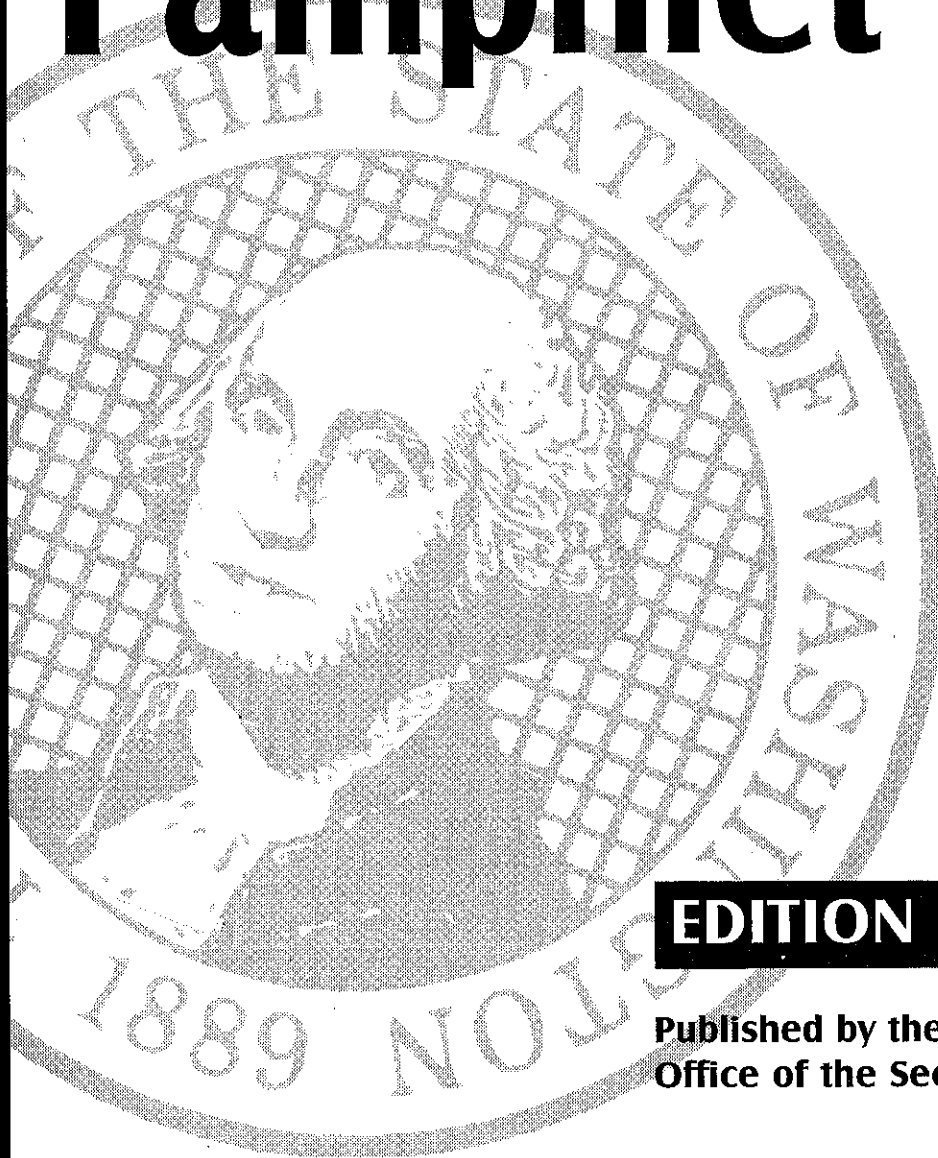


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**STATE OF WASHINGTON**

# **Voters Pamphlet**



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## INTRODUCTION TO THE VOTERS PAMPHLET

### Greetings:

Welcome to the Washington State Voters Pamphlet for the June 17, 1997, Special Election. This guide contains information regarding Referendum Bill 48, which was referred to the statewide ballot by the 1997 Washington State Legislature. On the pages that follow you'll find statements for and against the referendum, rebuttal arguments, an official ballot title and explanatory statement, and the full text of the measure.

Information regarding this special election is also available through the Secretary of State's On-Line Voters Guide on the World Wide Web (<http://www.wa.gov/sec/vote97.htm>), and on Washington Information Network "touch-screen" kiosks located in shopping malls, grocery stores, libraries, transit centers, and other public places around the state.

The Voters Pamphlet is a right guaranteed to the citizens of our state under provisions added to the Washington State Constitution in 1912. We hope you make use of this important voter information resource, and that you exercise your right to vote in the June 17 Special Election. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Secretary of State's Voter Hotline at 1-800-448-4881.



RALPH MUNRO  
Secretary of State

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## VOTING IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

### Voter qualifications

To register to vote in the state of Washington, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- A legal resident of Washington state
- At least 18 years old by election day

In the state of Washington, you do not have to register by political party or declare political party membership to vote in the state's regular primaries or general elections.

### Registration deadlines

You may sign up to vote at any time, but you must be registered at least **30 days** in advance of an election if you wish to vote **at a polling place** on election day. If you miss the 30-day deadline, you may still register up to 15 days prior to the election, but you must do so **in person** at a location designated by the county auditor or elections officer and you will be required to vote by absentee ballot.

### How to register

Washington citizens have access to several convenient methods of signing up to vote, including registration by mail and "Motor Voter" registration.

Mail-in registration forms are available from your county auditor or elections department as well as many public libraries, schools and other government offices. You may also e-mail a request for a voter registration form to [secstate@www.wa.gov](mailto:secstate@www.wa.gov) or you may request a form by filling out the box at the right and mailing it to the Office of the Secretary of State.

"Motor Voter" registration is offered when you renew or apply for your driver's license. In most instances, a motor voter registration takes less than a minute to complete.

### Change of residence

If you move to a **new** county, you must complete a new voter registration.

If you move within the **same** county, you do not need to re-register, but you must request a transfer of your registration. This can be done by calling or writing your county elections department, or by using a mail-in voter registration form.

NOTE: You must re-register or transfer your registration at least **30 days** before the election to be eligible to vote in your new precinct.

### Absentee ballots

You may request an absentee ballot as early as 45 days before an election. (No absentee ballots are issued on election day except to hospitalized voters.)

Absentee ballots may be requested either by phone or by mail from the county auditor or elections department. You may also apply — in writing — to automatically receive an absentee ballot before each election. Just send an absentee ballot request to your county auditor or elections department.

NOTE: Absentee ballots must be signed and postmarked or delivered to the county elections officer **on or before election day**.

### Election dates and poll hours

The Special Election is June 17, 1997. Polling hours for all elections are **7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

### Additional services

Voters may call the Secretary of State Voter Information Hotline at 1-800-448-4881 (TDD for the hearing or speech impaired: 1-800-422-8683) to request a Voters Pamphlet in any of four other versions: cassette-tape, Braille, Chinese-language and Spanish-language.

The information on this page about voting in the State of Washington also is available through the On-Line Voters Guide on the World Wide Web; the Washington Information Network; the Voter Information Hotline; or by sending a request via electronic mail to [secstate@www.wa.gov](mailto:secstate@www.wa.gov)

### Information and assistance

For information regarding voting and elections, contact your county elections department, or call the Secretary of State's toll-free Voter Information Hotline at **1-800-448-4881 (TDD for the hearing or speech impaired: 1-800-422-8683)**.

#### Request for Mail-in Voter Registration Form (Please Print)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of forms requested: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL TO: Office of the Secretary of State  
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P.O. Box 40230 • Olympia, WA 98504-0230



# REFERENDUM BILL 48

CHAPTER 220, LAWS OF 1997  
PROPOSED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE LEGISLATURE

Vote cast by the 1997 Legislature on final passage:

Senate: Yeas, 28; Nays, 21.

House: Yeas, 56; Nays, 41; Excused 1.

## Official Ballot Title:

Shall a public stadium authority be authorized to build and operate a football/soccer stadium and exhibition center financed by tax revenues and private contributions?

Note: The ballot title and explanatory statement were written by the Attorney General as required by law and modified by order of the Thurston County Superior Court. The complete text of Referendum Bill 48 begins on page 7.

## Statement for

The Committee submits the following letter.

PAUL G. ALLEN

Dear fellow Washingtonian,

I've said from the start I wouldn't go forward with purchasing the Seahawks and building a new stadium and exhibition center without your approval. Knowing a "Yes" vote will be an act of trust, I'd like to share my commitments to this public/private partnership.

We'll build a publicly owned, world-class stadium and new exhibition center the whole state can use and enjoy - for football, professional and amateur soccer, Olympic events, consumer shows, community festivals, and more. Construction will be financed without a general tax increase, by a combination of private investment, user fees, sports-related lottery games, state-approved sales tax credits and deferrals, and extending (but not raising) King County's hotel/motel tax.

Besides buying the team, I'll personally guarantee \$100 million in private investment, be responsible for any construction cost overruns and cap the public's share. I'm determined to restore the winning tradition to the Seahawks organization and ensure it becomes a statewide asset. Returning preseason training camp to Eastern Washington is a start.

Should we move forward, the new stadium and exhibition center will be a valuable asset - bringing our communities together and benefiting the state for decades to come. As a community, we set out 14 months ago to save a football team. On June 17, we'll be voting on a new vision. Together, we can achieve even more than what we first set out to do.

The final decision will be yours.

I'll respect your judgment.

PAUL G. ALLEN

## Rebuttal of Statement against

The Truth:

Absolutely *no increase* in sales or property taxes.

Absolutely *no negative impact* on schools, roads, public safety.

Facilities *publicly owned*, financed primarily by private investment, user fees, others who benefit.

The Kingdome required \$72,000,000 in repairs since 1994.

\$42,000,000 more needed for basic repairs.

The Kingdome drains \$5,000,000 yearly in property taxes for which taxpayers — seniors, homeowners, families — receive no services.

This proposal retires all Kingdome debts, freeing property taxes for better purposes.

Voters Pamphlet Statement Submitted by:

STEVE VAN LUVEN, State Representative - Chairman, Trade and Economic Development Committee; JEANNE KOHL, State Senator - Ranking Minority Member, Higher Education Committee; ALEX DECCIO, State Senator - Chairman, Health and Long-Term Care Committee.

Advisory Committee: DAN EVANS, Chairman, UW Board of Regents, former Governor; CONSTANCE RICE, President/Vice Chancellor North Seattle Community College; JOHN NORDSTROM, Director, Nordstrom's Inc., former Seahawks owner; DAVID CLACK, Spokane business person; PAM COPPLE, Past President, Washington State Youth Soccer Association.

## The law as it now exists:

Counties are currently authorized to acquire and build sports stadium facilities. In certain circumstances, counties may levy a special excise tax on hotel/motel lodging, and use the proceeds for several purposes, including the construction or operation of a sports stadium. The law also authorizes counties to create public facilities districts with the specific power to acquire and operate sports facilities, entertainment facilities, and/or convention facilities.

In 1995, the Legislature also authorized counties with a population of over one million to create a public facilities district to construct and operate a professional baseball stadium. This law provided for state and local financial contributions to the stadium. These special financing provisions do not apply to the construction of a football stadium.

## The effect of Referendum Bill 48, if approved into law:

The proposed measure would authorize any county to create a public stadium authority if the county has entered into a letter of intent regarding the development of a stadium and exhibition center, with a professional football team or team affiliate. The public stadium authority would be governed by a board of seven members appointed by the governor. The public stadium authority would be authorized to acquire, construct, own, remodel, maintain, equip, repair, and operate a "stadium and exhibition center" defined as

"an open-air stadium suitable for national football league football and for Olympic and world cup soccer, with adjacent exhibition facilities,  
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## Statement against

Four Good Reasons to Vote NO  
On Seattle Professional Football Stadium  
Referendum 48

### 1. Vote NO on Wasting \$600 Million of Your Tax Dollars.

Referendum 48 will cost state taxpayers \$300 million for a new Seattle Professional Football Stadium — plus *another* \$300 million in finance charges and interest. Diverting your taxes means fewer resources for roads, schools and public safety — and less tax relief for seniors, homeowners and families.

### 2. Vote NO on Corporate Welfare.

Referendum 48 takes your taxes to subsidize professional football. The stadium annual rent of \$850,000 is like taxpayers building a \$425,000 house and renting it out for only \$71 per month. Referendum 48 is a bad deal for the taxpayers, but a great deal for a billionaire.

### 3. Vote NO on Demolishing Our Kingdome.

The Kingdome works. It wins national awards. Opened in 1976, it still has an outstanding debt of \$130 million. Why tear down the Kingdome and build a new *outdoor* stadium so corporations can entertain in their luxury suites while you sit out in the winter rains?

