

FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS

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Legislation Title:

A RESOLUTION declaring the support of the Seattle City Council for passage of the Seattle School District's Proposition 1 Operations Levy and Proposition 2 Building Excellence IV Capital Levy on the February 12, 2013 ballot.

Summary of the Legislation:

This legislation expresses the Seattle City Council's support for the passage of two tax levies to support Seattle public schools:

- (1) Proposition 1, the Seattle School District's proposed three-year Operations Levy totaling \$551.9 million to provide necessary funds to pay for basic classroom needs such as teachers, librarians, counselors, bilingual and special education specialists, textbooks and supplies, and a 6th period in high school.

The current Operations Levy for the School District is \$1.31 per \$1,000 in assessed value in 2012. (This includes a Supplemental amount approved by voters.) Originally approved in 2010, the current three-year Levy expires at the end of 2013. The new three-year Operations Levy proposed by the School District for the February 2013 ballot would replace the current Operations Levy and would start at \$1.45 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

- (2) Proposition 2, the Seattle School District's six-year BEX IV Capital Levy totaling \$694.5 million to complete earthquake and other safety projects in 37 schools; renovation, construction, replacement or additions to 11 elementary schools, one middle school and one K-8 school; construction of building condition and infrastructure improvements and major preventive maintenance at 20 schools; and acquisition and installation of technology equipment and implementation of training and other measures throughout the district.

The current BEX III Capital measure for the School District is \$0.70 per \$1,000 in assessed value in 2012. Originally approved in 2007, the current six-year levy expires at the end of 2013. The new six-year Capital Levy (BEX IV) proposed by the School District for the February 2013 ballot would replace the current BEX III Capital Levy and would start at \$1.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

 x **This legislation (the City Council Resolution) does not have any financial implications.**