#### SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2075

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1 AN ACT Relating to the excise taxation of certain products and 2 services provided or furnished electronically; amending RCW 82.04.190, 82.08.010, 82.12.010, 82.12.020, 82.04.060, 82.04.070, 82.04.110, 3 82.04.120, 82.04.2907, 82.04.297, 82.04.363, 82.04.4282, 82.04.470, 4 5 82.04.480, 82.04.065, 82.08.02525, 82.08.0253, 82.08.02535, б 82.08.02537, 82.08.0256, 82.08.02565, 82.08.0257, 82.08.0273, 7 82.08.805, 82.08.995, 82.12.0251, 82.12.02525, 82.12.0255, 82.12.0257, 82.12.0258, 82.12.0259, 82.12.0315, 82.12.02595, 82.12.0272, 8 82.12.0284, 82.12.0345, 82.12.0347, 82.12.805, 82.12.860, 82.12.995, 9 82.32.730, 82.08.195, 35.21.717, 48.14.080, 82.02.020, 82.04.44525, 10 11 82.08.040, 82.08.130, 82.12.035, 82.12.040, 82.14.465, 82.16.010, 82.32.020, and 82.32.023; reenacting and amending RCW 82.04.050; adding 12 new sections to chapter 82.04 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 82.08 13 14 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 82.12 RCW; adding a new section to 15 chapter 82.14 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.32 RCW; creating 16 new sections; repealing RCW 82.08.705 and 82.12.705; providing an 17 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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### PART I

NEW SECTION. Sec. 101. (1) In 2007, the legislature directed the department of revenue (department) to conduct a study of the taxation of electronically delivered products (digital products). In conducting the study, the department was assisted by a committee comprised of legislators, academics, and individuals representing different segments of government and industry (the "study committee").

(2) At the conclusion of the study, the department issued its final 8 9 report December 5, 2008. The final report noted that any recommendations to the legislature should promote the following goals: 10 11 (a) Simplicity and fairness; (b) conformity with the streamlined sales 12 and use tax agreement; (c) neutrality regardless of industry, content, 13 and delivery method while taking the purchaser's underlying property rights into account; (d) consideration given to the revenue impact of 14 potential changes to the tax base; (e) consideration given to the 15 16 impact caused by the pyramiding of business inputs; (f) maintaining or 17 enhancing the competitiveness of businesses located in Washington; and (g) maintaining certainty, consistency, durability, and equity despite 18 changes in technology and business models. 19

20 (3) While the department's final report did not contain 21 recommendations for the legislature, the report's conclusion notes that 22 study committee found that legislation implementing digital the 23 products tax policy is necessary in 2009 to: (a) Protect the sales and 24 use tax base; (b) establish certainty in our tax code; (c) maintain 25 conformity with the streamlined sales and use tax agreement; and (d) 26 encourage economic development.

27 (4) This act is the outgrowth of the work of the department and the The purpose of this act is to implement those 28 study committee. 29 findings of the study committee noted in subsection (3) of this This act also takes into account the goals noted in 30 section. 31 subsection (2) of this section. Moreover, this act contains specific provisions to: (a) Provide protections for taxpayers who failed to pay 32 or collect tax on digital products for periods before the effective 33 34 date of this act; and (b) promote the location of server farms and data 35 centers in this state by preventing the department from considering a 36 person's ownership of, or rights in, digital goods or digital codes

1 residing on servers located in this state in determining whether the 2 person has nexus with this state for purposes of the taxes imposed in 3 Title 82 RCW.

#### PART II

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#### DIGITAL PRODUCTS DEFINITIONS

6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 201.** A new section is added to chapter 82.04 7 RCW to be codified between RCW 82.04.010 and 82.04.220 to read as 8 follows:

9 (1) "Digital audio works" means works that result from the fixation 10 of a series of musical, spoken, or other sounds, including ringtones.

(2) "Digital audio-visual works" means a series of related images
which, when shown in succession, impart an impression of motion,
together with accompanying sounds, if any.

14 (3) "Digital books" means works that are generally recognized in15 the ordinary and usual sense as books.

(4) "Digital code" means a code that provides a purchaser with the 16 right to obtain one or more digital products, if all of the digital 17 products to be obtained through the use of the code have the same sales 18 19 and use tax treatment. "Digital code" does not include a code that 20 represents a stored monetary value that is deducted from a total as it is used by the purchaser. "Digital code" also does not include a code 21 22 that represents a redeemable card, gift card, or gift certificate that 23 entitles the holder to select digital products of an indicated cash 24 value. A digital code may be obtained by any means, including e-mail 25 or by tangible means regardless of its designation as song code, video code, book code, or some other term. 26

(5)(a) "Digital automated service," except as provided in (b) of this subsection (5), means any service transferred electronically that uses one or more software applications.

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(b) "Digital automated service" does not include:

31 (i) Any service that primarily involves the application of human 32 effort, and the human effort originated after the customer requested 33 the service;

(ii) The loaning or transferring of money or the purchase, sale, or
transfer of financial instruments. For purposes of this subsection
(5)(b)(ii), "financial instruments" include cash, accounts receivable

and payable, loans and notes receivable and payable, debt securities,
 equity securities, as well as derivative contracts such as forward
 contracts, swap contracts, and options;

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(iii) Dispensing cash or other physical items from a machine;

(iv) Payment processing services;

6 (v) Parimutuel wagering and handicapping contests as authorized by
7 chapter 67.16 RCW;

8 (vi) Telecommunications services and ancillary services as those
9 terms are defined in RCW 82.04.065;

10 (vii) The internet and internet access as those terms are defined 11 in RCW 82.04.297;

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(viii) The service described in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b);

13 (ix) Online educational programs provided by a:

14 (A) Public or private elementary or secondary school; or

(B) An institution of higher education as defined in sections 1001 or 1002 of the federal higher education act of 1965 (Title 20 U.S.C. Secs. 1001 and 1002), as existing on July 1, 2009. For purposes of this subsection (5)(b)(ix)(B), an online educational program must be encompassed within the institution's accreditation;

(x) Travel agent services, including online travel services, and
 automated systems used by travel agents to book reservations;

(xi) A service that allows the person receiving the service to make online sales of products or services, digital or otherwise, using the service provider's web site. The service described in this subsection (5)(b)(xi) does not include the underlying sale of the products or services, digital or otherwise, by the person receiving the service; and

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(xii) Online classified advertising services.

(6)(a) "Digital goods," except as provided in (b) of this subsection (6), means sounds, images, data, facts, or information, or any combination thereof, transferred electronically, including, but not limited to, specified digital products and other products transferred electronically not included within the definition of specified digital products.

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(b) The term "digital goods" does not include:

36 (i) Telecommunications services and ancillary services as those 37 terms are defined in RCW 82.04.065;

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(ii) Computer software as defined in RCW 82.04.215;

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(iii) Internet access as defined in RCW 82.04.297;

2 (iv) The representation of a personal service in electronic form, 3 such as an electronic copy of an engineering report prepared by an 4 engineer, that primarily involves the application of human effort, and 5 the human effort originated after the customer requested the service; 6 and

7 (v) Digital automated services and services and activities excluded
8 from the definition of digital automated services in subsection (5)(b)
9 of this section.

10 (7) "Digital products" means digital goods and digital automated 11 services.

12 (8) "Electronically transferred" or "transferred electronically" 13 means obtained by the purchaser by means other than tangible storage 14 media. It is not necessary that a copy of the product be physically 15 transferred to the purchaser. So long as the purchaser may access the 16 product, it will be considered to have been electronically transferred 17 to the purchaser.

(9) "Specified digital products" means electronically transferreddigital audio-visual works, digital audio works, and digital books.

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#### PART III

### IMPOSITION OF SALES AND USE TAXES ON DIGITAL PRODUCTS

Sec. 301. RCW 82.04.050 and 2007 c 54 s 4 and 2007 c 6 s 1004 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1) "Sale at retail" or "retail sale" means every sale of tangible personal property (including articles produced, fabricated, or imprinted) to all persons irrespective of the nature of their business and including, among others, without limiting the scope hereof, persons who install, repair, clean, alter, improve, construct, or decorate real or personal property of or for consumers other than a sale to a person who presents a resale certificate under RCW 82.04.470 and who:

(a) Purchases for the purpose of resale as tangible personal property in the regular course of business without intervening use by such person, but a purchase for the purpose of resale by a regional transit authority under RCW 81.112.300 is not a sale for resale; or

(b) Installs, repairs, cleans, alters, imprints, improves,
 constructs, or decorates real or personal property of or for consumers,

if such tangible personal property becomes an ingredient or component of such real or personal property without intervening use by such person; or

4 (c) Purchases for the purpose of consuming the property purchased 5 in producing for sale a new article of tangible personal property or 6 substance, of which such property becomes an ingredient or component or 7 is a chemical used in processing, when the primary purpose of such 8 chemical is to create a chemical reaction directly through contact with 9 an ingredient of a new article being produced for sale; or

10 (d) Purchases for the purpose of consuming the property purchased 11 in producing ferrosilicon which is subsequently used in producing 12 magnesium for sale, if the primary purpose of such property is to 13 create a chemical reaction directly through contact with an ingredient 14 of ferrosilicon; or

15 (e) Purchases for the purpose of providing the property to consumers as part of competitive telephone service, as defined in RCW 16 17 82.04.065. The term shall include every sale of tangible personal 18 property which is used or consumed or to be used or consumed in the 19 performance of any activity classified as a "sale at retail" or "retail 20 sale" even though such property is resold or utilized as provided in 21 (a), (b), (c), (d), or (e) of this subsection following such use. The 22 term also means every sale of tangible personal property to persons 23 engaged in any business which is taxable under RCW 82.04.280 (2) and 24 (7), 82.04.290, and 82.04.2908; or

(f) Purchases for the purpose of satisfying the person's obligations under an extended warranty as defined in subsection (7) of this section, if such tangible personal property replaces or becomes an ingredient or component of property covered by the extended warranty without intervening use by such person.

30 (2) The term "sale at retail" or "retail sale" ((shall include)) 31 <u>includes</u> the sale of or charge made for tangible personal property 32 consumed and/or for labor and services rendered in respect to the 33 following:

(a) The installing, repairing, cleaning, altering, imprinting, or
 improving of tangible personal property of or for consumers, including
 charges made for the mere use of facilities in respect thereto, but
 excluding charges made for the use of self-service laundry facilities,

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and also excluding sales of laundry service to nonprofit health care facilities, and excluding services rendered in respect to live animals, birds and insects;

4 (b) The constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving of new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real 5 property of or for consumers, including the installing or attaching of 6 7 any article of tangible personal property therein or thereto, whether 8 or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by virtue of installation, and shall also include the sale of services or charges 9 10 made for the clearing of land and the moving of earth excepting the 11 mere leveling of land used in commercial farming or agriculture;

(c) The constructing, repairing, or improving of any structure upon, above, or under any real property owned by an owner who conveys the property by title, possession, or any other means to the person performing such construction, repair, or improvement for the purpose of performing such construction, repair, or improvement and the property is then reconveyed by title, possession, or any other means to the original owner;

19 (d) The cleaning, fumigating, razing, or moving of existing buildings or structures, but ((shall)) may not include the charge made 20 21 for janitorial services; and for purposes of this section the term 22 "janitorial services" shall mean those cleaning and caretaking services 23 ordinarily performed by commercial janitor service businesses 24 including, but not limited to, wall and window washing, floor cleaning 25 and waxing, and the cleaning in place of rugs, drapes and upholstery. 26 The term "janitorial services" does not include painting, papering, 27 repairing, furnace or septic tank cleaning, snow removal or 28 sandblasting;

(e) Automobile towing and similar automotive transportation services, but not in respect to those required to report and pay taxes under chapter 82.16 RCW;

(f) The furnishing of lodging and all other services by a hotel, rooming house, tourist court, motel, trailer camp, and the granting of any similar license to use real property, as distinguished from the renting or leasing of real property, and it ((shall be)) is presumed that the occupancy of real property for a continuous period of one month or more constitutes a rental or lease of real property and not a mere license to use or enjoy the same. For the purposes of this

subsection, it shall be presumed that the sale of and charge made for the furnishing of lodging for a continuous period of one month or more a person is a rental or lease of real property and not a mere license to enjoy the same;

5 (g) <u>The installing, repairing, altering, or improving of digital</u> 6 <u>goods for consumers;</u>

(h) Persons taxable under (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), ((and)) (f), and 7 (g) of this subsection when such sales or charges are for property, 8 labor and services which are used or consumed in whole or in part by 9 10 such persons in the performance of any activity defined as a "sale at 11 retail or "retail sale" even though such property, labor and services 12 may be resold after such use or consumption. Nothing contained in this 13 subsection shall be construed to modify subsection (1) of this section and nothing contained in subsection (1) of this section ((shall)) may 14 be construed to modify this subsection. 15

16 (3) The term "sale at retail" or "retail sale" ((shall include)) 17 <u>includes</u> the sale of or charge made for personal, business, or 18 professional services including amounts designated as interest, rents, 19 fees, admission, and other service emoluments however designated, 20 received by persons engaging in the following business activities:

(a) Amusement and recreation services including but not limited to
 golf, pool, billiards, skating, bowling, ski lifts and tows, day trips
 for sightseeing purposes, and others, when provided to consumers;

(b) Abstract, title insurance, and escrow services;

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(c) Credit bureau services;

(d) Automobile parking and storage garage services;

(e) Landscape maintenance and horticultural services but excluding horticultural services provided to farmers and (ii) pruning, trimming, repairing, removing, and clearing of trees and brush near electric transmission or distribution lines or equipment, if performed by or at the direction of an electric utility;

32 (f) Service charges associated with tickets to professional 33 sporting events; and

(g) The following personal services: Physical fitness services,
 tanning salon services, tattoo parlor services, steam bath services,
 turkish bath services, escort services, and dating services.

