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SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2577

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By House Community & Economic Development & Trade (originally sponsored by Representatives Sullivan, Chase, and Kenney)

READ FIRST TIME 02/02/10.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to creating community facilities districts; adding
- 2 a new section to chapter 82.02 RCW; and adding a new chapter to Title
- 3 36 RCW.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 PART I
- 6 GENERAL PROVISIONS
- 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 101.** The legislature finds that:
- 8 (1) The state is projected to experience substantial population
- 9 growth in the next two decades and this growth will require substantial
- 10 new housing, places of employment, community facilities, and supporting
- 11 local, subregional, and regional infrastructure;
- 12 (2) In most areas of the state projected to accommodate substantial
- 13 growth, there are inadequate community facilities and infrastructure to
- 14 facilitate and support such growth. In addition, current public
- 15 financing options and resources are not adequate to provide the needed
- 16 community facilities and local, subregional, and regional
- 17 infrastructure;

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- 1 (3) A more flexible type of financing mechanism known as a 2 community facilities district should be available to counties, cities, 3 and towns so that needed community facilities and local, subregional, 4 and regional infrastructure can be provided; and
 - (4) This chapter is intended to facilitate voluntary landowner financing of community facilities and local, subregional, and regional infrastructure by authorizing the creation of community facilities districts, while creating jobs and facilitating economic development.
 - (5) It is in the interest of the people of the state of Washington to authorize the establishment of community facility districts as independently governed, special purpose districts, vested with the corporate authority included under Article VII, section 9 of the state Constitution to make local improvements in accordance with this chapter and to carry out the purposes specifically authorized under this chapter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 102. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
 - (1) "Board of supervisors" or "board" means the governing body of a community facilities district.
- 20 (2) "Community facilities district" or "district" means a district 21 created under this chapter.
- 22 (3) "Facility" or "facilities" means the local improvements 23 included under section 501 of this act.
 - (4) "Legislative authority" means the governing body of a county, city, or town to which a petition or amended petition is submitted, where the proposed or existing community facilities district is located.
 - (5) "Petition" means a request, meeting the requirements of section 201 of this act, made by landowners to form a community facilities district and to voluntarily submit their land to the assessments, fees, and charges authorized under this chapter and includes an amended petition meeting the requirements of section 201(3) of this act.
- 33 (6) "Special assessment" means an assessment imposed in accordance 34 with the requirements of this chapter.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 201. Community facilities districts are authorized to be formed for the purposes authorized under this chapter and may only include land within urban growth areas designated under the state growth management act, located in portions of one or more cities, towns, or counties when created in accordance with this chapter.
- (1) To form a community facilities district, a petition must be presented to the legislative authority of each jurisdiction included within the boundaries of the proposed district. The petition must:
- (a) Designate and describe the boundaries of the district by metes and bounds or reference to United States townships, ranges, and legal subdivisions;
- (b) Be executed by one hundred percent of all owners of private property located within the boundaries of the proposed district. The property owners must include a request to subject their property to the assessments, fees, and/or charges, up to the amount included in the petition and authorized under this chapter;
- (c) Include a certification by the petitioners that they want to voluntarily submit their property to the authority of the district under this chapter to approve the petitioner's request to submit their property to the assessments, fees, and/or charges, up to the amount included in the petition and authorized under this chapter;
- (d) Include a general explanation of the objective and plan of the district;
- (e) Declare the district will be conducive to public health, safety, and welfare;
- (f) Assert that the purpose for forming the district will be a benefit to the land located in the district;
- (g) Be accompanied by an "obligation" signed by at least two petitioners who agree to pay the costs of the formation process;
- (h) Include a list of petitioners who are willing and able to serve on the board of supervisors. All petitioners within a proposed district are eligible to include their name on the list of eligible supervisors; and
- 36 (i) If it proposes a special assessment, include: (i) Each 37 separate lot, tract, parcel of land, or other property in the district; 38 (ii) the acreage of the property; (iii) the name and address of the

owner or reputed owner of each lot, tract, parcel of land, or other property as shown on the tax rolls of the county assessor; and (iv) the special assessment proposed to be imposed on each lot, tract, parcel of land, or other property.