### 4. Vote NO on Selling the Washington Ballot Box.

Paul Allen is spending millions for a special election during summer vacation, betting you won't vote. Ordinary citizens must gather hundreds of thousands of signatures one at a time to get on the ballot. *This election may be for sale - but our votes are not.*

On June 17, You Can Stop Corporate Welfare  
Vote NO on Referendum 48

For more information, call (206) 528-8457 or (509) 323-9902. [www.no48.wa.net](http://www.no48.wa.net)

## Rebuttal of Statement for

Who trusts whom? Paul Allen wants you to trust him with \$600 million in taxes, through a special election he's bought and paid for.

If he trusted your judgment, he'd stop spending millions on expensive TV ads to sell his stadium deal. He'd answer your questions, and stick to the facts.

We challenge Paul Allen to debate the stadium with us on statewide TV - openly, independently and fairly.

We trust your judgment. Does Paul Allen?

Voters Pamphlet Statement Submitted by:

TIM SHELDON, State Representative - Member House Trade & Economic Development Committee; HAROLD HOCHSTATTER, State Senator - Chairman, Senate Education Committee; MAGGIE FIMIA, Member, Metropolitan King County Council.

Advisory Committee: JOHN PENNINGTON, State Representative - House Speaker Pro Tem & Small businessman; HELEN SOMMERS, State Representative - Ranking member, House Appropriations Committee; BOB WILLIAMS, Former legislator; NICK LICATA, Co-Chair, Citizens for More Important Things; CHARLIE CHONG, Member, Seattle City Council.

## The effect of Referendum Bill 48, if approved into law:

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together with associated parking facilities and other ancillary facilities."

The public stadium authority would have authority to enter into a development agreement with a professional football team concerning the development of the project and the operation of the stadium. The football team could agree to control the development of the project in return for assuming the risk of costs in excess of budget projections. The public stadium authority could also enter into a long-term lease agreement, making the team the master tenant. Under such an agreement, the master tenant would pay fair rent of not less than \$850,000 per year and assume operating and maintenance responsibilities and legal liability associated with the facility. The payment of such rent would be guaranteed for ten years against bankruptcy or insolvency of the team. The master tenant would have the right to sublease and grant licenses and concessions to users of the facility.

The public stadium authority would be authorized to obtain a deferral of sales and use taxes on the construction of buildings, site preparation, and the acquisition of machinery and equipment for the stadium for five years from completion of the facility. The county would be authorized to impose a sales and use tax of 0.016 percent. This county sales and use tax would be deducted from state sales and use tax otherwise payable to the state. The lottery commission would be authorized to conduct special games to generate additional revenue for the facility. All of these revenues would be placed in the state treasury and used for payment of principal and interest on bonds sold to finance facility construction, for the cost of operation of the public stadium authority; and for grants for youth athletic facilities. The public or entertainment areas of the facility would be exempt from leasehold tax.

The measure would authorize the state to sell bonds pledging the full faith and credit of the state in the sum of \$300 million to pay for site acquisition, design, construction, and equipping of the facility and exhibition center. Bonds could be issued only if the team agrees to certain conditions, including: (1) to play its regular season and playoff home games in

the stadium for at least the term of the bonds; (2) to assume the risk of cost overruns; (3) to raise approximately \$100 million to contribute to the development; (4) to grant the state ten percent of the gross selling price if the team is sold within twenty-five years of the date the bonds are issued; (5) to pay \$10 million for statewide youth athletic facilities; (6) to sell at least 10 percent of the tickets for all team football games at the average of the lowest priced tickets in the National Football League; and (7) to spend at least \$10 million on mitigation of impacts of the new facility on adjacent neighborhoods. The total public share of facility costs would be \$300 million.

A county with a public stadium authority would be authorized to levy a tax on charges for admission to events in the facility, at the rate of not more than one cent on ten cents. No other admissions tax could be charged. The county would also be authorized to levy a tax on vehicle parking charges for parking at the facility, at a rate of not more than 10 percent. Revenue from these taxes would be used to repay the bonds or, after the bonds are retired, to fund repairs and capital improvements on the facility.

The bill would make the project subject to prevailing wage requirements and to women and minority goals, but would be exempt from public works bidding requirements. Financial and commercial information requested by the public stadium authority from any lessee or user of a stadium and exhibition center would be exempt from public disclosure.

If a stadium is built in a county which is currently levying a hotel/motel tax to retire bonds previously sold to finance a public sports stadium, such as the KingDome, hotel/motel tax revenue would remain available for retiring any debt still outstanding on such an existing facility. Ownership of the KingDome may be transferred to the public stadium authority and the KingDome will be demolished to accommodate the new facility.

### PLEASE NOTE:

In the following measure, all words in double parentheses with a line through them are in State law at the present time and will be taken out if the measure is adopted. Underlined words do not appear in State law as it is now written but will be put in if the measure is adopted.

To obtain a copy of the text of this proposed measure in larger print, call the Secretary of State's toll-free hotline -- 1-800-448-4881.



## COMPLETE TEXT OF Referendum Bill 48

AN ACT Relating to a mechanism for financing stadium and exhibition centers and education technology grants; amending RCW 82.29A.130, 67.70.240, 67.70.042, 39.42.060, 43.79A.040, 36.38.010, 36.32.235, 39.04.010, 39.10.120, 67.28.180, and 82.14.049; reenacting and amending RCW 42.17.310; adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 67.70 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 43.330 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 36.38 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 39.30 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 36 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; creating new sections; providing a contingent expiration date; providing for the submission of certain sections of this act to a vote of the people; and declaring an emergency.

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

### PART I AUTHORITY CREATION AND POWERS

NEW SECTION. Sec. 101. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "Design" includes architectural, engineering, and other related professional services.

(2) "Develop" means, generally, the process of planning, designing, financing, constructing, owning, operating, and leasing a project such as a stadium and exhibition center.

(3) "Permanent seat license" means a transferable license sold to a third party that, subject to certain conditions, restrictions, and limitations, entitles the third party to purchase a season ticket to professional football games of the professional football team played in the stadium and exhibition center for so long as the team plays its games in that facility.

(4) "Preconstruction" includes negotiations, including negotiations with any team affiliate, planning, studies, design, and other activities reasonably necessary before constructing a stadium and exhibition center.

(5) "Professional football team" means a team that is a member of the national football league

or similar professional football association.

(6) "Public stadium authority operation" means the formation and ongoing operation of the public stadium authority, including the hiring of employees, agents, attorneys, and other contractors, and the acquisition and operation of office facilities.

(7) "Site acquisition" means the purchase or other acquisition of any interest in real property including fee simple interests and easements, which property interests constitute the site for a stadium and exhibition center.

(8) "Site preparation" includes demolition of existing improvements, environmental remediation, site excavation, shoring, and construction and maintenance of temporary traffic and pedestrian routing.

(9) "Stadium and exhibition center" means an open-air stadium suitable for national football league football and for Olympic and world cup soccer, with adjacent exhibition facilities, together with associated parking facilities and other ancillary facilities.

(10) "Team affiliate" means a professional football team that will use the stadium and exhibition center, and any affiliate of the team designated by the team. An "affiliate of the team" means any person or entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the team.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 102. (1) A public stadium authority may be created in any county that has entered into a letter of intent relating to the development of a stadium and exhibition center under chapter . . . , Laws of 1997 (this act) with a team affiliate or an entity that has a contractual right to become a team affiliate.

(2) A public stadium authority shall be created upon adoption of a resolution providing for the creation of such an authority by the county legislative authority in which the proposed authority is located.

(3) A public stadium authority shall constitute a body corporate and shall possess all the usual powers of a corporation for public purposes as well as all other powers that may now or hereafter be specifically conferred by statute, including, but not limited to, the authority to hire employees, staff, and services, to enter into contracts, and to sue and be sued.

(4) The legislative authority of the county in which the public stadium authority is located, or the council of any city located in that county, may transfer property to the public stadium authority



created under this chapter. Property encumbered by debt may be transferred by a county legislative authority or a city council to a public stadium authority created to develop a stadium and exhibition center under section 105 of this act, but obligation for payment of the debt may not be transferred.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 103.** (1) A public stadium authority shall be governed by a board of directors consisting of seven members appointed by the governor. The speaker of the house of representatives, the minority leader of the house of representatives, the majority leader of the senate, and the minority leader of the senate shall each recommend to the governor a person to be appointed to the board.

(2) Members of the board of directors shall serve four-year terms of office, except that three of the initial seven board members shall serve two-year terms of office. The governor shall designate the initial terms of office for the initial members who are appointed.

(3) A vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment was made and the person appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term of the office for the position to which he or she was appointed.

(4) A director appointed by the governor may be removed from office by the governor.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 104.** (1) There is created a public stadium authority advisory committee comprised of five members. The advisory committee consists of: The director of the office of financial management, who shall serve as chair; two members appointed by the house of representatives, one each appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and the minority leader of the house of representatives; and two members appointed by the senate, one each appointed by the majority leader of the senate and the minority leader of the senate.

(2) The advisory committee, prior to the final approval of any lease with the master tenant or sale of stadium naming rights, shall review and comment on the proposed lease agreement or sale of stadium naming rights.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 105.** (1) The public stadium authority is authorized to acquire, construct, own, remodel, maintain, equip, reequip, repair, and operate a stadium and exhibition center as defined in section 101 of this act.

(2) The public stadium authority may enter

into agreements under chapter 39.34 RCW for the joint provision and operation of a stadium and exhibition center and may enter into contracts under chapter 39.34 RCW where any party to the contract provides and operates the stadium and exhibition center for the other party or parties to the contract.

(3) Any employees of the public stadium authority shall be unclassified employees not subject to the provisions of chapter 41.06 RCW and a public stadium authority may contract with a public or private entity for the operation or management of the stadium and exhibition center.

(4) The public stadium authority is authorized to use the alternative supplemental public works contracting procedures set forth in chapter 39.10 RCW in connection with the design, construction, reconstruction, remodel, or alteration of a stadium and exhibition center.

(5) The public stadium authority may impose charges and fees for the use of the stadium and exhibition center, and may accept and expend or use gifts, grants, and donations.

(6) The public stadium authority shall comply with the prevailing wage requirements of chapter 39.12 RCW and goals established for women and minority-business participation for the county.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 106.** In addition to other powers and restrictions on a public stadium authority, the following apply to a public stadium authority created to develop a stadium and exhibition center under section 105 of this act:

(1) The public stadium authority, in consultation with the team affiliate, shall have the authority to determine the stadium and exhibition center site;

(2) The public stadium authority, in consultation with the team affiliate, shall have the authority to establish the overall scope of the stadium and exhibition center project, including, but not limited to, stadium and exhibition center itself, associated exhibition facilities, associated parking facilities, associated retail and office development that are part of the stadium and exhibition center, and ancillary services and facilities;

(3) The public stadium authority, in consultation with the team affiliate, shall have the authority to make the final determination of the stadium and exhibition center overall design and specification;

(4) The public stadium authority shall have the authority to contract with a team affiliate for the provision of architectural, engineering, environmental, and other professional services related to the

stadium and exhibition center site, design options, required environmental studies, and necessary permits for the stadium and exhibition center;

(5) The public stadium authority, in consultation with the team affiliate, shall have the authority to establish the project budget on the stadium and exhibition center project;

(6) The public stadium authority, in consultation with the team affiliate, shall have the authority to make recommendations to the state finance committee regarding the structure of the financing of the stadium and exhibition center project;

(7) The public stadium authority shall have the authority to enter into a development agreement with a team affiliate whereby the team affiliate may control the development of the stadium and exhibition center project, consistent with subsections (1) through (6) of this section, in consideration of which the team affiliate assumes the risk of costs of development that are in excess of the project budget established under subsection (5) of this section. Under the development agreement, the team affiliate shall determine bidding specifications and requirements, and other aspects of development. Under the development agreement, the team affiliate shall determine procurement procedures and other aspects of development, and shall select and engage an architect or architects and a contractor or contractors for the stadium and exhibition center project, provided that the construction, alterations, repairs, or improvements of the stadium and exhibition center shall be subject to the prevailing wage requirements of chapter 39.12 RCW and all phases of the development shall be subject to the goals established for women and minority-business participation for the county where the stadium and exhibition center is located. The team affiliate shall, to the extent feasible, hire local residents and in particular residents from the areas immediately surrounding the stadium and exhibition center during the construction and ongoing operation of the stadium and exhibition center;

