



## Legislation Text

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A MOTION authorizing the chair of the council to enter into an amendment extending the contract with Foster Government Relations for services to represent the county with the Washington state Legislature.

WHEREAS, the county is a subdivision of the state of Washington, and

WHEREAS, as a result, the county's services, operations and finances are to a significant extent controlled by the laws of the state, and

WHEREAS, legislation adopted by the Washington state Legislature often impacts King County's services, operations and finances, and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the residents of King County for the county to have representation during the legislative session on a broad range of complex issues, and

WHEREAS, based on a competitive solicitation process, David Foster d/b/a Foster Government Relations ("David Foster") was selected as the highest ranked proposer and was chosen in 2012 to represent King County with state government officials for a period of one year, with the possibility of extending the contract in one-year increments for up to two additional periods for a total duration of three years, and

WHEREAS, in 2013, the county exercised the option and extended the contract with Foster Government Relations for an additional year on the same terms and conditions as the original contract;

WHEREAS, David Foster has been effectively representing King County with state government officials during the past two years, and it would be in the county's best interest to extend the contract with David Foster for the final additional year;

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

The chair of the metropolitan King County council is authorized to enter into a contract amendment, substantially in the form of Attachment A to this motion, extending for one year, through August 31, 2015, the current contract with David Foster d/b/a Foster Government Relations for the services of monitoring actions by the state legislature and the state executive branch on issues of concern to King County and advocating on the county's behalf, on the following issues:

- A. General county government;
- B. County taxes and revenue;
- C. Transportation and infrastructure;
- D. Growth Management and land use;
- E. Water, sewer, solid and hazardous waste;
- F. Environmental protections and regulation;
- G. Criminal justice and corrections;
- H. Human services;
- I. Public health and health reform implementation; and
- J. Other issues of concern to King County as assigned.