

March 26, 2001

**H 757. RAISE WASHINGTON OCCUPANCY TAX. TO AUTHORIZE WASHINGTON COUNTY TO INCREASE ITS ROOM OCCUPANCY TAX FOR TOURISM PROMOTION.** Amends Sec. 1 of Ch. 812 of the 1991 SL to allow Washington County to levy a new room occupancy and tourism development tax of 3% of gross receipts from accommodation rentals. Provides that a tax levied under the act shall be levied, administered, collected, and repealed as provided by GS 153A-155. Makes conforming amendment to GS 153A-155.

**Intro. by Rogers and Culpepper.**

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May 9, 2001

**H 757. RAISE WASHINGTON OCCUPANCY TAX.** Intro. 3/26/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Requires county to create a county tourism development authority (TDA); requires at least one-third of members to be affiliated with businesses that collect occupancy tax, and at least three-fourths of members to be currently active in promotion of travel and tourism in county. Requires that net proceeds of all occupancy taxes levied by county to be remitted to TDA, which must spend proceeds to promote travel, tourism, and conventions; sponsor tourist-related events and activities; and finance tourist-related capital projects.

July 25, 2001

**SL 2001-305 (H 757). RAISE WASHINGTON OCCUPANCY TAX. AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE WASHINGTON COUNTY TO INCREASE ITS ROOM OCCUPANCY TAX FOR TOURISM PROMOTION.** Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/26/01 and 5/9/01. Enacted July 24, 2001. Effective July 24, 2001.