37 (4)(a) The term ((<del>shall</del>)) also include<u>s</u>:

(i) The renting or leasing of tangible personal property to 1 2 consumers; and

(ii) Providing tangible personal property along with an operator 3 4 for a fixed or indeterminate period of time. A consideration of this 5 is that the operator is necessary for the tangible personal property to perform as designed. For the purpose of this subsection (4)(a)(ii), an 6 7 operator must do more than maintain, inspect, or set up the tangible 8 personal property.

9 (b) The term ((shall)) does not include the renting or leasing of 10 tangible personal property where the lease or rental is for the purpose 11 of sublease or subrent.

12 (5) The term ((shall)) also includes the providing of "competitive 13 telephone service," "telecommunications service," or "ancillary services," as those terms are defined in RCW 82.04.065, to consumers. 14

(6)(a) The term ((shall)) also includes the sale of prewritten 15 computer software other than a sale to a person who presents a resale 16 17 certificate under RCW 82.04.470, regardless of the method of delivery to the end user((, but shall)). For purposes of this subsection 18 (6)(a), the sale of prewritten computer software includes the sale of 19 or charge made for a key or an enabling or activation code, where the 20 21 key or code is required to activate prewritten computer software and put the software into use. There is no separate sale of the key or 22 code from the prewritten computer software, regardless of how the sale 23 24 may be characterized by the vendor or by the purchaser.

The term "retail sale" does not include the sale of or charge made 25 26 for:

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(i) Custom software ((or));

28 (ii) The customization of prewritten computer software; or

29 (iii) Prewritten computer software sold to a buyer who provides services described in (b) of this subsection and who will charge 30 consumers for the right to access and use the software. 31

(b) The term also includes the charge made to consumers for the 32 right to access and use prewritten computer software, where possession 33 of the software is maintained by the seller or a third party, 34 35 regardless of whether the charge for the service is on a per use, per 36 user, per license, subscription, or some other basis.

37 (7) The term ((shall)) also includes the sale of or charge made for 38 an extended warranty to a consumer. For purposes of this subsection,

"extended warranty" means an agreement for a specified duration to 1 2 perform the replacement or repair of tangible personal property at no 3 additional charge or a reduced charge for tangible personal property, 4 labor, or both, or to provide indemnification for the replacement or repair of tangible personal property, based on the occurrence of 5 б specified events. The term "extended warranty" does not include an 7 agreement, otherwise meeting the definition of extended warranty in 8 this subsection, if no separate charge is made for the agreement and the value of the agreement is included in the sales price of the 9 10 tangible personal property covered by the agreement. For purposes of 11 this subsection, "sales price" has the same meaning as in RCW 12 82.08.010.

(8)(a) The term also includes the following sales to consumers of
 digital goods, digital codes, and digital automated services:

15 (i) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser the right 16 of permanent use;

17 (ii) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser a right of 18 use that is less than permanent;

19 (iii) Sales in which the purchaser is not obligated to make
20 continued payment as a condition of the sale; and

21 (iv) Sales in which the purchaser is obligated to make continued
22 payment as a condition of the sale.

(b) A retail sale of digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated services under this subsection (8) includes any services provided by the seller exclusively in connection with the digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated services, whether or not a separate charge is made for such services.

(c) For purposes of this subsection, "permanent" means perpetual or for an indefinite or unspecified length of time. A right of permanent use is presumed to have been granted unless the agreement between the seller and the purchaser specifies or the circumstances surrounding the transaction suggest or indicate that the right to use terminates on the occurrence of a condition subsequent.

34 (9) The term ((shall)) does not include the sale of or charge made 35 for labor and services rendered in respect to the building, repairing, 36 or improving of any street, place, road, highway, easement, right-of-37 way, mass public transportation terminal or parking facility, bridge, 38 tunnel, or trestle which is owned by a municipal corporation or political subdivision of the state or by the United States and which is used or to be used primarily for foot or vehicular traffic including mass transportation vehicles of any kind.

4 (((9))) (10) The term ((shall)) also does not include sales of chemical sprays or washes to persons for the purpose of postharvest 5 treatment of fruit for the prevention of scald, fungus, mold, or decay, 6 7 nor ((shall)) does it include sales of feed, seed, seedlings, 8 fertilizer, agents for enhanced pollination including insects such as bees, and spray materials to: (a) Persons who participate in the 9 10 federal conservation reserve program, the environmental quality 11 incentives program, the wetlands reserve program, and the wildlife 12 habitat incentives program, or their successors administered by the 13 United States department of agriculture; (b) farmers for the purpose of 14 producing for sale any agricultural product; and (c) farmers acting under cooperative habitat development or access contracts with an 15 organization exempt from federal income tax under Title 26 U.S.C. Sec. 16 17 501(c)(3) or the Washington state department of fish and wildlife to 18 produce or improve wildlife habitat on land that the farmer owns or 19 leases.

20 (((<del>(10)</del>)) <u>(11)</u> The term ((<del>shall</del>)) <u>does</u> not include the sale of or 21 charge made for labor and services rendered in respect to the 22 constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving of new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or 23 24 for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city 25 housing authority created pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW, including the 26 installing, or attaching of any article of tangible personal property 27 therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by virtue of installation. Nor ((shall)) does the 28 29 term include the sale of services or charges made for the clearing of 30 land and the moving of earth of or for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority. 31 Nor 32 ((shall)) does the term include the sale of services or charges made for cleaning up for the United States, or its instrumentalities, 33 radioactive waste and other byproducts of weapons production and 34 35 nuclear research and development.

36 ((<del>(11)</del>)) <u>(12)</u> The term ((<del>shall</del>)) <u>does</u> not include the sale of or 37 charge made for labor, services, or tangible personal property pursuant 38 to agreements providing maintenance services for bus, rail, or rail fixed guideway equipment when a regional transit authority is the recipient of the labor, services, or tangible personal property, and a transit agency, as defined in RCW 81.104.015, performs the labor or services.

5 **Sec. 302.** RCW 82.04.190 and 2007 c 6 s 1008 are each amended to 6 read as follows:

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"Consumer" means the following:

(1) Any person who purchases, acquires, owns, holds, or uses any 8 9 article of tangible personal property irrespective of the nature of the 10 person's business and including, among others, without limiting the 11 scope hereof, persons who install, repair, clean, alter, improve, 12 construct, or decorate real or personal property of or for consumers 13 other than for the purpose (a) of resale as tangible personal property in the regular course of business or (b) of incorporating such property 14 as an ingredient or component of real or personal property when 15 16 installing, repairing, cleaning, altering, imprinting, improving, 17 constructing, or decorating such real or personal property of or for 18 consumers or (c) of consuming such property in producing for sale a new article of tangible personal property or a new substance, of which such 19 20 property becomes an ingredient or component or as a chemical used in 21 processing, when the primary purpose of such chemical is to create a 22 chemical reaction directly through contact with an ingredient of a new 23 article being produced for sale or (d) of consuming the property 24 purchased in producing ferrosilicon which is subsequently used in 25 producing magnesium for sale, if the primary purpose of such property 26 is to create a chemical reaction directly through contact with an 27 ingredient of ferrosilicon or (e) of satisfying the person's obligations under an extended warranty as defined in RCW 82.04.050(7), 28 29 if such tangible personal property replaces or becomes an ingredient or 30 component of property covered by the extended warranty without 31 intervening use by such person;

32 (2)(a) Any person engaged in any business activity taxable under 33 RCW 82.04.290 or 82.04.2908; (b) any person who purchases, acquires, or 34 uses any competitive telephone service, ancillary services, or 35 telecommunications service as those terms are defined in RCW 82.04.065, 36 other than for resale in the regular course of business; (c) any person 37 who purchases, acquires, or uses any service defined in RCW

82.04.050(2) (a) or (g), other than for resale in the regular course of 1 2 business or for the purpose of satisfying the person's obligations under an extended warranty as defined in RCW 82.04.050(7); (d) any 3 4 person who purchases, acquires, or uses any amusement and recreation service defined in RCW 82.04.050(3)(a), other than for resale in the 5 regular course of business; (e) any person who is an end user of 6 7 software; and (f) any person who purchases or acquires an extended warranty as defined in RCW 82.04.050(7) other than for resale in the 8 9 regular course of business;

(3) Any person engaged in the business of contracting for the 10 11 building, repairing or improving of any street, place, road, highway, 12 easement, right-of-way, mass public transportation terminal or parking 13 facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle which is owned by a municipal corporation or political subdivision of the state of Washington or by 14 15 the United States and which is used or to be used primarily for foot or vehicular traffic including mass transportation vehicles of any kind as 16 17 defined in RCW 82.04.280, in respect to tangible personal property when 18 such person incorporates such property as an ingredient or component of 19 such publicly owned street, place, road, highway, easement, right-of-way, mass public transportation terminal or parking facility, 20 21 bridge, tunnel, or trestle by installing, placing or spreading the 22 property in or upon the right-of-way of such street, place, road, 23 highway, easement, bridge, tunnel, or trestle or in or upon the site of 24 such mass public transportation terminal or parking facility;

(4) Any person who is an owner, lessee or has the right of 25 26 possession to or an easement in real property which is being 27 constructed, repaired, decorated, improved, or otherwise altered by a person engaged in business, excluding only (a) municipal corporations 28 or political subdivisions of the state in respect to labor and services 29 30 rendered to their real property which is used or held for public road purposes, and (b) the United States, instrumentalities thereof, and 31 32 county and city housing authorities created pursuant to chapter 35.82 33 RCW in respect to labor and services rendered to their real property. Nothing contained in this or any other subsection of this definition 34 35 shall be construed to modify any other definition of "consumer";

36 (5) Any person who is an owner, lessee, or has the right of37 possession to personal property which is being constructed, repaired,

1 improved, cleaned, imprinted, or otherwise altered by a person engaged 2 in business;

(6) Any person engaged in the business of constructing, repairing, 3 4 decorating, or improving new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for the United States, any 5 б instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority created 7 pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW, including the installing or attaching of 8 any article of tangible personal property therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by virtue of 9 10 installation; also, any person engaged in the business of clearing land 11 and moving earth of or for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority created pursuant to 12 13 chapter 35.82 RCW. Any such person shall be a consumer within the 14 meaning of this subsection in respect to tangible personal property 15 incorporated into, installed in, or attached to such building or other structure by such person, except that consumer does not include any 16 17 person engaged in the business of constructing, repairing, decorating, 18 or improving new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, 19 or above real property of or for the United States, or any instrumentality thereof, if the investment project would qualify for 20 21 sales and use tax deferral under chapter 82.63 RCW if undertaken by a 22 private entity;

23 (7) Any person who is a lessor of machinery and equipment, the 24 rental of which is exempt from the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 under RCW 82.08.02565, with respect to the sale of or charge made for 25 26 tangible personal property consumed in respect to repairing the 27 machinery and equipment, if the tangible personal property has a useful life of less than one year. Nothing contained in this or any other 28 29 subsection of this section shall be construed to modify any other 30 definition of "consumer";

31 (8) Any person engaged in the business of cleaning up for the 32 United States, or its instrumentalities, radioactive waste and other 33 byproducts of weapons production and nuclear research and development; 34 ((and))

35 (9) Any person who is an owner, lessee, or has the right of 36 possession of tangible personal property that, under the terms of an 37 extended warranty as defined in RCW 82.04.050(7), has been repaired or is replacement property, but only with respect to the sale of or charge made for the repairing of the tangible personal property or the replacement property;

4 (10) Any person who purchases, acquires, or uses services described
 5 in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) other than for resale in the regular course of
 6 business; and

7 <u>(11)(a) Any end user of a digital product or digital code.</u>

(b)(i) For purposes of this subsection, "end user" means any 8 taxpayer as defined in RCW 82.12.010 other than a taxpayer who receives 9 by contract a digital product for further commercial broadcast, 10 rebroadcast, transmission, retransmission, licensing, relicensing, 11 distribution, redistribution or exhibition of the product, in whole or 12 13 in part, to others. A person that purchases digital products or digital codes for the purpose of giving away such products or codes 14 will not be considered to have engaged in the distribution or 15 redistribution of such products or codes and will be treated as an end 16 17 user;

(ii) If a purchaser of a digital code does not receive the 18 contractual right to further redistribute, after the digital code is 19 redeemed, the underlying digital product to which the digital code 20 21 relates, then the purchaser of the digital code is an end user. If the purchaser of the digital code receives the contractual right to further 22 redistribute, after the digital code is redeemed, the underlying 23 24 digital product to which the digital code relates, then the purchaser of the digital code is not an end user. A purchaser of a digital code 25 26 who has the contractual right to further redistribute the digital code 27 is an end user if that purchaser does not have the right to further redistribute, after the digital code is redeemed, the underlying 28 29 digital product to which the digital code relates.

