



Signature Report

February 20, 2009

Resolution

Proposed No. 09-02.1

1           A RESOLUTION amending the King County Board of  
2           Health Operating Rules related to metropolitan King  
3           County council membership on the board; and declaring an  
4           emergency.

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6           WHEREAS, in February 2008, the King County council amended the  
7           requirements to appoint elected officials from cities other than Seattle to the Board of  
8           Health (Ordinance 16031), and

9           WHEREAS, in January 2009, the King County Council voted to reduce the  
10          number of county councilmembers serving on the Board of Health from six to three, and  
11          to give each county councilmember's vote the weight of two votes (Ordinance 16350),  
12          and

13          WHEREAS, the King County Board of Health finds that immediate action is  
14          necessary under the emergency provisions of the King County Board of Health operating  
15          rules to comply with Ordinance 16350 regarding the number of County councilmembers  
16          serving on the board, and the weighting of their votes, and

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17 WHEREAS, the King County Board of Health finds as a fact that the immediate  
18 amendment of the King County Board of Health Operating Rules is necessary for the  
19 preservation of the public health, safety or general welfare, and that the observance of  
20 notice and hearing would be contrary to the public interest, and

21 WHEREAS, the King County Board of Health intends to take action on the  
22 provisions of this amendment under its regular rulemaking authority within ninety days;

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of King  
24 County:

25 A. The King County Board of Health Operating Rules, Attachment A to this  
26 resolution, are hereby amended as follows:

27 1. On page 1, line 13, delete "two-thirds of the members of the Board" and  
28 insert "Board members representing nine votes";

29 2. On page 1, line 19, delete "A majority of all voting Board members," and  
30 insert "Board members representing seven votes";

31 3. On page 3, line 9, delete "Pursuant to Metropolitan King County Council  
32 Ordinance 13872, the Board shall have a total of 14 members of whom 13 shall be voting  
33 members and 1 a nonvoting member" and insert "Pursuant to K.C.C. 2.35.021, the Board  
34 of Health shall have a total of 11 members of whom 10 shall be voting members and 1 a  
35 nonvoting member. Three of the voting members shall have votes weighted as two  
36 votes";

37 4. On page 3, line 13, delete "Pursuant to Metropolitan King County Council  
38 Ordinance 13872, there shall be eleven voting members of the Board who are elected

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39 officials appointed to the Board as follows:" and insert "Pursuant to K.C.C. 2.35.021, the  
40 Board of Health shall consist of the following members:", and

41 5. On page 3, line 16, delete "Six shall be members of the Metropolitan King  
42 County Council who are appointed by the Chair of the Council;" and insert "Three shall  
43 be members of the Metropolitan King County Council who are appointed by the chair of  
44 the council. Each county councilmember vote shall be weighted as two votes;"

45 5. On page 3, line 20, delete "Two shall be elected officials from cities of King  
46 County other than Seattle to be appointed by the Executive from nominations submitted  
47 by those cities, individually or jointly" and insert "Two shall be elected officials from  
48 cities and towns of King County other than Seattle to be appointed in a manner agreed to  
49 by and among the cities and towns representing a majority of the populations of those  
50 cities and towns";

51 6. On page 4, line 35, delete "An affirmative vote of a majority of the members  
52 of the Board" and insert "An affirmative vote of Board members representing seven  
53 votes"; and

54 7. On page 5, line 1, delete "An affirmative vote of a majority of the number of  
55 Board members necessary to constitute a quorum" and insert "A majority of affirmative  
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57 votes by Board members constituting a quorum."

58 B. This amendment is effective immediately.

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Resolution was introduced on and passed by the Board of Health on 2/19/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Ms. Lambert, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Clark, Mr. Rasmussen, Dr. Sherman, Mr. Hutchinson, Dr. Nicola, Dr. Counts, Mr. Gossett and Mr. Licata

No: 0

Excused: 3 - Mr. Conlin, Ms. Frisinger and Ms. Manning

BOARD OF HEALTH  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Julia Patterson, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Anne Noris, Clerk of the Board

**Attachments** A. King County Board of Health Operating Rules, Revised 9/18/08