(8) The public stadium authority shall have the authority to enter into a long-term lease agreement with a team affiliate whereby, in consideration of the payment of fair rent and assumption of operating and maintenance responsibilities, risk, legal liability, and costs associated with the stadium and exhibition center, the team affiliate becomes the sole master tenant of the stadium and exhibition center. The master tenant lease agreement must require the team affiliate to publicly disclose, on an annual basis, an audited profit and

loss financial statement. The team affiliate shall provide a guarantee, security, or a letter of credit from a person or entity with a net worth in excess of one hundred million dollars that guarantees a maximum of ten years' payments of fair rent under the lease in the event of the bankruptcy or insolvency of the team affiliate. The master tenant shall have the power to sublease and enter into use, license, and concession agreements with various users of the stadium and exhibition center including the professional football team, and the master tenant has the right to name the stadium and exhibition center, subject to section 107 of this act. The master tenant shall meet goals, established by the county where the stadium and exhibition center is located, for women and minority employment for the operation of the stadium and exhibition center. Except as provided in subsection (10) of this section, the master tenant shall have the right to retain revenues derived from the operation of the stadium and exhibition center, including revenues from the sublease and uses, license and concession agreements, revenues from suite licenses, concessions, advertising, long-term naming rights subject to section 107 of this act, and parking revenue. If federal law permits interest on bonds issued to finance the stadium and exhibition center to be treated as tax exempt for federal income tax purposes, the public stadium authority and the team affiliate shall endeavor to structure and limit the amounts, sources, and uses of any payments received by the state, the county, the public stadium authority, or any related governmental entity for the use or in respect to the stadium and exhibition center in such a manner as to permit the interest on those bonds to be tax exempt. As used in this subsection, "fair rent" is solely intended to cover the reasonable operating expenses of the public stadium authority and shall be not less than eight hundred fifty thousand dollars per year with annual increases based on the consumer price index;

(9) Subject to section 210(2)(b)(ix) of this act, the public stadium authority may reserve the right to discuss profit sharing from the stadium and exhibition center from sources that have not been identified at the time the long-term lease agreement is executed;

(10) The master tenant may retain an amount to cover the actual cost of preparing the stadium and exhibition center for activities involving the Olympic Games and world cup soccer. Revenues derived from the operation of the stadium and exhibition center for activities identified in this subsection that exceed the master tenant's actual

costs of preparing, operating, and restoring the stadium and exhibition center must be deposited into the tourism development and promotion account created in section 223 of this act;

(11) The public stadium authority, in consultation with a public facilities district that is located within the county, shall work to eliminate the use of the stadium and exhibition center for events during the same time as events are held in the baseball stadium as defined in RCW 82.14.0485;

(12) The public stadium authority, in consultation with the team affiliate, must work to secure the hosting of a Super Bowl, if the hosting requirements are changed by the national football league or similar professional football association;

(13) The public stadium authority shall work with surrounding areas to mitigate the impact of the construction and operation of the stadium and exhibition center;

(14) The public stadium authority, in consultation with the office of financial management, shall negotiate filming rights of the demolition of the existing domed stadium on the stadium and exhibition center site. All revenues derived from the filming of the demolition of the existing domed stadium shall be deposited into the film and video promotion account created in section 222 of this act; and

(15) The public stadium authority shall have the authority, upon the agreement of the team affiliate, to sell permanent seat licenses, and the team affiliate may act as the sales agent for this purpose.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 107.** Revenues from the sales of naming rights of a stadium and exhibition center developed under section 105 of this act may only be used for costs associated with capital improvements associated with modernization and maintenance of the stadium and exhibition center. The sales of naming rights are subject to the reasonable approval of the public stadium authority.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 108.** A public stadium authority may accept and expend moneys that may be donated for the purpose of a stadium and exhibition center.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 109.** (1) The public stadium authority, the county, and the city, if any, in which the stadium and exhibition center is to be located shall enter into one or more agreements regarding the construction of a stadium and exhibition center. The agreements shall address,

but not be limited to:

(a) Expedited permit processing for the design and construction of the stadium and exhibition center project;

(b) Expedited environmental review processing;

(c) Expedited processing of requests for street, right of way, or easement vacations necessary for the construction of the stadium and exhibition center project; and

(d) Other items deemed necessary for the design and construction of the stadium and exhibition center project.

(2) The county shall assemble such real property and associated personal property as the public stadium authority and the county mutually determine to be necessary as a site for the stadium and exhibition center. Property that is necessary for this purpose that is owned by the county on or after the effective date of this section shall be contributed to the authority, and property that is necessary for this purpose that is acquired by the county on or after the effective date of this section shall be conveyed to the authority. Property that is encumbered by debt may be transferred by the county to the authority, but obligation for payment of the debt may not be transferred.

(3) A new exhibition facility of at least three hundred twenty-five thousand square feet, with adequate on-site parking, shall be constructed and operational before any domed stadium in the county is demolished or rendered unusable. Demolition of any existing structure and construction of the stadium and exhibition center shall be reasonably executed in a manner that minimizes impacts, including access and parking, upon existing facilities, users, and neighborhoods. No county or city may exercise authority under any landmarks preservation statute or ordinance in order to prevent or delay the demolition of any existing domed stadium at the site of the stadium and exhibition center.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 110.** A public stadium authority may acquire and transfer real and personal property by lease, sublease, purchase, or sale.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 111.** (1) The board of directors of the public stadium authority shall adopt a resolution that may be amended from time to time that shall establish the basic requirements governing methods and amounts of reimbursement payable to such authority and employees for travel and other business expenses incurred on behalf of

the authority. The resolution shall, among other things, establish procedures for approving such expenses; the form of the travel and expense voucher; and requirements governing the use of credit cards issued in the name of the authority. The resolution may also establish procedures for payment of per diem to board members. The state auditor shall, as provided by general law, cooperate with the public stadium authority in establishing adequate procedures for regulating and auditing the reimbursement of all such expenses.

(2) The board of directors shall transmit a copy of the adopted annual operating budget of the public stadium authority to the governor and the majority leader and minority leader of the house of representatives and the senate. The budget information shall include, but is not limited to a statement of income and expenses of the public stadium authority.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 112.** The board of directors of the public stadium authority may authorize payment of actual and necessary expenses of officers and employees for lodging, meals, and travel-related costs incurred in attending meetings or conferences on behalf of the public stadium authority and strictly in the public interest and for public purposes. Officers and employees may be advanced sufficient sums to cover their anticipated expenses in accordance with rules adopted by the state auditor, which shall substantially conform to the procedures provided in RCW 43.03.150 through 43.03.210.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 113.** Each member of the board of directors of the public stadium authority may receive compensation of fifty dollars per day for attending meetings or conferences on behalf of the authority, not to exceed three thousand dollars per year. A director may waive all or a portion of his or her compensation under this section as to a month or months during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the public stadium authority. The compensation provided in this section is in addition to reimbursement for expenses paid to the directors by the public stadium authority.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 114.** The board of directors of the public stadium authority may purchase liability insurance with such limits as the directors may deem reasonable for the purpose of protecting and holding personally harmless authority officers and employees against liability for personal or bodily injuries and property damage arising from

their acts or omissions while performing or in good faith purporting to perform their official duties.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 115.** Whenever an action, claim, or proceeding is instituted against a person who is or was an officer or employee of the public stadium authority arising out of the performance of duties for or employment with the authority, the public stadium authority may grant a request by the person that the attorney of the authority's choosing be authorized to defend the claim, suit, or proceeding, and the costs of defense, attorneys' fees, and obligation for payments arising from the action may be paid from the authority's funds. Costs of defense or judgment or settlement against the person shall not be paid in a case where the court has found that the person was not acting in good faith or within the scope of employment with or duties for the public stadium authority.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 116.** The board of directors of the public stadium authority shall have authority to authorize the expenditure of funds for the public purposes of preparing and distributing information to the general public about the stadium and exhibition center.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 117.** The public stadium authority shall have authority to create and fill positions, fix wages and salaries, pay costs involved in securing or arranging to secure employees, and establish benefits for employees, including holiday pay, vacations or vacation pay, retirement benefits, medical, life, accident, or health disability insurance, as approved by the board. Public stadium authority board members, at their own expense, shall be entitled to medical, life, accident, or health disability insurance. Insurance for employees and board members shall not be considered compensation. Authority coverage for the board is not to exceed that provided public stadium authority employees.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 118.** The public stadium authority may secure services by means of an agreement with a service provider. The public stadium authority shall publish notice, establish criteria, receive and evaluate proposals, and negotiate with respondents under requirements set forth by authority resolution.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 119.** The public stadium authority may refuse to disclose financial information on the master tenant, concessioners,

the team affiliate, or subleasee under RCW 42.17.310.

**Sec. 120.** RCW 42.17.310 and 1996 c 305 s 2, 1996 c 253 s 302, 1996 c 191 s 88, and 1996 c 80 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1) The following are exempt from public inspection and copying:

(a) Personal information in any files maintained for students in public schools, patients or clients of public institutions or public health agencies, or welfare recipients.

(b) Personal information in files maintained for employees, appointees, or elected officials of any public agency to the extent that disclosure would violate their right to privacy.

(c) Information required of any taxpayer in connection with the assessment or collection of any tax if the disclosure of the information to other persons would (i) be prohibited to such persons by RCW 82.32.330 or (ii) violate the taxpayer's right to privacy or result in unfair competitive disadvantage to the taxpayer.

(d) Specific intelligence information and specific investigative records compiled by investigative, law enforcement, and penology agencies, and state agencies vested with the responsibility to discipline members of any profession, the nondisclosure of which is essential to effective law enforcement or for the protection of any person's right to privacy.

(e) Information revealing the identity of persons who are witnesses to or victims of crime or who file complaints with investigative, law enforcement, or penology agencies, other than the public disclosure commission, if disclosure would endanger any person's life, physical safety, or property. If at the time a complaint is filed the complainant, victim or witness indicates a desire for disclosure or nondisclosure, such desire shall govern. However, all complaints filed with the public disclosure commission about any elected official or candidate for public office must be made in writing and signed by the complainant under oath.

(f) Test questions, scoring keys, and other examination data used to administer a license, employment, or academic examination.

(g) Except as provided by chapter 8.26 RCW, the contents of real estate appraisals, made for or by any agency relative to the acquisition or sale of property, until the project or prospective sale is abandoned or until such time as all of the property has been acquired or the property to which the sale

appraisal relates is sold, but in no event shall disclosure be denied for more than three years after the appraisal.

(h) Valuable formulae, designs, drawings, and research data obtained by any agency within five years of the request for disclosure when disclosure would produce private gain and public loss.

(i) Preliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, and intra-agency memorandums in which opinions are expressed or policies formulated or recommended except that a specific record shall not be exempt when publicly cited by an agency in connection with any agency action.

(j) Records which are relevant to a controversy to which an agency is a party but which records would not be available to another party under the rules of pretrial discovery for causes pending in the superior courts.

(k) Records, maps, or other information identifying the location of archaeological sites in order to avoid the looting or depredation of such sites.

(l) Any library record, the primary purpose of which is to maintain control of library materials, or to gain access to information, which discloses or could be used to disclose the identity of a library user.

(m) Financial information supplied by or on behalf of a person, firm, or corporation for the purpose of qualifying to submit a bid or proposal for (i) a ferry system construction or repair contract as required by RCW 47.60.680 through 47.60.750 or (ii) highway construction or improvement as required by RCW 47.28.070.

(n) Railroad company contracts filed prior to July 28, 1991, with the utilities and transportation commission under RCW 81.34.070, except that the summaries of the contracts are open to public inspection and copying as otherwise provided by this chapter.

(o) Financial and commercial information and records supplied by private persons pertaining to export services provided pursuant to chapter 43.163 RCW and chapter 53.31 RCW, and by persons pertaining to export projects pursuant to RCW 43.23.035.

(p) Financial disclosures filed by private vocational schools under chapters 28B.85 and 28C.10 RCW.

(q) Records filed with the utilities and transportation commission or attorney general under RCW 80.04.095 that a court has determined are confidential under RCW 80.04.095.

(r) Financial and commercial information and records supplied by businesses or individuals

during application for loans or program services provided by chapters 43.163, 43.160, 43.330, and 43.168 RCW, or during application for economic development loans or program services provided by any local agency.

(s) Membership lists or lists of members or owners of interests of units in timeshare projects, subdivisions, camping resorts, condominiums, land developments, or common-interest communities affiliated with such projects, regulated by the department of licensing, in the files or possession of the department.

(t) All applications for public employment, including the names of applicants, resumes, and other related materials submitted with respect to an applicant.

(u) The residential addresses and residential telephone numbers of employees or volunteers of a public agency which are held by the agency in personnel records, employment or volunteer rosters, or mailing lists of employees or volunteers.

(v) The residential addresses and residential telephone numbers of the customers of a public utility contained in the records or lists held by the public utility of which they are customers.

