HOUSE BILL 1760

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1 AN ACT Relating to rates charged for public conveyance or 2 transportation of persons eligible under the federal Americans with 3 disabilities act; and amending RCW 49.60.215.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 49.60.215 and 1997 c 271 s 13 are each amended to read 6 as follows:

7 It shall be an unfair practice for any person or the person's agent or employee to commit an act which directly or indirectly results in 8 any distinction, restriction, or discrimination, or the requiring of 9 10 any person to pay a larger sum than the uniform rates charged other persons except as allowed under the federal Americans with disabilities 11 act for public conveyance or transportation of eligible persons, or the 12 13 refusing or withholding from any person the admission, patronage, 14 custom, presence, frequenting, dwelling, staying, or lodging in any 15 place of public resort, accommodation, assemblage, or amusement, except 16 for conditions and limitations established by law and applicable to all persons, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, the 17 18 presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, or the use of 19 a trained dog guide or service animal by a disabled person: PROVIDED,

1 That this section shall not be construed to require structural changes, 2 modifications, or additions to make any place accessible to a disabled 3 person except as otherwise required by law: PROVIDED, That behavior or 4 actions constituting a risk to property or other persons can be grounds 5 for refusal and shall not constitute an unfair practice.

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