

KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

February 28, 2000

Ordinance 13743

Proposed No. 1999-0388.2

Sponsors Gossett

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to allow
employees to convert to cash a limited number of either
accrued vacation or accumulated compensatory time hours,
or both, and to make a payroll deduction of the net cash,
after mandatory deductions, to the Washington State college
tuition prepaid program-guaranteed education tuition to
benefit any minor children of an employee who dies while
engaged in the scope of his or her employment; and
 authorizes modifications to collective bargaining agreements
to implement the purpose of this ordinance.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding K.C.C 3.12.190, if an employee dies while engaged within the scope of his or her employment, the executive may implement a process providing a one-time opportunity to allow employees eligible for benefits to convert either accrued vacation or accumulated compensatory time hours, or both, to cash to benefit any minor children of the deceased employee. This process must conform to

the following requirements:

A. The executive shall establish a forty-five-day period during which time employees may sign a written request, subject to approval by the executive, to convert either accrued vacation or accumulated compensatory time hours, or both, to cash and to authorize a payroll deduction of the cash to benefit the minor children of the deceased employee. The hours must be in full-hour increments, with a minimum of four;

- B. The executive shall determine the maximum hours that any employee can convert to cash, but the maximum may not be greater than a total of forty by each employee;
- C. The value of the hours must be determined based on the regular hourly rate of the employee in effect at the time the approved conversion request is received by the county's payroll office;
- D. If employees elect to convert either accrued vacation or accumulated compensatory time hours, or both, to cash as set forth in this section, the executive shall insure the establishment of a Washington State college tuition prepaid programguaranteed education tuition (GET) account with the State of Washington secretary of the treasury to benefit any minor children of the deceased employee;
- E. The cash resulting from converted accrued vacation or compensatory time hours, or both, net of all mandatory deductions, including, but not limited to, deductions for retirement plans and federal income tax and the Federal Insurance Contributions Act, must be transmitted to the Washington State college tuition prepaid program-guaranteed education tuition (GET) account established under subsection D of this section; and
 - F. Employees governed by a collective bargaining agreement may convert to

41 ~	cash either accrued vacation or accumulated compensatory time hours, or both, only if
42	the existing agreement allows for or the collective bargaining agreement is amended to
43	allow for conversions as authorized in this ordinance.
44	SECTION 2. The executive may enter into such agreements or modifications to
45	existing collective bargaining agreements as are necessary to implement the purpose of
46	this ordinance.
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	Ordinance 13743 was introduced on 10/4/99 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 2/28/00, by the following vote:
. •	Yes: 9 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Miller, Ms. Fimia, Mr. McKenna, Mr. Nickels, Mr. Pullen, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Vance and Mr. Irons No: 0 Excused: 4 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. Pelz, Ms. Sullivan and Ms. Hague
	KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WHEN NOTON
	Pete von Reichbauer, Chair ATTEST:
	Approved this day of March, 2000. Ron Sims, County Executive

Attachments

None