

Measure 5-314

Notice of Measure Election Columbia County

Assigned 9/02/2026
November 3, 2026 General Election

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175, 254.103, 254.465

Notice

Date of Notice	Name of County or Counties	Date of Election
September 2, 2026	Columbia County	November 3, 2026

Final Ballot Title The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the county's voters. The ballot title notice was published and the ballot title challenge process is complete.

Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.

Columbia County Transient Lodging Tax Measure

Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.

Shall Columbia County implement a County-wide transient lodging tax to be paid by lodgers?

Summary 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.

Columbia County proposes County-wide transient lodging tax which would be added to the retail price paid for lodging in hotels, motels, bed and breakfasts, RV parks, campgrounds, vacation rentals and other similar transient lodging facilities for stays less than 30 days.

For lodging in cities that collect a transient lodging tax, the County will charge 4% of the retail price. In unincorporated Columbia County and in cities that do not collect a transient lodging tax, the charge will be 13% of the retail price. Lodging operators and intermediaries, such as Airbnb, may retain a percentage of tax collections to cover their costs. 50% of the net County lodging tax will be dedicated for tourism promotion, tourism related facilities, and/or resilience grants for small businesses in the restaurant and lodging industry. The remaining 50% will be used to support County services. This measure is expected to raise approximately \$150,000 to \$300,000 annually. Upon approval of this measure, the County will implement the transient lodging tax by ordinance consistent with applicable statutes and administrative rules.

Explanatory Statement 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect.

If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be written and attached to this form for:

→ any measure referred by the county governing body; **or**
→ any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.

Explanatory Statement Attached? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Authorized County Official Not required to be notarized.

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By signing this document:

→ I hereby state that I am authorized by the county to submit this Notice of Measure Election; **and**
→ I certify that notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.

Signature

9.2.26
Date Signed

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