SENATE BILL 5930

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By Senator Anderson.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the promotion of festivals; and amending RCW
- 2 67.28.210.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 67.28.210 and 1990 c 17 s 1 are each amended to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 All taxes levied and collected under RCW 67.28.180, 67.28.230, and
- 7 67.28.240 shall be credited to a special fund in the treasury of the
- 8 county or city imposing such tax. Such taxes shall be levied only for
- 9 the purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of acquisition,
- 10 construction, or operating of stadium facilities, convention center
- 11 facilities, performing arts center facilities, and/or visual arts
- 12 center facilities or to pay or secure the payment of all or any portion
- 13 of general obligation bonds or revenue bonds issued for such purpose or
- 14 purposes under this chapter, or to pay for advertising, publicizing, or
- 15 otherwise distributing information for the purpose of attracting

visitors and encouraging tourist expansion when a county or city has 1 2 imposed such tax for such purpose, or as one of the purposes hereunder, and until withdrawn for use, the moneys accumulated in such fund or 3 4 funds may be invested in interest bearing securities by the county or city treasurer in any manner authorized by law. In addition such taxes 5 6 may be used to develop strategies to expand tourism: PROVIDED, That any county, and any city within a county, bordering upon Grays Harbor 7 may use the proceeds of such taxes for construction and maintenance of 8 9 a movable tall ships tourist attraction in cooperation with a tall 10 ships restoration society, except to the extent that such proceeds are used for payment of principal and interest on debt incurred prior to 11 12 June 11, 1986: PROVIDED FURTHER, That any city or county may use the proceeds of such taxes for the refurbishing and operation of a steam 13 railway for tourism promotion purposes: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That a 14 15 city or county may use the proceeds of such taxes for the promotion of community-oriented festivals. 16