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Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 35.57.010 and 2002 c 363 s 1 are each amended to read 4 as follows:

5 (1)(a) The legislative authority of any town or city located in a 6 county with a population of less than one million may create a public 7 facilities district.

8 (b) The legislative authorities of any contiguous group of towns or 9 cities located in a county or counties each with a population of less 10 than one million may enter an agreement under chapter 39.34 RCW for the 11 creation and joint operation of a public facilities district.

12 (c) The legislative authority of any town or city, or any 13 contiguous group of towns or cities, located in a county with a 14 population of less than one million and the legislative authority of a 15 contiguous county, or the legislative authority of the county or 16 counties in which the towns or cities are located, may enter into an 17 agreement under chapter 39.34 RCW for the creation and joint operation 18 of a public facilities district.

19 (d) The legislative authority of a city located in a county with a 20 population greater than one million may create a public facilities 21 district, when the city has a total population of less than one hundred 22 fifteen thousand but greater than eighty thousand and commences 23 construction of a regional center prior to July 1, 2008.

(2)(a) A public facilities district shall be coextensive with the
 boundaries of the city or town or contiguous group of cities or towns
 that created the district.

(b) A public facilities district created by an agreement between a town or city, or a contiguous group of towns or cities, and a contiguous county or the county in which they are located, shall be coextensive with the boundaries of the towns or cities, and the boundaries of the county or counties as to the unincorporated areas of the county or counties. The boundaries shall not include incorporated towns or cities that are not parties to the agreement for the creation and joint operation of the district.

(3)(a) A public facilities district created by a single city or 5 town shall be governed by a board of directors consisting of five 6 7 members selected as follows: (i) Two members appointed by the legislative authority of the city or town; and (ii) three members 8 appointed by legislative authority based on recommendations from local 9 10 organizations. The members appointed under (a)(i) of this subsection, shall not be members of the legislative authority of the city or town. 11 12 The members appointed under (a)(ii) of this subsection, shall be based 13 on recommendations received from local organizations that may include, 14 but are not limited to the local chamber of commerce, local economic development council, and local labor council. The members shall serve 15 16 four-year terms. Of the initial members, one must be appointed for a 17 one-year term, one must be appointed for a two-year term, one must be appointed for a three-year term, and the remainder must be appointed 18 for four-year terms. 19

(b) A public facilities district created by a contiguous group of 20 21 cities and towns shall be governed by a board of directors consisting 22 of seven members selected as follows: (i) Three members appointed by the legislative authorities of the cities and towns; and (ii) four 23 24 members appointed by the legislative authority based on recommendations 25 from local organizations. The members appointed under (b)(i) of this subsection shall not be members of the legislative authorities of the 26 cities and towns. The members appointed under (b)(ii) of this 27 subsection, shall be based on recommendations received from local 28 organizations that include, but are not limited to the local chamber of 29 commerce, local economic development council, local labor council, and 30 a neighborhood organization that is directly affected by the location 31 32 of the regional center in their area. The members of the board of directors shall be appointed in accordance with the terms of the 33 agreement under chapter 39.34 RCW for the joint operation of the 34 district and shall serve four-year terms. Of the initial members, one 35 must be appointed for a one-year term, one must be appointed for a two-36 37 year term, one must be appointed for a three-year term, and the 38 remainder must be appointed for four-year terms.

(c) A public facilities district created by a town or city, or a 1 2 contiguous group of towns or cities, and a contiguous county or the county or counties in which they are located, shall be governed by a 3 board of directors consisting of seven members selected as follows: 4 (i) Three members appointed by the legislative authorities of the 5 cities, towns, and county; and (ii) four members appointed by the 6 based 7 legislative authority on recommendations from local organizations. The members appointed under (c)(i) of this subsection 8 shall not be members of the legislative authorities of the cities, 9 10 towns, or county. The members appointed under (c)(ii) of this subsection shall be based on recommendations received from local 11 12 organizations that include, but are not limited to, the local chamber 13 of commerce, the local economic development council, the local labor 14 council, and a neighborhood organization that is directly affected by the location of the regional center in their area. The members of the 15 board of directors shall be appointed in accordance with the terms of 16 17 the agreement under chapter 39.34 RCW for the joint operation of the district and shall serve four-year terms. Of the initial members, one 18 must be appointed for a one-year term, one must be appointed for a 19 two-year term, one must be appointed for a three-year term, and the 20 21 remainder must be appointed for four-year terms.

