

King County

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Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE to provide for the carryover from 2005 to 2006 of \$5.96 million in expenditure authority supporting the King County Pandemic Influenza Response Plan; amending the 2006 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 15333, Section 81, as amended, and adding a new section to Ordinance 15333.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 15333, Section 81, as amended, is hereby amended by adding thereto and inserting therein the following:

<u>GRANTS</u> - From the grants fund there is hereby appropriated to:

Grants \$5,960,000

<u>NEW SECTION. SECTION 2.</u> There is hereby added to Ordinance 15333 a new section to read as follows:

GRANTS CX TRANSFERS - From the current expense fund there is hereby

appropriated to:

Grants CX transfers \$5,960,000

P1 PROVIDED THAT:

Of this appropriation, \$800,000 shall not be expended or encumbered until the executive transmits and the council adopts an ordinance approving a plan for how the \$4.76 million of this appropriation previously allocated through Ordinance 15348 for the purchase of antiviral medications shall be expended in the event that

the County is able to purchase such medications at a price of lower than \$40 per course of treatment. The executive shall transmit this plan by December 4, 2006. The plan shall be filed in the form of 12 copies with the clerk of the council, who will retain the original and will forward copies to each councilmember, to the council's chief of staff and to the policy staff director.

P2 PROVIDED FURTHER THAT:

Of this appropriation, \$200,000 shall not be expended or encumbered until the executive transmits and the council adopts an ordinance approving an updated King County Pandemic Influenza Response Plan that includes three elements. The first element shall be an updated Public Health Pandemic Influenza Response Plan including updated plans for medical surge, the Health Care Coalition, Vulnerable Populations Action Team, social distancing measures and cooperation with neighboring jurisdictions. The second element shall be updated continuity of operations plans for the provision of public services the county government provides reflecting the following Tier 3 planning elements: a definition of essential services countywide; incorporation of interdepartmental and interbranch dependencies into plans; plans for identifying and centrally reporting on operational impacts during a pandemic; cost and means of acquiring and storing supply stockpiles; plans for interdependencies with outside agencies including other government jurisdictions who contract with King County for services; plans for meeting technological needs and training to achieve social distancing, plans for cross-training employees; exercises to test plans; identification of changes needed in county or state laws and administrative codes and a plan to address these including the preparation of model orders and notices; protocols for closing facilities or changing operating hours; communications and communication training plans; and elements to be addressed in Tier 4. The third element shall be an updated pandemic influenza emergency response manual from the human resources division outlining protocols for the preparedness and protection of county employees. The executive shall find appropriate means for coordinating with and involving the separately elected officials in this planning effort. The executive shall transmit this plan by January 25, 2007. The plan shall be filed in the form of 25 copies with the clerk of the council, who will retain the original and

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will forward copies to each councilmember, to the council's chief of staff and the remainder to the policy staff director for distribution to council committee staff.

P3 PROVIDED FURTHER THAT:

The executive may expend or encumber the \$1 million in appropriation authority restricted by Provisos P1 and P2 of this section without having fulfilled the requirements of the provisos if the World Health Organization increases the phase of pandemic influenza alert from level three to four or higher, indicating a greater potential for an influenza pandemic to emerge in the near term. The executive shall provide notice to the council of the amount and purpose of such expenditures within ten days of the funds being expended or encumbered. The notice required by this proviso shall be filed in the form of 12 copies with the clerk of the council, who will retain the original and will forward copies to each councilmember, to the council's chief of staff and to the policy staff director.

P4 PROVIDED FURTHER THAT:

This appropriation is made with the knowledge that Congress is considering several proposals that would make funds available to local jurisdictions for influenza pandemic preparedness, including the subsidized purchase of antiviral medications or vaccines. The county recognizes that local influenza pandemic preparedness functions will require federal or state resources. This appropriation is adopted with the expectation that King County will receive additional federal and state resources for influenza

pandemic preparedness functions and it is the intent of King County that federal and state resources be used to reimburse this appropriation.