30 **Sec. 303.** RCW 82.08.010 and 2007 c 6 s 1302 are each amended to 31 read as follows:

32 For the purposes of this chapter:

(1)(a) "Selling price" includes "sales price." "Sales price" means the total amount of consideration, except separately stated trade-in property of like kind, including cash, credit, property, and services, for which tangible personal property, extended warranties, <u>digital</u> <u>goods, digital codes, digital automated services</u>, or <u>other</u> services

defined as a "retail sale" under RCW 82.04.050 are sold, leased, or 1 2 rented, valued in money, whether received in money or otherwise. No 3 deduction from the total amount of consideration is allowed for the 4 following: (i) The seller's cost of the property sold; (ii) the cost of materials used, labor or service cost, interest, losses, all costs 5 of transportation to the seller, all taxes imposed on the seller, and 6 7 any other expense of the seller; (iii) charges by the seller for any 8 services necessary to complete the sale, other than delivery and installation charges; (iv) delivery charges; and (v) installation 9 10 charges.

When tangible personal property is rented or leased under circumstances that the consideration paid does not represent a reasonable rental for the use of the articles so rented or leased, the "selling price" shall be determined as nearly as possible according to the value of such use at the places of use of similar products of like quality and character under such rules as the department may prescribe;

17 (b) "Selling price" or "sales price" does not include: Discounts, including cash, term, or coupons that are not reimbursed by a third 18 19 party that are allowed by a seller and taken by a purchaser on a sale; interest, financing, and carrying charges from credit extended on the 20 21 sale of tangible personal property, extended warranties, digital goods, 22 digital codes, digital automated services, or other services, if the 23 amount is separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar 24 document given to the purchaser; and any taxes legally imposed directly 25 on the consumer that are separately stated on the invoice, bill of 26 sale, or similar document given to the purchaser;

27 (c) "Selling price" or "sales price" includes consideration 28 received by the seller from a third party if:

(i) The seller actually receives consideration from a party other than the purchaser, and the consideration is directly related to a price reduction or discount on the sale;

(ii) The seller has an obligation to pass the price reduction ordiscount through to the purchaser;

(iii) The amount of the consideration attributable to the sale is
fixed and determinable by the seller at the time of the sale of the
item to the purchaser; and

37 (iv) One of the criteria in this subsection (1)(c)(iv) is met:

1 (A) The purchaser presents a coupon, certificate, or other 2 documentation to the seller to claim a price reduction or discount 3 where the coupon, certificate, or documentation is authorized, 4 distributed, or granted by a third party with the understanding that 5 the third party will reimburse any seller to whom the coupon, 6 certificate, or documentation is presented;

7 (B) The purchaser identifies himself or herself to the seller as a 8 member of a group or organization entitled to a price reduction or 9 discount, however a "preferred customer" card that is available to any 10 patron does not constitute membership in such a group; or

(C) The price reduction or discount is identified as a third party price reduction or discount on the invoice received by the purchaser or on a coupon, certificate, or other documentation presented by the purchaser;

(2)(a) "Seller" means every person, including the state and its departments and institutions, making sales at retail or retail sales to a buyer, purchaser, or consumer, whether as agent, broker, or principal, except "seller" does not mean:

(i) The state and its departments and institutions when makingsales to the state and its departments and institutions; or

(ii) A professional employer organization when a covered employee coemployed with the client under the terms of a professional employer agreement engages in activities that constitute a sale at retail that is subject to the tax imposed by this chapter. In such cases, the client, and not the professional employer organization, is deemed to be the seller and is responsible for collecting and remitting the tax imposed by this chapter.

(b) For the purposes of (a) of this subsection, the terms "client,"
"covered employee," "professional employer agreement," and
"professional employer organization" have the same meanings as in RCW
82.04.540;

(3) "Buyer," "purchaser," and "consumer" include, without limiting
the scope hereof, every individual, receiver, assignee, trustee in
bankruptcy, trust, estate, firm, copartnership, joint venture, club,
company, joint stock company, business trust, corporation, association,
society, or any group of individuals acting as a unit, whether mutual,
cooperative, fraternal, nonprofit, or otherwise, municipal corporation,
quasi municipal corporation, and also the state, its departments and

1 institutions and all political subdivisions thereof, irrespective of 2 the nature of the activities engaged in or functions performed, and 3 also the United States or any instrumentality thereof;

4 (4) "Delivery charges" means charges by the seller of personal
5 property or services for preparation and delivery to a location
6 designated by the purchaser of personal property or services including,
7 but not limited to, transportation, shipping, postage, handling,
8 crating, and packing;

(5) "Direct mail" means printed material delivered or distributed 9 10 by United States mail or other delivery service to a mass audience or to addressees on a mailing list provided by the purchaser or at the 11 12 direction of the purchaser when the cost of the items are not billed 13 directly to the recipients. "Direct mail" includes tangible personal 14 property supplied directly or indirectly by the purchaser to the direct mail seller for inclusion in the package containing the printed 15 "Direct mail" does not include multiple items of printed 16 material. 17 material delivered to a single address;

18 (6) The meaning attributed in chapter 82.04 RCW to the terms "tax 19 year," "taxable year," "person," "company," "sale," "sale at retail," 20 "retail sale," "sale at wholesale," "wholesale," "business," "engaging 21 in business," "cash discount," "successor," "consumer," "in this state" 22 and "within this state" shall apply equally to the provisions of this 23 chapter;

(7) For the purposes of the taxes imposed under this chapter and under chapter 82.12 RCW, "tangible personal property" means personal property that can be seen, weighed, measured, felt, or touched, or that is in any other manner perceptible to the senses. Tangible personal property includes electricity, water, gas, steam, and prewritten computer software;

30 (8) "Extended warranty" has the same meaning as in RCW 31 82.04.050(7);

32 (9) The definitions in section 201 of this act apply to this 33 chapter; and

34 (10) For the purposes of the taxes imposed under this chapter and 35 chapter 82.12 RCW, whenever the terms "property" or "personal property" 36 are used, those terms must be construed to include digital goods and 37 digital codes unless:

1 (a) It is clear from the context that the term "personal property"
2 is intended only to refer to tangible personal property;

3 (b) It is clear from the context that the term "property" is 4 intended only to refer to tangible personal property, real property, or 5 both; or

6 (c) To construe the term "property" or "personal property" as
 7 including digital goods and digital codes would yield unlikely, absurd,
 8 or strained consequences.

9 **Sec. 304.** RCW 82.12.010 and 2006 c 301 s 3 are each amended to 10 read as follows:

11 For the purposes of this chapter:

12 (1) "Purchase price" means the same as sales price as defined in 13 RCW 82.08.010((-));

(2)(a) "Value of the article used" shall be the purchase price for 14 the article of tangible personal property, the use of which is taxable 15 16 under this chapter. The term also includes, in addition to the 17 purchase price, the amount of any tariff or duty paid with respect to the importation of the article used. In case the article used is 18 acquired by lease or by gift or is extracted, produced, or manufactured 19 20 by the person using the same or is sold under conditions wherein the 21 purchase price does not represent the true value thereof, the value of 22 the article used shall be determined as nearly as possible according to 23 the retail selling price at place of use of similar products of like 24 quality and character under such rules as the department may prescribe.

25 (b) In case the articles used are acquired by bailment, the value 26 of the use of the articles so used shall be in an amount representing 27 a reasonable rental for the use of the articles so bailed, determined as nearly as possible according to the value of such use at the places 28 of use of similar products of like quality and character under such 29 30 rules as the department of revenue may prescribe. In case any such 31 articles of tangible personal property are used in respect to the construction, repairing, decorating, or improving of, and which become 32 33 or are to become an ingredient or component of, new or existing 34 buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or 35 for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city 36 housing authority created pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW, including the 37 installing or attaching of any such articles therein or thereto,

whether or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by 1 2 virtue of installation, then the value of the use of such articles so used shall be determined according to the retail selling price of such 3 articles, or in the absence of such a selling price, as nearly as 4 5 possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar products of like quality and character or, in the absence of 6 7 either of these selling price measures, such value may be determined upon a cost basis, in any event under such rules as the department of 8 9 revenue may prescribe.

10 (c) In the case of articles owned by a user engaged in business outside the state which are brought into the state for no more than one 11 12 hundred eighty days in any period of three hundred sixty-five 13 consecutive days and which are temporarily used for business purposes 14 by the person in this state, the value of the article used shall be an amount representing a reasonable rental for the use of the articles, 15 16 unless the person has paid tax under this chapter or chapter 82.08 RCW 17 upon the full value of the article used, as defined in (a) of this 18 subsection.

(d) In the case of articles manufactured or produced by the user and used in the manufacture or production of products sold or to be sold to the department of defense of the United States, the value of the articles used shall be determined according to the value of the ingredients of such articles.

(e) In the case of an article manufactured or produced for purposes of serving as a prototype for the development of a new or improved product, the value of the article used shall be determined by: (i) The retail selling price of such new or improved product when first offered for sale; or (ii) the value of materials incorporated into the prototype in cases in which the new or improved product is not offered for sale.

(f) In the case of an article purchased with a direct pay permit under RCW 82.32.087, the value of the article used shall be determined by the purchase price of such article if, but for the use of the direct pay permit, the transaction would have been subject to sales tax;

35 (3) "Value of the service used" means the purchase price for the 36 <u>digital automated service or other</u> service, the use of which is taxable 37 under this chapter. If the service is received by gift or under 38 conditions wherein the purchase price does not represent the true value thereof, the value of the service used shall be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar services of like quality and character under rules the department may prescribe;

(4) "Value of the extended warranty used" means the purchase price 5 for the extended warranty, the use of which is taxable under this 6 7 chapter. If the extended warranty is received by gift or under 8 conditions wherein the purchase price does not represent the true value of the extended warranty, the value of the extended warranty used shall 9 10 be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar extended warranties of like quality 11 12 and character under rules the department may prescribe;

13 (5) <u>"Value of the digital good or digital code used" means the</u> purchase price for the digital good or digital code, the use of which 14 is taxable under this chapter. If the digital good or digital code is 15 acquired other than by purchase, the value of the digital good or 16 17 digital code must be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar digital goods or 18 19 digital codes of like quality and character under rules the department 20 <u>may prescribe;</u>

21 (6) "Use," "used," "using," or "put to use" ((shall)) have their 22 ordinary meaning, and ((shall)) mean:

(a) With respect to tangible personal property, the first act 23 24 within this state by which the taxpayer takes or assumes dominion or control over the article of tangible personal property (as a consumer), 25 26 include installation, and storage, withdrawal from storage, 27 distribution, or any other act preparatory to subsequent actual use or 28 consumption within this state;

(b) With respect to a service defined in RCW 82.04.050(2)(a), the 29 30 first act within this state after the service has been performed by which the taxpayer takes or assumes dominion or control over the 31 32 article of tangible personal property upon which the service was performed (as a consumer), and includes installation, 33 storage, withdrawal from storage, distribution, or any other act preparatory to 34 35 subsequent actual use or consumption of the article within this state; 36 ((<del>and</del>))

37 (c) With respect to an extended warranty, the first act within this38 state after the extended warranty has been acquired by which the

1 taxpayer takes or assumes dominion or control over the article of 2 tangible personal property to which the extended warranty applies, and 3 includes installation, storage, withdrawal from storage, distribution, 4 or any other act preparatory to subsequent actual use or consumption of 5 the article within this state;

(d) With respect to a digital good or digital code, the first act
within this state by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, views,
accesses, downloads, possesses, stores, opens, manipulates, or
otherwise uses or enjoys the digital good or digital code;

10 (e) With respect to a digital automated service, the first act 11 within this state by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, uses, enjoys, 12 or otherwise receives the benefit of the service;

13 (f) With respect to a service defined as a retail sale in RCW 14 82.04.050(6)(b), the first act within this state by which the taxpayer, 15 as a consumer, accesses the prewritten computer software; and

16 (g) With respect to a service defined as a retail sale in RCW 17 82.04.050(2)(g), the first act within this state after the service has 18 been performed by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, views, accesses, 19 downloads, possesses, stores, opens, manipulates, or otherwise uses or 20 enjoys the digital good upon which the service was performed;

21 ((<del>(6)</del>)) <u>(7)</u> "Taxpayer" and "purchaser" include all persons included 22 within the meaning of the word "buyer" and the word "consumer" as 23 defined in chapters 82.04 and 82.08 RCW;

((<del>(7)</del>)) <u>(8)</u>(a)(i) Except as provided in (a)(ii) of this subsection ((<del>(7)</del>)) <u>(8)</u>, "retailer" means every seller as defined in RCW 82.08.010 and every person engaged in the business of selling tangible personal property at retail and every person required to collect from purchasers the tax imposed under this chapter.

