

2023 Seattle City Council Statement of Legislative Intent

Council Budget Action: Agenda

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LAW	301	A	001-2023

Budget Action Title: Request that LAW conduct a racial equity toolkit on domestic violence (DV) prosecutions and report to the Council on how it can implement DV workgroup recommendations

Ongoing: No Has Attachment: No

Primary Sponsor: Teresa Mosqueda

Council Members:

Staff Analyst: Asha Venkataraman

Date		Total	LH	TM	KS	AP	DJ	DS	AL	BC	SN
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Statement of Legislative Intent:

This Statement of Legislative Intent would request that the City Attorney's Office (LAW) conduct a racial equity toolkit regarding the impacts of domestic violence (DV) prosecutions.

In addition, the Council funded a convening of community members to issue recommendations about alternatives to incarceration for individuals accused of misdemeanor DV. The workgroup is scheduled to meet until spring 2023 and plans to issue a report with recommendations for community-based alternatives to the criminal legal system response to misdemeanor DV. This SLI would request that LAW report back on whether and how it intends to address the forthcoming recommendations of the DV workgroup assessing alternatives to the criminal legal system for misdemeanor DV.

LAW should report to the Public Safety and Human Services Committee by September 1, 2023.

Responsible Council Committee(s):

Public Safety and Human Services

Date Due to Council: September 1, 2023