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Proposed No.:

98-294

MOTION NO. 10470

A MOTION related to executive branch implementation of the 1996 State Auditor's report recommendations on improving the county's internal controls and setting a date for the executive to report on the status of implementation.

Introduced By:

WHEREAS, internal control is concerned with stewardship and accountability of resources, and

WHEREAS, internal controls are the plan of organization and methods and procedures adopted by management to provide reasonable assurance that resource use is consistent with laws, regulations, and policies; that resources are safeguarded against waste, loss, and misuse; and that reliable information is obtained, maintained, and fairly disclosed in reports, and

WHEREAS, lax internal controls can erode public confidence in government if improper activities occur, and

WHEREAS, the 1996 State Auditor's report on King County identified eleven reportable conditions involving internal control deficiencies, and

WHEREAS, many of the findings were attributed to a lack of awareness of or emphasis on internal controls;

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

The executive is requested to provide a report on the status of activities for correcting the internal control deficiencies identified in the 1996 State Auditor's report, with the exception of those findings related to financial system replacement issues, by July 31, 1998.

PASSED by a vote of // to O this / day of / level, 1948.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Council

Attachments: none