



Legislation Text

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A MOTION acknowledging the receipt of a report from the safety of newborn children task force regarding improving awareness in King County of the Safety of Newborn Children law, in response to Motion 14104.

WHEREAS, Motion 14104 created the safety of newborn children task force to examine ways to improve the implementation of the Safety of Newborn Children law throughout King County, and

WHEREAS, the task force was charged with reporting on: how King County can engage in an ongoing, regionally consistent public information campaign about safe surrender of newborns; how King County can work collaboratively with the state to obtain useful, timely data on instances of safe surrender and newborn abandonment; and whether the safe surrender locations for accepting newborns should be expanded through state legislation, and

WHEREAS, in considering its recommendations, the task force met five times starting on June 20, 2014, and consulted with representatives from safe surrender-related organizations, authorities on county demographics and data collection, and media experts, and

WHEREAS, the task force submitted a report to the King County council and executive on October 30, 2014 that is responsive to the charges in Motion 14104;

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

Receipt of the report transmitted by the safety of newborn children task force in response to Motion 14104 is hereby acknowledged.