents without access to firearms, and

30 WHEREAS, the December 2008 Journal of Adolescent Health study of
31 adolescent (between the ages of ten and nineteen years) suicides by firearm found that
32 over half were carried out with firearms from the adolescent's home. More than seventy-
33 five percent of firearms used in suicide attempts and unintentional injuries were stored in
34 the residence of the victim, a relative, or friend, and

35 WHEREAS, according to Public Health - Seattle & King County's ongoing
36 analysis, monitoring and dissemination of data on firearm violence in King County,
37 firearm violence has a disproportionate impact on communities of color and children of
38 color are victims of homicide by firearms at a higher rate than white children in King
39 County, and

40 WHEREAS, the Washington state Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
41 estimated thirty-four percent of Washington adults eighteen years and older, which is one

42 million eight hundred twenty-five thousand people, reported having a firearm in or
43 around their home in 2015. Just under half of these adults, which is forty-six percent or
44 eight hundred thirty-nine thousand people, reported having an unlocked firearm. Access
45 to firearms, including storage practices, are a known risk factor for firearm suicide -
46 especially among youth age seventeen and younger, and

47 WHEREAS, only twenty weeks into 2018, there have already been at least
48 twenty-one shootings on elementary, middle and high school and college campuses in the
49 United States, which averages to about 1.1 per week, and those shootings include a
50 February 14 shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida,
51 and a May 18 shooting at Santa Fe High School in Santa Fe, Texas, and

52 WHEREAS, in the past five years, eight school shootings have occurred in
53 Washington state, four of which resulted in injury or death, and

54 WHEREAS, during the 2015-2016 school year, the Washington state
55 Superintendent of Public Instruction reported one hundred thirty incidents involving a
56 firearm on school premises, transportation systems or school facilities, which resulted in
57 sixty-two suspensions and thirty expulsions and, of these, twenty-one suspensions and
58 fifteen expulsions were in school districts located in King County, and

59 WHEREAS, according to the Washington State Healthy Youth Survey, in 2016,
60 eleven percent of eighth-grade students, sixteen percent of tenth-grade students and
61 twenty-three percent of twelfth-grade students in King County reported that they would
62 not be caught if they carried a handgun without parental permission, and

63 WHEREAS, according to the Washington State Healthy Youth Survey, in 2016,
64 four percent of King County tenth-grade and twelfth-grade students reported having

65 carried a gun on at least one day during the last thirty days, and

66 WHEREAS, gun violence, and threats of gun violence, in schools undermine the
67 sense of security that all students should have in their learning environments, and

68 WHEREAS, the state of Washington, through RCW 9.41.290, enacted in May
69 1985, has sought to explicitly remove authority from local governments to regulate
70 dangerous weapons and ammunition, threatening public safety by depriving communities
71 the ability to implement local common sense solutions to the epidemic of gun violence,
72 and

73 WHEREAS, local governments in Washington state have taken steps that work to
74 increase gun safety, including encouraging safe firearm storage through the LOK-IT-UP
75 program and enforcement of extreme risk protection orders in King County, and

76 WHEREAS, regulatory gaps created by inaction at the state level remain,
77 resulting in innovative efforts by local government being stymied and impeded by the
78 state's preemption laws, and

79 WHEREAS, sensible gun safety legislation will strengthen protections for King
80 County youth and young adults by reducing injury and death from intentional and
81 unintentional shootings, and

82 WHEREAS, the 2015 City of Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Needs
83 Assessment report found that engaging and receiving consultation from youth and
84 families who are most impacted by violence is necessary to identify strategies to address
85 systemic issues of violence amongst youth and young adults;

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

87 A. The executive is requested to engage and collaborate with King County

88 children and young adults and their family members to develop a report on gun violence
89 amongst youth and young adults.

90 B. The executive should engage and collaborate with King County youth and
91 young adults that are either at-risk of or have experience with the issue of gun violence.

92 C. The executive should use engagement and collaboration methods that may
93 include, but not be limited to, individual and family interviews, focus groups and
94 community meetings.

