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SENATE BILL 5876

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By Senators Prentice, Skratek, Sellar, M. Rasmussen and Winsley

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1            AN ACT Relating to ride sharing, vanpools, and public  
2 transportation facilities and vehicles; amending RCW 82.08.0287 and  
3 82.44.015; creating a new section; repealing 1987 c 175 s 1  
4 (uncodified); and making an appropriation.

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

6            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that ride sharing and  
7 vanpools are the fastest growing transportation choice because of their  
8 flexibility and cost-effectiveness. Ride sharing and vanpools  
9 represent an effective means for local jurisdictions, transit agencies,  
10 and the private sector to assist in addressing the requirements of the  
11 Commute Trip Reduction Act, the Growth Management Act, the Americans  
12 with Disabilities Act, and the Clean Air Act.

13            **Sec. 2.** RCW 82.08.0287 and 1980 c 166 s 1 are each amended to read  
14 as follows:

15            The tax imposed by this chapter shall not apply to sales of vans  
16 which are to be used regularly as ride-sharing vehicles, as defined in  
17 RCW 46.74.010(3), by not less than (~~seven~~) five persons, including  
18 passengers and driver.

1       **Sec. 3.** RCW 82.44.015 and 1982 c 142 s 1 are each amended to read  
2 as follows:

3       For the purposes of this chapter, in addition to the exclusions  
4 under RCW 82.44.010, "motor vehicle" shall not include: (1) Vans used  
5 regularly as ride-sharing vehicles, as defined in RCW 46.74.010(3), by  
6 not fewer than (~~seven~~) five persons, including passengers and driver,  
7 or not fewer than (~~five~~) four persons including the driver, when at  
8 least (~~three~~) two of those persons are confined to wheelchairs when  
9 riding; or (2) vehicles with a seating capacity greater than fifteen  
10 persons which otherwise qualify as ride-sharing vehicles under RCW  
11 46.74.010(3) used exclusively for ride sharing for the elderly or the  
12 handicapped by not fewer than seven persons, including driver. The  
13 registered owner of one of these vehicles shall notify the department  
14 of licensing upon termination of regular use of the vehicle as a ride-  
15 sharing vehicle and shall be liable for the tax imposed by this  
16 chapter, prorated on the remaining months for which the vehicle is  
17 licensed.

18       NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The sum of thirty million eight hundred one  
19 thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is  
20 appropriated for the biennium ending June 30, 1995, from the  
21 Transportation Fund - Basic Account to the department of transportation  
22 to assist in implementing ride-sharing programs and related state and  
23 federal requirements to support transit agencies and municipal  
24 metropolitan corporations (metropolitan counties) ride-sharing  
25 activities.

26       The department shall distribute these program funds as follows:

27       (1) Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle or successor agency for  
28 the purposes of:

29       (a) \$2,100,000 to purchase sixty commute trip reduction vans;

30       (b) \$1,050,000 to purchase thirty disabled and handicapped equipped  
31 vans;

32       (c) \$5,500,000 to purchase and develop a ride share and vanpool  
33 facility to process 1,200 vehicles, train drivers, and house vanpool  
34 operations. Local and federal matching funds, or both, to help support  
35 this facility are required;

36       (d) \$306,000 to lease 2,000 parking spaces through 1995 until  
37 permanent park-and-ride facilities can be constructed.

38       (2) Clark County Transit PTBA for the purposes of:

- 1 (a) \$840,000 to purchase thirty commute trip reduction vans;  
2 (b) \$455,000 to purchase seven disabled and handicapped equipped  
3 vans;  
4 (c) \$17,400,000 to construct five park-and-ride lots.  
5 (3) Community Transit PTBA for the purposes of:  
6 (a) \$1,050,000 to purchase thirty commute trip reduction vans;  
7 (b) \$245,000 to purchase seven disabled and handicapped equipped  
8 vans.  
9 (4) Pierce Transit PTBA for the purposes of:  
10 (a) \$875,000 to purchase twenty-five commute trip reduction vans;  
11 (b) \$70,000 to purchase two disabled and handicapped equipped vans.  
12 (5) Spokane Transit PTBA for the purposes of:  
13 (a) \$560,000 to purchase sixteen commute trip reduction vans;  
14 (b) \$350,000 to purchase ten disabled and handicapped equipped  
15 vans.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** 1987 c 175 s 1 (uncodified) is repealed.

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