

Committee: LJHS Analyst: Heidi Beazizo

**ECAF: 23**-0041

## Consideration

The Executive's Office requests Council consider approving proposed Motion 23-042 which would approve and authorize the 2023 agreement with the Washington State Department of Commerce (DOC) for the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP-EAP).

## **Background**

The Washington State Department of Commerce (Commerce), acting as the pass-through agency for the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), has allocated funds to Snohomish County for the LIHEAP-EAP; the funds are designed to reduce the burden of rising home energy costs by providing assistance with a portion of a low-income household's heating bill.

These funds were not anticipated in the 2023 Grant Work Plan.

## **Current Proposal**

*Scope:* Motion 23-042 authorizes the County Executive to execute contract 23-3260I-081 and any amendments.

Duration: October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2024

Fiscal Implications: \$220,648

**<u>2023 Budget:</u>** NO (no required match and no impact to the general fund)

<u>Future Budget Impacts:</u> YES – term covers multiple budget years. Expected use is in the  $4^{th}$  quarter of 2023. If necessary, a budget modification will be completed in 2023.

**Handling:** EXPEDITE

**Approved-as-to-form:** N/A (form state agreement)

Risk Management: YES

**Executive Recommendation:** APPROVE

**Request:** Move to GLS on January 25<sup>th</sup> Council to consider taking action.