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- 5 On page 11, after line 28, insert the following:
- 6 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 601. A new section is added to chapter 84.36
- 7 RCW to read as follows:
- 8 Farm and agricultural land and timber land that is included under
- 9 the current use taxation in chapter 84.34 RCW, or the forest land
- 10 valuation system in chapter 84.33 RCW, is exempt from taxation if
- 11 chapter 76.09 or 36.70A RCW precludes or substantially limits either:
- 12 (1) The harvesting of timber on the land as a result of the land
- 13 being included within a buffer area adjacent to a body of water or
- 14 being part of, or included within a buffer area adjacent to, a wetland;
- 15 or
- 16 (2) The production of horticultural or agricultural produce or crop
- 17 a result of the land being part of, or included within a buffer area
- 18 adjacent to, a wetland."
- 19 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct the title
- 20 accordingly.
- 21 <u>EFFECT:</u> Farm and timber lands that are precluded from being used
- 22 for growing crops or harvesting timber because they are within a buffer
- 23 area next to a wetland are exempted from the property tax.