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AN ORDINANCE making certain changes concerning the terms of service for members of the Seattle Women's Commission, Seattle Human Rights Commission, Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities and the Seattle LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) Commission; and amending Subsection 3.14.920.D of the Seattle Municipal Code in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, City Council and the Mayor's office value volunteer service to the City of Seattle; and

WHEREAS, Commission members are volunteers who have responded to a "call to serve" and have accepted a Mayoral or City Council appointment for a term of service on a local level body that can make a difference for the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, appointed commissioners to the Seattle Women's Commission, Seattle Human Rights Commission, Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities and the Seattle LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) will approach their task with a sincere and energetic commitment to contribute what they can to advance the field of service and volunteering in The City of Seattle; and

WHEREAS, appointed commissioner will strive to use their collective capabilities and contributions to make a demonstrable impact; and;

WHEREAS, is in the best interest of The City of Seattle to support the long term sustainability of the commission and its programs; NOW THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Subsection 3.14.920.D of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 123088, is amended as follows:

**3.14.920 Commissions -- Established --Membership.**

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1 D. All appointments shall be subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the City Council. Each  
2 member appointed pursuant to the authority of this section shall serve for a term of two ((2))  
3 years, but no member of the Seattle Human Rights Commission ((~~or the Seattle Women's~~  
4 ~~Commission~~)) shall serve more than two ((2)) consecutive two ((2)) year terms. No member  
5 of the Seattle Immigrant and Refugee Commission, Seattle Women's Commission, or the Seattle  
6 Commission for People with Disabilities shall serve more than three consecutive two year terms.  
7 The Seattle LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) Commission does not have term  
8 limits. If a member is appointed to serve an unexpired term of a previous commission member,  
9 that term shall qualify as one ((1)) of two ((2)) consecutive terms only if the length of the  
10 unexpired term actually served is one ((1)) year or more. Any vacancy shall be filled for the  
11 unexpired term in the same manner as an original appointment.  
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15 Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by  
16 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it  
17 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.  
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Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011, and  
signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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Michael McGinn, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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**FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS**

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**Legislation Title:**

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**Summary of the Legislation:**

To expand appointment term limits from two terms to three terms for the Seattle Women's Commission, Seattle Human Rights Commission, Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities and the Seattle LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) Commission; and amending Subsection 3.14.920.D of the Seattle Municipal Code in connection therewith.

**Background:**

Expansion of term limits from two terms to three terms for consistency among all Commissions housed within the Seattle Office for Civil Rights.

Please check one of the following:

**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?** Not Applicable.
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**  
No.
- d) **What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?** In order to extend the term limits for these commissions, the Seattle Municipal Code must be amended. There are no obvious alternatives to this legislation.



- 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: None.

List attachments to the fiscal note below:





City of Seattle  
Office of the Mayor

October 4, 2011

Honorable Richard Conlin  
President  
Seattle City Council  
City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Dear Council President Conlin:

I am pleased to transmit the attached proposed Council Bill changing appointment term limits from two to three terms for members of the Seattle Women's Commission, Seattle Human Rights Commission, Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities and the Seattle LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) Commission. This proposed legislation will support the long term sustainability of the Commissions and programs housed within the Seattle Office for Civil Rights.

Thank you for your consideration of this legislation. Should you have questions, please contact Julie Nelson at (206) 233-7822.

Sincerely,

Michael McGinn  
Mayor of Seattle

cc: Honorable Members of the Seattle City Council

