



## Why Vehicle Licensing Costs Have Increased in Snohomish County

<p><b>Regional Transit Authority (RTA)</b></p>	<p>Voters in the RTA region, the urban areas of Snohomish, King and Pierce Counties, approved transit tax ST3 in November 2016. Due to its passage, all car owners in the RTA are assessed this tax. The RTA is authorized by the legislature under <a href="#">RCW 81.112</a> and you can use this link to see if you are affected:</p> <p><a href="http://www.soundtransit.org/About-Sound-Transit/Taxing-district">http://www.soundtransit.org/About-Sound-Transit/Taxing-district</a></p> <p>With the passage of ST3, the RTA tax on vehicle tabs increased by 0.8% to a total of 1.1%. This amount represents \$110 annually for each \$10,000 of a vehicle's depreciated value. The 1.1% RTA tax went into effect March 1, 2017.</p>	<p><b>Contacts for RTA</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>How is this tax calculated?</b> WA State Department of Licensing Web: <a href="http://www.dol.wa.gov/vehicleregistration">http://www.dol.wa.gov/vehicleregistration</a> Email: <a href="mailto:CustomerCare@dol.wa.gov">CustomerCare@dol.wa.gov</a> Phone: 360.902.3770</p> <p><b>How is this money being spent?</b> Sound Transit Web: <a href="http://www.soundtransit3.org">http://www.soundtransit3.org</a> Email: <a href="mailto:main@soundtransit.org">main@soundtransit.org</a> Phone: 206.398.5000</p>
<p><b>2015 Transportation Revenue Bill</b></p>	<p>In July 2015, the Washington State Legislature passed transportation revenue bill SB 5987 that increased the gas tax and some licensing fees for new highway and transportation projects around the state. Some of the fees that might appear on your renewal notice are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electric vehicle renewal fee. The fee increased from \$100 to \$150.</li> <li>• Motor vehicle and gross weight fees. This fee ranges from \$15 to \$81, depending on the weight of the vehicle.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Contacts for Transportation Bill</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Questions regarding transportation funding?</b> Contact your State Legislators Web: <a href="http://www.leg.wa.gov">www.leg.wa.gov</a> Legislative Hotline: 1.800.562.6000</p> <p><b>How is this money being spent?</b> Washington State Department of Transportation Web: <a href="http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/regions/olympic">www.wsdot.wa.gov/regions/olympic</a> Email: <a href="mailto:feedback@wsdot.wa.gov">feedback@wsdot.wa.gov</a> Phone: 360.357.2600</p>
<p><b>Transportation Benefit District (TBD)</b></p>	<p>The following cities created transportation districts to fund local transportation projects. When you renew your tabs, \$20.00 will go towards Transportation Benefit District projects.</p> <p><b>Edmonds:</b> 425.771.0260      <b>Lynnwood:</b> 425.670.5020 (\$40.00 fee) <b>Everett:</b> 425.257.7767      <b>Mountlake Terrace:</b> 425.744.6272 <b>Granite Falls:</b> 360.691.6441</p>	<p><b>Contacts for TBD</b></p> <hr/> <p>Please contact your local City/Town Council Members to learn more about how this money is being spent.</p>