

MOTION NO. 5887

-A MOTION establishing the 1984 State
Legislative Program for King County.

WHEREAS, the King County Executive and the King County Council want to bring their common positions on issues facing the 1984 Washington State Legislature to the attention of Washington State Legislators, other elected officials, and King County residents; and

WHEREAS, the King County Executive and the King County Council want to work cooperatively with other local governments and other organizations, such as the Suburban Cities Association, the Washington State Association of Counties, the Washington Association of County Officials, and the Association of Washington Cities; and

WHEREAS, the King County Executive and the King County Council will continue to review legislative developments for possible revision of King County's 1984 State Legislative Program;

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

The specific objectives set forth in this Motion and Attachment A represent King County's State Legislative Program for 1984. The six objectives set forth below are King County's highest priorities for passage during the 1984 Session of the Washington State Legislature:

- Seek amendments to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1983 granting counties greater authority to control inmate population growth in county jails; and seek legislation granting counties financial assistance to defray: (a) the costs of State prisoners housed in county jails; and (b) costs attributable to the Sentencing Reform Act.

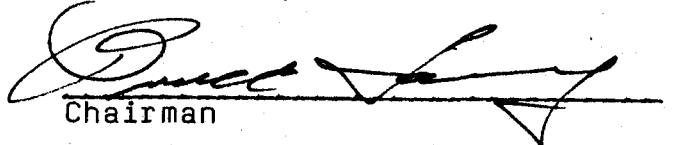
- 1 ● Seek passage of House Bill 791, which updates statutes
2 dealing with King County's Harborview Medical Center.
- 3 ● Seek passage of Substitute House Bill 255, which extends
4 the local option boat tax of up to fifty cents per foot in
5 length to powered boats under sixteen feet in length.
- 6 ● Support responsible proposals to secure State financial
7 assistance for the courts system, either generally or to
8 address specific areas such as Driving-While-Intoxicated
9 (DWI) enforcement, jury costs, and public defense. Seek
10 cost reduction measures such as electronic recording,
11 assignment of proprietary interest of court transcripts to
12 counties, and additional authority to recoup juvenile
13 defense costs.
- 14 ● Support legislation proposed by the Emergency Commission
15 on Economic Development which facilitates local economic
16 development and job creation opportunities.
- 17 ● Support efforts to maintain the 6.5 percent timber excise
18 tax as a permanent rate.

19 BE IT FURTHER MOVED:

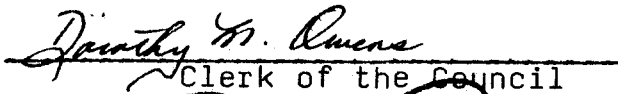
20 Consistent with the foregoing priority objectives, King
21 County will also work for the passage of the additional
22 legislative objectives set forth in Attachment A to this Motion.

23 PASSED this 19th day of December, 1983.

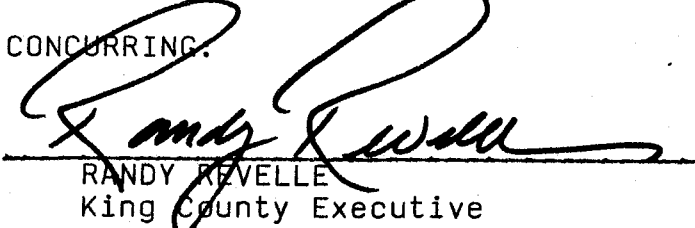
24 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
25 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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27 Chairman

28 ATTEST:

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30 Clerk of the Council

31 CONCURRING.

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33 RANDY REVELLE
King County Executive

The following are ten additional legislative objectives of the King County Executive and the King County Council:

General Government

- Seek amendments to the County Services Act in order to simplify the procedures for divesting sewer responsibilities.
- Oppose House Bill 320, which would repeal the counties' authorization to self insure.
- Support legislation authorizing a five year special levy for Park Service Area maintenance and operations.
- Support legislation adopting the 1982 Uniform Building Code, Uniform Fire Code, Uniform Mechanical Code, and Uniform Plumbing Code.

Health and Human Services

- Support legislation modifying County Health Officer statutes to eliminate the requirement that the Health Officer be both a medical doctor and have a Masters in Public Health Degree.
- Support legislation clarifying that the state has the ultimate responsibility for handling dangerous wastes, but that the location of dangerous waste disposal sites should be determined by local governments.

Law, Safety, and Justice

- Support Senate Bill 4111, providing for a general house-cleaning of the Sheriff's sale process under Revised Code of Washington (RCW) Chapters 6 and 7.
- Support House Bill 903, allowing the City of Seattle to provide fire inspection services to the King County International Airport at Boeing Field.
- Oppose House Bill 435, granting binding arbitration to paramedics.

Finance

- Seek legislation allowing counties to charge a refundable filing fee for tax appeals.