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- (2) The petition must be filed with the auditor of each county in which property included within the proposed district is located. auditor for the county in which the largest geographic portion of the proposed district is located must be the lead auditor for the purposes of this section. Within ten days of the lead auditor's receipt of the petition, the lead auditor must confirm that the petition has been validly executed by one hundred percent of all owners of the property located within the proposed district, including confirmation by the auditors of all other counties with whom the petition was filed. Within ten days of the lead auditor's finding that the petition either does or does not contain the required signatures, the lead auditor must either (a) transmit the petition, together with a certificate of sufficiency attached thereto, to each legislative authority petitioned for formation of the district; or (b) return the petition to the petitioners with a list of property owners who must sign the petition in order to comply with this section. There are no restrictions on the number of petitions that may be submitted by one or more property owners.
- 23 (3) A petition may be amended for any reason if the amendment is 24 signed by one hundred percent of the owners of property located within 25 the district proposed in the amended petition.
 - NEW SECTION. Sec. 202. A public hearing on the petition must be held by the legislative authority of each jurisdiction included within the boundaries of the proposed district, not less than thirty, but not more than forty-five days, from the date that the lead county auditor issues the certificate of sufficiency required under section 201 of this act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 203. Notice of all public hearings must include a description of the proposal, be mailed to all petitioners, and must be published once a week for three consecutive weeks in the official paper of the applicable county, city, or town prior to the date set for the hearing. The notice must be posted for not less than fifteen days

prior to the date of the hearing in each of three public places within the boundaries of the proposed district. Each notice must contain the time, date, and place of the public hearing.

At the time and place of the public 4 NEW SECTION. Sec. 204. 5 hearing, the legislative authority must consider the petition. The 6 legislative authority must receive any evidence it deems material that 7 supports or opposes the formation of the district, including the inclusion or exclusion of land. Unless an amended petition satisfying 8 the requirements of section 201 of this act is approved in accordance 9 10 with the requirements of this chapter, no land outside the boundaries 11 described in the petition may be included within the proposed district. 12 With the exception of the authority of any court hearing an appeal made 13 in accordance with the requirements of this chapter, no land inside the 14 boundaries of an approved petition may be removed from the district 15 unless an amended petition satisfying the requirements of section 201 16 of this act is approved in accordance with the requirements of this 17 chapter.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 205. (1) The legislative authority may act on the petition to form a community facilities district at the public hearing held under section 204 of this act and in no event may the legislative authority's decision be issued later than thirty days after the day of the public hearing. The legislative authority must approve the petition by resolution or ordinance if the legislative authority determines, in its sole discretion, that the petitioners will benefit from the proposed district and that the formation of the district will be in the best interest of the county, city or town, as applicable, and that formation of the district is consistent with the requirements of Washington's growth management act.

- (2) A community facilities district may not be formed unless the legislative authority of each jurisdiction included within the boundaries of the proposed district makes the finding required under subsection (1) of this section with respect to the property included within that jurisdiction's boundaries and with respect to the interest of the jurisdiction.
- 35 (3) Two or more legislative authorities may adopt a joint 36 resolution approving a petition.

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(4) All resolutions approving a petition must conform to the terms and conditions contained in the petition, including the maximum amounts of special assessments, fees, and/or charges set forth in the petition, and must designate the name and number of the community facilities district being formed.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 206. (1) Any person who objects to formation of the district may appeal the final decision of a legislative authority to approve a petition for formation of a community facilities district by filing an appeal with the superior court of the county in which any part of the district is located within five days of the legislative authority's decision.

(2) If no appeal is filed within five days of a legislative authority's approval of the petition, the legislative authority's decision is deemed valid, complete, and final, and neither the legal existence of the district, nor the terms and conditions of an approved petition can thereafter be challenged or questioned by any person on the grounds of procedural defect or otherwise. Certified copies of each approval must be filed with the auditor of the county or counties in which the community facilities district is located.

20 PART III

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NEW SECTION. Sec. 301. (1) A community facilities district must be governed by a board of supervisors possessing the powers set forth under section 401 of this act. The board of supervisors must be appointed by the applicable legislative authority. Except as expressly provided under this section, each legislative authority is authorized to appoint members to the board of supervisors only from among the members of its own governing body. The legislative authority of the jurisdiction having the greatest area within the district must appoint the petitioner members required under subsection (2) or (3) of this section. The term of office of each supervisor is three years and until a successor is appointed, except that the supervisors first appointed serve for one and two years respectively from the date of their appointments, as designated in their appointments.

