



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Finance, Budget and Administration
ECAF: 2023-0380
Motion: 23-178

Analyst: Nicole Gorle
Date: May 1, 2023

Consideration:

Approving the apportionment of Public Utility District Privilege Taxes.

Background:

Each year the County receives funds representing the privilege tax derived from Snohomish County PUD's sale of electric energy within Snohomish County cities and unincorporated Snohomish County. The tax applies to electric generating facilities of public utility districts for the privilege of operating.

In the 2022 calendar year, PUD remitted \$7,533,430.63 of privileged tax. In accordance with RCW 45.28.090 these funds are split between cities ($\frac{3}{4}$ of 1% of gross sales tax) and the County (the remainder after cities remittance).

Current Proposal:

Scope: Motion 23-178 directs the Treasurer to distribute the proceeds from the 2022 privilege tax to the cities, which amounts to \$2,934,170.58 The remaining balance of \$4,599,260.05 is retained by the County and deposited into the General Fund.

Duration: n/a

Fiscal Impact: The adopted 2023 budget included \$4.5M revenue from this tax, meaning there is an excess of \$99,260.05 from what was anticipated in the 2023 Budget.

2023 Budget: Yes

Future Budget Impact: No

Handling: Normal

Approved-as-to-form: n/a

Risk Management: n/a

Executive Recommendation: Approve

Request: Move to GLS May 17th for consideration.