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- On page 12, after line 37, insert the following:
- 2 "Sec. 10. RCW 35.95A.080 and 2002 c 248 s 9 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Every authority has the power to levy and collect a special excise tax not exceeding two and one-half percent on the value of every motor vehicle owned and registered with the department of licensing by a resident of the authority area for the privilege of using a motor Before utilization of any excise tax money collected under this section for acquisition of right of way or construction of a public monorail transportation facility on a separate right of way, the authority must adopt rules affording the public an opportunity for corridor public hearings and design public hearings, which provide in detail the procedures necessary for public participation in the following instances: (a) Prior to adoption of location and design plans having a substantial social, economic, or environmental effect upon the locality upon which they are to be constructed; or (b) on the public transportation facilities operating on a separate right of way whenever a substantial change is proposed relating to location or design in the adopted plan. In adopting rules the authority must adhere to the provisions of the administrative procedure act.
 - (2) A "corridor public hearing" is a public hearing that: (a) Is held before the authority is committed to a specific route proposal for the public transportation facility, and before a route location is established; (b) is held to afford an opportunity for participation by those interested in the determination of the need for, and the location of, the public transportation facility; and (c) provides a public forum that affords a full opportunity for presenting views on the public transportation facility route location, and the social, economic, and environmental effects on that location and alternate locations.

However, the hearing is not deemed to be necessary before ((adoption of a transportation plan as provided in section 7 of this act or)) a vote of the qualified electors under subsection (5) of this section.

- (3) A "design public hearing" is a public hearing that: (a) Is held after the location is established but before the design is adopted; (b) is held to afford an opportunity for participation by those interested in the determination of major design features of the public monorail transportation facility; and (c) provides a public forum to afford a full opportunity for presenting views on the public transportation system design, and the social, economic, and environmental effects of that design and alternate designs, including people-mover technology.
- (4) An authority imposing a tax under subsection (1) of this section may also impose a sales and use tax, in addition to any tax authorized by RCW 82.14.030, upon retail car rentals within the city that are taxable by the state under chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW. The rate of tax must not exceed 1.944 percent of the base of the tax. The base of the tax will be the selling price in the case of a sales tax or the rental value of the vehicle used in the case of a use tax. The revenue collected under this subsection will be distributed in the same manner as sales and use taxes under chapter 82.14 RCW.
- (5) Before any authority may impose any of the taxes authorized under this section, the authorization for imposition of the taxes must be approved by the qualified electors of the authority area."
- 25 Renumber the sections following consecutively and correct internal 26 references accordingly.

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In line 2 of the title, after "39.46.040," strike "and 35.95A.030" and insert "35.95A.030, and 35.95A.080"

 $\underline{\text{EFFECT:}}$ Specifies that the motor vehicle excise tax only applies to vehicles registered with the department of licensing. This aligns the tax with the collection procedures.

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