29 "Retailer" does not include a professional employer (ii) 30 organization when a covered employee coemployed with the client under the terms of a professional employer agreement engages in activities 31 32 that constitute a sale of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, or a sale of any digital 33 automated service or service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 34 35 (2) (a) or (g), (3)(a), or (6)(b) that is subject to the tax imposed by 36 this chapter. In such cases, the client, and not the professional 37 employer organization, is deemed to be the retailer and is responsible 38 for collecting and remitting the tax imposed by this chapter.

1 (b) For the purposes of (a) of this subsection, the terms "client,"
2 "covered employee," "professional employer agreement," and
3 "professional employer organization" have the same meanings as in RCW
4 82.04.540;

5 ((<del>(8)</del>)) <u>(9)</u> "Extended warranty" has the same meaning as in RCW 6 82.04.050(7);

(((9))) (10) The meaning ascribed to words and phrases in chapters 7 82.04 and 82.08 RCW, insofar as applicable, shall have full force and 8 effect with respect to taxes imposed under the provisions of this 9 "Consumer," in addition to the meaning ascribed to it in 10 chapter. 11 chapters 82.04 and 82.08 RCW insofar as applicable, shall also mean any person who distributes or displays, or causes to be distributed or 12 any article of tangible personal 13 displayed, property, except 14 newspapers, the primary purpose of which is to promote the sale of products or services. With respect to property distributed to persons 15 within this state by a consumer as defined in this subsection (((9)))16 17 (10), the use of the property shall be deemed to be by such consumer.

18 Sec. 305. RCW 82.12.020 and 2005 c 514 s 105 are each amended to 19 read as follows:

(1) There is hereby levied and there shall be collected from every person in this state a tax or excise for the privilege of using within this state as a consumer <u>any</u>:

(a) ((Any)) Article of tangible personal property purchased at 23 24 retail, or acquired by lease, gift, repossession, or bailment, or 25 extracted or produced or manufactured by the person so using the same, 26 or otherwise furnished to a person engaged in any business taxable under RCW 82.04.280 (2) or (7), including tangible personal property 27 acquired at a casual or isolated sale, and including byproducts used by 28 29 the manufacturer thereof, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, 30 irrespective of whether the article or similar articles are manufactured or are available for purchase within this state; 31

32 (b) ((any)) Prewritten computer software, regardless of the method 33 of delivery, but excluding prewritten computer software that is either 34 provided free of charge or is provided for temporary use in viewing 35 information, or both; ((or))

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(c) ((any)) Services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(2)

(a) or (g), (3)(a), or (6)(b), excluding services defined as a retail 1 2 sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) that are provided free of charge; 3 (d) Extended warranty; or (e)(i) Digital good, digital code, or digital automated service, 4 including the use of any services provided by a seller exclusively in 5 6 connection with digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated 7 services, whether or not a separate charge is made for such services. (ii) With respect to the use of digital goods, digital automated 8 services, and digital codes acquired by purchase, the tax imposed in 9 this subsection (1)(e) applies in respect to: 10 (A) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser the right 11 12 of permanent use; 13 (B) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser a right of 14 use that is less than permanent; (C) Sales in which the purchaser is not obligated to make continued 15 payment as a condition of the sale; and 16 17 (D) Sales in which the purchaser is obligated to make continued payment as a condition of the sale. 18 (iii) With respect to digital goods, digital automated services, 19 20 and digital codes acquired other than by purchase, the tax imposed in this subsection (1)(e) applies regardless of whether or not the 21 consumer has a right of permanent use or is obligated to make continued 22 23 payment as a condition of use ... 24 (2) ((This tax shall apply to the use of every extended warranty, service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (3)(a), and 25 26 the use of every article of tangible personal property, including 27 property acquired at a casual or isolated sale, and including byproducts used by the manufacturer thereof, except as hereinafter 28 provided, irrespective of whether the article or similar articles are 29 manufactured or are available for purchase within this state. 30 31 (3)) The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the 32 use of any article of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or service 33 taxable under RCW 82.04.050(2) (a) or (g), (3)(a), ((purchased at 34

35 retail or acquired by lease, gift, or bailment)) or (6)(b), if the sale 36 to, or the use by, the present user or ((his)) the present user's 37 bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user
 or by ((his)) the present user's bailor or donor.

3 (((4))) (3)(a) Except as provided in this section, payment of the 4 tax imposed by this chapter or chapter 82.08 RCW by one purchaser or user of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, 5 digital code, digital automated service, or other service ((of the tax б 7 imposed by chapter 82.08 or 82.12 RCW shall)) does not have the effect 8 of exempting any other purchaser or user of the same property, extended 9 warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or other service from the taxes imposed by such chapters. 10

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(b) The tax imposed by this chapter does not apply:

12 (i) If the sale to, or the use by, the present user or his or her 13 bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 14 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user 15 or by his or her bailor or donor; ((or))

16 (ii) In respect to the use of any article of tangible personal 17 property acquired by bailment and the tax has once been paid based on 18 reasonable rental as determined by RCW 82.12.060 measured by the value 19 of the article at time of first use multiplied by the tax rate imposed 20 by chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter as of the time of first use; 21  $((\frac{\sigma r}{r}))$ 

(iii) In respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property acquired by bailment, if the property was acquired by a previous bailee from the same bailor for use in the same general activity and the original bailment was prior to June 9, 1961((, the tax imposed by this chapter does not apply)); or

(iv) To the use of digital goods or digital automated services, which were obtained through the use of a digital code, if the sale of the digital code to, or the use of the digital code by, the present user or the present user's bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user or by the present user's bailor or donor.

33 (((5))) (4)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection (4), 34 the tax ((shall be)) is levied and must be collected in an amount equal 35 to the value of the article used, value of the digital good or digital 36 code used, value of the extended warranty used, or value of the service 37 used by the taxpayer, multiplied by the <u>applicable</u> rates in effect for 38 the retail sales tax under RCW 82.08.020((, except)). 1 (b) In the case of a seller required to collect use tax from the 2 purchaser, the tax ((shall)) <u>must</u> be collected in an amount equal to 3 the purchase price multiplied by the <u>applicable</u> rate in effect for the 4 retail sales tax under RCW 82.08.020.

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## PART IV

## BUSINESS AND OCCUPATION TAX CHANGES

NEW SECTION. Sec. 401. A new section is added to chapter 82.04
RCW to be codified between RCW 82.04.250 and 82.04.310 to read as
follows:

(1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail or wholesale of digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, or services described in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(g) or (6)(b), as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.471 percent in the case of retail sales and by the rate of 0.484 percent in the case of wholesale sales.

(2) For purposes of this section, a person is considered to be 17 engaging within this state in the business of making sales of digital 18 19 goods, digital codes, digital automated services, or services described 20 in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(g) or (6)(b), if the person makes sales of digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, or services described 21 22 in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(g) or (6)(b) and the sales are sourced to this 23 state under RCW 82.32.730 for sales tax purposes or would have been 24 sourced to this state under RCW 82.32.730 if the sale had been taxable 25 under chapter 82.08 RCW.

(3) A person subject to tax under this section must report the tax
 imposed in this chapter in an electronic format provided by the
 department.

29 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 402. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 30 RCW to read as follows:

(1)(a) Any person subject to tax under section 401 of this act engaging both within and outside this state in the business of making sales at retail or wholesale of digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, or services described in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(g) or 1 (6)(b), must apportion to this state that portion of apportionable 2 income derived from activity performed within this state as provided in 3 subsection (2) of this section.

4 (b) For purposes of this subsection, a person is considered to be engaging outside this state in the business of making sales of digital 5 goods, digital codes, digital automated services, or services described б 7 in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(g) or (6)(b) if the person makes any sales of 8 digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, or services described in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(g) or (6)(b) that are sourced to a 9 jurisdiction other than Washington under RCW 82.32.730 for sales tax 10 purposes or would have been sourced to a jurisdiction other than 11 12 Washington under RCW 82.32.730 if the sale had been a retail sale.

(2) Apportionable income must be apportioned to Washington bymultiplying the apportionable income by the sales factor.

(3)(a) The sales factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the total receipts of the taxpayer from making sales of digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, and services described in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(g) or (6)(b) in this state during the tax period, and the denominator of which is the total receipts of the taxpayer derived from such activity everywhere during the tax period.

(b) For purposes of computing the sales factor, sales are considered in this state if the sale was sourced to this state under RCW 82.32.730 for sales tax purposes or would have been sourced to this state under RCW 82.32.730 if the sale had been taxable under chapter 82.08 RCW.

(4) For purposes of this section, "apportionable income" means the gross income of the business taxable under section 401 of this act, including income received from activities outside this state if the income would be taxable under section 401 of this act if received from activities in this state.

31 **Sec. 403.** RCW 82.04.060 and 2007 c 6 s 1007 are each amended to 32 read as follows:

33 "Sale at wholesale" or "wholesale sale" means:

34 (1) Any sale, which is not a sale at retail, of:

35 (a) <u>Tangible personal property((, any sale of))</u>;

36 <u>(b) Services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(2) (a)((-</u> 37 any sale of)) or (g); 1 <u>(c) A</u>musement or recreation services as defined in RCW 2 82.04.050(3)(a)((, any sale of canned software, any sale of an));

3 (d) Prewritten computer software;

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(e) Services described in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b);

5 <u>(f) Extended ((warranty)) warranties</u> as defined in RCW 6 82.04.050(7)((, or any sale of))<u>;</u>

7 (g) Competitive telephone service, ancillary services, or 8 telecommunications service as those terms are defined in RCW 9 82.04.065((, which is not a sale at retail)); or

10 (h) Digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated services; 11 and

12 (2) <u>Any charge made for labor and services rendered for persons who</u> 13 are not consumers, in respect to real or personal property, if such 14 charge is expressly defined as a retail sale by RCW 82.04.050 when 15 rendered to or for consumers((÷ <u>PROVIDED</u>, <u>That the term</u>)). For the 16 <u>purposes of this subsection (2)</u>, "real or personal property" ((<del>as used</del> 17 <del>in this subsection shall</del>)) <u>does</u> not include any natural products named 18 in RCW 82.04.100.

19 Sec. 404. RCW 82.04.070 and 1961 c 15 s 82.04.070 are each amended 20 to read as follows:

"Gross proceeds of sales" means the value proceeding or accruing from the sale of tangible personal property, digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, and/or for other services rendered, without any deduction on account of the cost of property sold, the cost of materials used, labor costs, interest, discount paid, delivery costs, taxes, or any other expense whatsoever paid or accrued and without any deduction on account of losses.

28 **Sec. 405.** RCW 82.04.110 and 1997 c 453 s 1 are each amended to 29 read as follows:

30 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, "manufacturer" 31 means every person who, either directly or by contracting with others 32 for the necessary labor or mechanical services, manufactures for sale 33 or for commercial or industrial use from his or her own materials or 34 ingredients any articles, substances, or commodities.

35 (2)(a) When the owner of equipment or facilities furnishes, or 36 sells to the customer prior to manufacture, all or a portion of the 1 materials that become a part or whole of the manufactured article, the 2 department shall prescribe equitable rules for determining tax 3 liability((÷ PROVIDED, That)).