- (2) If the boundaries of a district include only one jurisdiction, then the board of supervisors consists of: (a) Three members of the legislative authority of the jurisdiction; and (b) two members appointed from among the petitioners listed in the petition as provided in section 201(1)(h) of this act.
- (3) If the boundaries of the district include more than one jurisdiction, then the board of supervisors consists of: (a) Two members appointed from the legislative authority of the jurisdiction containing the largest geographic portion of the approved district; (b) one member appointed from the legislative authority of each additional jurisdiction in which the district is located; and (c) either one or two members appointed from the list of eligible petitioners included in the petition as provided in section 201(1)(h) of this act, depending on the number of additional members that are required to result in an overall odd number of supervisors.
- (4) Vacancies on the board must be filled by appointments by the legislative authority authorized to make appointments under this section. Vacancies must be filled by a person in the same position vacating the board, which for initial petitioner members includes property owners within the boundaries of an approved district. Supervisors must serve without compensation, but they are entitled to expenses, including traveling expenses, necessarily incurred in discharge of their duties. The board must designate a chair from time to time.

25 PART IV

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT POWERS

NEW SECTION. Sec. 401. (1) A community facilities district created in accordance with this chapter is an independently governed, special purpose district, vested with the corporate authority included under Article VII, section 9 of the state Constitution to make local improvements in accordance with this chapter.

(2) Subject to the terms and conditions of an approved petition, a community facilities district has the powers necessary to carry out the specific purposes authorized under this chapter including, but not limited to, the authority to:

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- 1 (a) Acquire, purchase, hold, lease, finance, manage, occupy, 2 construct, and sell real and personal property, facilities, or any 3 interest therein, either inside or outside of the boundaries of the 4 district;
 - (b) Finance and construct facilities authorized under this chapter;
 - (c) Enter into and perform any and all contracts;
 - (d) Levy and enforce the collection of special assessments, fees, and charges, for district revenue, against the property included within a district approved in accordance with this chapter;
 - (e) Enter into lease-purchase agreements with or without an option to purchase;
- 12 (f) Enter into executory conditional sales contracts, leases, and installment promissory notes;
- 14 (g) Borrow money to the extent and in the manner authorized by this chapter;
 - (h) Hold in trust property useful to accomplishment of the authority granted under this chapter;
 - (i) Issue revenue bonds in accordance with chapter 39.46 RCW and the requirements of this chapter, payable from revenue of the district that is legally available to be pledged to secure the revenue bonds, which must include, but not be limited to, special assessments;
 - (j) Contract with any municipal corporation, governmental, or private agencies to carry out the purposes authorized by this chapter;
 - (k) Sue and be sued;

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- (1) Accept and receive on behalf of the district any money or property donated, devised, or bequeathed to the district and carry out the terms of the donation, devise, or bequest, if it is within the powers granted by law to community facilities districts or, in the absence of such terms, expend or use the money or property for district purposes as determined by the board of supervisors; and
- 31 (m) Do any and all lawful acts required and expedient to carry out 32 the express authority provided in this chapter.

33 PART V

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT FINANCES

35 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 501.** Through the use of district revenue derived through special assessments, fees, and charges authorized under

- this chapter and, consistent with the terms and conditions of a petition approved in accordance with this chapter, a community facilities district may finance all or a portion of the following costs, expenses, and facilities whether located inside or outside the boundaries of an approved district:
 - (1) The cost, or any portion thereof, of the purchase, finance, lease, sublease, construction, expansion, improvement, or rehabilitation of any facility with an estimated life of five years or longer;

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- 10 (2) The planning and design work that is directly related to the 11 purchase, construction, expansion, improvement, or rehabilitation of a 12 facility, including engineering, architectural, planning, and 13 inspection costs;
- 14 (3) Facilities listed in RCW 35.43.040 to the extent not specified in this section;
- 16 (4) Sanitary sewage systems, including collection, transport, 17 storage, treatment, dispersal, effluent use, and discharge;
 - (5) Drainage and flood control systems, including collection, transport, diversion, storage, detention, retention, dispersal, use, and discharge;
 - (6) Water systems for domestic, industrial, irrigation, municipal, or community facilities purposes, including production, collection, storage, treatment, transport, delivery, connection, and dispersal;
 - (7) Highways, streets, roadways, and parking facilities, including all areas for vehicular use for travel, ingress, egress, and parking;
 - (8) Areas for pedestrian, equestrian, bicycle, or other nonmotor vehicle use for travel, ingress, egress, and parking;
 - (9) Pedestrian malls, parks, recreational facilities, and openspace facilities for the use of members of the public for entertainment, assembly, and recreation;
- 31 (10) Landscaping, including earthworks, structures, lakes, and 32 other water features, plants, trees, and related water delivery 33 systems;
- 34 (11) Public buildings, public safety facilities, and community 35 facilities;
- 36 (12) Publicly owned natural gas transmission and distribution 37 facilities, facilities for the transmission or distribution of

