



Legislation Text

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A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a report regarding the cost of constructing and operating involuntary treatment act courtroom facilities at Harborview Hall in downtown Seattle and Fairfax Hospital in Kirkland, as well as the impact of operating a courtroom at Fairfax Hospital on court staff, patients, family members, professional witnesses and civilian witnesses, in compliance with the 2014 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17695, Section 18, Proviso P6.

WHEREAS, the 2014 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17695, Section 18, Proviso P6, requires the executive to transmit a motion and report regarding involuntary treatment act court by February 28, 2014, and

WHEREAS, the report provides an analysis of the cost of constructing and operating a two or three courtroom facility located in a renovated Harborview Hall, and

WHEREAS, the report provides an analysis of the cost of constructing and operating one or two courtrooms located at Harborview Hall and one courtroom located at Fairfax Hospital, and

WHEREAS, the report provides an analysis of the impact upon the patients, family members and nonfamily member civilian witnesses served by the court in each at Harborview Hall and Fairfax Hospital, and

WHEREAS, the report provides a description of business process changes, including the use of video technology, that could reduce costs at involuntary treatment court, and

WHEREAS, the report provides an analysis of significant impacts including, but not limited to, impacts to the courts, prosecuting attorney's office, public defenders, courthouse security and mental health professionals of operating a satellite court at Fairfax Hospital;

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

The report relating to operating involuntary treatment act courtrooms at Harborview Hall and Fairfax Hospital in compliance with the 2013 Budget Ordinance,
Ordinance 17695, Section 18, Proviso P6, which is Attachment A to this motion, is hereby acknowledged.