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HOUSE BILL 2491

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By Representatives Veloria and Cody

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1 AN ACT Relating to public facilities districts; amending RCW  
2 36.100.020; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.100.020 and 1995 3rd sp.s. c 1 s 302 are each  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 (1) A public facilities district shall be governed by a board of  
7 directors consisting of five (~~or~~), seven, or nine members as provided  
8 in this section. If the largest city in the county has a population  
9 that is at least forty percent of the total county population, the  
10 board of directors of the public facilities district shall consist of  
11 five members selected as follows: (a) Two members appointed by the  
12 county legislative authority to serve for four-year staggered terms;  
13 (b) two members appointed by the city council of the largest city in  
14 the county to serve for four-year staggered terms; and (c) one person  
15 to serve for a four-year term who is selected by the other directors.  
16 If the largest city in the county has a population of less than forty  
17 percent of the total county population, the county legislative  
18 authority shall establish in the resolution creating the public  
19 facilities district whether the board of directors of the public

1 facilities district has either five or seven members, and the county  
2 legislative authority shall appoint the members of the board of  
3 directors to reflect the interests of cities and towns in the county,  
4 as well as the unincorporated area of the county. However, if the  
5 county has a population of one million or more, the largest city in the  
6 county has a population of less than forty percent of the total county  
7 population, and the county operates under a county charter, which  
8 provides for an elected county executive, the board of directors of the  
9 public facilities district shall consist of nine members with three  
10 members (~~shall be~~) appointed by the governor and the remaining  
11 members (~~shall be~~) appointed by the county executive subject to  
12 confirmation by the county legislative authority. Of the members  
13 appointed by the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives  
14 and the majority leader of the senate shall each recommend to the  
15 governor a person to be appointed to the board.

16 (2) At least one member on the board of directors shall be  
17 representative of the lodging industry in the public facilities  
18 district before the public facilities district imposes the excise tax  
19 under RCW 36.100.040.

20 (3) Members of the board of directors shall serve four-year terms  
21 of office, except that two of the initial five board members or three  
22 of the initial seven board members or four of the initial nine board  
23 members shall serve two-year terms of office.

24 (4) A vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original  
25 appointment was made and the person appointed to fill a vacancy shall  
26 serve for the remainder of the unexpired term of the office for the  
27 position to which he or she was appointed.

28 (5) A director appointed by the governor may be removed from office  
29 by the governor. Any other director may be removed from office by  
30 action of at least two-thirds of the members of the legislative  
31 authority which made the appointment.

32 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
33 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
34 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take  
35 effect immediately.

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