

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President of the Senate

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 1279** as passed by House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Representatives Kochmar and Gregory

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1 AN ACT Relating to local tourism promotion areas; and amending
2 RCW 35.101.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.101.010 and 2009 c 442 s 1 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
7 this section apply throughout this chapter.

8 (1) "Area" means a tourism promotion area.

9 (2)(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection,
10 "legislative authority" means the legislative authority of any county
11 with a population greater than forty thousand, or of any city or town
12 within such a county, including unclassified cities or towns
13 operating under special charters. (~~However,~~)

14 (b) Except as provided in (c) of this subsection, in any county
15 with a population of one million or more, (~~the~~) "legislative
16 authority" (~~shall be comprised of~~) means two or more jurisdictions
17 acting jointly as the legislative authority under an interlocal
18 agreement created under chapter 39.34 RCW for the joint establishment
19 and operation of a tourism promotion area.

20 (c) For a city incorporated after January 1990, with a population
21 greater than eighty-nine thousand, and located in a county described

1 in (b) of this subsection, "legislative authority" means the city's
2 legislative authority.

3 (3) "Lodging business" means a person that furnishes lodging
4 taxable by the state under chapter 82.08 RCW that has forty or more
5 lodging units.

6 (4) "Tourism promotion" means activities and expenditures
7 designed to increase tourism and convention business, including but
8 not limited to advertising, publicizing, or otherwise distributing
9 information for the purpose of attracting and welcoming tourists, and
10 operating tourism destination marketing organizations.

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