SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2111

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By House Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Farrell, Hayes, Fey, Rodne, Zeiger, Fitzgibbon, Morrell, Jinkins, Moscoso, Ryu, and Freeman)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the enforcement of regional transit authority
- 2 fares; and amending RCW 81.112.210.

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- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 81.112.210 and 2009 c 279 s 5 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
 - (1) An authority is authorized to establish, by resolution, a schedule of fines and penalties for civil infractions established in RCW 81.112.220. Fines established by ((a regional transit)) an authority shall not exceed those imposed for class 1 infractions under RCW 7.80.120.
 - (2)(a) ((A regional transit)) An authority may designate persons to monitor fare payment who are equivalent to and are authorized to exercise all the powers of an enforcement officer, defined in RCW 7.80.040. An authority is authorized to employ personnel to either monitor fare payment, or to contract for such services, or both.
- 16 (b) In addition to the specific powers granted to enforcement 17 officers under RCW 7.80.050 and 7.80.060, persons designated to monitor 18 fare payment also have the authority to take the following actions:
 - (i) Request proof of payment from passengers;

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1 (ii) Request personal identification from a passenger who does not 2 produce proof of payment when requested;

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- (iii) Issue a ((citation conforming to the requirements established in RCW 7.80.070)) notice of infraction to passengers who do not produce proof of payment when requested. The notice of infraction for violations under this section must be approved by the administrative office of the courts in the same manner as for parking, standing, and stopping infractions; and
- (iv) Request that a passenger leave the ((regional transit)) authority facility when the passenger has not produced proof of payment after being asked to do so by a person designated to monitor fare payment.
- (3) ((Regional transit)) Authorities shall keep records of citations in the manner prescribed by RCW 7.80.150. All civil infractions established by chapter 20, Laws of 1999 shall be heard and determined by a district or municipal court as provided in RCW 7.80.010 (1), (2), and (4).

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