

**Amendment A to CB 120375 – Abortion Sanctuary City**

**Sponsor:** Councilmember Sawant

*Technical corrections and expansion of law enforcement protections*

**Effect:** This amendment would correct a drafting error and make minor technical changes to align the legislation’s language with the Seattle Municipal Code standard. It would also make applicable to all parties, rather than just to licensed health care providers operating within the scope of their practice, the requirement that the Seattle Police Department and City Attorney’s Office refrain from providing cooperation or assistance to out-of-state law enforcement agencies for conduct related to abortion or reproductive health services.

On page 2, following the recitals, amend CB 120375 and Section 1 as shown below:

Section 1. A new ~~((chapter))~~ Chapter 12A.32 is added to the Seattle Municipal Code as follows:

**Chapter 12A.32 PREGNANCY TERMINATION**

**12A.32.010 Cooperation with out-of-state law enforcement**

The Seattle Police Department and City Attorney’s Office shall refrain from providing any cooperation or assistance to any out-of-state law enforcement agency, public entity, or private party if the matter concerns abortion-related conduct, or other reproductive health care or services, ~~((provided by a licensed health care provider operating within the scope of their practice,))~~ including but not limited to declining to cooperate with an out-of-state subpoena, search warrant, arrest warrant, or court order that has not originated in Washington State.

**12A.32.020 Enforcement priority**

In the event that any abortion-related conduct or reproductive health care or services, conducted by a licensed healthcare provider regulated under Title 18 RCW and operating within their scope

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of practice, are deemed unlawful in Washington State, the Seattle Police Department and City Attorney's Office shall make cooperation with other law enforcements agencies for the purpose of the investigation, arrest, and prosecution of such offenses among the City's lowest law enforcement priorities.

On page 3, amend Section 2 and Section 3 as shown below:

Section 2. Section 12A.20.060 of the Seattle Municipal Code, amended by Ordinance 122025, is amended as follows:

**12A.20.060 Enforcement ((Priority)) priority – Marijuana((-))**

The Seattle Police Department and City Attorney's Office shall make the investigation, arrest, and prosecution of marijuana offenses, where the marijuana was intended for adult personal use, among the City's lowest law enforcement ((priority)) priorities.

Section 3. The City Council requests the Seattle Police Department and City Attorney's Office to

1) establish a process to scrutinize all requests for cooperation, assistance, or information from any party in any state where abortion is banned or otherwise restricted to a degree inconsistent with Washington state law; 2) identify those requests that implicate abortion-related conduct or an individual's reproductive health care or services; and 3) retain anonymized records regarding the number and origin of such requests.