SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6789

State of Washington 60th Legislature 2008 Regular Session

By Senate Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Fairley, Rockefeller, and Roach)

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AN ACT Relating to public notification of industrial development levies by port districts; and adding a new section to chapter 53.36 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 53.36 RCW 6 to read as follows:

7 If a port district intends to levy a tax under RCW 53.36.100, the 8 port commission must hold a public hearing within twenty days of publication of notice of the intention as required in RCW 53.36.100. 9 10 The port commission must also provide notice of the public hearing in the official newspaper of record in the county in which the port 11 12 district is located at least ten days prior to the date of the public hearing. The notice shall clearly state that the port district intends 13 to levy a tax under RCW 53.36.100, shall contain the date, time, and 14 15 location of the port district meeting at which the levy will be considered and voted upon, and must include a statement describing the 16 17 amount the measure will increase or decrease taxes. For a levy authorized under RCW 53.36.100(2), the notice must clearly state that 18

1 the public may gather a petition to submit the levy to the voters of 2 the port district under the procedures set forth in RCW 53.36.100(2).

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