



Briefing Report

# 2018 Lodging Tax Expenditures Update

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# Municipalities required to report lodging tax expenditures to JLARC since 2013

*Municipalities collect a tax for lodging stays at hotels, motels, and similar facilities.*

1967

Lodging tax introduced in King County.

2007

Legislature clarified the types of activities that could be funded by lodging tax revenue.

2013

Municipalities required to report information about expenditures to JLARC.

# Municipalities distribute funds locally and report data to JLARC



# In 2018, 191 municipalities reported spending \$57.3M in lodging tax revenue

2018

**1,681**  
funded  
activities

**60.9** million  
attendees

**16.8** million  
paid lodging  
nights

**97%**  
reporting  
compliance

2017

**1,624**  
funded  
activities

**60.3** million  
attendees

**16.1** million  
paid lodging  
nights

**97%**  
reporting  
compliance



# JLARC report is interactive



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A banner image for the 2018 Lodging Tax Expenditures Update report. The background shows a traditional European-style building with a red roof and wooden shutters, set against a backdrop of a forested mountain. The text "LODGING TAX REPORT:" is centered above the main title "2018 Lodging Tax Expenditures Update".

## LODGING TAX REPORT: 2018 Lodging Tax Expenditures Update

<http://leg.wa.gov/jlarc/reports/JLARCLodgingTax/default.html>



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