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ORDINANCE NO. **8649**

AN ORDINANCE relating to a proposed amendment of Article 2, Section 250, King County Charter, concerning the responsibilities of the county auditor, submitting same to the voters of the county and establishing a date of election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. There shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this county, an amendment to Article 2, section 250 of the King County Charter to read as follows:

County Auditor.

The county auditor shall be appointed by a majority of the county council, and shall ~~((conduct))~~ be responsible to the council for conducting, or caus((e))ing to be conducted, ((a-current)) independent post audits of county agencies for the purpose of reporting to the council regarding the integrity of the function of the financial ((operations of the county government, shall review and)) management system, the quality and efficiency of agency management, and the effectiveness of programs. In carrying out this purpose, the auditor shall perform the following audits within guidelines established by the county council by ordinance: financial and compliance audits to supplement those performed by the state pursuant to general law, economy and efficiency audits, and program result audits. In addition, the auditor shall perform such special studies as may be requested by the Council. The auditor shall report the results of each agency audit to the county council ~~((concerning the effectiveness and efficiency of the programs and operations of~~

1 ~~the county and shall consult with the county executive concerning~~
2 ~~the accounting procedures to be used by the executive branch).~~
3 Annual audits shall continue to be performed by the state in
4 accordance with general law.

5 The organization and administration of the auditor's office
6 shall be sufficiently independent to assure no interference or
7 influence external to the organization shall adversely affect an
8 independent and objective judgment by the auditor and the auditor
9 shall be provided a discrete budget and staff allocation.

10 SECTION 2. The manager of the division of records and
11 elections shall cause notice of the proposed amendment of the
12 King County charter to be published in accordance with the State
13 Constitution and general law and placed upon the ballot at the
14 next general election on November 8, 1988.

15 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 22nd day
16 of August, 1988.

17 PASSED this 6th day of September, 1988.

18 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
19 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

20 Gary Grant
21 Chairman

22 ATTEST:

23 Dorothy M. Owens
24 Clerk of the Council

25 APPROVED this 16th day of SEPTEMBER, 1988.

26 Raul Fath
27 for King County Executive