(b) A person who produces aluminum master alloys is a processor for hire rather than a manufacturer, regardless of the portion of the aluminum provided by that person's customer((÷ PROVIDED FURTHER, That)). For the purposes of this subsection (2)(b), "aluminum master alloy" means an alloy registered with the aluminum association as a grain refiner or a hardener alloy using the American national standards institute designating system H35.3.

11 (3) A nonresident of this state who is the owner of materials 12 processed for it in this state by a processor for hire shall not be 13 deemed to be engaged in business in this state as a manufacturer 14 because of the performance of such processing work for it in this 15 state((÷ PROVIDED FURTHER, That)).

16 (4) The owner of materials from which a nuclear fuel assembly is 17 made for it by a processor for hire shall not be subject to tax under 18 this chapter as a manufacturer of the fuel assembly.

19 ((For the purposes of this section, "aluminum master alloy" means 20 an alloy registered with the Aluminum Association as a grain refiner or 21 a hardener alloy using the American National Standards Institute 22 designating system H35.3.))

23 (5) For purposes of this section, the terms "articles,"
24 <u>"substances," "materials," "ingredients," and "commodities" do not</u>
25 <u>include digital goods.</u>

26 **Sec. 406.** RCW 82.04.120 and 2003 c 168 s 604 are each amended to 27 read as follows:

"To manufacture" embraces all activities of a commercial 28 or 29 industrial nature wherein labor or skill is applied, by hand or machinery, to materials so that as a result thereof a new, different or 30 31 useful substance or article of tangible personal property is produced for sale or commercial or industrial use, and shall include: (1) The 32 production or fabrication of special made or custom made articles; (2) 33 the production or fabrication of dental appliances, devices, 34 35 restorations, substitutes, or other dental laboratory products by a 36 dental laboratory or dental technician; (3) cutting, delimbing, and

1 measuring of felled, cut, or taken trees; and (4) crushing and/or 2 blending of rock, sand, stone, gravel, or ore.

3 "To manufacture" shall not include: Conditioning of seed for use 4 in planting; cubing hay or alfalfa; activities which consist of 5 cutting, grading, or ice glazing seafood which has been cooked, frozen, or canned outside this state; the growing, harvesting, or producing of 6 7 agricultural products; packing of agricultural products, including 8 sorting, washing, rinsing, grading, waxing, treating with fungicide, packaging, chilling, or placing in controlled atmospheric storage; the 9 10 production of digital goods; or the production of computer software if the computer software is delivered from the seller to the purchaser by 11 12 means other than tangible storage media, including the delivery by use 13 of a tangible storage media where the tangible storage media is not 14 physically transferred to the purchaser.

15 Sec. 407. RCW 82.04.2907 and 2001 c 320 s 3 are each amended to 16 read as follows:

17 (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 18 receiving income from royalties or charges in the nature of royalties 19 for the granting of intangible rights, such as copyrights, licenses, 20 patents, or franchise fees, the amount of tax with respect to such 21 business shall be equal to the gross income from royalties or charges 22 in the nature of royalties from the business multiplied by the rate of 23 0.484 percent.

(2) For the purposes of this section, "royalties" 24 means 25 compensation for the use of intangible property, such as copyrights, 26 patents, licenses, franchises, trademarks, trade names, and similar 27 It does not include compensation for any natural resource items. ((<del>or</del>)), the licensing of ((<del>canned</del>)) prewritten computer software to the 28 29 end user, or the licensing or use of digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated services. 30

31 **Sec. 408.** RCW 82.04.297 and 2000 c 103 s 5 are each amended to 32 read as follows:

(1) The provision of internet ((services)) access is subject to tax
 under RCW 82.04.290(2).

35 (2) "Internet" ((means the international computer network of both 36 federal and nonfederal interoperable packet switched data networks, including the graphical subnetwork called the world wide web)) and "internet access" have the same meaning as those terms are defined in the federal internet tax freedom act, Title 47 U.S.C. Sec. 151 note, as existing on July 1, 2009.

(3) (("Internet service" means a service that includes computer 5 processing applications, provides the user with additional or б 7 restructured information, or permits the user to interact with stored 8 information through the internet or a proprietary subscriber network. "Internet service" includes provision of internet electronic mail, 9 10 access to the internet for information retrieval, and hosting of information for retrieval over the internet or the graphical subnetwork 11 12 called the world wide web)) Unless the context clearly requires 13 otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this 14 chapter.

15 Sec. 409. RCW 82.04.363 and 1997 c 388 s 1 are each amended to 16 read as follows:

This chapter does not apply to amounts received by a nonprofit organization from the sale or furnishing of the following items at a camp or conference center conducted on property exempt from property tax under RCW 84.36.030 (1), (2), or (3):

(1) Lodging, conference and meeting rooms, camping facilities,
 parking, and similar licenses to use real property;

23 (2) Food and meals;

(3) Books, tapes, and other products, including books and other
 products that are transferred electronically, that are available
 exclusively to the participants at the camp, conference, or meeting and
 are not available to the public at large.

28 **Sec. 410.** RCW 82.04.4282 and 1994 c 124 s 3 are each amended to 29 read as follows:

In computing tax there may be deducted from the measure of tax amounts derived from bona fide (1) initiation fees, (2) dues, (3) contributions, (4) donations, (5) tuition fees, (6) charges made by a nonprofit trade or professional organization for attending or occupying space at a trade show, convention, or educational seminar sponsored by the nonprofit trade or professional organization, which trade show, convention, or educational seminar is not open to the general public,

(7) charges made for operation of privately operated kindergartens, and 1 2 (8) endowment funds. This section ((shall)) may not be construed to 3 exempt any person, association, or society from tax liability upon selling tangible personal property, digital goods, digital codes, or 4 digital automated services, or upon providing facilities or other 5 services for which a special charge is made to members or others. б Ιf 7 dues are in exchange for any significant amount of goods or services 8 rendered by the recipient thereof to members without any additional charge to the member, or if the dues are graduated upon the amount of 9 10 goods or services rendered, the value of such goods or services shall not be considered as a deduction under this section. 11

12 **Sec. 411.** RCW 82.04.470 and 2007 c 6 s 1201 are each amended to 13 read as follows:

(1) Unless a seller has taken from the buyer a resale certificate,
the burden of proving that a sale ((of tangible personal property, or
of services, was not a sale at retail shall be)) is a wholesale sale
rather than a retail sale is upon the person who made it.

18 (2) If a seller does not receive a resale certificate at the time 19 of the sale, have a resale certificate on file at the time of the sale, 20 or obtain a resale certificate from the buyer within a reasonable time 21 after the sale, the seller shall remain liable for the tax as provided 22 in RCW 82.08.050, unless the seller can demonstrate facts and 23 circumstances according to rules adopted by the department of revenue 24 that show the sale was properly made without payment of sales tax.

(3) The department may provide by rule for suggested forms for resale certificates or equivalent documents containing the information that will be accepted as resale certificates. The department shall provide by rule the categories of items or services that must be specified on resale certificates and the business classifications that may use a blanket resale certificate.

31 (4) As used in this section, "resale certificate" means 32 documentation provided by a buyer to a seller stating that the purchase 33 is for resale in the regular course of business, or that the buyer is 34 exempt from retail sales tax, and containing the following information: 35 (a) The name and address of the buyer;

(b) The uniform business identifier or revenue registration numberof the buyer, if the buyer is required to be registered;

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(c) The type of business engaged in;

2 (d) The categories of items or services to be purchased for resale 3 or that are exempt, unless the buyer presents a blanket resale 4 certificate;

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(e) The date on which the certificate was provided;

(f) A statement that the items or services purchased either: (i)
Are purchased for resale in the regular course of business; or (ii) are
exempt from tax pursuant to statute;

9 (g) A statement that the buyer acknowledges that the buyer is 10 solely responsible for purchasing within the categories specified on 11 the certificate and that misuse of the resale or exemption privilege 12 claimed on the certificate subjects the buyer to a penalty of fifty 13 percent of the tax due, in addition to the tax, interest, and any other 14 penalties imposed by law;

(h) The name of the individual authorized to sign the certificate,printed in a legible fashion;

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(i) The signature of the authorized individual; and

18 (j) The name of the seller.

19 (5) Subsection (4)(h), (i), and (j) of this section does not apply 20 if the certificate is provided in a format other than paper. If the 21 certificate is provided in a format other than paper, the name of the 22 individual providing the certificate must be included in the 23 certificate.

24 **Sec. 412.** RCW 82.04.480 and 1975 1st ex.s. c 278 s 44 are each 25 amended to read as follows:

26 (1) Every consignee, bailee, factor, or auctioneer having either 27 actual or constructive possession of ((tangible)) personal property, or having possession of the documents of title thereto, with power to sell 28 29 such ((tangible)) personal property in ((his or its)) that person's own 30 name and actually so selling, ((shall be)) is deemed the seller of such 31 ((tangible)) personal property within the meaning of this chapter(( $\dot{\tau}$ and further,)). Furthermore, the consignor, bailor, principal, or 32 33 owner ((shall be)) is deemed a seller of such property to the consignee, bailee, factor, or auctioneer. 34

35 (2) The burden ((shall be upon)) is on the taxpayer in every case 36 to establish the fact that ((he)) the taxpayer is not engaged in the 37 business of ((selling tangible personal property)) making retail sales or wholesale sales but is acting merely as broker or agent in promoting sales for a principal. Such claim will be allowed only when the taxpayer's accounting records are kept in such manner as <u>required by</u> <u>rule by</u> the department ((of revenue shall by general regulation provide)).

6 (3) For purposes of this section, "personal property" means
 7 tangible personal property, digital goods, digital codes, and extended
 8 warranties.

9 Sec. 413. RCW 82.04.065 and 2007 c 6 s 1003 are each amended to 10 read as follows:

(1) "Competitive telephone service" means the providing by any person of telecommunications equipment or apparatus, or service related to that equipment or apparatus such as repair or maintenance service, if the equipment or apparatus is of a type which can be provided by persons that are not subject to regulation as telephone companies under Title 80 RCW and for which a separate charge is made.

17 (2) "Ancillary services" means services that are associated with or 18 incidental to the provision of "telecommunications services," including 19 but not limited to "detailed telecommunications billing," "directory 20 assistance," "vertical service," and "voice mail services."

(3) "Conference-bridging service" means an ancillary service that links two or more participants of an audio or video conference call and may include the provision of a telephone number. "Conference-bridging service" does not include the telecommunications services used to reach the conference bridge.

(4) "Detailed telecommunications billing service" means an
 ancillary service of separately stating information pertaining to
 individual calls on a customer's billing statement.

(5) "Directory assistance" means an ancillary service of providing
 telephone number information, and/or address information.

(6) "Vertical service" means an ancillary service that is offered in connection with one or more telecommunications services, that offers advanced calling features that allow customers to identify callers and to manage multiple calls and call connections, including conferencebridging services.

36 (7) "Voice mail service" means an ancillary service that enables

the customer to store, send, or receive recorded messages. "Voice mail service" does not include any vertical services that the customer may be required to have in order to use the voice mail service.

4 (8) "Telecommunications service" means the electronic transmission, conveyance, or routing of voice, data, audio, video, or any other 5 information or signals to a point, or between or among points. б 7 "Telecommunications service" includes such transmission, conveyance, or 8 routing in which computer processing applications are used to act on the form, code, or protocol of the content for purposes 9 of 10 transmission, conveyance, or routing without regard to whether such service is referred to as voice over internet protocol services or is 11 12 classified by the federal communications commission as enhanced or 13 value added. "Telecommunications service" does not include:

(a) Data processing and information services that allow data to be generated, acquired, stored, processed, or retrieved and delivered by an electronic transmission to a purchaser where such purchaser's primary purpose for the underlying transaction is the processed data or information;

19 (b) Installation or maintenance of wiring or equipment on a 20 customer's premises;

21 (c) Tangible personal property;

22 (d) Advertising, including but not limited to directory 23 advertising;

24 (e) Billing and collection services provided to third parties;

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(f) Internet access service;

26 (g) Radio and television audio and video programming services, regardless of the medium, including the furnishing of transmission, 27 28 conveyance, and routing of such services by the programming service provider. Radio and television audio and video programming services 29 include but are not limited to cable service as defined in 47 U.S.C. 30 Sec. 522(6) and audio and video programming services delivered by 31 32 commercial mobile radio service providers, as defined in section 20.3, Title 47 C.F.R.; 33

34 (h) Ancillary services; ((<del>or</del>))

(i) Digital products delivered electronically, including but not limited to ((software,)) music, video, reading materials, or ring tones; or

38 <u>(j) Software delivered electronically</u>.

