



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**July 14, 2008**

**Ordinance 16206**

**Proposed No.** 2008-0360.1

**Sponsors** Constantine and Phillips

1 AN ORDINANCE proposing an amendment to Section 630  
2 of the King County Charter, to authorize the county council  
3 to establish additional qualifications for separately elected  
4 officials who head executive departments, including the  
5 sheriff, assessor, and the proposed director of elections; and  
6 submitting the same to the voters of the county for their  
7 ratification or rejection at the November 2008 general  
8 election.

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10 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

11 SECTION 1. There shall be submitted to the voters of King County for their  
12 approval and ratification or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this county  
13 occurring more than forty-five days after the enactment of this ordinance, an amendment  
14 to Section 630 of the King County Charter, as set forth herein:

15 **Section 630. Qualifications.**

16 Each county officer holding an elective office shall be, at the time of his  
17 appointment or election and at all times while he holds office, at least twenty-one years of

18 age, a citizen of the United States and a resident and registered voter of King County; and  
19 each ~~((councilman))~~ councilmember shall be a resident of the district ~~((which he))~~ that  
20 the councilmember represents. Any change in the boundaries of a ~~((councilman's))~~  
21 councilmember's district ~~((which shall cause him))~~ that causes the councilmember to be  
22 no longer a resident of the district ~~((which he))~~ that the councilmember represents shall  
23 not disqualify ~~((him))~~ the councilmember from holding office during the remainder of the  
24 term for which ~~((he))~~ the councilmember was elected or appointed. Additional  
25 qualifications ~~((of the office of sheriff,))~~ for those separately elected officials who head  
26 executive departments may be established by ordinance.

27 SECTION 2. The clerk of the council shall certify the proposition to the manager  
28 of the elections division, in substantially the following form, with such additions,  
29 deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney:

30 Shall Section 630 of the King County Charter be amended to authorize the

31 county council to establish additional qualifications for separately elected  
32 officials who head executive departments?  
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Ordinance 16206 was introduced on 6/30/2008 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 7/14/2008, by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Ms. Patterson, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Gossett and Mr. Phillips


No: 3 - Mr. Dunn, Mr. von Reichbauer and Ms. Hague

Excused: 1 - Ms. Lambert


KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Julia Patterson, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 25 day of July, 2008.

  
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Ron Sims, County Executive

Attachments None

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