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Introduced by: <u>SCOTT BLAIR</u>

Proposed Ordinance No.: 81-312

ORDINANCE NO. 5523

AN ORDINANCE relating to fiscal management; directing the Executive to implement a budget allotment plan; adding a new section to the King County Code.

PREAMBLE:

While Section 475 of the Charter provides for allotments to properly control expenditures and prevent deficits, such a system of control has not been utilized by King County.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Definition.

Allotment Plan - a fiscal management plan which divides each County agency's program element budget into quarterly increments, reflecting the cyclical or seasonal pattern of expenditures, for the purpose of identifying over and under expenditures throughout the year.

Allotment Reserve Account - an account established in each Council appropriated program for the purpose of reserving excess quarterly allotments.

SECTION 2. By February 1st of 1982 and each year thereafter the Executive shall develop and transmit to the Council an allotment plan for each County agency based on the budget adopted by the Council as required in Section 410 of the Charter.

SECTION 3. Within five weeks after the end of each quarter the Executive shall notify the Council of those agencies whose expenditures have deviated from the quarter's allotment by five percent. For those agencies which have exceeded that quarter's allotment by five percent the Executive shall propose an expenditure plan designed to eliminate the need for a budget increase and/or identify the source and amount of a proposed supplemental appropriation.

SECTION 4. At the end of each quarter all allotted but unexpended funds which exceed five percent of that quarter's allotment for each Council appropriated program shall be transferred to the appropriate allotment reserve account. Within five weeks of the end of each quarter the Executive shall inform the Council of all transfers of alloted but unexpended funds to and/or from each allotment reserve account. SECTION 5. This ordinance shall not apply to individual C.I.P. projects approved by the Council. INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 11th day of May, 19 81.

PASSED this 15th day of June, 19 81. KING COUNTY COUNCIL ATTEST: APPROVED this 26th day of June, 1981.