(9) "800 service" means a telecommunications service that allows a caller to dial a toll-free number without incurring a charge for the call. The service is typically marketed under the name "800," "855," "866," "877," and "888" toll-free calling, and any subsequent numbers designated by the federal communications commission.

"900 service" means an inbound toll "telecommunications 6 (10)service" purchased by a subscriber that allows the subscriber's 7 8 customers to call in to the subscriber's prerecorded announcement or "900 service" does not include the charge for: 9 live service. 10 Collection services provided by the seller of the telecommunications services to the subscriber, or services or products sold by the 11 12 subscriber to the subscriber's customer. The service is typically 13 marketed under the name "900" service, and any subsequent numbers 14 designated by the federal communications commission.

(11) "Fixed wireless service" means a telecommunications servicethat provides radio communication between fixed points.

17 (12) "Mobile wireless service" means a telecommunications service 18 that is transmitted, conveyed, or routed regardless of the technology 19 used, whereby the origination and/or termination points of the 20 transmission, conveyance, or routing are not fixed, including, by way 21 of example only, telecommunications services that are provided by a 22 commercial mobile radio service provider.

(13) "Paging service" means a telecommunications service that provides transmission of coded radio signals for the purpose of activating specific pagers; these transmissions may include messages and/or sounds.

(14) "Prepaid calling service" means the right to access exclusively telecommunications services, which must be paid for in advance and which enable the origination of calls using an access number or authorization code, whether manually or electronically dialed, and that is sold in predetermined units or dollars of which the number declines with use in a known amount.

33 (15) "Prepaid wireless calling service" means a telecommunications 34 service that provides the right to use mobile wireless service as well 35 as other nontelecommunications services including the download of 36 digital products delivered electronically, content, and ancillary 37 services, which must be paid for in advance and that is sold in

1 predetermined units or dollars of which the number declines with use in 2 a known amount.

3 (16) "Private communications service" means a telecommunications 4 service that entitles the customer to exclusive or priority use of a 5 communications channel or group of channels between or among 6 termination points, regardless of the manner in which the channel or 7 channels are connected, and includes switching capacity, extension 8 lines, stations, and any other associated services that are provided in 9 connection with the use of the channel or channels.

10 (17) "Value-added nonvoice data service" means a service that 11 otherwise meets the definition of telecommunications services in which 12 computer processing applications are used to act on the form, content, 13 code, or protocol of the information or data primarily for a purpose 14 other than transmission, conveyance, or routing.

(18) "Charges for mobile telecommunications services" means any 15 charge for, or associated with, the provision of commercial mobile 16 radio service, as defined in section 20.3, Title 47 C.F.R. as in effect 17 on June 1, 1999, or any charge for, or associated with, a service 18 provided as an adjunct to a commercial mobile radio service, regardless 19 of whether individual transmissions originate or terminate within the 20 21 licensed service area of the mobile telecommunications service 22 provider.

23 (19) "Customer" means: (a) The person or entity that contracts 24 with the home service provider for mobile telecommunications services; or (b) the end user of the mobile telecommunications service, if the 25 26 end user of mobile telecommunications services is not the contracting 27 party, but this subsection (19)(b) applies only for the purpose of determining the place of primary use. The term does not include a 28 reseller of mobile telecommunications service, or a serving carrier 29 30 under an arrangement to serve the customer outside the home service provider's licensed service area. 31

32 (20) "Designated database provider" means a person representing all33 the political subdivisions of the state that is:

34 (a) Responsible for providing an electronic database prescribed in
35 4 U.S.C. Sec. 119(a) if the state has not provided an electronic
36 database; and

37 (b) Approved by municipal and county associations or leagues of the

state whose responsibility it would otherwise be to provide a database
 prescribed by 4 U.S.C. Secs. 116 through 126.

3 (21) "Enhanced zip code" means a United States postal zip code of4 nine or more digits.

5 (22) "Home service provider" means the facilities-based carrier or 6 reseller with whom the customer contracts for the provision of mobile 7 telecommunications services.

8 (23) "Licensed service area" means the geographic area in which the 9 home service provider is authorized by law or contract to provide 10 commercial mobile radio service to the customer.

11 (24) "Mobile telecommunications service" means commercial mobile 12 radio service, as defined in section 20.3, Title 47 C.F.R. as in effect 13 on June 1, 1999.

14 (25) "Mobile telecommunications service provider" means a home 15 service provider or a serving carrier.

16 (26) "Place of primary use" means the street address representative 17 of where the customer's use of the mobile telecommunications service 18 primarily occurs, which must be:

(a) The residential street address or the primary business streetaddress of the customer; and

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(b) Within the licensed service area of the home service provider.

(27) "Prepaid telephone calling service" means the right to purchase exclusively telecommunications services that must be paid for in advance, that enables the origination of calls using an access number, authorization code, or both, whether manually or electronically dialed, if the remaining amount of units of service that have been prepaid is known by the provider of the prepaid service on a continuous basis.

(28) "Reseller" means a provider who purchases telecommunications services from another telecommunications service provider and then resells, uses as a component part of, or integrates the purchased services into a mobile telecommunications service. "Reseller" does not include a serving carrier with whom a home service provider arranges for the services to its customers outside the home service provider's licensed service area.

36 (29) "Serving carrier" means a facilities-based carrier providing 37 mobile telecommunications service to a customer outside a home service 38 provider's or reseller's licensed service area. 1 (30) "Taxing jurisdiction" means any of the several states, the 2 District of Columbia, or any territory or possession of the United 3 States, any municipality, city, county, township, parish, 4 transportation district, or assessment jurisdiction, or other political 5 subdivision within the territorial limits of the United States with the 6 authority to impose a tax, charge, or fee.

PART V

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# SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS

9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 501. A new section is added to chapter 82.08 10 RCW to read as follows:

The tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to the sale of a digital code for one or more digital products if the sale of the digital products to which the digital code relates is exempt from the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020.

15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 502. A new section is added to chapter 82.08
16 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the tax
 imposed by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of audio or video
 programming by a radio or television broadcaster.

(2) (2) The exemption provided in subsection (1) of this section does not apply in respect to programming that is sold on a pay-per-program basis or that allows the buyer to access a library of programs at any time for a specific charge for that service.

(3) For purposes of this section, "radio or television broadcaster"
includes satellite radio providers, satellite television providers,
cable television providers, and providers of subscription internet
television.

28 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 503. A new section is added to chapter 82.08
29 RCW to read as follows:

30 (1) The tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of 31 digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, or services 32 defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) for purposes of:

(a) Consuming the digital good, digital code, digital automated
 service, or service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) in

producing for sale a new product, where the digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) becomes an ingredient or component of the new product. A digital code becomes an ingredient or component of a new product if the digital good or digital automated service acquired through the use of the digital code becomes an ingredient or component of a new product; or

8 (b) Making the digital good or digital automated service, including 9 a digital good or digital automated service acquired through the use of 10 a digital code, or service defined as a retail sale in RCW 11 82.04.050(6)(b) available free of charge on the buyer's web site for 12 the use or enjoyment of others.

13 (2) The exemption is available only when the buyer provides the 14 seller with an exemption certificate in a form and manner prescribed by 15 the department. The seller must retain a copy of the certificate for 16 the seller's files.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 504. A new section is added to chapter 82.08
 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to the sale to a business of standard digital information and services rendered in respect to standard digital information, where the standard digital information and services are purchased solely for business purposes.

(2) The exemption is available only when the buyer provides the seller with an exemption certificate in a form and manner prescribed by the department. The seller must retain a copy of the certificate for the seller's files.

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(3) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Business purposes" means any purpose relevant to the business
needs of the taxpayer claiming an exemption under this section.
Business purposes do not include any personal, family, or household
purpose. The term also does not include any activity conducted by a
government entity as that term is defined in RCW 7.25.005; and

33 (b) "Standard digital information" means a digital good consisting 34 primarily of data, facts, or information, or any combination thereof, 35 not generated or compiled for a specific client or customer. 1 Sec. 505. RCW 82.08.02525 and 1996 c 63 s 1 are each amended to
2 read as follows:

The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to the 3 4 sale of public records by state and local agencies, as the terms are defined in RCW 42.17.020, that are copied or transferred electronically 5 6 under a request for the record for which no fee is charged other than 7 a statutorily set fee or a fee to reimburse the agency for its actual 8 costs directly incident to the copying. A request for a record includes a request for a document not available to the public but 9 10 available to those persons who by law are allowed access to the document, such as requests for fire reports, law enforcement reports, 11 12 taxpayer information, and academic transcripts.

13 **Sec. 506.** RCW 82.08.0253 and 1980 c 37 s 21 are each amended to 14 read as follows:

15 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to:

16 <u>(a)</u> The distribution and newsstand sale of printed newspapers; and

(b) The sale of newspapers transferred electronically, provided
 that the electronic version of a printed newspaper:

19 (i) Shares content with the printed newspaper; and

20 (ii) Is prominently identified by the same name as the printed 21 newspaper or otherwise conspicuously indicates that it is a complement 22 to the printed newspaper.

(2) For purposes of this section, "printed newspaper" means a
 publication issued regularly at stated intervals at least twice a month
 and printed on newsprint in tabloid or broadsheet format folded loosely
 together without stapling, glue, or any other binding of any kind,
 including any supplement of a printed newspaper.

28 **Sec. 507.** RCW 82.08.02535 and 1995 2nd sp.s. c 8 s 1 are each 29 amended to read as follows:

The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to ((the)) subscription sales ((and distribution)) of magazines or periodicals ((by subscription)), including magazines and periodicals transferred electronically to the buyer, for the purposes of fund-raising by (1) educational institutions as defined in RCW 82.04.170, or (2) nonprofit organizations engaged in activities primarily for the benefit of boys and girls nineteen years and younger. 1 **Sec. 508.** RCW 82.08.02537 and 1996 c 272 s 2 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to sales of academic transcripts by educational institutions, including academic transcripts transferred electronically.

6 **Sec. 509.** RCW 82.08.0256 and 1980 c 37 s 24 are each amended to 7 read as follows:

The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to sales 8 9 (including transfers of title through decree of appropriation) heretofore or hereafter made of the entire operating property of a 10 11 publicly or privately owned public utility, or of a complete operating 12 integral section thereof, to the state or a political subdivision 13 thereof for use in conducting any business defined in RCW 82.16.010 (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10) or (11).14 For purposes of this section, "operating property" includes digital goods 15 16 and digital codes.

17 **Sec. 510.** RCW 82.08.02565 and 1999 c 211 s 5 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

19 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to 20 sales to a manufacturer or processor for hire of machinery and 21 equipment used directly in a manufacturing operation or research and 22 development operation, to sales to a person engaged in testing for a 23 manufacturer or processor for hire of machinery and equipment used 24 directly in a testing operation, or to sales of or charges made for 25 labor and services rendered in respect to installing, repairing, 26 cleaning, altering, or improving the machinery and equipment, but only 27 when the purchaser provides the seller with an exemption certificate in 28 a form and manner prescribed by the department by rule. The seller ((shall)) must retain a copy of the certificate for the seller's files. 29

30 (2) For purposes of this section and RCW 82.12.02565:
31 (a) "Machinery and equipment" means industrial fixtures, devices,
32 and support facilities, and tangible personal property that becomes an
33 ingredient or component thereof, including repair parts and replacement
34 parts. "Machinery and equipment" includes pollution control equipment
35 installed and used in a manufacturing operation, testing operation, or

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research and development operation to prevent air pollution, water

1 pollution, or contamination that might otherwise result from the 2 manufacturing operation, testing operation, or research and development 3 operation. <u>"Machinery and equipment" also includes digital goods.</u>

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(b) "Machinery and equipment" does not include:

5 (i) Hand-powered tools;

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(ii) Property with a useful life of less than one year;

7 (iii) Buildings, other than machinery and equipment that is 8 permanently affixed to or becomes a physical part of a building; and

9 (iv) Building fixtures that are not integral to the manufacturing 10 operation, testing operation, or research and development operation 11 that are permanently affixed to and become a physical part of a 12 building, such as utility systems for heating, ventilation, air 13 conditioning, communications, plumbing, or electrical.