95 D. The youth and young adult report should include, but not be limited to, the
96 following:

97 1. A comprehensive inventory of existing county programs that focus on youth
98 violence prevention and intervention and other community-based efforts in the county,
99 such as Best Starts for Kids, Community Correction, Juvenile Justice Data and the
100 Family Intervention and Restorative Services Program, which is also known as FIRS,
101 Gang Violence Intervention and Prevention initiatives and the Gun Violence Prevention
102 Initiative; and

103 2. Methods and findings from the interviews and focus groups with youth,
104 young adults, their families and providers who work with youth and their families on
105 issues related to gun violence.

106 E. The youth and young adult report should inform recommendations and
107 strategies to prevent youth and young adult gun violence.

108 F. The executive should present the findings in the youth and young adult report
109 to the following:

110 1. Youth, young adults and their family members who participated in focus

111 groups, interviews and community meetings;

112 2. The King County Gun Violence Prevention and Intervention Committee that
113 includes representatives of law enforcement, civic groups and the King County
114 prosecuting attorney's office;

115 3. Existing county programs that focus on youth violence prevention and
116 intervention and other community-based efforts in the county that impact youth and
117 young adults such as Best Starts for Kids and Zero Youth Detention;

118 4. The juvenile justice equity steering committee; and

119 5. Other county committee or task force charged with developing
120 recommendations and strategies to prevent youth and young adult gun violence.

121 G. The executive should develop recommendations on how the county can
122 support and strengthen community-based organizations' efforts to curb gun violence.

123 H. The executive should develop a final comprehensive report that includes the
124 youth and young adult report and the recommendations as mentioned in sections E. and
125 G. of this motion and transmit the report, and a motion accepting the report, by October
126 1, 2019, in the form of a paper original and an electronic copy to the clerk of the council,
127 who shall retain the original and provide an electronic copy to all councilmembers, the
128 council chief of staff, the policy staff director and the lead staff for the committee of the
129 whole, or its successor."

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131 **EFFECT:** *The striking amendment would do the following:*

- 132 • *Specify that the 'youth and young adult' report would include the*
133 *comprehensive inventory of existing county programs that focus on youth*

134 *violence prevention and intervention and other community-based efforts in*
135 *the county, and the methods and findings from the engagement with youth,*
136 *young adults, and their families, and that report would inform the*
137 *recommendations on how the county can support and strengthen*
138 *community-based organizations' efforts to curb gun violence;*

- 139 • *Specify that the final comprehensive report that will be transmitted to the*
140 *council would include the youth and young adult report and the*
141 *recommendations that were informed by the youth and young adult report;*
- 142 • *Extend the due date of the comprehensive report to October 1, 2019; and*
- 143 • *Make technical corrections informed by Public Health – Seattle & King*
144 *County.*

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Sponsor: Lambert

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1 **AMENDMENT TO STRIKING AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED MOTION 2018-**
2 **0372, VERSION 2**

3 On page 4, beginning on line 68 strike everything through line 72

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5 On page 4, beginning on line 76 strike everything through line 78

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7 **EFFECT: *The amendment would DELETE the following WHEREAS clauses:***

- 8 • *WHEREAS, the state of Washington, through RCW 9.41.290, enacted in May*
9 *1985, has sought to explicitly remove authority from local governments to*
10 *regulate dangerous weapons and ammunition, threatening public safety by*
11 *depriving communities the ability to implement local common sense solutions to*
12 *the epidemic of gun violence, and*
- 13 • *WHEREAS, regulatory gaps created by inaction at the state level remain,*
14 *resulting in innovative efforts by local government being stymied and impeded*
15 *by the state's preemption laws, and*

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Title Amendment

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1 **TITLE AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED MOTION 2018-0372, VERSION 2**

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

3 "A MOTION requesting the executive to engage and
4 collaborate with King County youth and young adults and
5 their family members to develop a report on gun violence
6 amongst youth and young adults."
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8 **EFFECT:** *The title amendment would make related changes to the striking*
9 *amendment.*

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