(w)(i) The federal social security number of individuals governed under chapter 18.130 RCW maintained in the files of the department of health, except this exemption does not apply to requests made directly to the department from federal, state, and local agencies of government, and national and state licensing, credentialing, investigatory, disciplinary, and examination organizations; (ii) the current residential address and current residential telephone number of a health care provider governed under chapter 18.130 RCW maintained in the files of the department, if the provider requests that this information be withheld from public inspection and copying, and provides to the department an accurate alternate or business address and business telephone number. On or after January 1, 1995, the current residential address and residential telephone number of a health care provider governed under RCW 18.130.140 maintained in the files of the department shall automatically be withheld from public inspection and copying unless the provider specifically requests the information be released, and except as provided for under RCW 42.17.260(9).

(x) Information obtained by the board of pharmacy as provided in RCW 69.45.090.

(y) Information obtained by the board of pharmacy or the department of health and its representatives as provided in RCW 69.41.044, 69.41.280, and 18.64.420.

(z) Financial information, business plans, examination reports, and any information produced or obtained in evaluating or examining a business and industrial development corporation organized or seeking certification under chapter 31.24 RCW.

(aa) Financial and commercial information supplied to the state investment board by any person when the information relates to the investment of public trust or retirement funds and when disclosure would result in loss to such funds or in private loss to the providers of this information.

(bb) Financial and valuable trade information under RCW 51.36.120.

(cc) Client records maintained by an agency that is a domestic violence program as defined in RCW 70.123.020 or 70.123.075 or a rape crisis center as defined in RCW 70.125.030.

(dd) Information that identifies a person who, while an agency employee: (i) Seeks advice, under an informal process established by the employing agency, in order to ascertain his or her rights in connection with a possible unfair practice under chapter 49.60 RCW against the person; and (ii) requests his or her identity or any identifying information not be disclosed.

(ee) Investigative records compiled by an employing agency conducting a current investigation of a possible unfair practice under chapter 49.60 RCW or of a possible violation of other federal, state, or local laws prohibiting discrimination in employment.

(ff) Business related information protected from public inspection and copying under RCW 15.86.110.

(gg) Financial, commercial, operations, and technical and research information and data submitted to or obtained by the clean Washington center in applications for, or delivery of, program services under chapter 70.95H RCW.

(hh) Information and documents created specifically for, and collected and maintained by a quality improvement committee pursuant to RCW 43.70.510, regardless of which agency is in possession of the information and documents.

(ii) Personal information in files maintained in a data base created under RCW 43.07.360.

(jj) Financial and commercial information requested by the public stadium authority from any person or organization that leases or uses the stadium and exhibition center as defined in section 101 of this act.

(2) Except for information described in subsection (1)(c)(i) of this section and confidential income data exempted from public inspection



pursuant to RCW 84.40.020, the exemptions of this section are inapplicable to the extent that information, the disclosure of which would violate personal privacy or vital governmental interests, can be deleted from the specific records sought. No exemption may be construed to permit the nondisclosure of statistical information not descriptive of any readily identifiable person or persons.

(3) Inspection or copying of any specific records exempt under the provisions of this section may be permitted if the superior court in the county in which the record is maintained finds, after a hearing with notice thereof to every person in interest and the agency, that the exemption of such records is clearly unnecessary to protect any individual's right of privacy or any vital governmental function.

(4) Agency responses refusing, in whole or in part, inspection of any public record shall include a statement of the specific exemption authorizing the withholding of the record (or part) and a brief explanation of how the exemption applies to the record withheld.

## PART II FINANCING

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 201.** (1) The governing board of a public stadium authority may apply for deferral of taxes on the construction of buildings, site preparation, and the acquisition of related machinery and equipment for a stadium and exhibition center. Application shall be made to the department of revenue in a form and manner prescribed by the department of revenue. The application shall contain information regarding the location of the stadium and exhibition center, estimated or actual costs, time schedules for completion and operation, and other information required by the department of revenue. The department of revenue shall approve the application within sixty days if it meets the requirements of this section.

(2) The department of revenue shall issue a sales and use tax deferral certificate for state and local sales and use taxes due under chapters 82.08, 82.12, and 82.14 RCW on the public facility.

(3) The public stadium authority shall begin paying the deferred taxes in the fifth year after the date certified by the department of revenue as the date on which the stadium and exhibition center is operationally complete. The first payment is due on December 31st of the fifth calendar year after such certified date, with subsequent annual payments due on December 31st of the following nine years.

Each payment shall equal ten percent of the deferred tax.

(4) The department of revenue may authorize an accelerated repayment schedule upon request of the public stadium authority.

(5) Interest shall not be charged on any taxes deferred under this section for the period of deferral, although all other penalties and interest applicable to delinquent excise taxes may be assessed and imposed for delinquent payments under this section. The debt for deferred taxes is not extinguished by insolvency or other failure of the public stadium authority.

(6) The repayment of deferred taxes and interest, if any, shall be deposited into the stadium and exhibition center account created in section 214 of this act and used to retire bonds issued under section 210 of this act to finance the construction of the stadium and exhibition center.

(7) Applications and any other information received by the department of revenue under this section are not confidential and are subject to disclosure. Chapter 82.32 RCW applies to the administration of this section.

**Sec. 202.** RCW 82.29A.130 and 1995 3rd sp.s. c 1 s 307 are each amended to read as follows:

The following leasehold interests shall be exempt from taxes imposed pursuant to RCW 82.29A.030 and 82.29A.040:

(1) All leasehold interests constituting a part of the operating properties of any public utility which is assessed and taxed as a public utility pursuant to chapter 84.12 RCW.

(2) All leasehold interests in facilities owned or used by a school, college or university which leasehold provides housing for students and which is otherwise exempt from taxation under provisions of RCW 84.36.010 and 84.36.050.

(3) All leasehold interests of subsidized housing where the fee ownership of such property is vested in the government of the United States, or the state of Washington or any political subdivision thereof but only if income qualification exists for such housing.

(4) All leasehold interests used for fair purposes of a nonprofit fair association that sponsors or conducts a fair or fairs which receive support from revenues collected pursuant to RCW 67.16.100 and allocated by the director of the department of agriculture where the fee ownership of such property is vested in the government of the United States, the state of Washington or any of its political subdivisions: PROVIDED, That this

exemption shall not apply to the leasehold interest of any sublessee of such nonprofit fair association if such leasehold interest would be taxable if it were the primary lease.

(5) All leasehold interests in any property of any public entity used as a residence by an employee of that public entity who is required as a condition of employment to live in the publicly owned property.

(6) All leasehold interests held by enrolled Indians of lands owned or held by any Indian or Indian tribe where the fee ownership of such property is vested in or held in trust by the United States and which are not subleased to other than to a lessee which would qualify pursuant to this chapter, RCW 84.36.451 and 84.40.175.

(7) All leasehold interests in any real property of any Indian or Indian tribe, band, or community that is held in trust by the United States or is subject to a restriction against alienation imposed by the United States: PROVIDED, That this exemption shall apply only where it is determined that contract rent paid is greater than or equal to ninety percent of fair market rental, to be determined by the department of revenue using the same criteria used to establish taxable rent in RCW 82.29A.020(2)(b).

(8) All leasehold interests for which annual taxable rent is less than two hundred fifty dollars per year. For purposes of this subsection leasehold interests held by the same lessee in contiguous properties owned by the same lessor shall be deemed a single leasehold interest.

(9) All leasehold interests which give use or possession of the leased property for a continuous period of less than thirty days: PROVIDED, That for purposes of this subsection, successive leases or lease renewals giving substantially continuous use of possession of the same property to the same lessee shall be deemed a single leasehold interest: PROVIDED FURTHER, That no leasehold interest shall be deemed to give use or possession for a period of less than thirty days solely by virtue of the reservation by the public lessor of the right to use the property or to allow third parties to use the property on an occasional, temporary basis.

(10) All leasehold interests under month-to-month leases in residential units rented for residential purposes of the lessee pending destruction or removal for the purpose of constructing a public highway or building.

(11) All leasehold interests in any publicly owned real or personal property to the extent such leasehold interests arises solely by virtue of a contract for public improvements or work executed under the public works statutes of this state or of the

United States between the public owner of the property and a contractor.

(12) All leasehold interests that give use or possession of state adult correctional facilities for the purposes of operating correctional industries under RCW 72.09.100.

(13) All leasehold interests used to provide organized and supervised recreational activities for disabled persons of all ages in a camp facility and for public recreational purposes by a nonprofit organization, association, or corporation that would be exempt from property tax under RCW 84.36.030(1) if it owned the property. If the publicly owned property is used for any taxable purpose, the leasehold excise taxes set forth in RCW 82.29A.030 and 82.29A.040 shall be imposed and shall be apportioned accordingly.

(14) All leasehold interests in the public or entertainment areas of a baseball stadium with natural turf and a retractable roof or canopy that is in a county with a population of over one million, that has a seating capacity of over forty thousand, and that is constructed on or after January 1, 1995. "Public or entertainment areas" include ticket sales areas, ramps and stairs, lobbies and concourses, parking areas, concession areas, restaurants, hospitality and stadium club areas, kitchens or other work areas primarily servicing other public or entertainment areas, public rest room areas, press and media areas, control booths, broadcast and production areas, retail sales areas, museum and exhibit areas, scoreboards or other public displays, storage areas, loading, staging, and servicing areas, seating areas and suites, the playing field, and any other areas to which the public has access or which are used for the production of the entertainment event or other public usage, and any other personal property used for these purposes. "Public or entertainment areas" does not include locker rooms or private offices exclusively used by the lessee.

(15) All leasehold interests in the public or entertainment areas of a stadium and exhibition center, as defined in section 101 of this act, that is constructed on or after January 1, 1998. For the purposes of this subsection, "public or entertainment areas" has the same meaning as in subsection (14) of this section, and includes exhibition areas.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 203.** A new section is added to chapter 82.08 RCW to read as follows:

The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to vehicle parking charges that are subject to tax under section 302 of this act.



**NEWSECTION. Sec. 204.** A new section is added to chapter 82.14 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The legislative authority of a county that has created a public stadium authority to develop a stadium and exhibition center under section 105 of this act may impose a sales and use tax in accordance with this chapter. The tax is in addition to 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 county. The rate of tax shall be 0.016 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 tax imposed under subsection (1) of this section shall be deducted from the amount of tax otherwise required to be collected or paid over to the department of revenue under chapter 82.08 or 82.12 RCW. The department of revenue shall perform the collection of such taxes on behalf of the county at no cost to the county.

(3) Before the issuance of bonds in section 210 of this act, all revenues collected on behalf of the county under this section shall be transferred to the public stadium authority. After bonds are issued under section 210 of this act, all revenues collected on behalf of the county under this section shall be deposited in the stadium and exhibition center account under section 214 of this act.

(4) The definitions in section 101 of this act apply to this section.

(5) This section expires on the earliest of the following dates:

(a) December 31, 1999, if the conditions for issuance of bonds under section 210 of this act have not been met before that date;

(b) The date on which all bonds issued under section 210 of this act have been retired; or

(c) Twenty-three years after the date the tax under this section is first imposed.

**NEWSECTION. Sec. 205.** A new section is added to chapter 67.70 RCW to read as follows:

The lottery commission shall conduct new games that are in addition to any games conducted under RCW 67.70.042 and are intended to generate additional moneys sufficient to cover the distributions under RCW 67.70.240(5). No game may be conducted under this section before January 1, 1998. No game may be conducted under this section after December 31, 1999, unless the conditions for issuance of the bonds under section 210(2) of this act are met, and no game is required to be conducted after the distributions cease under

RCW 67.70.240(5).

For the purposes of this section, the lottery may accept and market prize promotions provided in conjunction with private-sector marketing efforts.

