

### WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

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#### King County Rental Car Tax to be Reduced by Two Percent

#### **Background**

RCW 82.14.360 authorizes a 2 percent car rental tax in King County. These funds have been dedicated to pay off bonds related to financing the construction of Safeco Field. Before October 1, 2011, the bonds will be paid off.

# Application of higher tax rate

The rental car tax will continue to be collected at its current rate through September 30, 2011. The tax is reported on the Rental Car Tax Addendum, a supplemental form to the excise tax return.

# Expiration date and tax reporting

The King County 2 percent rental car tax rate will expire on October 1, 2011. This means that the rental car tax rate in King County will be reduced by 2 percent effective October 1, 2011.

The Rental Car Tax Addendum will therefore reflect reduced rates for King County beginning with the October 2011 Monthly Addendum and the Q3-2011 Quarterly Addendum. The rates for King County will be reduced by 2 percent, including areas both within and outside of the Regional Transit Authority (RTA).

## Other stadium taxes

RCW 82.14.360 also authorized the King County Food & Beverage Tax which will likewise expire effective October 1, 2011. Please see our Special Notice entitled "King County Food & Beverage Tax Expires" for more details.

## For more information

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