

**FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS**

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**Legislation Title:**

A RESOLUTION prioritizing family unity and urging President Obama and Congress to replace the enforcement oriented federal immigration system with an immigration policy that keeps families together and respects the right of all workers to support their families.

**Summary of the Legislation:**

The resolution calls on the Obama Administration and our Congressional delegation to take a number of actions with the goal of implementing a humanitarian immigration policy that keeps families together and respects the right of all workers to support their families.

In addition, the resolution says that the City of Seattle will work to: (A) ensure that human service providers funded by the City of Seattle are informed that they shall not consider the immigration status in determining eligibility for City-funded services; (B) increase communication to the immigrant and refugee community about Seattle's policies related to the immigration status; (C) educate the community about options to qualify for different kinds of immigration status; and (D) educate the community that under the Fair Labor Standards Act, workers hired in violation of federal immigration law have rights in the workplace. The Office for Immigrant and Refugee Affairs, the Seattle Police Department, and the Human Services Department are already engaged in these efforts.

**Background:**

Seattle is home to undocumented immigrants and many of their family members with full citizenship status. Deportations are occurring at an annual average of nearly 400,000 people. The federal government's stated priority is the deportation of individuals with serious criminal convictions, yet the majority of people being deported have only minor convictions, or no convictions whatsoever. These deportations perpetuate a broken system and harm the living conditions of children with full citizenship status whose parents are removed, leaving them with no parental guidance or care and a highly unstable financial and social situation.

Please check one of the following:

  X   **This legislation does not have any financial implications.**

**Other Implications:**

- a) **Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?**  
No
- b) **What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?**  
N/A
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**  
Yes, it affects the Office for Immigrant and Refugee Affairs, the Seattle Police Department, and the Human Services Department who are already engaged in these efforts.
- d) **What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?**  
Letters, without Council legislative action, could be written to the entities addressed in the resolution.
- e) **Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**  
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) **Other Issues:**  
N/A