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By Senate Economic Development, Trade & Management (originally sponsored by Senators Fraser, Zarelli, and Kastama)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the information required to be reported in the
2 annual economic impact report on lodging tax revenues; and amending RCW
3 67.28.1816.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 67.28.1816 and 2007 c 497 s 2 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) Lodging tax revenues under this chapter may be used, directly
8 by local jurisdictions or indirectly through a convention and visitors
9 bureau or destination marketing organization, for the marketing and
10 operations of special events and festivals and to support the
11 operations and capital expenditures of tourism-related facilities owned
12 by nonprofit organizations described under (~~{section}~~) Title 26
13 U.S.C. section 501(c)(3) and (~~{section}~~) section 501(c)(6) of the
14 internal revenue code of 1986, as amended.

15 (2) Local jurisdictions that use the lodging tax revenues under
16 this section must submit an annual economic impact report (~~for these~~
17 ~~expenditures~~) to the department of community, trade, and economic
18 development for expenditures made beginning January 1, 2008. These
19 reports must include the expenditures by the local jurisdiction for

1 tourism promotion purposes and what is used by a nonprofit organization
2 exempt from taxation under Title 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(6).
3 This economic impact report, at a minimum, must include: (a) The total
4 revenue received under this chapter for each year; (b) the list of
5 festivals, special events, or nonprofit 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(6)
6 organizations that received funds under this chapter; (c) the list of
7 festivals, special events, or tourism-related facilities sponsored or
8 owned by the local jurisdiction that received funds under this chapter;
9 (d) the amount of revenue expended on each festival, special event, or
10 tourism-related facility owned or sponsored by a nonprofit 501(c)(3) or
11 501(c)(6) organization ((+d)) or local jurisdiction; (e) the estimated
12 number of tourists, persons traveling over fifty miles to the
13 destination, persons remaining at the destination overnight, and
14 lodging stays generated per festival, special event, or tourism-related
15 facility owned or sponsored by a nonprofit 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(6)
16 organization or local jurisdiction; ((e) an estimated increase in
17 sales and use tax revenues attributable to the special event, festival,
18 or tourism-related facility owned by a nonprofit 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(6)
19 organization;)) and (f) any other measurements the local government
20 finds that demonstrate the impact of the increased tourism attributable
21 to the festival, special event, or tourism-related facility owned or
22 sponsored by a nonprofit 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(6) organization.

23 (3) The joint legislative audit and review committee must report to
24 the legislature and the governor on the use and economic impact of
25 lodging tax revenues by local jurisdictions since ~~((July 22, 2007))~~
26 January 1, 2008, to support festivals, special events, and tourism-
27 related facilities owned or sponsored by a nonprofit organization under
28 Title 26 U.S.C. section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(6) of the internal revenue
29 code of 1986, as amended, or a local jurisdiction, and the economic
30 impact generated by these festivals, events, and facilities. This
31 report shall be due September 1, 2012.

32 (4) Reporting under this section must begin with calendar year
33 2008.

34 (5) This section expires June 30, 2013.

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