14 (c) Machinery and equipment is "used directly" in a manufacturing 15 operation, testing operation, or research and development operation if 16 the machinery and equipment:

17 (i) Acts upon or interacts with an item of tangible personal 18 property;

(ii) Conveys, transports, handles, or temporarily stores an item of
 tangible personal property at the manufacturing site or testing site;

(iii) Controls, guides, measures, verifies, aligns, regulates, or
 tests tangible personal property at the site or away from the site;

23 (iv) Provides physical support for or access to tangible personal 24 property;

(v) Produces power for, or lubricates machinery and equipment;

(vi) Produces another item of tangible personal property for use in the manufacturing operation, testing operation, or research and development operation;

(vii) Places tangible personal property in the container, package, or wrapping in which the tangible personal property is normally sold or transported; or

32 (viii) Is integral to research and development as defined in RCW33 82.63.010.

(d) "Manufacturing operation" means the manufacturing of articles,
 substances, or commodities for sale as tangible personal property. A
 manufacturing operation begins at the point where the raw materials
 enter the manufacturing site and ends at the point where the processed
 material leaves the manufacturing site. The term also includes that

portion of a cogeneration project that is used to generate power for consumption within the manufacturing site of which the cogeneration project is an integral part. The term does not include the production of electricity by a light and power business as defined in RCW 82.16.010 or the preparation of food products on the premises of a person selling food products at retail.

7 (e) "Cogeneration" means the simultaneous generation of electrical
8 energy and low-grade heat from the same fuel.

9 (f) "Research and development operation" means engaging in research 10 and development as defined in RCW 82.63.010 by a manufacturer or 11 processor for hire.

12 (g) "Testing" means activities performed to establish or determine 13 the properties, qualities, and limitations of tangible personal 14 property.

(h) "Testing operation" means the testing of tangible personal 15 16 property for a manufacturer or processor for hire. A testing operation 17 begins at the point where the tangible personal property enters the 18 testing site and ends at the point where the tangible personal property 19 leaves the testing site. The term also includes that portion of a cogeneration project that is used to generate power for consumption 20 21 within the site of which the cogeneration project is an integral part. 22 The term does not include the production of electricity by a light and 23 power business as defined in RCW 82.16.010 or the preparation of food 24 products on the premises of a person selling food products at retail.

25 **Sec. 511.** RCW 82.08.0257 and 1980 c 37 s 25 are each amended to 26 read as follows:

The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to auction sales made by or through auctioneers of ((tangible)) personal property (including household goods) ((which have)) that has been used in conducting a farm activity, when the seller thereof is a farmer and the sale is held or conducted upon a farm and not otherwise.

32 Sec. 512. RCW 82.08.0273 and 2007 c 135 s 2 are each amended to 33 read as follows:

(1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to
 sales to nonresidents of this state of tangible personal property,
 <u>digital goods, and digital codes, when such property is</u> for use outside

this state ((when)), and the purchaser (a) is a bona fide resident of 1 2 a state or possession or Province of Canada other than the state of Washington and such state, possession, or Province of Canada does not 3 4 impose a retail sales tax or use tax of three percent or more or, if 5 imposing such a tax, permits Washington residents exemption from otherwise taxable sales by reason of their residence, and (b) agrees, 6 7 when requested, to grant the department of revenue access to such 8 records and other forms of verification at his or her place of 9 residence to assure that such purchases are not first used substantially in the state of Washington. 10

11 (2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this chapter, if 12 parts or other tangible personal property are installed by the seller 13 during the course of repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving motor 14 vehicles, trailers, or campers and the seller makes a separate charge for the tangible personal property, the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 15 does not apply to the separately stated charge to a nonresident 16 17 purchaser for the tangible personal property but only if the separately 18 stated charge does not exceed either the seller's current publicly 19 stated retail price for the tangible personal property or, if no ((separately)) publicly stated retail price is available, the seller's 20 21 cost for the tangible personal property. However, the exemption 22 provided by this section does not apply if tangible personal property 23 is installed by the seller during the course of repairing, cleaning, 24 altering, or improving motor vehicles, trailers, or campers and the seller makes a single nonitemized charge for providing the tangible 25 26 personal property and service. All of the requirements in subsections 27 (1) and (3) through (6) of this section apply to this subsection.

(3)(a) Any person claiming exemption from retail sales tax under the provisions of this section must display proof of his or her current nonresident status as provided in this section.

(b) Acceptable proof of a nonresident person's status ((shall)) 31 32 includes one piece of identification such as a valid driver's license 33 from the jurisdiction in which the out-of-state residency is claimed or a valid identification card which has a photograph of the holder and is 34 35 issued by the out-of-state jurisdiction. Identification under this 36 subsection (3)(b) must show the holder's residential address and have 37 as one of its legal purposes the establishment of residency in that 38 out-of-state jurisdiction.

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(4) Nothing in this section requires the vendor to make tax exempt 1 2 retail sales to nonresidents. A vendor may choose to make sales to nonresidents, collect the sales tax, and remit the amount of sales tax 3 collected to the state as otherwise provided by law. 4 If the vendor chooses to make a sale to a nonresident without collecting the sales 5 the vendor shall, in good faith, examine the proof б tax, of 7 nonresidence, determine whether the proof is acceptable under 8 subsection (3)(b) of this section, and maintain records for each nontaxable sale which shall show the type of proof accepted, including 9 10 any identification numbers where appropriate, and the expiration date, 11 if any.

12 (5)(a) Any person making fraudulent statements, which includes the 13 offer of fraudulent identification or fraudulently procured 14 identification to a vendor, in order to purchase goods without paying 15 retail sales tax is guilty of perjury under chapter 9A.72 RCW.

(b) Any person making tax exempt purchases under this section by displaying proof of identification not his or her own, or counterfeit identification, with intent to violate the provisions of this section, is guilty of a misdemeanor and, in addition, ((shall be)) is liable for the tax and subject to a penalty equal to the greater of one hundred dollars or the tax due on such purchases.

(6)(a) Any vendor who makes sales without collecting the tax to a person who does not hold valid identification establishing out-of-state residency, and any vendor who fails to maintain records of sales to nonresidents as provided in this section, ((shall be)) is personally liable for the amount of tax due.

27 (b) Any vendor who makes sales without collecting the retail sales 28 tax under this section and who has actual knowledge that the purchaser's proof of identification establishing out-of-state residency 29 30 is fraudulent is guilty of a misdemeanor and, in addition, ((shall be)) is liable for the tax and subject to a penalty equal to the greater of 31 32 one thousand dollars or the tax due on such sales. In addition, both the purchaser and the vendor ((shall be)) are liable for any penalties 33 34 and interest assessable under chapter 82.32 RCW.

35 **Sec. 513.** RCW 82.08.805 and 2006 c 182 s 3 are each amended to 36 read as follows:

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(1) A person who has paid tax under RCW 82.08.020 for ((tangible))

personal property used at an aluminum smelter, tangible personal 1 2 property that will be incorporated as an ingredient or component of 3 buildings or other structures at an aluminum smelter, or for labor and 4 services rendered with respect to such buildings, structures, or ((tangible)) personal property, is eligible for an exemption from the 5 state share of the tax in the form of a credit, as provided in this б 7 section. A person claiming an exemption must pay the tax and may then 8 take a credit equal to the state share of retail sales tax paid under RCW 82.08.020. The person shall submit information, in a form and 9 manner prescribed by the department, specifying the amount 10 of qualifying purchases or acquisitions for which the exemption is claimed 11 12 and the amount of exempted tax.

13 (2) For the purposes of this section, "aluminum smelter" has the14 same meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.217.

(3) Credits may not be claimed under this section for taxableevents occurring on or after January 1, 2012.

17 **Sec. 514.** RCW 82.08.995 and 2007 c 381 s 2 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

(1) The tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of ((tangible)) personal property and services provided by a public corporation, commission, or authority created under RCW 35.21.660 or 35.21.730 to an eligible entity.

(2) For purposes of this section, "eligible entity" means a limited
liability company, a limited partnership, or a single asset entity,
described in RCW 82.04.615.

26 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 515. RCW 82.08.705 (Exemptions--Financial 27 information delivered electronically) and 2007 c 182 s 1 are each 28 repealed.

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## PART VI

## USE TAX EXEMPTIONS

31 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 601. A new section is added to chapter 82.12 32 RCW to read as follows:

33 The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the use

of a digital code for one or more digital products, if the use of the digital products to which the digital code relates is exempt from the tax levied by RCW 82.12.020.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 602. A new section is added to chapter 82.12
RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the 7 provisions of this chapter do not apply to the use of audio or video 8 programming provided by a radio or television broadcaster.

9 (2) The exemption provided in subsection (1) of this section does 10 not apply in respect to programming that is sold on a pay-per-program 11 basis or that allows the buyer to access a library of programs at any 12 time for a specific charge for that service.

13 (3) For purposes of this section, "radio or television broadcaster" 14 includes satellite radio providers, satellite television providers, 15 cable television providers, providers of subscription internet 16 television, and persons who provide radio or television broadcasting to 17 listeners or viewers for no charge.

18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 603. A new section is added to chapter 82.12
 19 RCW to read as follows:

The provisions of this chapter do not apply to the use of digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, or services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) for purposes of:

23 (1) Consuming the digital good, digital code, digital automated 24 service, or service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) in 25 producing for sale a new product, where the digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or service defined as a retail sale in RCW 26 27 82.04.050(6)(b) becomes an ingredient or component of the new product. A digital code becomes an ingredient or component of a new product if 28 the digital good or digital automated service acquired through the use 29 30 of the digital code becomes an ingredient or component of a new product; or 31

32 (2) Making the digital good or digital automated service, including
33 a digital good or digital automated service acquired through the use of
34 a digital code, or service defined as a retail sale in RCW
35 82.04.050(6)(b) available free of charge on the web site of the person

1 claiming exemption under this section for the use or enjoyment of 2 others.

3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 604. A new section is added to chapter 82.12 4 RCW to read as follows:

5 The provisions of this chapter do not apply to the use by students 6 of digital goods furnished by a public or private elementary or 7 secondary school, or an institution of higher education as defined in 8 sections 1001 or 1002 of the federal higher education act of 1965 9 (Title 20 U.S.C. Secs. 1001 and 1002), as existing on July 1, 2009.

10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 605. A new section is added to chapter 82.12
11 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to theuse of digital goods that are:

14 (a) Of a noncommercial nature, such as personal e-mail 15 communications;

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(b) Created solely for an internal audience; or

(c) Created solely for the business needs of the person who created the digital good and is not the type of digital good that is offered for sale, including business e-mail communications.

(2) This section does not apply to the use of any digital goods
purchased by the user, the user's donor, or anybody on the user's
behalf.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 606. A new section is added to chapter 82.12
 RCW to read as follows:

The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the use of digital products or digital codes obtained by the end user free of charge.

28 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 607. A new section is added to chapter 82.12
 29 RCW to read as follows:

30 (1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply to the use by a 31 business of standard digital information and services rendered in 32 respect to standard digital information, where the standard digital 33 information and services are used solely for business purposes. (2) For purposes of this section, the definitions in section 504 of
 this act apply.

3 Sec. 608. RCW 82.12.0251 and 2005 c 514 s 106 are each amended to 4 read as follows:

5 The provisions of this chapter ((shall)) do not apply in respect to 6 the use:

7 (1) Of any article of tangible personal property <u>or any digital</u> 8 <u>good or digital code</u>, and <u>any</u> services that were rendered in respect to 9 such property, brought into the state of Washington by a nonresident 10 thereof for his or her use or enjoyment while temporarily within the 11 state of Washington unless such property is used in conducting a 12 nontransitory business activity within the state of Washington;

13 (2) By a nonresident of Washington of a motor vehicle or trailer 14 which is registered or licensed under the laws of the state of his or 15 her residence, and which is not required to be registered or licensed 16 under the laws of Washington, including motor vehicles or trailers 17 exempt pursuant to a declaration issued by the department of licensing 18 under RCW 46.85.060, and services rendered outside the state of 19 Washington in respect to such property;

20 (3) Of household goods, including digital goods, and digital codes, 21 personal effects, ((and)) private motor vehicles, and services rendered 22 in respect to such property, by a bona fide resident of Washington, or 23 nonresident members of the armed forces who are stationed in Washington pursuant to military orders, if such articles and services were 24 25 acquired and used by such person in another state while a bona fide 26 resident thereof and such acquisition and use occurred more than ninety 27 days prior to the time he or she entered Washington. For purposes of this subsection, private motor vehicles do not include motor homes; 28

(4) Of an extended warranty, to the extent that the property covered by the extended warranty is exempt under this section from the tax imposed under this chapter.

For purposes of this section, "state" means a state of the United States, any political subdivision thereof, the District of Columbia, and any foreign country or political subdivision thereof, and "services" means services defined as retail sales in RCW 82.04.050(2) (a) or (g).

