

2018 Seattle City Council Statement of Legislative Intent

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Budget Action Title: Seattle Worker's Access to Insured Reproductive Health Benefits

Ongoing: No

Primary Sponsor: Herbold, Lisa

Councilmembers:

Staff Analyst: Patricia Lee

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Statement of Legislative Intent:

Council requests the Office of Labor Standards, the Mayor’s Office, the City Attorney’s Office and the City’s Health Policy Analyst work with Councilmember Herbold’s office and Central Staff to convene a stakeholder's group that includes businesses, workers and worker representatives to develop strategies and potential legislation to protect and provide Seattle workers access to insured medical benefits for reproductive health. This work should include, but not be limited to:

- An analysis of access to insured medical benefits for reproductive health provided under Federal law,
- An analysis of access to insured medical benefits for reproductive health provided under Washington State law,
- An identification of size or types of businesses that are exempt from providing insured medical benefits for reproductive health under Federal and State law, or workers, such as independent contractors who are not covered by Federal or State law,
- The pros and cons and costs of establishing a city benefit to ensure access to insured medical benefits for reproductive health for workers.
- Recommendations, including potential legislation that would provide and protect workers access to insured medical benefits for reproductive health.

Council requests the Executive:

1. Provide the recommendations from the stakeholder group, and
2. Transmit any legislation that is developed to the Council's Committee on Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development and Arts and the Council Central Staff Director by June 30, 2018.

Responsible Council Committee(s): Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development and Arts Committee

Date Due to Council: June 30, 2018