

**2013 - 2014 Seattle City Council Green Sheet**

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**Budget Action Title:** Impose a proviso on the Finance General Reserves BCL for Department of Justice Settlement Agreement Public Safety Reserves

**Councilmembers:** Budget Committee

**Staff Analyst:** Christa Valles

**Council Bill or Resolution:**

**Budget Committee Vote:**

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11/19/2012	Pass 9-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

***Budget Action description:***

This green sheet imposes the following budget proviso:

“No more than \$300,000 appropriated in the 2013 budget for Finance General’s Reserves BCL may be spent for the Department of Justice Settlement Agreement until authorized by future ordinance.”

**Background**

The Mayor has placed approximately \$4.6 million in Finance General Reserves in both 2013 and 2014 to cover potential expenses associated with the Department of Justice (DOJ) Settlement Agreement. This proviso will require the Executive to request Council authorization before it can spend more than \$300,000 of these funds in 2013, which is approved upfront to account for possible expenditures incurred in early 2013.

To provide the information needed to monitor DOJ-related spending and to support Council’s consideration of future appropriation requests, Council requests the Executive submit monthly expense reports documenting any funds expended or encumbered related to the Department of Justice Settlement Agreement, whether from the amount in Finance General Reserves or from other City funds. The report for a given month shall be sent by no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of the following month to the Chairs of the Government Performance and Finance Committee and Public Safety, Civil Rights, and Technology Committee.