## (This is a cut and paste of an email sent by Alice McDaniel, January 23, 2:10 pm)

Mr. Thompson,

Thank you for providing your additional comments on. 2014-108. The committee clerk will be adding them to the record.

All Council, Study Sessions, and Committee meetings of the County Council are open public meetings and the public is highly encouraged to attend and provide comments. The <u>EID</u> <u>committee meeting</u> on the 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. is no exception and the Chair, Doug Richardson, does provide an opportunity for the public to speak on each proposal for up to 3 minutes.

## You may provide comments to the Council in the following ways:

Notice: All e-mail communications with the Pierce County Council may be subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act (Chapter 42.56 RCW) and should be **presumed to be public**.

- Comment directly from the proposal page (click "Comment on Legislation" on the far upper right)
- Comment electronically through the Council's <u>legislation database</u> or the Council's <u>online comment form.</u>
- Attend a Council or Committee meeting where the proposal is on the agenda as an action item (see <u>Calendar</u> or the Council homepage), and speak to the proposal when open for testimony. The Chair will usually limit testimony to 3 minutes per person.
- Provide written comments at the Council or Committee meeting. If possible, bring 10 copies of any written testimony and hand it to the Clerk for the meeting.
- Provide written comments via postal mail or email. To be effective, these comments need to arrive for Council consideration before the final hearing.
- Call your <u>Councilmember</u> or the Committee Chair of the proposal you are commenting on.

Let me know if I can assist you further.

Sincerely,

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## **Keeping Informed:**

The Council accepts public comment on all proposals <u>before</u> it takes action. Common ways to comment include testifying in person at the proposal hearing, submitting comments in writing via U.S. mail, and commenting electronically by email or through the Council Internet comment form

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