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Amendment B Version 1 to CB 120812 – 2024 Mid-Year Supplemental

Sponsor: Councilmembers Strauss and Morales

Add a \$2.25 million proviso for providing restorative practices through community-based partners and investing in safe community spaces and enriching activities

Effect: This amendment would revise the proviso in Section 13 of the bill to specify that \$2.25 million of the Department of Education and Early Learning’s (DEEL’s) JumpStart Payroll Expense Tax Fund (JumpStart Fund) appropriations are to be used for providing restorative practices through community-based partners and investing in safe community spaces and enriching activities.

The \$2.25 million addressed in proviso are a portion of the \$20 million in total JumpStart Fund appropriations provided to DEEL in the 2024 Adopted Budget. Section 13 of the bill also includes a proviso on \$10 million of that amount to fund violence prevention and youth mental health activities.

Lastly, the amendment specifies that the \$2.25 million is intended to be used as a one-time investment in violence prevention and requests that DEEL collaborate with other City departments and focus investments on existing programs and partnerships with community-based organizations.

Amend Section 13 of CB 120812 as follows:

Section 13. This ordinance imposes a proviso as follows:

“Notwithstanding the provisions of Seattle Municipal Code Section 5.38.050, of the appropriations in the 2024 budget for the Department of Education and Early Learning’s K-12 Programs Budget Summary Level (BO-EE-IL200), \$10,000,000 of JumpStart Payroll Expense Tax Fund funds are appropriated solely to provide and raise awareness of critical mental health services and student safety interventions, such as proactive mental health screening, telehealth therapy, and in-person therapy for Seattle students, and may not be used for any other purpose.((²))

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Notwithstanding the provisions of Seattle Municipal Code Section 5.38.050, of the appropriations in the 2024 budget for the Department of Education and Early Learning's K-12 Programs Budget Summary Level (BO-EE-IL200), \$2,250,000 of JumpStart Payroll Expense Tax Fund funds are appropriated solely to expand educational supports for Seattle students, including providing restorative practices through community-based partners and investing in safe community spaces and enriching activities, and may not be used for any other purpose."

The Council intends the \$2.25 million to be used on a one-time basis for violence prevention activities. Further, the Council requests the Department of Education and Early Learning to collaborate with other City of Seattle departments, including, but not limited to, the Human Services Department and Seattle Parks and Recreation, to find investment opportunities that can be deployed quickly and efficiently. The departments should focus on expanding successful current investments that can benefit from additional funding and leveraging community-based organizations that possess connections to Seattle youth and that are equipped to provide services to address the youth mental health and violence crisis.