

Proposed No. 2007-0400.2

KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

September 5, 2007

Motion 12569

Sponsors

Patterson, Ferguson, Constantine and Phillips A MOTION establishing the council's intent to include, as

a request to revise state law to permit individual counties to

part of the 2008 State Legislative Agenda for King County

adopt customized procedures for conducting routine.

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WHEREAS, public confidence in the election process rests in part on voters' firm conviction that the vote count is accurate and has not been tainted by either error or fraud, and

WHEREAS, routine, random, postelection audits of election results are an essential means of confirming that automated voting systems have produced an accurate vote count, and

WHEREAS, current Washington state law provides for a form and scope of postelection auditing that, as applied to counties with as many voters as King County, does not permit a sufficient number of ballots to be audited and does not require random selection of the ballots to be audited;

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

The King County council hereby establishes the council's intent to include as part of its 2008 state legislative agenda, a request to revise of Washington State law to permit individual counties to adopt by ordinance customized procedures for conducting routine, random, postelection audits of election results, as long as those procedures are at least as statistically valid in assuring the accuracy of election results as the procedures prescribed by state law for other counties.

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Motion 12569 was introduced on 7/23/2007 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 9/4/2007, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips and Ms. Hague

No: 0

Excused: 2 - Mr. Dunn and Mr. Constantine

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

arry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments None