
HOUSE BILL 2936

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By Representatives Cairnes and Fortunato

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1 AN ACT Relating to public approval of the financing of regional
2 transit systems and facilities; and creating new sections.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Economic development is affected by
5 transportation systems and the imposition of taxes. To ensure
6 appropriate economic development and that the message of Initiative
7 Measure No. 695 be implemented, this act requires that voters of a
8 regional transportation authority who, prior to January 1, 2000, voted
9 to approve taxes to finance a regional transit system and facilities
10 under chapter 81.112 RCW, be afforded an additional opportunity to
11 reaffirm or reject their prior approval of these taxes.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The auditor of every county in which a
13 regional transportation authority is located, where prior to January 1,
14 2000, voters had authorized the regional transportation authority to
15 impose taxes to finance a regional transit system and facilities under
16 chapter 81.112 RCW, shall submit to the voters of the regional
17 transportation authority a ballot proposition inquiring whether they
18 want to reaffirm their prior approval of these taxes. If a regional

1 transportation authority is located in more than one county, the
2 prosecuting attorneys of these counties shall prepare a common ballot
3 proposition to be submitted to voters of the counties.

4 If the ballot proposition to reaffirm the taxes is approved by a
5 simple majority vote of the voters of the regional transportation
6 authority who vote on the ballot proposition, the regional
7 transportation authority may continue imposing the taxes it had been
8 authorized to impose. However, if the ballot proposition to reaffirm
9 the taxes is not approved by the voters of the regional transportation
10 authority, the regional transportation authority shall discontinue
11 imposing the taxes it had been authorized to impose.

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