

## Amendment B Version 1 to RES 32187 - 2026 State Legislative Agenda

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Federal Response, Affordability & Workforce, Housing & Homelessness,  
and Transportation Priorities

**Effect:** This amendment would add language to the City of Seattle’s 2026 State Legislative Agenda to state the City’s commitment to the following legislative priorities:

### Federal Response

- Establishing additional local progressive revenue options to address federal funding cuts to state and local governments.

### Affordability & Workforce

- Exploring a revenue neutral swap for sales tax.
- Allowing collective bargaining over matters related to the impacts of workplace artificial intelligence on employee wages and performance evaluations.
- Furthering investments in workforce development in the maritime industry.

### Housing & Homelessness

- Reducing liability requirements to encourage the development of condominiums.
- Changing city and county elevator standards to match global or North American standards.

### Public Safety

- Updating police accountability arbitration rules and procedures.

### Transportation

- Increasing the availability of passenger-only ferries.
- Reducing emissions from most polluting vessels visiting Washington’s ports.
- Prioritizing Climate Commitment Act spending for mass public transportation capital projects.

Amend the language under the heading “Federal Response” in Exhibit 1 of RES 32187 as follows:

### Federal Response

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- Maintain funding for asylum and migrant support services.
- Allow local governments to enact additional progressive revenue options to address federal funding cuts to state and local governments, including a vacancy tax, an income tax on millionaire earners, and a wealth tax.

Amend the language under the heading “Affordability” in Exhibit 1 of RES 32187 as follows:

**Affordability & Workforce**

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- Support revenue options that help safeguard access to essential services.
- Explore a revenue neutral swap for sales tax.
- Allow collective bargaining over matters related to adoption of artificial intelligence in the workplace, including impacts on employee wages and performance evaluations.
- Further investments in workforce development in the state maritime industry.

Amend the language under the heading “Housing & Homelessness” in Exhibit 1 of RES 32187 as follows:

**Housing & Homelessness**

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- Restore full funding for the state Encampment Resolution Program.
- Reduce liability requirements to encourage the development of condominiums and incorporate smaller scale condominium buildings into the residential building code.

- Change elevator standards for cities and counties to match global or North American safety and related standards to increase elevator access and flexibility.

Amend the language under the heading “Public Safety” in Exhibit 1 of RES 32187 as follows:

### **Public Safety**

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- Support policies that encourage diversified 911 response and allow civilian alternative response to appropriate crisis and welfare calls for service.
- Update police accountability arbitration rules and procedures to ensure discipline for misconduct is fair and consistent.

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Amend the language under the heading “Transportation” in Exhibit 1 of RES 32187 as follows:

### **Transportation**

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- Provide local governments authority to remove vehicle obstructions from streetcar tracks to ensure reliable and efficient public transit operations.
- Increase the availability of passenger-only ferries for better regional connections.
- Support reduced emissions from most polluting vessels visiting Washington’s ports.
- Prioritize Climate Commitment Act spending for mass public transportation capital projects to reduce greenhouse emissions.