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electrical energy, and limited communications facilities, specifically poles, trenches, and conduits, for use of any communications provider;

(13) Street lighting;

- (14) Traffic control systems and devices, including signals, controls, markings, and signage;
- (15) Systems of surface, underground, or overhead railways, tramways, buses, or any other means of mass transportation facilities, including passenger, terminal, station parking, and related facilities and areas for passenger and vehicular use for travel, ingress, egress, and parking;
- 11 (16) Library, educational, and cultural facilities; and
- 12 (17) Facilities similar to those listed in this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 502. (1) Consistent with the terms and conditions of a petition approved in accordance with this chapter, a community facilities district may impose special assessments on property located inside the district and benefited by the facilities provided, or to be provided, by a district and may pledge all or a portion of the revenues, together with any other revenues that may be legally available to the district, to the payment of revenue bonds as authorized under this chapter. The term of the special assessment is limited to forty years or the term of any bonds issued by or on behalf of the district to which the revenue generated by the special assessment is specifically dedicated or obligated.

- (2) Any reasonable method or combination of methods may be used in the petition to compute special assessments, determine manifest degrees of benefit or use from facilities, activities, or improvements funded directly or indirectly by special assessments under this section, and to arrive at a final assessment roll. Administrative and operational costs incurred by the district may be proportionally included in these special assessments. A petition meeting the requirements of section 201 of this act may provide for the reduction or waiver of special assessments for low-income households as that term is defined in RCW 36.130.010.
- (3) The board must set a date, time, and place for hearing any objections to the system of assessments and the special assessment roll set forth in the petition. Objections must be made in writing, must clearly state the grounds for objections, and must be filed with the

board prior to the public hearing. Objections to a special assessment or final assessments roll that are not made as provided in this section are deemed waived and will not be considered by the board or a court on appeal.

- (4) The board of supervisors must ensure that the system or systems of assessment included in the petition utilizes a differential system of assessment to distinguish between different classes of property within the district and that the assessments reflect the benefit accruing to the assessed property as a result of the proposed activities to be funded thereby.
- (a) If the system of assessments included in the petition or amended petition satisfies the requirements of this subsection (4), then the board of supervisors must adopt an ordinance or resolution approving the system or systems of assessment and finalizing the assessment roll.
- (b) If the system of assessments included in the petition or amended petition does not satisfy the requirements of this subsection (4), then the board may correct, revise, raise, lower, change, or modify the special assessment roll or any part thereof, and return the petition to the petitioner with a detailed explanation of the changes made by the board.
- (c) If the petition is revised by the board in any way, then the petitioner must have the opportunity to take either of the following unanimous actions: (i) Amend or rescind the petition; or (ii) accept the changes made by the board, upon which occurrence the board must adopt an ordinance approving the revised system of assessments and the final assessment roll as modified by the board.
- (5) The decision of the board upon any objection to the special assessment roll may be appealed to the superior court only if objections are timely made in the manner prescribed under subsection (3) of this section.
- (a)(i) The appeal must be made within ten days after publication of a notice that the ordinance or resolution approving the system of special assessment and the final special assessment roll has been adopted by filing written notice of the appeal with the board and the clerk of the superior court in the county in which the real property is situated.

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(ii) The notice of appeal must describe the property subject to the assessment forming the basis for the appeal and must set forth the specific objections of the appellant to the special assessment.

- (iii) Within ten days from the filing of the notice of appeal with the clerk of the superior court, the appellant must file with the clerk of the court a transcript consisting of the special assessment roll together with the resolution confirming the special assessment roll and the record of the board with reference to the special assessment. The transcript, upon payment of the necessary fees therefor, must be furnished by the officer having custody of the special assessment roll and must be certified to contain full, true, and correct copies of all matters and proceedings required to be included in the transcript. The fees must be the same as the fees payable to the county clerk for the preparation and certification of transcripts on appeal to the supreme court or the court of appeals in civil actions.
- (b) At the time of the filing of the notice of appeal with the clerk of the superior court, a sufficient bond in the sum of two hundred dollars, with a surety or sureties thereon as provided by law for appeals in civil cases, must be filed. If the appeal is unsuccessful, the appellant must pay all costs incurred by the board because of the appeal. The court may order the appellant, upon application therefor, to execute and file the additional bond or bonds as the necessity of the case may require.
- (c)(i) Within three days after the transcript is filed in the superior court, the appellant must give written notice to the board that the transcript is filed. The notice must state a time, not less than three days from the service thereof, when the appellant will call up the cause for hearing. The superior court must, at this time or at a later time as may be fixed by order of the court, hear and determine the appeal without a jury, and the cause must have preference over all civil causes pending in the court, except proceedings under an act relating to eminent domain in that jurisdiction and actions of forcible entry and detainer.
- (ii) The judgment of the court must confirm, correct, modify, or annul the special assessment or annual special assessments insofar as the same affects the property of the appellant.
 - (iii) A certified copy of the decision of the court must be filed

