

King County

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Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to enter into multiyear contracts with King County suburban cities and fire protection districts for the disbursement of Medic One emergency medical services tax levy funds to provide basic life support services.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- 1. At the general election on November 6, 2007, the electorate of King County approved a proposition imposing the levy of a regular property tax each year for six years, collection beginning in 2008 and ending in 2013, to continue to provide regional Medic One/emergency medical services.
- 2. All funds collected under this levy not designated for the city of Seattle are deposited into the county emergency medical services fund.
- 3. The Medic One/emergency medical services system includes a tiered response system that includes basic life support services provided by fire department and fire district emergency medical technicians, which are identified in the Medic One/Emergency Medical Services 2008-2013 Strategic Plan.
- 4. The county desires to disburse emergency medical services funds to the suburban cities and fire protection districts for the provision of basic life support services and must do so by executing new contracts with these jurisdictions.
- 5. The county desires to enter into multiyear contracts with these jurisdictions in order to

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facilitate the ability of the jurisdictions to maintain continuous insurance liability coverage and to improve the efficiency of the contracting process.

6. The Medic One emergency medical services levy provides a stable funding base to allow for multiyear contracts between King County and the fire agencies providing basic life support services.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The King County executive is hereby authorized to enter into and execute multiyear contracts, in substantially the form attached to this ordinance,

necessary for the disbursement of Medic One emergency medical services tax levy funds to provide basic life support services.