**Sec. 206.** RCW 67.70.240 and 1995 3rd sp.s. c 1 s 105 are each amended to read as follows:

The moneys in the state lottery account shall be used only:

(1) For the payment of prizes to the holders of winning lottery tickets or shares;

(2) For purposes of making deposits into the reserve account created by RCW 67.70.250 and into the lottery administrative account created by RCW 67.70.260;

(3) For purposes of making deposits into the state's general fund;

(4) ~~((for purposes of making deposits into the housing trust fund under the provisions of section 7 of this 1987 act; (5)))~~ For distribution to a county for the purpose of paying the principal and interest payments on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball stadium, as defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary preconstruction costs ~~((; (6) for the purchase and promotion of lottery games and game-related services; and (7) for the payment of agent compensation))~~. Three million dollars shall be distributed under this subsection ((5) of this section)) during calendar year 1996. During subsequent years, such distributions shall equal the prior year's distributions increased by four percent. Distributions under this subsection ((5) of this section)) shall cease when the bonds issued for the construction of the baseball stadium are retired, but not more than twenty years after the tax under RCW 82.14.0485 is first imposed;

(5) For distribution to the stadium and exhibition center account, created in section 214 of this act. Subject to the conditions of section 215 of this act, six million dollars shall be distributed under this subsection during the calendar year 1998. During subsequent years, such distribution shall equal the prior year's distributions increased by four percent. No distribution may be made under this subsection after December 31, 1999, unless the conditions for issuance of the bonds under section 210(2) of this act are met. Distributions under this subsection shall cease when the bonds are retired, but not later than December 31, 2020;

(6) For the purchase and promotion of lottery games and game-related services; and

(7) For the payment of agent compensation. The office of financial management shall

require the allotment of all expenses paid from the account and shall report to the ways and means committees of the senate and house of representatives any changes in the allotments.

**Sec. 207.** RCW 67.70.042 and 1995 3rd sp.s. c 1 s 104 are each amended to read as follows:

The lottery commission shall conduct at least two but not more than four scratch games with sports themes per year. These games are intended to generate additional moneys sufficient to cover the distributions under RCW 67.70.240 ~~((5))~~ (4).

**NEWSECTION. Sec. 208.** A new section is added to chapter 67.70 RCW to read as follows:

The person or entity responsible for operating a stadium and exhibition center as defined in section 101 of this act shall promote the lottery with any combination of in-kind advertising, sponsorship, or prize promotions, valued at one million dollars annually beginning January 1998 and increased by four percent each year thereafter for the purpose of increasing lottery sales of games authorized under section 205 of this act. The content and value of the advertising sponsorship or prize promotions are subject to reasonable approval in advance by the lottery commission. The obligation of this section shall cease when the distributions under RCW 67.70.240(5) end, but not later than December 31, 2020.

**NEWSECTION. Sec. 209.** The definitions in section 101 of this act apply to this chapter.

**NEWSECTION. Sec. 210.** (1) For the purpose of providing funds to pay for operation of the public stadium authority created under section 102 of this act, to pay for the preconstruction, site acquisition, design, site preparation, construction, owning, leasing, and equipping of the stadium and exhibition center, and to reimburse the county or the public stadium authority for its direct or indirect expenditures or to repay other indebtedness incurred for these purposes, the state finance committee is authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the state of Washington in the sum of three hundred million dollars, or so much thereof as may be required, for these purposes and all costs incidental thereto. Bonds authorized in this section may be sold at such price as the state finance committee shall determine.

(2) Bonds shall not be issued under this section unless the public stadium authority has certified to the director of financial management that:

(a) A professional football team has made a binding and legally enforceable contractual commitment to play all of its regular season and playoff home games in the stadium and exhibition center, other than games scheduled elsewhere by the league, for a period of time not shorter than the term of the bonds issued or to be issued to finance the initial construction of the stadium and exhibition center;

(b) A team affiliate has entered into one or more binding and legally enforceable contractual commitments with a public stadium authority under section 105 of this act that provide that:

(i) The team affiliate assumes the risks of cost overruns;

(ii) The team affiliate shall raise at least one hundred million dollars, less the amount, if any, raised by the public stadium authority under section 106(15) of this act. The total one hundred million dollars raised, which may include cash payments and in-kind contributions, but does not include any interest earned on the escrow account described in section 211 of this act, shall be applied toward the reasonably necessary preconstruction, site acquisition, design, site preparation, construction, and equipping of the stadium and exhibition center, or to any associated public purpose separate from bond-financed expenses. No part of the payment may be made without the consent of the public stadium authority. In any event, all amounts to be raised by the team affiliate under (b)(ii) of this subsection shall be paid or expended before the completion of the construction of the stadium and exhibition center. To the extent possible, contributions shall be structured in a manner that would allow for the issuance of bonds to construct the stadium and exhibition center that are exempt from federal income taxes;

(iii) The team affiliate shall deposit at least ten million dollars into the youth athletic facility grant account created in section 214 of this act upon execution of the lease and development agreements in section 106 (7) and (8) of this act;

(iv) At least ten percent of the seats in the stadium for home games of the professional football team shall be for sale at an affordable price. For the purposes of this subsection, "affordable price" means that the price is the average of the lowest ticket prices charged by all other national football league teams;

(v) One executive suite with a minimum of twenty seats must be made available, on a lottery basis, as a free upgrade, at home games of the professional football team, to purchasers of tickets that are not located in executive suites or club seat

areas;

(vi) A nonparticipatory interest in the professional football team has been granted to the state beginning on the date on which bonds are issued under this section which only entitles the state to receive ten percent of the gross selling price of the interest in the team that is sold if a majority interest or more of the professional football team is sold within twenty-five years of the date on which bonds are issued under the section. The ten percent shall apply to all preceding sales of interests in the team which comprise the majority interest sold. This provision shall apply only to the first sale of such a majority interest. The ten percent must be deposited in the permanent common school fund. If the debt is retired at the time of the sale, then the ten percent may only be used for costs associated with capital maintenance, capital improvements, renovations, reequipping, replacement, and operations of the stadium and exhibition center;

(vii) The team affiliate must provide reasonable office space to the public stadium authority without charge;

(viii) The team affiliate, in consultation with the public stadium authority, shall work with surrounding areas to mitigate the impact of the construction and operation of the stadium and exhibition center with a budget of at least ten million dollars dedicated to area mitigation. For purposes of this subsection, "mitigation" includes, but is not limited to, parking facilities and amenities, neighborhood beautification projects and landscaping, financial grants for neighborhood programs intended to mitigate adverse impacts caused by the construction and operation of the stadium and exhibition center, and mitigation measures identified in the environmental impact statement required for the stadium and exhibition center under chapter 43.21C RCW; and

(ix) Twenty percent of the net profit from the operation of the exhibition facility of the stadium and exhibition center shall be deposited into the permanent common school fund. Profits shall be verified by the public stadium authority.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 211.** On or before August 1, 1997: (1) The state treasurer and a team affiliate or an entity that has an option to become a team affiliate shall enter into an escrow agreement creating an escrow account; and (2) the team affiliate or the entity that has an option to become a team affiliate shall deposit the sum of fifty million dollars into the escrow account as a credit against the obligation of the team affiliate in section

210(2)(b)(ii) of this act.

The escrow agreement shall provide that the fifty million dollar deposit shall be invested by the state treasurer and shall earn interest. If the stadium and exhibition center project proceeds, then the interest on amounts in the escrow account shall be for the benefit of the state, and all amounts in the escrow account, including all principal and interest, shall be distributed to the stadium and exhibition center account. The escrow agreement shall provide for appropriate adjustments based on amounts previously and subsequently raised by the team affiliate under section 210(2)(b)(ii) of this act and amounts previously and subsequently raised by the public stadium authority under section 106(15) of this act. If the stadium and exhibition center project does not proceed, all principal and the interest in the escrow account shall be distributed to the team affiliate or the entity that has an option to become a team affiliate.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 212.** The proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized in section 210 of this act shall be deposited in the stadium and exhibition center construction account, hereby created in the custody of the state treasurer, and shall be used exclusively for the purposes specified in section 210 of this act and for the payment of expenses incurred in the issuance and sale of the bonds. These proceeds shall be administered by the office of financial management. Only the director of the office of financial management or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to the allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures. At the direction of the office of financial management the state treasurer shall transfer moneys from the stadium and exhibition center construction account to the public stadium authority created in section 102 of this act as required by the public stadium authority.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 213.** The nondebt-limit reimbursable bond retirement account shall be used for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds authorized in section 210 of this act.

The state finance committee shall, on or before June 30th of each year, certify to the state treasurer the amount needed in the ensuing twelve months to meet the bond retirement and interest requirements. On each date on which any interest or principal and interest payment is due, the state treasurer shall transfer from the stadium and exhibition center account to the nondebt-limit

reimbursable bond retirement account an amount equal to the amount certified by the state finance committee to be due on the payment date.

Bonds issued under section 210 of this act shall state that they are a general obligation of the state of Washington, shall pledge the full faith and credit of the state to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon, and shall contain an unconditional promise to pay the principal and interest as the same shall become due. If in any year the amount accumulated in the stadium and exhibition center account is insufficient for payment of the principal and interest on the bonds issued under section 210 of this act, the amount of the insufficiency shall be a continuing obligation against the stadium and exhibition center account until paid.

The owner and holder of each of the bonds or the trustee for the owner and holder of any of the bonds may by mandamus or other appropriate proceeding require the transfer and payment of funds as directed in this section.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 214.** (1) The stadium and exhibition center account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from the taxes imposed under section 204 of this act and distributions under RCW 67.70.240(5) shall be deposited into the account. Only the director of the office of financial management or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW. An appropriation is not required for expenditures from this account.

(2) Until bonds are issued under section 210 of this act, up to five million dollars per year beginning January 1, 1999, shall be used for the purposes of subsection (3)(b) of this section, all remaining moneys in the account shall be transferred to the public stadium authority, created under section 102 of this act, to be used for public stadium authority operations and development of the stadium and exhibition center.

(3) After bonds are issued under section 210 of this act, all moneys in the stadium and exhibition center account shall be used exclusively for the following purposes in the following priority:

(a) On or before June 30th of each year, the office of financial management shall accumulate in the stadium and exhibition center account an amount at least equal to the amount required in the next succeeding twelve months for the payment of principal of and interest on the bonds issued under section 210 of this act;

(b) An additional reserve amount not in excess of the expected average annual principal and interest requirements of bonds issued under section 210 of this act shall be accumulated and maintained in the account, subject to withdrawal by the state treasurer at any time if necessary to meet the requirements of (a) of this subsection, and, following any withdrawal, reaccumulated from the first tax revenues and other amounts deposited in the account after meeting the requirements of (a) of this subsection; and

(c) The balance, if any, shall be transferred to the youth athletic facility grant account under subsection (4) of this section.

Any revenues derived from the taxes authorized by RCW 36.38.010(5) and section 302 of this act or other amounts that if used as provided under (a) and (b) of this subsection would cause the loss of any tax exemption under federal law for interest on bonds issued under section 210 of this act shall be deposited in and used exclusively for the purposes of the youth athletic facility grant account and shall not be used, directly or indirectly, as a source of payment of principal of or interest on bonds issued under section 210 of this act, or to replace or reimburse other funds used for that purpose.

(4) Any moneys in the stadium and exhibition center account not required or permitted to be used for the purposes described in subsection (3)(a) and (b) of this section shall be deposited in the youth athletic facility grant account hereby created in the state treasury. Expenditures from the account may be used only for purposes of grants to cities, counties, and qualified nonprofit organizations for youth athletic facilities. Only the director of the interagency committee for outdoor recreation or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures. The athletic facility grants may be used for acquiring, developing, equipping, maintaining, and improving youth or community athletic facilities. Funds shall be divided equally between the development of new athletic facilities, the improvement of existing athletic facilities, and the maintenance of existing athletic facilities. Cities, counties, and qualified nonprofit organizations must submit proposals for grants from the account. To the extent that funds are available, cities, counties, and qualified nonprofit organizations must meet eligibility criteria as established by the director of the interagency committee for outdoor recreation. The grants shall be awarded on a competitive application process

and the amount of the grant shall be in proportion to the population of the city or county for where the youth athletic facility is located. Grants awarded in any one year need not be distributed in that year. The director of the interagency committee for outdoor recreation may expend up to one and one-half percent of the moneys deposited in the account created in this subsection for administrative purposes.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 215.** Unless the office of financial management certifies by December 31, 1997, that the following conditions have been met, sections 201 through 208 of this act are null and void:

(1) The professional football team that will use the stadium and exhibition center is at least majority-owned and controlled by, directly or indirectly, one or more persons who are each residents of the state of Washington and who have been residents of the state of Washington continuously since at least January 1, 1993;

(2) The county in which the stadium and exhibition center is to be constructed has created a public stadium authority under this chapter to acquire property, construct, own, remodel, maintain, equip, reequip, repair, and operate a stadium and exhibition center;

(3) The county in which the stadium and exhibition center is to be constructed has enacted the taxes authorized in RCW 36.38.010(5) and section 302 of this act; and

(4) The county in which the stadium and exhibition center is to be constructed pledges to maintain and continue the taxes authorized in RCW 36.38.010(5), 67.28.180, and section 302 of this act until the bonds authorized in section 210 of this act are fully redeemed, both principal and interest.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 216.** The legislature may provide additional means for raising moneys for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds authorized in section 210 of this act, and section 213 of this act shall not be deemed to provide an exclusive method for the payment.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 217.** The bonds authorized in section 210 of this act shall be a legal investment for all state funds or funds under state control and for all funds of any other public body.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 218.** (1) The total public share of a stadium and exhibition center shall not exceed three hundred million dollars. For the purposes of this section, "total public share" means

all state and local funds expended for preconstruction and construction costs of the stadium and exhibition center, including proceeds of any bonds issued for the purposes of the stadium and exhibition center, tax revenues, and interest earned on the escrow account described in section 211 of this act and not including expenditures for deferred sales taxes.

