SENATE BILL 6633

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By Senators Fraser, Murray, Conway, and Kohl-Welles; by request of Governor Gregoire and State Treasurer

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1 AN ACT Relating to local sales and use tax account deposits and 2 distributions; and amending RCW 82.14.050.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 82.14.050 and 2009 c 469 s 107 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

(1) The counties, cities, and transportation authorities under RCW 6 7 82.14.045, public facilities districts under chapters 36.100 and 35.57 8 RCW, public transportation benefit areas under RCW 82.14.440, regional 9 transportation investment districts, and transportation benefit 10 districts under chapter 36.73 RCW ((shall)) must contract, prior to the 11 effective date of a resolution or ordinance imposing a sales and use tax, the administration and collection to the state department of 12 13 revenue, which ((shall)) must deduct a percentage amount, as provided by contract, not to exceed two percent of the taxes collected for 14 administration and collection expenses incurred by the department. 15 The 16 remainder of any portion of any tax authorized by this chapter that is 17 collected by the department of revenue ((shall)) must be deposited by 18 the state department of revenue in the local sales and use tax account 19 hereby created in the state treasury. <u>Beginning January 1, 2013, the</u> department of revenue must make deposits in the local sales and use tax account on a monthly basis on the last business day of the month in which distributions required in (a) of this subsection are due. Moneys in the local sales and use tax account may be withdrawn only for:

5 (a) Distribution to counties, cities, transportation authorities, 6 public facilities districts, public transportation benefit areas, 7 regional transportation investment districts, and transportation 8 benefit districts imposing a sales and use tax; and

9 (b) Making refunds of taxes imposed under the authority of this 10 chapter and RCW 81.104.170 and exempted under RCW 82.08.962 and 11 82.12.962.

(2) All administrative provisions in chapters 82.03, 82.08, 82.12,
and 82.32 RCW, as they now exist or may hereafter be amended,
((shall,)) insofar as they are applicable to state sales and use taxes,
((be)) are applicable to taxes imposed pursuant to this chapter.

16 (3) Counties, cities, transportation authorities, public facilities 17 districts, and regional transportation investment districts may not 18 conduct independent sales or use tax audits of sellers registered under 19 the streamlined sales tax agreement.

(4) Except as provided in RCW 43.08.190 and subsection (5) of this section, all earnings of investments of balances in the local sales and use tax account ((shall)) must be credited to the local sales and use tax account and distributed to the counties, cities, transportation authorities, public facilities districts, public transportation benefit areas, regional transportation investment districts, and transportation benefit districts monthly.

(5) Beginning January 1, 2013, the state treasurer must determine 27 the amount of earnings on investments that would have been credited to 28 the local sales and use tax account if the collections had been 29 deposited in the account over the prior month. When distributions are 30 made under subsection (1)(a) of this section, the state treasurer must 31 transfer this amount from the state general fund to the local sales and 32 use tax account and must distribute such sums to the counties, cities, 33 transportation authorities, public facilities districts, public 34 transportation benefit areas, regional transportation investment 35 36 districts, and transportation benefit districts.

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