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1 AN ACT Relating to professional sports franchises; amending RCW
2 35.21.695; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.21.695 and 1987 c 32 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) Any city, code city, or county, individually or collectively,
7 may own and operate an existing professional sports franchise or an
8 interest in the franchise when the owners of (~~such franchises~~) the
9 franchise announce their intention to sell or move ((a)) the franchise.

10 (2) If a city, code city, or county purchases a professional sports
11 franchise or an interest in the franchise, a public corporation shall
12 be created to manage and operate the franchise or the city's, code
13 city's, or county's interest in the franchise. The public corporation

1 created under this section shall have all of the authorities granted by
2 RCW 35.21.730 through 35.21.757.

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