

## SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE\*

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*\* Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.*

### 1. BILL SUMMARY

**Legislation Title:** AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Preschool Program; amending Ordinances 124509 and 124749, by amending the action plan and the implementation plan; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

**Summary and background of the Legislation:**

The proposed legislation revises the original language of the Seattle Preschool Program (SPP) Levy's Action Plan and Implementation Plan.

The Action Plan, adopted via Ordinance 124509, is proposed to be amended by:

1. Removing the requirement that an SPP provider have at least two or more classrooms participating in the program.
2. Removing the requirement that all children in an SPP classroom be Seattle residents. In some cases, SPP providers have asked that one or more children not eligible for SPP subsidies be retained in a classroom with their peers for programmatic purposes. Tuition for these children will not be subsidized by the City.
3. Advancing the development of a method for approving additional curricula to be used in SPP classrooms.

The student selection and enrollment provisions on page 16 of the Implementation Plan, adopted via Ordinance 124749, are proposed for modification.

1. Children who have a sibling in a school building where an SPP classroom is housed will be given priority in the selection process.
2. For SPP classrooms located in school buildings, selection priority will be given to children who are eligible to remain in that school for kindergarten.
3. SPP will provide for continuity of care by allowing SPP providers to retain children who began attending their program prior to becoming age eligible for SPP without having them participate in the city's child selection process. The Implementation Plan as adopted allows this retention only in the first year of contracting with DEEL to be an SPP provider. The proposed amendment removes this one year restriction.
4. Certain providers who have specialized programs will be allowed to select and enroll a percentage of their children without participating in the city's process.

### 2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

\_\_\_\_\_ **This legislation creates, funds, or amends a CIP Project.**

### 3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

X This legislation does not have direct financial implications.

### 4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a) **Does the legislation have indirect or long-term financial impacts to the City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above?**  
No.
- b) **Is there financial cost or other impacts of not implementing the legislation?**  
Several potential SPP providers have stated that the current “grandfathering” limitation is a barrier to them joining SPP. If this limitation is not removed, DEEL is unlikely to meet the enrollment goals established for SPP.
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**  
No .
- d) **Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**  
No.
- e) **Does this legislation require landlords or sellers of real property to provide information regarding the property to a buyer or tenant?**  
No.
- f) **Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**  
No.
- g) **Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**  
No.
- h) **Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities?**  
No.
- i) **If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the long-term and measurable goals of the program? Please describe how this legislation would help achieve the program’s desired goals.**  
N/A
- j) **Other Issues:**

List attachments/exhibits below: