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ORDINANCE NO. 7738

AN ORDINANCE relating to substance abuse;
specifying the number of methadone treatment
programs to be licensed by King County;
requiring the director of the Department of
Public Health to prepare appropriate
administrative rules under K.C.C. 2.98;
requiring the executive to propose a fee to
license county methadone treatment programs.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Definitions. As used in this ordinance, the
following words and terms shall have the meanings set forth
herein:

A. "Certified methadone treatment program" means an
outpatient clinic certified for methadone treatment by state and
federal agencies, serving an average daily population of eleven
or more and which is located in King County.

B. "Client" means an individual accepted for methadone
treatment by a certified methadone treatment program.

C. "Average daily client population" means the average
number of clients served each day during any calendar month.

D. "Director" means the director of the Seattle-King County
department of public health or the director's designee.

E. "Council" means the King County Council as defined by the
King County Charter.

F. "Executive" means the King County Executive as defined by
the King County Charter, or the executive's designee.

SECTION 2. Under the authority of R.C.W. 69.54.030, there
shall be four certified methadone treatment programs licensed by
King County to offer methadone treatment.

SECTION 3. No licensed certified methadone treatment program
shall offer services to an average daily client population

1 exceeding three hundred fifty program clients. This section
2 shall not apply to a certified methadone treatment program, which
3 serves an average daily client population of more than three
4 hundred and fifty as of the effective date of this ordinance,
5 until three months following the date when a fourth certified
6 methadone treatment program is licensed and prepared to serve a
7 client population as determined by the director; however, until
8 that time no such treatment program may serve an average daily
9 client population of more than seven hundred clients.

10 SECTION 4. Pursuant to K.C.C. 2.98, R.C.W. 69.54.030, and
11 W.A.C. 275-19, the director shall prepare:

12 A. Procedures to annually license certified methadone
13 treatment programs as county methadone treatment programs.

14 B. Procedures to monitor and enforce the provisions of this
15 ordinance and R.C.W. 69.54.030.

16 SECTION 5. The director shall provide the annual report to
17 the council which shall include the status of all county licensed
18 methadone treatment programs including the average daily client
19 population for each treatment program during the previous year,
20 the residency by county of every client at the time of program
21 entry, and other information deemed relevant by the director.

22 SECTION 6. If the average daily client population in any
23 certified methadone treatment program reaches the maximums set
24 forth in Section 3 of this ordinance, such treatment programs
25 shall give priority to King County residents for treatment when
26 the average daily client population falls below such maximums.

27 SECTION 7. The executive shall propose for council adoption
28 an annual fee to be charged to each licensed certified methadone
29 treatment program to meet costs of carrying out the provisions of
30 this ordinance. Such annual fees shall not be prorated or
31 rebated for any reason.
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