

1 **SHB 1581** - H AMD
2 By Representative Schindler

3 On page 7, line 5, before "Changes" insert "(1)(a)"

4 On page 7, line 8, before "The legislative" insert "(b)"

5 On page 7, after line 16, insert the following:

6 "(2) If a person subject to the assessment under RCW
7 35.87A.010(3) believes that the benefits received by the business
8 are disproportionate to the assessment paid, the person may
9 petition the legislative authority to modify the rate. The person
10 may demonstrate grievance by providing data that indicates,
11 relative to the level of assessment paid, the increase in activity
12 at the business is substantially dissimilar to the increase in
13 activity to other businesses in the area. The legislative
14 authority shall consider the petition and shall modify the rate if
15 the person reasonably demonstrates that the benefits received are
16 disproportionate to the assessment paid."

EFFECT: Allows hotels or other lodging businesses to petition the legislative authority governing the parking and business improvement area if it is believed that the benefits are not commensurate with the assessments. Requires the legislative authority to modify the assessment rate if the assessment payer can reasonably demonstrate that the benefits are not commensurate.