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- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 2 following:
- 3 "Sec. 1. RCW 81.104.015 and 1999 c 202 s 9 are each amended to 4 read as follows:

5 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 6 this section apply throughout this chapter.

- (1) "High-capacity transportation system" means a system of public transportation services, including magnetic levitation and personal rapid transit, within an urbanized region operating principally on exclusive rights of way, and the supporting services and facilities necessary to implement such a system, including interim express services and high occupancy vehicle lanes, which taken as a whole, provides a substantially higher level of passenger capacity, speed, and service frequency than traditional public transportation systems operating principally in general purpose roadways.
- (2) "Rail fixed guideway system" means a light, heavy, or rapid rail system, monorail, inclined plane, funicular, trolley, or other fixed rail guideway component of a high-capacity transportation system that is not regulated by the Federal Railroad Administration, or its successor. "Rail fixed guideway system" does not mean elevators, moving sidewalks or stairs, and vehicles suspended from aerial cables, unless they are an integral component of a station served by a rail fixed guideway system.
- (3) "Regional transit system" means a high-capacity transportation system under the jurisdiction of one or more transit agencies except where a regional transit authority created under chapter 81.112 RCW exists, in which case "regional transit system" means the high-capacity transportation system under the jurisdiction of a regional transit authority.

- 1 (4) "Transit agency" means city-owned transit systems, county 2 transportation authorities, metropolitan municipal corporations, and 3 public transportation benefit areas.
- 4 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2004."

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In line 2 of the title, after "systems;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 81.104.015; and providing an effective date."

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