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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 35.92
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) Any city or town that operates its own water, sewer or
6 wastewater, or stormwater utility and imposes a fee or tax on the
7 gross revenue of such a utility shall disclose the fee or tax rate to
8 its utility customers. Such disclosure shall include statements, as
9 applicable, that "the amount billed includes a fee or tax up
10 to (dollar amount or percentage) calculated on the gross
11 revenue of the water utility; a fee or tax up to (dollar
12 amount or percentage) calculated on gross revenue of the sewer or
13 wastewater utility; a fee or tax up to (dollar amount or
14 percentage) calculated on the gross revenue of the stormwater
15 utility."

16 (2) The disclosures required by this section must occur through
17 at least one of the following methods:

18 (a) On regular billing statements provided electronically or in
19 written form;

20 (b) On the city or town's web site, if the city or town provides
21 written notice to customers or taxpayers that such information is
22 available on its web site; or

23 (c) Through a billing insert, mailer, or other written or
24 electronic communication provided to customers or taxpayers on either
25 an annual basis or within thirty days of the effective date of any
26 subsequent tax rate change."

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1 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "disclosures;" strike the
2 remainder of the title and insert "and adding a new section to
3 chapter 35.92 RCW."

EFFECT: Closes a quotation of required tax or fee disclosure language.

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