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SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 3035

State of Washington 60th Legislature 2008 Regular Session

By House Community & Economic Development & Trade (originally sponsored by Representatives Jarrett, Rodne, Hunter, Eddy, Clibborn, Anderson, and Sullivan)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to tourism promotion areas; and amending RCW
- 2 35.101.010.

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- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.101.010 and 2003 c 148 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.
 - (1) "Area" means a tourism promotion area.
 - (2) "Legislative authority" means:
- 10 <u>(a)</u> The legislative authority of any county with a population 11 greater than forty thousand but less than one million, or of any city 12 or town within such a county, including unclassified cities or towns 13 operating under special charters; or
- 14 <u>(b) The legislative authority of any city or town within a county</u>
 15 <u>with a population of one million or more, including unclassified cities</u>
 16 <u>or towns operating under special charters, that has been selected</u>
 17 <u>according to an interlocal agreement entered into by three or more</u>
 18 cities or towns pursuant to chapter 39.34 RCW to establish a tourism

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promotion area that includes within its boundaries portions of each city's or town's jurisdiction.

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- (3) "Lodging business" means a person that furnishes lodging taxable by the state under chapter 82.08 RCW that has forty or more lodging units.
- (4) "Tourism promotion" means activities and expenditures designed to increase tourism and convention business, including but not limited to advertising, publicizing, or otherwise distributing information for the purpose of attracting and welcoming tourists, and operating tourism destination marketing organizations.

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