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Brief Description: Authorizing public centers districts.

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Provides that the legislative authority of any town or city located in a county with a population of less than one million may create a public centers district. The legislative authorities of any contiguous group of towns or cities located in a county or counties each with a population of less than one million may enter an agreement under chapter 39.34 RCW for the creation and joint operation of a public centers district.

Authorizes a public centers district to acquire, construct, own, remodel, maintain, equip, reequip, repair, finance, and operate one or more public centers. For purposes of this act, "public center" means a convention, conference, or special events, cultural, technology, or community center, or any combination of facilities, and related parking facilities, constructed, improved, or rehabilitated after July 1, 2001. "Public center" also includes an existing convention, conference, special events, cultural, technology, or community center, and related parking facilities, that is improved or rehabilitated after July 1, 2001.