with the officer having custody of the special assessment roll, and he or she must modify and correct the special assessment roll in accordance with the decision.

- (d)(i) Any appeal must be made to the supreme court or the court of appeals from the judgment of the superior court, as in other cases. However, the appeal must be taken within fifteen days after the date of the entry of the judgment of the superior court, and the record and opening brief of the appellant in the cause must be filed in the supreme court or the court of appeals within sixty days after the appeal is taken by notice as provided in this section.
- (ii) The time for filing the record and serving and filing of briefs may be extended by order of the superior court, or by stipulation of the parties concerned. The supreme court or the court of appeals on the appeal may correct, modify, confirm, or annul the special assessment or annual special assessments insofar as the same affects the property of the appellant.
- (iii) A certified copy of the order of the supreme court or the court of appeals upon the appeal must be filed with the officer having custody of the special assessment roll, who must thereupon modify and correct the special assessment roll in accordance with the decision.
- (6) The system or systems of assessment must be reviewed and finalized by the board of supervisors at least once per year. A system or systems of assessment must be finalized on or before the first of September in the year that it is finalized. If the board of supervisors is responsible for establishing a system or systems of assessment for more than one district, then the board of supervisors may, at its option, stagger the initial finalization of the systems of assessment for different districts over a period of up to two years. Assessments must be collected in districts pursuant to the district's previous system of assessment until the system or systems of assessment under this chapter are finalized under this section.
- (7) Every district must use the assessed value applicable to forest land, farm and agricultural land, or open space land, under chapter 84.33 or 84.34 RCW, when the land has been designated as such and the assessed value is used as a component in determining the district assessment and property designated as such is subject to assessments approved under this chapter. If a district uses a fractional amount of assessed value as a component in determining the district assessment,

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then a fractional amount of the value applicable to forest land, farm and agricultural land, or open space land, under chapter 84.33 or 84.34 RCW, must be used.

- (8)(a) Or on before December 1st of each year, the district must adopt a budget reflecting the special assessments approved under this chapter consistent with the terms of the petition. A copy of the resolution and the budget must be forwarded immediately to the treasurer of the jurisdictions in which the district is located.
- (b) Special assessments necessary to generate funds for this budget must be imposed pursuant to the system or systems of assessment approved by the board of supervisors. Special assessments must be collected by the county treasurer or treasurers within which the district is located. Notice of the special assessments must be included on all annual notices of property taxes and included on a separate notice mailed separately from the notice of property taxes due, not less than once per year, with the following notice appearing at the top of the page in at least fourteen point, bold font:

18 ****NOTICE****

- THIS PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO THE ASSESSMENTS, FEES, AND CHARGES ITEMIZED BELOW AND APPROVED BY COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT # AS THE OWNER OR POTENTIAL BUYER OF THIS PROPERTY, YOU ARE, OR WOULD BE, RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF THE AMOUNTS ITEMIZED BELOW.
- 24 PLEASE REFER TO RCW 36.--.-- (section 502, chapter . . ., Laws of 2010 25 (section 502 of this act)) OR CONTACT YOUR COUNTY AUDITOR FOR 26 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.
 - (9) Special assessments are due at the same time property taxes are due and constitute liens on the land or improvements upon which they are imposed. Special assessments must be collected and foreclosed by the appropriate officers of the jurisdiction within which the district is located, in the same manner provided by law for the foreclosure of liens held by cities or towns against property in local improvement districts. The applicable treasurers may impose a fee for collecting special assessments not to exceed one percent of the dollar value of special assessments collected.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 503. (1) The district may utilize the revenue derived in accordance with this chapter for the payment of principal and interest on revenue bonds and/or special assessment bonds issued to fund or reimburse the costs of facilities authorized under this chapter and may otherwise utilize the revenue to directly fund the costs of providing the facilities authorized under this chapter on a pay-as-you-go basis.