(2) Sections 201 through 207, chapter . . . , Laws of 1997 (sections 201 through 207 of this act) and this chapter constitute the entire state contribution for a stadium and exhibition center. The state will not make any additional contributions based on revised cost or revenue estimates, cost overruns, unforeseen circumstances, or any other reason.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 219.** The bonds authorized for the purposes identified in section 210 of this act are exempt from the statutory limitations of indebtedness under RCW 39.42.060.

**Sec. 220.** RCW 39.42.060 and 1993 c 52 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

No bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness for borrowed money shall be issued by the state which will cause the aggregate debt contracted by the state to exceed that amount for which payments of principal and interest in any fiscal year would require the state to expend more than seven percent of the arithmetic mean of its general state revenues, as defined in section 1(c) of Article VIII of the Washington state Constitution for the three immediately preceding fiscal years as certified by the treasurer in accordance with RCW 39.42.070. It shall be the duty of the state finance committee to compute annually the amount required to pay principal of and interest on outstanding debt. In making such computation, the state finance committee shall include all borrowed money represented by bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness which are secured by the full faith and credit of the state or are required to be paid, directly or indirectly, from general state revenues and which are incurred by the state, any department, authority, public corporation or quasi public corporation of the state, any state university or college, or any other public agency created by the state but not by counties, cities, towns, school districts, or other municipal corporations, and shall include debt incurred pursuant to section 3 of Article VIII of the Washington state Constitution, but shall exclude the following:

(1) Obligations for the payment of current expenses of state government;

(2) Indebtedness incurred pursuant to RCW 39.42.080 or 39.42.090;

(3) Principal of and interest on bond anticipation notes;

(4) Any indebtedness which has been refunded;

(5) Financing contracts entered into under chapter 39.94 RCW;

(6) Indebtedness authorized or incurred before July 1, 1993, pursuant to statute which requires that the state treasury be reimbursed, in the amount of the principal of and the interest on such indebtedness, from money other than general state revenues or from the special excise tax imposed pursuant to chapter 67.40 RCW;

(7) Indebtedness authorized and incurred after July 1, 1993, pursuant to statute that requires that the state treasury be reimbursed, in the amount of the principal of and the interest on such indebtedness, from (a) moneys outside the state treasury, except higher education operating fees, (b) higher education building fees, (c) indirect costs recovered from federal grants and contracts, and (d) fees and charges associated with hospitals operated or managed by institutions of higher education; ((and))

(8) Any agreement, promissory note, or other instrument entered into by the state finance committee under RCW 39.42.030 in connection with its acquisition of bond insurance, letters of credit, or other credit support instruments for the purpose of guaranteeing the payment or enhancing the marketability, or both, of any state bonds, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness; and

(9) Indebtedness incurred for the purposes identified in section 210 of this act.

To the extent necessary because of the constitutional or statutory debt limitation, priorities with respect to the issuance or guaranteeing of bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness by the state shall be determined by the state finance committee.

**Sec. 221.** RCW 43.79A.040 and 1996 c 253 s 409 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Money in the treasurer's trust fund may be deposited, invested and reinvested by the state treasurer in accordance with RCW 43.84.080 in the same manner and to the same extent as if the money were in the state treasury.

(2) All income received from investment of the treasurer's trust fund shall be set aside in an account in the treasury trust fund to be known as the investment income account.

(3) The investment income account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking services on behalf of treasurer's trust funds including, but not limited to, depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state treasurer or affected state agencies. The investment income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for payments to financial institutions. Payments shall occur prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.

(4)(a) Monthly, the state treasurer shall distribute the earnings credited to the investment income account to the state general fund except under (b) and (c) of this subsection.

(b) The following accounts and funds shall receive their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period: The agricultural local fund, the American Indian scholarship endowment fund, the Washington international exchange scholarship endowment fund, the energy account, the fair fund, the game farm alternative account, the grain inspection revolving fund, the rural rehabilitation account, the stadium and exhibition center account, the youth athletic facility grant account, and the self-insurance revolving fund. However, the earnings to be distributed shall first be reduced by the allocation to the state treasurer's service fund pursuant to RCW 43.08.190.

(c) The following accounts and funds shall receive eighty percent of their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period: The advanced right of way revolving fund, the federal narcotics asset forfeitures account, the high occupancy vehicle account, and the local rail service assistance account.

(5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state Constitution, no trust accounts or funds shall be allocated earnings without the specific affirmative directive of this section.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 222.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330 RCW to read as follows:

The film and video promotion account is created in the state treasury. All receipts from section 106(14) of this act must be deposited into the account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used by the department of community, trade, and economic development only for the purposes of promotion of the film and video production industry in the state of Washington.



**NEWSECTION. Sec. 223.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330 RCW to read as follows:

The tourism development and promotion account is created in the state treasury. All receipts from section 106(10) of this act must be deposited into the account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used by the department of community, trade, and economic development only for the purposes of promotion of the tourism industry in the state of Washington.

### PART III LOCAL CONTRIBUTION

**Sec. 301.** RCW 36.38.010 and 1995 3rd sp.s. c 1 s 203 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Any county may by ordinance enacted by its county legislative authority, levy and fix a tax of not more than one cent on twenty cents or fraction thereof to be paid for county purposes by persons who pay an admission charge to any place, including a tax on persons who are admitted free of charge or at reduced rates to any place for which other persons pay a charge or a regular higher charge for the same or similar privileges or accommodations; and require that one who receives any admission charge to any place shall collect and remit the tax to the county treasurer of the county: PROVIDED, No county shall impose such tax on persons paying an admission to any activity of any elementary or secondary school.

(2) As used in this chapter, the term "admission charge" includes a charge made for season tickets or subscriptions, a cover charge, or a charge made for use of seats and tables, reserved or otherwise, and other similar accommodations; a charge made for food and refreshments in any place where any free entertainment, recreation, or amusement is provided; a charge made for rental or use of equipment or facilities for purpose of recreation or amusement, and where the rental of the equipment or facilities is necessary to the enjoyment of a privilege for which a general admission is charged, the combined charges shall be considered as the admission charge. It shall also include any automobile parking charge where the amount of such charge is determined according to the number of passengers in any automobile.

(3) Subject to subsections (4) and (5) of this section, the tax herein authorized shall not be exclusive and shall not prevent any city or town within the taxing county, when authorized by law, from

imposing within its corporate limits a tax of the same or similar kind: PROVIDED, That whenever the same or similar kind of tax is imposed by any such city or town, no such tax shall be levied within the corporate limits of such city or town by the county(~~(, except that)~~).

(4) Notwithstanding subsection (3) of this section, the legislative authority of a county with a population of one million or more may exclusively levy taxes on events in baseball stadiums constructed on or after January 1, 1995, that are owned by a public facilities district under chapter 36.100 RCW and that have seating capacities over forty thousand at the rates of:

(a) Not more than one cent on twenty cents or fraction thereof, to be used for the purpose of paying the principal and interest payments on bonds issued by a county to construct a baseball stadium as defined in RCW 82.14.0485. If the revenue from the tax exceeds the amount needed for that purpose, the excess shall be placed in a contingency fund which may only be used to pay unanticipated capital costs on the baseball stadium, excluding any cost overruns on initial construction; and

(b) Not more than one cent on twenty cents or fraction thereof, to be used for the purpose of paying the principal and interest payments on bonds issued by a county to construct a baseball stadium as defined in RCW 82.14.0485. The tax imposed under this subsection (~~((3))~~) (4)(b) shall expire when the bonds issued for the construction of the baseball stadium are retired, but not later than twenty years after the tax is first collected.

(5) Notwithstanding subsection (3) of this section, the legislative authority of a county that has created a public stadium authority to develop a stadium and exhibition center under section 105 of this act may levy and fix a tax on charges for admission to events in a stadium and exhibition center, as defined in section 101 of this act, constructed in the county on or after January 1, 1998, that is owned by a public stadium authority under chapter 36.-- RCW (sections 101 through 119 and 201 of this act). The tax shall be exclusive and shall preclude the city or town within which the stadium and exhibition center is located from imposing a tax of the same or similar kind on charges for admission to events in the stadium and exhibition center, and shall preclude the imposition of a general county admissions tax on charges for admission to events in the stadium and exhibition center. For the purposes of this subsection, "charges for admission to events" means only the actual admission charge, exclusive of taxes and service charges and the value

of any other benefit conferred by the admission. The tax authorized under this subsection shall be at the rate of not more than one cent on ten cents or fraction thereof. Revenues collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the stadium and exhibition center account under section 214 of this act until the bonds issued under section 210 of this act for the construction of the stadium and exhibition center are retired. After the bonds issued for the construction of the stadium and exhibition center are retired, the tax authorized under this section shall be used exclusively to fund repair, reequipping, and capital improvement of the stadium and exhibition center. The tax under this subsection may be levied upon the first use of any part of the stadium and exhibition center but shall not be collected at any facility already in operation as of the effective date of this section.

**NEWSECTION. Sec. 302.** A new section is added to chapter 36.38 RCW to read as follows:

The legislative authority of a county that has created a public stadium authority to develop a stadium and exhibition center under section 105 of this act may levy and fix a tax on any vehicle parking charges imposed at any parking facility that is part of a stadium and exhibition center, as defined in section 101 of this act. The tax shall be exclusive and shall preclude the city or town within which the stadium and exhibition center is located from imposing within its corporate limits a tax of the same or similar kind on any vehicle parking charges imposed at any parking facility that is part of a stadium and exhibition center. For the purposes of this section, "vehicle parking charges" means only the actual parking charges exclusive of taxes and service charges and the value of any other benefit conferred. The tax authorized under this section shall be at the rate of not more than ten percent. Revenues collected under this section shall be deposited in the stadium and exhibition center account under section 214 of this act until the bonds issued under section 210 of this act for the construction of the stadium and exhibition center are retired. After the bonds issued for the construction of the stadium and exhibition center are retired, the tax authorized under this section shall be used exclusively to fund repair, reequipping, and capital improvement of the stadium and exhibition center. The tax under this section may be levied upon the first use of any part of the stadium and exhibition center but shall not be collected at any facility already in operation as of the effective date of this section.

### PART IV PUBLIC WORKS PROVISIONS

**Sec. 401.** RCW 36.32.235 and 1996 c 219 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In each county with a population of one million or more which by resolution establishes a county purchasing department, the purchasing department shall enter into leases of personal property on a competitive basis and purchase all supplies, materials, and equipment on a competitive basis, for all departments of the county, as provided in this chapter and chapter 39.04 RCW, except that the county purchasing department is not required to make purchases that are paid from the county road fund or equipment rental and revolving fund.

(2) As used in this section, "public works" has the same definition as in RCW 39.04.010.

(3) Except as otherwise specified in this chapter or in chapter 36.77 RCW, all counties subject to these provisions shall contract on a competitive basis for all public works after bids have been submitted to the county upon specifications therefor. Such specifications shall be in writing and shall be filed with the clerk of the county legislative authority for public inspection.

(4) An advertisement shall be published in the county official newspaper stating the time and place where bids will be opened, the time after which bids will not be received, the character of the work to be done, the materials and equipment to be furnished, and that specifications therefor may be seen at the office of the clerk of the county legislative authority. An advertisement shall also be published in a legal newspaper of general circulation in or as near as possible to that part of the county in which such work is to be done. If the county official newspaper is a newspaper of general circulation covering at least forty percent of the residences in that part of the county in which such public works are to be done, then the publication of an advertisement of the applicable specifications in the county official newspaper is sufficient. Such advertisements shall be published at least once at least thirteen days prior to the last date upon which bids will be received.

(5) The bids shall be in writing, shall be filed with the clerk, shall be opened and read in public at the time and place named therefor in the advertisements, and after being opened, shall be filed for public inspection. No bid may be considered for public work unless it is accompanied by a bid deposit in the form of a surety bond, postal money order, cash, cashier's check, or certified check in an amount equal to five percent of the amount of the bid



proposed.

(6) The contract for the public work shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. Any or all bids may be rejected for good cause. The county legislative authority shall require from the successful bidder for such public work a contractor's bond in the amount and with the conditions imposed by law.

