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Legislation Text

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A MOTION accepting a report regarding the sufficiency of the staffing and other resources of the county's department of public defense in relation to its caseload and making recommendations for changes in the department of public defense's staffing and resources, in compliance with the 2015/2016 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17941, Section 18, Proviso P3.

WHEREAS, the 2015/2016 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17941, Section 18, Proviso P3, states that \$200,000 of the appropriation to the office of performance strategy and budget shall not be expended or encumbered until the executive transmits a report on the sufficiency of the staffing and other resources of the county's department of public defense in relation to its caseload by August 31, 2015, and

WHEREAS, the attached report was developed in cooperation with the department of public defense, the public defense advisory board and the public defense budget workgroup established in the 2015/2016 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17941, Section 49, Proviso P1, and

WHEREAS, the attached report includes analysis and assessment of the methods used by the executive in preparing the proposed 2015/2016 Biennial Budget Ordinance, and

WHEREAS, the attached report includes analysis and assessment of the concerns raised by the King County public defense advisory board in its budget report dated October 31, 2014, and

WHEREAS, the attached report contains recommendations for changes in staffing and resources for the department of public defense in order to accommodate projected caseload, and

WHEREAS, the director of public defense and the public defense advisory board have reviewed a draft of the report and their comments have been incorporated into the final version;

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

The council accepts the executive's report regarding the sufficiency of the staffing and other resources of the county's department of public defense in compliance with the 2015/2016

Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17941, Section 18, Proviso P3, which report is Attachment A to this motion.