- (2) The board of supervisors may establish, administer, and pay or otherwise obligate the revenue generated in accordance with this chapter into a specific fund created by or on behalf of the district, in order to guarantee payment of obligations incurred in connection with facilities provided under this chapter, including the payment of principal and interest on any bonds issued by or on behalf of the district.
- (3) The proceeds of any bond issued pursuant to this chapter may be used to pay any and all costs related to providing the facilities authorized under this chapter, including expenses incurred in connection with issuance of the bonds.
 - NEW SECTION. Sec. 504. (1) Consistent with the terms and conditions of a petition approved under this chapter, the board of supervisors may by resolution, for community facilities district purposes authorized by law, fix and impose a benefit charge on personal property, real property, and improvements to real property which are located within the community facilities district on the date specified and which have or will receive the benefits provided by the community facilities district, to be paid by the owners of the properties.
 - (2) A benefit charge imposed must be reasonably proportioned to the measurable benefits to property resulting from the facilities and services afforded by the district. It is acceptable to allocate the benefit charges to the properties based on any reasonable method. All charges are subject to contest by the property owners subject to the charges on the grounds of unreasonable or capricious allocation in excess of the measurable benefits to the property resulting from services afforded by the district.
 - (3) For administrative purposes, the benefit charge imposed on any individual property may be compiled into a single charge, provided that

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the district, upon request of the property owner, provide an itemized list of charges for each measurable benefit included in the charge.

- (4) The resolution establishing benefit charges must specify, by legal geographical areas or other specific designations, the charge to apply to each property by location, type, or other designation, or other information that is necessary to the proper computation of the benefit charge to be charged to each property owner subject to the resolution. The district must determine and identify the personal properties, real property, and improvements to real property which are subject to a benefit charge in each community facilities district and must furnish and deliver to the county treasurer a listing of the properties with information describing the location, legal description, and address of the person to whom the statement of benefit charges is to be mailed, the name of the owner, and the value of the property and improvements, together with the benefit charge to apply to each.
- (5) Each community facilities district must contract, prior to the imposition of a benefit charge, for the administration and collection of the benefit charge by the treasurer of the applicable county, city, or town, who must deduct a percent, as provided by contract for reimbursement of expenses incurred by the assessor and treasurer in the administration of the resolution and this chapter. The treasurer must make distributions each year, as the charges are collected, in the amount of the benefit charges imposed on behalf of each district, less the deduction provided for in the contract.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 505. Subject to applicable debt limits, a community facilities district may incur general indebtedness for the purposes expressly authorized under this chapter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 506. No bonds issued by or on behalf of a community facilities district are obligations of any city, town, county, or the state of Washington or any political subdivision thereof other than the district and the bonds will so state, unless the legislative authority of the city, town, county, or the legislature expressly authorizes particular bonds to be guaranteed by obligations of its respective city, town, county, or of the state.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 507. (1) If a district is located entirely within one jurisdiction, then the treasurer of that jurisdiction is the treasurer of the district. If the community facilities district is located in more than one jurisdiction, then the treasurer of the district is the treasurer of the jurisdiction with the greatest area included within the district. Except as specifically provided under this chapter, the duties of a treasurer for a county, city, or town are as provided under applicable law.
- (2) The district treasurer must establish a community facilities district fund, into which must be paid all district revenues. The district treasurer must also maintain any special funds created by the board of supervisors of the community facilities district, into which the district treasurer must place all money as the board of supervisors may, by resolution, direct. The treasurer may create such subfunds, accounts, and subaccounts as he or she deems necessary.
- (3) The district treasurer may pay assessment bonds and revenue bonds and the accrued interest thereon in accordance with their terms from the appropriate fund when interest or principal payments become due.
- 20 (4) All interest collected on community facilities district funds 21 belongs to the district and must be deposited to its credit in the 22 proper district funds.

23 PART VI 24 IMPACT FEES

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 601. A new section is added to chapter 82.02 RCW to read as follows:
- A community facilities district may not be required to pay an impact fee under the provisions of RCW 82.02.050 through 82.02.090.

29 PART VII
30 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

NEW SECTION. Sec. 701. All assessments, fees, and charges, imposed on the respective lots, tracts, parcels of land, and other property included within the boundaries of an approved district in accordance with this chapter, are a lien upon the property from the

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- date of final approval and are paramount and superior to any other lien
- 2 or encumbrance whatsoever, theretofore or thereafter created, except a
- 3 lien for general taxes.
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 702.** Sections 101 through 507 and 701 of this 5 act constitute a new chapter in Title 36 RCW.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 703. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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