(7) If the bidder to whom the contract is awarded fails to enter into the contract and furnish the contractor's bond as required within ten days after notice of the award, exclusive of the day of notice, the amount of the bid deposit shall be forfeited to the county and the contract awarded to the next lowest and best bidder. The bid deposit of all unsuccessful bidders shall be returned after the contract is awarded and the required contractor's bond given by the successful bidder is accepted by the county legislative authority. Immediately after the award is made, the bid quotations obtained shall be recorded and open to public inspection and shall be available by telephone inquiry.

(8) As limited by subsection (10) of this section, a county subject to these provisions may have public works performed by county employees in any annual or biennial budget period equal to a dollar value not exceeding ten percent of the public works construction budget, including any amount in a supplemental public works construction budget, over the budget period.

Whenever a county subject to these provisions has had public works performed in any budget period up to the maximum permitted amount for that budget period, all remaining public works except emergency work under subsection (12) of this section within that budget period shall be done by contract pursuant to public notice and call for competitive bids as specified in subsection (3) of this section. The state auditor shall report to the state treasurer any county subject to these provisions that exceeds this amount and the extent to which the county has or has not reduced the amount of public works it has performed by public employees in subsequent years.

(9) If a county subject to these provisions has public works performed by public employees in any budget period that are in excess of this ten percent limitation, the amount in excess of the permitted amount shall be reduced from the otherwise permitted amount of public works that may be performed by public employees for that county in its next budget period. Ten percent of the motor vehicle fuel tax distributions to that county shall be withheld if two years after the year in which the excess amount of work occurred, the county has failed to so

reduce the amount of public works that it has performed by public employees. The amount withheld shall be distributed to the county when it has demonstrated in its reports to the state auditor that the amount of public works it has performed by public employees has been reduced as required.

(10) In addition to the percentage limitation provided in subsection (8) of this section, counties subject to these provisions containing a population of one million or more shall not have public employees perform a public works project in excess of seventy thousand dollars if more than a single craft or trade is involved with the public works project, or a public works project in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars if only a single craft or trade is involved with the public works project. A public works project means a complete project. The restrictions in this subsection do not permit the division of the project into units of work or classes of work to avoid the restriction on work that may be performed by public employees on a single project.

The cost of a separate public works project shall be the costs of materials, supplies, equipment, and labor on the construction of that project. The value of the public works budget shall be the value of all the separate public works projects within the budget.

(11) In addition to the accounting and recordkeeping requirements contained in chapter 39.04 RCW, any county which uses public employees to perform public works projects under RCW 36.32.240(1) shall prepare a year-end report to be submitted to the state auditor indicating the total dollar amount of the county's public works construction budget and the total dollar amount for public works projects performed by public employees for that year.

The year-end report submitted pursuant to this subsection to the state auditor shall be in accordance with the standard form required by RCW 43.09.205.

(12) Notwithstanding any other provision in this section, counties may use public employees without any limitation for emergency work performed under an emergency declared pursuant to RCW 36.32.270, and any such emergency work shall not be subject to the limitations of this section. Publication of the description and estimate of costs relating to correcting the emergency may be made within seven days after the commencement of the work. Within two weeks of the finding that such an emergency existed, the county legislative authority shall adopt a resolution certifying the damage to public facilities and costs incurred or anticipated

relating to correcting the emergency. Additionally this section shall not apply to architectural and engineering or other technical or professional services performed by public employees in connection with a public works project.

(13) In lieu of the procedures of subsections (3) through (11) of this section, a county may use a small works roster process and award contracts for public works projects with an estimated value of ten thousand dollars up to one hundred thousand dollars as provided in RCW 39.04.155.

Whenever possible, the county shall invite at least one proposal from a minority or woman contractor who shall otherwise qualify under this section.

(14) The allocation of public works projects to be performed by county employees shall not be subject to a collective bargaining agreement.

(15) This section does not apply to performance-based contracts, as defined in RCW 39.35A.020(3), that are negotiated under chapter 39.35A RCW.

(16) Nothing in this section prohibits any county from allowing for preferential purchase of products made from recycled materials or products that may be recycled or reused.

(17) This section does not apply to contracts between the public stadium authority and a team affiliate under section 106(4) of this act, or development agreements between the public stadium authority and a team affiliate under section 106(7) of this act or leases entered into under section 106(8) of this act.

**Sec. 402.** RCW 39.04.010 and 1993 c 174 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

The term state shall include the state of Washington and all departments, supervisors, commissioners and agencies thereof.

The term municipality shall include every city, county, town, district or other public agency thereof which is authorized by law to require the execution of public work, except drainage districts, diking districts, diking and drainage improvement districts, drainage improvement districts, diking improvement districts, consolidated diking and drainage improvement districts, consolidated drainage improvement districts, consolidated diking improvement districts, irrigation districts or any such other districts as shall from time to time be authorized by law for the reclamation or development of waste or undeveloped lands.

The term public work shall include all work, construction, alteration, repair, or improvement

other than ordinary maintenance, executed at the cost of the state or of any municipality, or which is by law a lien or charge on any property therein. All public works, including maintenance when performed by contract shall comply with the provisions of RCW 39.12.020. The term does not include work, construction, alteration, repair, or improvement performed under contracts entered into under section 106(4) of this act or under development agreements entered into under section 106(7) of this act or leases entered into under section 106(8) of this act.

The term contract shall mean a contract in writing for the execution of public work for a fixed or determinable amount duly awarded after advertisement and competitive bid. However, a contract which is awarded from a small works roster under the authority of RCW 39.04.150, 35.22.620, 28B.10.355, 35.82.075, and 57.08.050 need not be advertised.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 403.** A new section is added to chapter 39.30 RCW to read as follows:

This chapter does not apply to contracts entered into under section 106(4) of this act or development agreements entered into under section 106(7) of this act.

**Sec. 404.** RCW 39.10.120 and 1995 3rd sp.s. c 1 s 305 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3) of this section, the alternative public works contracting procedures authorized under this chapter are limited to public works contracts signed before July 1, ((1997)) 2001. Methods of public works contracting authorized by RCW 39.10.050 and 39.10.060 shall remain in full force and effect until completion of contracts signed before July 1, ((1997)) 2001.

(2) For the purposes of a baseball stadium as defined in RCW 82.14.0485, the design-build contracting procedures under RCW 39.10.050 shall remain in full force and effect until completion of contracts signed before December 31, 1997.

(3) For the purposes of a stadium and exhibition center, as defined in section 101 of this act, the design-build contracting procedures under RCW 39.10.050 shall remain in full force and effect until completion of contracts signed before December 31, 2002.

#### **PART V KINGDOME DEBT**

**Sec. 501.** RCW 67.28.180 and 1995 1st sp.s. c 14 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Subject to the conditions set forth in subsections (2) and (3) of this section, the legislative body of any county or any city, is authorized to levy and collect a special excise tax of not to exceed two percent on the sale of or charge made for the furnishing of lodging by a hotel, rooming house, tourist court, motel, trailer camp, and the granting of any similar license to use real property, as distinguished from the renting or leasing of real property: PROVIDED, That it shall be presumed that the occupancy of real property for a continuous period of one month or more constitutes a rental or lease of real property and not a mere license to use or to enjoy the same.

(2) Any levy authorized by this section shall be subject to the following:

(a) Any county ordinance or resolution adopted pursuant to this section shall contain, in addition to all other provisions required to conform to this chapter, a provision allowing a credit against the county tax for the full amount of any city tax imposed pursuant to this section upon the same taxable event.

(b) In the event that any county has levied the tax authorized by this section and has, prior to June 26, 1975, either pledged the tax revenues for payment of principal and interest on city revenue or general obligation bonds authorized and issued pursuant to RCW 67.28.150 through 67.28.160 or has authorized and issued revenue or general obligation bonds pursuant to the provisions of RCW 67.28.150 through 67.28.160, such county shall be exempt from the provisions of (a) of this subsection, to the extent that the tax revenues are pledged for payment of principal and interest on bonds issued at any time pursuant to the provisions of RCW 67.28.150 through 67.28.160: PROVIDED, That so much of such pledged tax revenues, together with any investment earnings thereon, not immediately necessary for actual payment of principal and interest on such bonds may be used: (i) In any county with a population of one million or more, for repayment either of limited tax levy general obligation bonds or of any county fund or account from which a loan was made, the proceeds from the bonds or loan being used to pay for constructing, installing, improving, and equipping stadium capital improvement projects, and to pay for any engineering, planning, financial, legal and professional services incident to the development of such stadium capital improvement projects, regardless of the date the debt for such capital improvement projects was or

may be incurred; ~~((or)) (ii) in any county with a population of one million or more, for repayment or refinancing of bonded indebtedness incurred prior to January 1, 1997, for any purpose authorized by this section or relating to stadium repairs or rehabilitation, including but not limited to the cost of settling legal claims, reimbursing operating funds, interest payments on short-term loans, and any other purpose for which such debt has been incurred if the county has created a public stadium authority to develop a stadium and exhibition center under section 103 of this act; or (iii) in other counties, for county-owned facilities for agricultural promotion.~~ A county is exempt under this subsection in respect to city revenue or general obligation bonds issued after April 1, 1991, only if such bonds mature before January 1, 2013.

As used in this subsection (2)(b), "capital improvement projects" may include, but not be limited to a stadium restaurant facility, restroom facilities, artificial turf system, seating facilities, parking facilities and scoreboard and information system adjacent to or within a county owned stadium, together with equipment, utilities, accessories and appurtenances necessary thereto. The stadium restaurant authorized by this subsection (2)(b) shall be operated by a private concessionaire under a contract with the county.

(c)(i) No city within a county exempt under subsection (2)(b) of this section may levy the tax authorized by this section so long as said county is so exempt ~~((: PROVIDED, That))~~.

(ii) If bonds have been issued under section 210 of this act and any necessary property transfers have been made under section 109 of this act, no city within a county with a population of one million or more may levy the tax authorized by this section before January 1, 2021.

(iii) However, in the event that any city in ((such)) a county described in (i) or (ii) of this subsection (2)(c) has levied the tax authorized by this section and has, prior to June 26, 1975, authorized and issued revenue or general obligation bonds pursuant to the provisions of RCW 67.28.150 through 67.28.160, such city may levy the tax so long as the tax revenues are pledged for payment of principal and interest on bonds issued at any time pursuant to the provisions of RCW 67.28.150 through 67.28.160.

(3) Any levy authorized by this section by a county that has levied the tax authorized by this section and has, prior to June 26, 1975, either pledged the tax revenues for payment of principal and interest on city revenue or general obligation

bonds authorized and issued pursuant to RCW 67.28.150 through 67.28.160 or has authorized and issued revenue or general obligation bonds pursuant to the provisions of RCW 67.28.150 through 67.28.160 shall be subject to the following:

(a) Taxes collected under this section in any calendar year before 2013 in excess of five million three hundred thousand dollars shall only be used as follows:

(i) Seventy-five percent from January 1, 1992, through December 31, 2000, and seventy percent from January 1, 2001, through December 31, 2012, for art museums, cultural museums, heritage museums, the arts, and the performing arts. Moneys spent under this subsection (3)(a)(i) shall be used for the purposes of this subsection (3)(a)(i) in all parts of the county.

(ii) Twenty-five percent from January 1, 1992, through December 31, 2000, and thirty percent from January 1, 2001, through December 31, 2012, for the following purposes and in a manner reflecting the following order of priority: Stadium ~~((capital improvements, as defined in))~~ purposes as authorized under subsection (2)(b) of this section; acquisition of open space lands; youth sports activities; and tourism promotion. If all or part of the debt on the stadium is refinanced, all revenues under this subsection (3)(a)(ii) shall be used to retire the debt.

(b) From January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2015, in a county with a population of one million or more, all revenues under this section shall be used to retire the debt on the stadium, or deposited in the stadium and exhibition center account under section 214 of this act after the debt on the stadium is retired.

(c) From January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2020, in a county with a population of one million or more, all revenues under this section shall be deposited in the stadium and exhibition center account under section 214 of this act.

(d) At least seventy percent of moneys spent under (a)(i) of this subsection for the period January 1, 1992, through December 31, 2000, shall be used only for the purchase, design, construction, and remodeling of performing arts, visual arts, heritage, and cultural facilities, and for the purchase of fixed assets that will benefit art, heritage, and cultural organizations. For purposes of this subsection, fixed assets are tangible objects such as machinery and other equipment intended to be held or used for ten years or more. Moneys received under this subsection (3) ~~((b))~~ (d) may be used for payment of principal and interest on bonds issued for capital

projects. Qualifying organizations receiving moneys under this subsection (3) ~~((b))~~ (d) must be financially stable and have at least the following:

(i) A legally constituted and working board of directors;

(ii) A record of artistic, heritage, or cultural accomplishments;

(iii) Been in existence and operating for at least two years;

(iv) Demonstrated ability to maintain net current liabilities at less than thirty percent of general operating expenses;

(v) Demonstrated ability to sustain operational capacity subsequent to completion of projects or purchase of machinery and equipment; and

(vi) Evidence that there has been independent financial review of the organization.

