## SENATE BILL 6787

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By Senators Marr, Schoesler, and Morton

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AN ACT Relating to authority of the board of directors of a public facilities district; and amending RCW 36.100.160, 35.57.060, and 36.100.170.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.100.160 and 1995 c 396 s 13 are each amended to 6 read as follows:

7 The board of directors of the public facilities district shall have 8 authority to authorize the expenditure of funds for the public purposes of preparing and distributing information to the general public and 9 10 promoting, advertising, improving, developing, operating, and maintaining facilities of the district. Nothing contained in this 11 12 section may be construed to authorize preparation and distribution of 13 information to the general public for the purpose of influencing the outcome of a district election. For promotional activities, the 14 15 district board shall identify the proposed expenditure in its annual budget and adopt written rules governing promotional hosting by 16 17 employees, agents, and the board.

1 Sec. 2. RCW 35.57.060 and 1999 c 165 s 6 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

The board of directors of the public facilities district shall have 3 authority to authorize the expenditure of funds for the public purposes 4 5 of preparing and distributing information to the general public and advertising, improving, developing, 6 promoting, operating, and 7 maintaining a regional center. Nothing contained in this section may be construed to authorize preparation and distribution of information 8 to the general public for the purpose of influencing the outcome of a 9 district election. For promotional activities, the district board 10 shall identify the proposed expenditure in its annual budget and adopt 11 12 written rules governing promotional hosting by employees, agents, and 13 the board.

14 **Sec. 3.** RCW 36.100.170 and 1995 c 396 s 14 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

16 (1) The public facilities district shall have authority to create and fill positions, fix wages, salaries, and bonds therefor, pay costs 17 18 involved in securing or arranging to secure employees, and establish benefits for employees, including holiday pay, vacations or vacation 19 20 pay, retirement benefits, medical, life, accident, or health disability 21 insurance, as approved by the board. Public facilities district board 22 members, at their own expense, shall be entitled to medical, life, 23 accident, or health disability insurance. Insurance for employees and 24 board members shall not be considered compensation. District coverage for the board is not to exceed that provided public facilities district 25 26 employees.

27 (2) The district may establish a merit-based bonus program pursuant
 28 to district rules or policies approved by the board.

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