(4) A public facilities district is a municipal corporation, an
independent taxing "authority" within the meaning of Article VII,
section 1 of the state Constitution, and a "taxing district" within the
meaning of Article VII, section 2 of the state Constitution.

(5) A public facilities district shall constitute a body corporate and shall possess all the usual powers of a corporation for public purposes as well as all other powers that may now or hereafter be specifically conferred by statute, including, but not limited to, the authority to hire employees, staff, and services, to enter into contracts, and to sue and be sued.

32 (6) A public facilities district may acquire and transfer real and 33 personal property by lease, sublease, purchase, or sale. No direct or 34 collateral attack on any public facilities district purported to be 35 authorized or created in conformance with this chapter may be commenced 36 more than thirty days after creation by the city and/or county 37 legislative authority. 1 Sec. 2. RCW 82.14.390 and 2006 c 298 s 1 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection (6) of this section, the 3 governing body of a public facilities district (a) created before July 4 5 31, 2002, under chapter 35.57 or 36.100 RCW that commences construction of a new regional center, or improvement or rehabilitation of an 6 7 existing new regional center, before January 1, $2004((, -\sigma r));$ (b) created before July 1, 2006, under chapter 35.57 RCW in a county or 8 counties in which there are no other public facilities districts on 9 June 7, 2006, and in which the total population in the public 10 facilities district is greater than ninety thousand that commences 11 construction of a new regional center before February 1, 2007; (c) 12 created under the authority of RCW 35.57.010(1)(d); or (d) created 13 before September 1, 2007, under chapter 35.57 or 36.100 RCW, in a 14 county or counties in which there are no other public facilities 15 districts on the effective date of this act, and in which the total 16 17 population in the public facilities district is greater than seventy thousand, that commences construction of a new regional center before 18 January 1, 2009, may impose a sales and use tax in accordance with the 19 terms of this chapter. The tax is in addition to other taxes 20 authorized by law and shall be collected from those persons who are 21 22 taxable by the state under chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW upon the occurrence of any taxable event within the public facilities district. 23 24 The rate of tax shall not exceed 0.033 percent of the selling price in 25 the case of a sales tax or value of the article used in the case of a 26 use tax.

(2) The tax imposed under subsection (1) of this section shall be deducted from the amount of tax otherwise required to be collected or paid over to the department of revenue under chapter 82.08 or 82.12 RCW. The department of revenue shall perform the collection of such taxes on behalf of the county at no cost to the public facilities district.

(3) No tax may be collected under this section before August 1, 2000. The tax imposed in this section shall expire when the bonds issued for the construction of the regional center and related parking facilities are retired, but not more than twenty-five years after the tax is first collected.

(4) Moneys collected under this section shall only be used for the 1 2 purposes set forth in RCW 35.57.020 and must be matched with an amount from other public or private sources equal to thirty-three percent of 3 the amount collected under this section, provided that amounts 4 5 generated from nonvoter approved taxes authorized under chapter 35.57 RCW or nonvoter approved taxes authorized under chapter 36.100 RCW 6 7 shall not constitute a public or private source. For the purpose of this section, public or private sources includes, but is not limited to 8 9 cash or in-kind contributions used in all phases of the development or improvement of the regional center, land that is donated and used for 10 the siting of the regional center, cash or in-kind contributions from 11 public or private foundations, or amounts attributed to private sector 12 partners as part of a public and private partnership agreement 13 negotiated by the public facilities district. 14

(5) The combined total tax levied under this section shall not be greater than 0.033 percent. If both a public facilities district created under chapter 35.57 RCW and a public facilities district created under chapter 36.100 RCW impose a tax under this section, the tax imposed by a public facilities district created under chapter 35.57 RCW shall be credited against the tax imposed by a public facilities district created under chapter 36.100 RCW.

(6) A public facilities district created under chapter 36.100 RCW is not eligible to impose the tax under this section if the legislative authority of the county where the public facilities district is located has imposed a sales and use tax under RCW 82.14.0485 or 82.14.0494."

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On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "district;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 35.57.010 and 82.14.390."

EFFECT: Removes the provision allowing for a second public

facilities district in counties over 1 million persons. Allows Kent to build a regional center with the 0.033% credit against the state portion of the sales and use tax.

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