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1 AN ACT Relating to increasing authority of transportation benefit
2 districts to issue general obligation bonds; and amending RCW
3 36.73.070.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.73.070 and 1987 c 327 s 7 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) To carry out the purpose of this chapter, a transportation
8 benefit district may issue general obligation bonds, not to exceed an
9 amount, together with any other outstanding nonvoter-approved general
10 obligation indebtedness, equal to three-eighths of one percent of the
11 value of taxable property within the district, as the term "value of
12 taxable property" is defined in RCW 39.36.015. A district may
13 additionally issue general obligation bonds for capital purposes only,
14 together with any outstanding general obligation indebtedness, not to
15 exceed an amount equal to (~~one and one-fourth~~) five percent of the
16 value of the taxable property within the district, as the term "value
17 of taxable property" is defined in RCW 39.36.015, when authorized by
18 the voters of the district pursuant to Article VIII, section 6 of the
19 state Constitution, and to provide for the retirement thereof by excess

1 property tax levies as provided in RCW 36.73.060(2). The district may
2 submit a single proposition to the voters that, if approved, authorizes
3 both the issuance of the bonds and the bond retirement property tax
4 levies.

5 (2) General obligation bonds with a maturity in excess of forty
6 years shall not be issued. The governing body of the transportation
7 benefit district shall by resolution determine for each general
8 obligation bond issue the amount, date, terms, conditions,
9 denominations, maximum fixed or variable interest rate or rates,
10 maturity or maturities, redemption rights, registration privileges,
11 manner of execution, manner of sale, callable provisions, if any,
12 covenants, and form, including registration as to principal and
13 interest, registration as to principal only, or bearer. Registration
14 may include, but not be limited to: (a) A book entry system of
15 recording the ownership of a bond whether or not physical bonds are
16 issued; or (b) recording the ownership of a bond together with the
17 requirement that the transfer of ownership may only be effected by the
18 surrender of the old bond and either the reissuance of the old bond or
19 the issuance of a new bond to the new owner. Facsimile signatures may
20 be used on the bonds and any coupons. Refunding general obligation
21 bonds may be issued in the same manner as general obligation bonds are
22 issued.

23 (3) Whenever general obligation bonds are issued to fund specific
24 projects or enterprises that generate revenues, charges, user fees, or
25 special assessments, the transportation benefit district which issues
26 the bonds may specifically pledge all or a portion of the revenues,
27 charges, user fees, or special assessments to refund the general
28 obligation bonds. The district may also pledge any other revenues that
29 may be available to the district.

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