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**HOUSE BILL 1175**

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**State of Washington 65th Legislature 2017 Regular Session**

**By** Representatives Muri and Ryu

AN ACT Relating to increasing the rate of sales and use tax that may be imposed by certain transportation benefit districts; amending RCW 82.14.0455; and providing an effective date.

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

**Sec.**  RCW 82.14.0455 and 2010 c 105 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) Subject to the provisions in RCW 36.73.065, a transportation benefit district under chapter 36.73 RCW may fix and impose a sales and use tax in accordance with the terms of this chapter. The tax authorized in this section is in addition to any other taxes authorized by law and shall be collected from those persons who are taxable by the state under chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW upon the occurrence of any taxable event within the boundaries of the district. Except as allowed in (b) of this subsection, the rate of tax shall not exceed two-tenths of one percent of the selling price in the case of a sales tax, or value of the article used, in the case of a use tax. Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the tax may not be imposed for a period exceeding ten years. This tax, if not imposed under the conditions of subsection (2) of this section, may be extended for a period not exceeding ten years with an affirmative vote of the voters voting at the election.

(b) The rate of tax imposed by a transportation benefit district established by a city with a population between seven thousand five hundred and twenty thousand that borders the Puget Sound and an interstate freeway and is located in a county with a population between seven hundred thousand and one million five hundred thousand that also contains a city with a population of more than one hundred fifty thousand may not exceed the lessor of the sales and use tax imposed by a public transportation benefit area located in the same county or nine-tenths of one percent of the selling price in the case of a sales tax, or value of the article used, in the case of a use tax.

(2) The voter-approved sales tax initially imposed under this section after July 1, 2010, may be imposed for a period exceeding ten years if the moneys received under this section are dedicated for the repayment of indebtedness incurred in accordance with the requirements of chapter 36.73 RCW.

(3) Money received from the tax imposed under this section must be spent in accordance with the requirements of chapter 36.73 RCW.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  This act takes effect August 1, 2017.

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