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1 AN ACT Relating to tourism promotion areas; amending RCW
2 35.101.057; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the use of the
5 additional assessment on the furnishing of lodging authorized by RCW
6 35.101.057 has grown tourism. The intent of this legislation is to
7 permit the additional assessment to continue in a timely manner, so
8 that the growth of the tourism sector can continue.

9 **Sec. 2.** RCW 35.101.057 and 2020 c 215 s 2 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 ((~~1~~)) In addition to the two dollar charge authorized by RCW
12 35.101.050, a legislative authority may impose an additional charge
13 of up to three dollars per night of stay on the furnishing of lodging
14 by a lodging business located in the area. To impose the additional
15 charge, signatures of the persons who operate lodging businesses who
16 would pay sixty percent or more of the proposed charges must be
17 provided together with the proposed uses and projects to which the
18 proposed revenue from the additional charge shall be put, the total
19 estimate costs, and the estimated rate for the charge with a proposed

1 breakdown by class of lodging business if such classification is to
2 be used.

3 (~~(2) This section expires July 1, 2027.~~)

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