~~((e))~~ (e) At least forty percent of the revenues distributed pursuant to (a)(i) of this subsection for the period January 1, 2001, through December 31, 2012, shall be deposited in an account and shall be used to establish an endowment. Principal in the account shall remain permanent and irreducible. The earnings from investments of balances in the account may only be used for the purposes of (a)(i) of this subsection.

~~((f))~~ (f) School districts and schools shall not receive revenues distributed pursuant to (a)(i) of this subsection.

~~((g))~~ (g) Moneys distributed to art museums, cultural museums, heritage museums, the arts, and the performing arts, and moneys distributed for tourism promotion shall be in addition to and may not be used to replace or supplant any other funding by the legislative body of the county.

~~((h))~~ (h) As used in this section, "tourism promotion" includes activities intended to attract visitors for overnight stays, arts, heritage, and cultural events, and recreational, professional, and amateur sports events. Moneys allocated to tourism promotion in a class AA county shall be allocated to nonprofit organizations formed for the express purpose of tourism promotion in the county. Such organizations shall use moneys from the taxes to promote events in all parts of the class AA county.

~~((i))~~ (i) No taxes collected under this section may be used for the operation or maintenance of a public stadium that is financed directly or indirectly by bonds to which the tax is pledged. Expenditures for operation or maintenance include all expenditures other than expenditures that directly result in new fixed assets or that directly increase the capacity, life span, or operating economy of existing fixed assets.

((h)) (i) No ad valorem property taxes may be used for debt service on bonds issued for a public stadium that is financed by bonds to which the tax is pledged, unless the taxes collected under this section are or are projected to be insufficient to meet debt service requirements on such bonds.

((h)) (k) If a substantial part of the operation and management of a public stadium that is financed directly or indirectly by bonds to which the tax is pledged is performed by a nonpublic entity or if a public stadium is sold that is financed directly or indirectly by bonds to which the tax is pledged, any bonds to which the tax is pledged shall be retired. This subsection (3)((h)) (k) does not apply in respect to a public stadium under chapter 36.—RCW (sections 101 through 119 and 201 of this act) transferred to, owned by, or constructed by a public facilities district under chapter 36.100 RCW or a stadium and exhibition center.

((h)) (l) The county shall not lease a public stadium that is financed directly or indirectly by bonds to which the tax is pledged to, or authorize the use of the public stadium by, a professional major league sports franchise unless the sports franchise gives the right of first refusal to purchase the sports franchise, upon its sale, to local government. This subsection (3)((h)) (l) does not apply to contracts in existence on April 1, 1986.

If a court of competent jurisdiction declares any provision of this subsection (3) invalid, then that invalid provision shall be null and void and the remainder of this section is not affected.

**Sec. 502.** RCW 82.14.049 and 1992 c 194 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

The legislative authority of any county may impose a sales and use tax, in addition to the tax authorized by RCW 82.14.030, upon retail car rentals within the county that are taxable by the state under chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW. The rate of tax shall be one percent of the selling price in the case of a sales tax or rental value of the vehicle in the case of a use tax. Proceeds of the tax shall not be used to subsidize any professional sports team and shall be used solely for the following purposes:

(1) Acquiring, constructing, maintaining, or operating public sports stadium facilities;

(2) Engineering, planning, financial, legal, or professional services incidental to public sports stadium facilities; ((or))

(3) Youth or amateur sport activities or facilities; or

(4) Debt or refinancing debt issued for the purposes of subsection (1) of this section.

At least seventy-five percent of the tax imposed under this section shall be used for the purposes of subsections (1), (2), and (4) of this section.

## PART VI MISCELLANEOUS

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 601.** Part headings used in this act are not any part of the law.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 602.** If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 603.** (1) Sections 101 through 119 and 201 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 36 RCW.

(2) Sections 209 through 219 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 43 RCW.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 604.** The referendum on this act is the only measure authorizing, levying, or imposing taxes for a stadium and exhibition center that may be put to a public vote. Should the act fail to be approved at the special election on or before June 20, 1997, the legislature shall not pass other legislation to build or finance a stadium and exhibition center, as defined in section 101 of this act, for the team affiliate.

## PLEASE NOTE:

In the preceding measure, all words in double parentheses with a line through them are in State law at the present time and will be taken out if the measure is adopted. Underlined words do not appear in State law as it is now written but will be put in if the measure is adopted.

To obtain a copy of the text of this proposed measure in larger print, call the Secretary of State's toll-free hotline — 1-800-448-4881.

The following four sections of Chapter 220, Laws of 1997, were not referred to the voters by the Legislature as part of Referendum Bill 48. The sections deal primarily with the administration of the special election on this state measure. They have been included here so that voters will be aware of which provisions of Chapter 220, Laws of 1997, have or will become effective, independent of the vote on the referendum bill:

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 605.** The legislature neither affirms nor refutes the value of this proposal, and by this legislation simply expresses its intent to provide the voter of the state of Washington an opportunity to express the voter's decision. It is also expressed that many legislators might personally vote against this proposal at the polls, or they might not.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 606.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, this act shall be null and void in its entirety unless the team affiliate as defined in section 101 of this act enters into an agreement with the secretary of state to reimburse the state and the counties for the full cost of the special election to be held on or before June 20, 1997.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 607.** (1) The secretary of state shall submit sections 101 through 604 of this act to the people for their adoption and ratification, or rejection, at a special election to be held in this state on or before June 20, 1997, in accordance with Article II, section 1 of the state Constitution and the laws adopted to facilitate its operation. The special election shall be limited to submission of this act to the people.

(2) The attorney general shall prepare the explanatory statement required by RCW 29.81.020 and transmit that statement regarding the referendum to the secretary of state no later than the last Monday of April before the special election.

(3) The secretary of state shall prepare and distribute a voters' pamphlet addressing this referendum measure following the procedures and requirements of chapter 29.81 RCW, except that the secretary of state may establish different deadlines for the appointment of committees to draft arguments for and against the referendum, for submitting arguments for and against the referendum, and for submitting rebuttal state-

ments of arguments for and against the referendum. The voters' pamphlet description of the referendum measure shall include information to inform the public that ownership of the KingDome may be transferred to the public stadium authority and that the KingDome will be demolished in order to accommodate the new football stadium.

(4) A county auditor may conduct the voting at this special election in all precincts of the county by mail using the procedures set forth in RCW 29.36.121 through 29.36.139.

(5) Notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 29.62.020, the county canvassing board in each county shall canvass and certify the votes cast at this special election in that county to the secretary of state no later than the seventh day following the election. Notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 29.62.120, the secretary of state shall canvass and certify the returns from the counties no later than the ninth day following the special election.

(6) The secretary of state shall reimburse each county for the cost of conducting the special election in that county in the same manner as state primary and general election costs are reimbursed under RCW 29.13.047 (1) and (3).

(7) No other state, county, or local election shall be required or held on any proposition related to or affecting the stadium and exhibition center defined in section 101 of this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 608.** Sections 606 and 607 of this act are necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and take effect immediately.

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# VOTE JUNE 17!!

# VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Any registered voter may apply for an absentee ballot. Once you receive your absentee/special ballot, vote it. Please do not attempt to vote at the poll site also. Contact your county auditor or elections department for further information. For your convenience, addresses and telephone numbers are listed below.

**NOTE:** Also listed below are phone numbers for the hearing or speech impaired using Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) service. **The Office of the Secretary of State also provides a toll-free voter information service for the hearing or speech impaired, 1-800-422-8683.** If you are using an "800 number" for TDD service, you must be prepared to give the relay service operator the number for your county.

COUNTY	ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER	HEARING IMPAIRED TDD SERVICE
Adams	210 West Broadway	Ritzville	99169	(509) 659-0090 Ext 203	(509) 659-1122
Asotin	P.O. Box 129	Asotin	99402	(509) 243-2084	1-800-855-1155
Benton	P.O. Box 470	Prosser	99350	(509) 736-3085	(509) 736-3063
Chelan	P.O. Box 400	Wenatchee	98807	(509) 664-5431	1-800-833-6388
Cllallam	P.O. Box 3030	Port Angeles	98362	(360) 417-2221	1-800-833-6388
Clark	P.O. Box 9812	Vancouver	98666-8812	(360) 699-2345	(360) 737-6032
Columbia	341 East Main St.	Dayton	99328	(509) 382-4541	(509) 382-4541
Cowlitz	207 4th Avenue N.	Kelso	98626	(360) 577-3005	1-800-833-6388
Douglas	P.O. Box 456	Waterville	98858	(509) 884-9403	(509) 884-9477
Ferry	P.O. Box 498	Republic	99166	(509) 775-5208	1-800-833-6388
Franklin	P.O. Box 1451	Pasco	99301	(509) 545-3538	1-800-344-4358
Garfield	P.O. Box 278	Pomeroy	99347	(509) 843-1411	1-800-344-4358
Grant	P.O. Box 37	Ephrata	98823	(509) 754-2011 Ext 377	1-800-833-6388
Grays Harbor	P.O. Box 751	Montesano	98563	(360) 249-4232	(360) 249-6575
Island	P.O. Box 5000	Coupeville	98239	(360) 679-7366	(360) 679-7305
Jefferson	P.O. Box 563	Port Townsend	98368	(360) 385-9119	1-800-833-6388
				1-800-831-2678	
King	500 4th Avenue	Seattle	98104	(206) 296-8683	(206) 296-0109
Kitsap	614 Division St.	Port Orchard	98366	(360) 876-7128	1-800-833-6388
Kittitas	205 W. 5th	Ellensburg	98926	(509) 962-7503	1-800-833-6388
Klickitat	205 S. Columbus	Goldendale	98620	(509) 773-4001	1-800-833-6388
Lewis	P.O. Box 29	Chehalis	98532-0029	(360) 740-1164	(360) 740-1480
Lincoln	P.O. Box 366	Davenport	99122	(509) 725-4971	1-800-833-6388
Mason	P.O. Box 400	Shelton	98584	(360) 427-9670 Ext 470	1-800-833-6388
Okanogan	P.O. Box 1010	Okanogan	98840	(509) 422-7240	1-800-855-1155
Pacific	P.O. Box 97	South Bend	98586	(360) 875-9317	(360) 875-9400
Pend Oreille	P.O. Box 5015	Newport	99156	(509) 447-3185	(509) 447-3186
Pierce	2401 S. 35th St., Rm. 200	Tacoma	98409-7484	(253) 798-7430	1-800-833-6388
				1-800-446-4979	
San Juan	P.O. Box 638	Friday Harbor	98250	(360) 378-3357	(360) 378-4151
Skagit	P.O. Box 1306	Mt. Vernon	98273	(360) 336-9305	(360) 336-9332
Skamania	P.O. Box 790	Stevenson	98648	(509) 427-9420	1-800-833-6388
Snohomish	3000 Rockefeller Avenue	Everett	98201	(425) 259-4726	(425) 388-3700
				1-800-562-4367	
Spokane	W. 1116 Broadway	Spokane	99260-0020	(509) 456-2320	(509) 456-2333
Stevens	215 S. Oak	Colville	99114	(509) 684-7514	1-800-833-6388
Thurston	2000 Lakeridge Dr. S.W.	Olympia	98502	(360) 786-5408	(360) 754-2933
Wahkiakum	P.O. Box 543	Cathlamet	98612	(360) 795-3219	1-800-833-6388
Walla Walla	P.O. Box 1856	Walla Walla	99362-0356	(509) 527-3204	1-800-833-6388
Whatcom	P.O. Box 398	Bellingham	98227	(360) 676-6745	(360) 738-4555
Whitman	P.O. Box 350	Colfax	99111	(509) 397-6270	1-800-833-6388
Yakima	128 N. 2nd St. #117	Yakima	98901	(509) 574-1340	1-800-833-6388

# ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST

TO BE FILLED OUT BY APPLICANT  
I HEREBY DECLARE THAT I AM A REGISTERED VOTER  
PLEASE PRINT IN INK

Registered Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

For identification purposes only:

(Optional) Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Have you recently registered to vote? Yes ☐ No ☐

TO BE VALID, YOUR SIGNATURE MUST BE INCLUDED

Date \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

SEND MY BALLOT TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

If you have requested an Absentee Ballot or have a permanent request for an Absentee Ballot on file, please do not submit another application.

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