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1 sec. 609. RCW 82.12.02525 and 1996 c 63 s 2 are each amended to
2 read as follows:

The provisions of this chapter ((shall)) do not apply with respect 3 to the use of public records sold by state and local agencies, as the 4 5 terms are defined in RCW 42.17.020, including public records transferred electronically that are obtained under a request for the б 7 record for which no fee is charged other than a statutorily set fee or a fee to reimburse the agency for its actual costs directly incident to 8 9 the copying. A request for a record includes a request for a document 10 not available to the public but available to those persons who by law are allowed access to the document, such as requests for fire reports, 11 12 enforcement reports, taxpayer information, and academic law 13 transcripts.

14 **Sec. 610.** RCW 82.12.0255 and 2005 c 514 s 107 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

The provisions of this chapter ((shall)) do not apply in respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property, extended warranty, <u>digital good</u>, <u>digital code</u>, <u>digital automated service</u>, or <u>other</u> service which the state is prohibited from taxing under the Constitution of the state or under the Constitution or laws of the United States.

22 Sec. 611. RCW 82.12.0257 and 1980 c 37 s 57 are each amended to 23 read as follows:

24 The provisions of this chapter ((shall)) do not apply in respect to 25 the use of any article of ((tangible)) personal property included within the transfer of the title to the entire operating property of a 26 publicly or privately owned public utility, or of a complete operating 27 integral section thereof, by the state or a political subdivision 28 29 thereof in conducting any business defined in RCW 82.16.010 (1), (2), 30 (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), or (11). For the purposes of this section, "operating property" includes digital goods and digital 31 32 codes.

33 **Sec. 612.** RCW 82.12.0258 and 1980 c 37 s 58 are each amended to 34 read as follows:

35 The provisions of this chapter ((shall)) do not apply in respect to

the use of ((tangible)) personal property (including household goods) ((which have)) that has been used in conducting a farm activity, if such property was purchased from a farmer at an auction sale held or conducted by an auctioneer upon a farm and not otherwise.

5 **Sec. 613.** RCW 82.12.0259 and 2003 c 5 s 7 are each amended to read 6 as follows:

7 The provisions of this chapter ((shall)) do not apply in respect to 8 the use of ((tangible)) personal property or the use of <u>digital</u> 9 automated services or services defined in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (6)(b) by corporations ((which)) that have been incorporated under any 10 11 act of the congress of the United States and whose principal purposes 12 are to furnish volunteer aid to members of the armed forces of the 13 United States and also to carry on a system of national and international relief and to apply the same in mitigating the sufferings 14 15 caused by pestilence, famine, fire, flood, and other national 16 calamities and to devise and carry on measures for preventing the same.

17 **Sec. 614.** RCW 82.12.0315 and 2003 c 5 s 10 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

19 (1) The provisions of this chapter shall not apply in respect to 20 the use of:

(a) Production equipment rented to a motion picture or videoproduction business;

(b) Production equipment acquired and used by a motion picture or video production business in another state, if the acquisition and use occurred more than ninety days before the time the motion picture or video production business entered this state; and

(c) Production services that are within the scope of RCW
82.04.050(2) (a) <u>or (g)</u> and are sold to a motion picture or video
production business.

30 (2) As used in this section, "production equipment," "production 31 services," and "motion picture or video production business" have the 32 meanings given in RCW 82.08.0315.

(3) The exemption provided for in this section shall not apply to the use of production equipment rented to, or production equipment or production services that are within the scope of RCW 82.04.050(2) (a)

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1 <u>or (g)</u> acquired and used by, a motion picture or video production 2 business that is engaged, to any degree, in the production of erotic 3 material, as defined in RCW 9.68.050.

4 **Sec. 615.** RCW 82.12.02595 and 2004 c 155 s 1 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

6 (1) This chapter does not apply to the use by a nonprofit 7 charitable organization or state or local governmental entity of ((any 8 item of tangible)) personal property that has been donated to the 9 nonprofit charitable organization or state or local governmental 10 entity, or to the subsequent use of the property by a person to whom 11 the property is donated or bailed in furtherance of the purpose for 12 which the property was originally donated.

(2) This chapter does not apply to the donation of ((tangible)) personal property without intervening use to a nonprofit charitable organization, or to the incorporation of tangible personal property without intervening use into real or personal property of or for a nonprofit charitable organization in the course of installing, repairing, cleaning, altering, imprinting, improving, constructing, or decorating the real or personal property for no charge.

(3) This chapter does not apply to the use by a nonprofit charitable organization of labor and services rendered in respect to installing, repairing, cleaning, altering, imprinting, or improving personal property provided to the charitable organization at no charge, or to the donation of such services.

25 (4) This chapter does not apply to the donation of amusement and 26 recreation services without intervening use to a nonprofit organization 27 or state or local governmental entity, to the use by a nonprofit organization or state or local governmental entity of amusement and 28 29 recreation services, or to the subsequent use of the services by a person to whom the services are donated or bailed in furtherance of the 30 31 purpose for which the services were originally donated. As used in 32 this subsection, "amusement and recreation services" has the meaning in 33 RCW 82.04.050(3)(a).

34 **Sec. 616.** RCW 82.12.0272 and 1980 c 37 s 70 are each amended to 35 read as follows:

36 The provisions of this chapter ((shall)) do not apply in respect to

the use of ((tangible)) personal property held for sale and displayed in single trade shows for a period not in excess of thirty days, the primary purpose of which is to promote the sale of products or services.

5 **Sec. 617.** RCW 82.12.0284 and 2007 c 54 s 15 are each amended to 6 read as follows:

7 The provisions of this chapter ((shall)) do not apply in respect to 8 the use of computers, computer components, computer accessories, ((or)) 9 computer software, digital goods, or digital codes, irrevocably donated 10 to any public or private nonprofit school or college, as defined under 11 chapter 84.36 RCW, in this state. For purposes of this section, 12 "computer" and "computer software" have the same meaning as in RCW 13 82.04.215.

14 **Sec. 618.** RCW 82.12.0345 and 1994 c 124 s 11 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

16 The tax imposed by RCW 82.12.020 ((shall)) <u>does</u> not apply in 17 respect to the use of:

18 (1) Printed newspapers as defined in RCW 82.08.0253; and

19 (2) Newspapers transferred electronically, provided that the 20 electronic version of a printed newspaper:

21 (a) Shares content with the printed newspaper; and

(b) Is prominently identified by the same name as the printed newspaper or otherwise conspicuously indicates that it is a complement to the printed newspaper.

25 **Sec. 619.** RCW 82.12.0347 and 1996 c 272 s 3 are each amended to 26 read as follows:

The provisions of this chapter ((shall)) do not apply in respect to the use of academic transcripts, including academic transcripts transferred electronically.

30 **Sec. 620.** RCW 82.12.805 and 2006 c 182 s 4 are each amended to 31 read as follows:

(1) A person who is subject to tax under RCW 82.12.020 for
 ((tangible)) personal property used at an aluminum smelter, or for
 tangible personal property that will be incorporated as an ingredient

or component of buildings or other structures at an aluminum smelter, 1 2 or for labor and services rendered with respect to such buildings, 3 structures, or ((tangible)) personal property, is eligible for an 4 exemption from the state share of the tax in the form of a credit, as 5 provided in this section. The amount of the credit shall be equal to the state share of use tax computed to be due under RCW 82.12.020. б The 7 person shall submit information, in a form and manner prescribed by the 8 of department, specifying the amount qualifying purchases or acquisitions for which the exemption is claimed and the amount of 9 10 exempted tax.

11 (2) For the purposes of this section, "aluminum smelter" has the 12 same meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.217.

(3) Credits may not be claimed under this section for taxableevents occurring on or after January 1, 2012.

15 Sec. 621. RCW 82.12.860 and 2006 c 11 s 1 are each amended to read 16 as follows:

(1) This chapter does not apply to state credit unions with respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property, <u>digital good</u>, <u>digital code</u>, <u>digital automated service</u>, service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2) (a) or <u>(g)</u>, (3)(a), or (6)(b), or extended warranty, acquired from a federal credit union, foreign credit union, or out-of-state credit union as a result of a merger or conversion.

23 (2) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Federal credit union" means a credit union organized andoperating under the laws of the United States.

(b) "Foreign credit union" means a credit union organized and operating under the laws of another country or other foreign jurisdiction.

(c) "Out-of-state credit union" means a credit union organized and operating under the laws of another state or United States territory or possession.

32 (d) "State credit union" means a credit union organized and 33 operating under the laws of this state.

34 **Sec. 622.** RCW 82.12.995 and 2007 c 381 s 3 are each amended to 35 read as follows:

36 (1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with respect to the

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use of ((tangible)) personal property and services provided by a public corporation, commission, or authority created under RCW 35.21.660 or 35.21.730 to an eligible entity.

4 (2) For purposes of this section, "eligible entity" means a limited
5 liability company, a limited partnership, or a single asset entity,
6 described in RCW 82.04.615.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 623. RCW 82.12.705 (Exemptions--Financial information delivered electronically) and 2007 c 182 s 2 are each repealed.

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## PART VII

# SOURCING AND SALES/USE TAX APPORTIONMENT

12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 701. A new section is added to chapter 82.08
13 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to the sale of digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, prewritten computer software, or services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) to a buyer that provides the seller with an exemption certificate claiming multiple points of use. An exemption certificate claiming multiple points of use must be in a form and contain such information as required by the department.

(2) A buyer is entitled to use an exemption certificate claiming 21 multiple points of use only if the buyer is a business or other 22 23 organization and the digital goods or digital automated services 24 purchased, or the digital goods or digital automated services to be obtained by the digital code purchased, or the prewritten computer 25 software or services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) 26 27 purchased will be concurrently available for use within and outside this state. A buyer is not entitled to use an exemption certificate 28 29 claiming multiple points of use for digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, prewritten computer software, or services 30 defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) purchased for personal 31 32 use.

(3) A buyer claiming an exemption under this section must reportand pay the tax imposed in RCW 82.12.020 and any local use taxes

imposed under the authority of chapter 82.14 RCW and RCW 81.104.170 directly to the department in accordance with sections 702 and 703 of this act.

4 (4) For purposes of this section, "concurrently available for use within and outside this state" means that employees or other agents of 5 the buyer may use the digital goods, digital automated services, б 7 prewritten computer software, or services defined as a retail sale in 8 RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) simultaneously from one or more locations within this state and one or more locations outside this state. A digital 9 code is concurrently available for use within and outside this state if 10 employees or other agents of the buyer may use the digital goods or 11 12 digital automated services to be obtained by the code simultaneously at 13 one or more locations within this state and one or more locations outside this state. 14

15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 702. A new section is added to chapter 82.12
16 RCW to read as follows:

17 (1) A business or other organization subject to the tax imposed in RCW 82.12.020 on the use of digital goods, digital codes, digital 18 automated services, prewritten computer software, or services defined 19 20 as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) that are concurrently available 21 for use within and outside this state is entitled to apportion the 22 amount of tax due this state based on users in this state compared to 23 users everywhere. The department may authorize or require an 24 alternative method of apportionment supported by the taxpayer's records 25 that fairly reflects the proportion of in-state to out-of-state use by 26 the taxpayer of the digital goods, digital automated services, 27 prewritten computer software, or services defined as a retail sale in 28 RCW 82.04.050(6)(b).

(2) No apportionment under this section is allowed unless the apportionment method is supported by the taxpayer's records kept in the ordinary course of business.

32 (3) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Concurrently available for use within and outside this state" means that employees or other agents of the taxpayer may use the digital goods, digital automated services, prewritten computer software, or services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) simultaneously at one or more locations within this state and one or

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1 more locations outside this state. A digital code is concurrently 2 available for use within and outside this state if employees or other 3 agents of the taxpayer may use the digital goods or digital automated 4 services to be obtained by the code simultaneously at one or more 5 locations within this state and one or more locations outside this 6 state.

7 (b) "User" means an employee or agent of the taxpayer who is 8 authorized by the taxpayer to use the digital goods, digital automated 9 services, prewritten computer software, or services defined as a retail 10 sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) in the performance of his or her duties as 11 an employee or other agent of the taxpayer.

12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 703. A new section is added to chapter 82.14 13 RCW to read as follows:

(1) A business or other organization that is entitled under section 702 of this act to apportion the amount of state use tax on the use of digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, prewritten computer software, or services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) is also entitled to apportion the amount of local use taxes imposed under the authority of this chapter and RCW 81.104.170 on the use of such products or services.

(2) To ensure that the tax base for state and local use taxes is identical, the measure of local use taxes apportioned under this section must be the same as the measure of state use tax apportioned under section 702 of this act.

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(3) This section does not affect the sourcing of local use taxes.

26 **Sec. 704.** RCW 82.32.730 and 2008 c 324 s 1 are each amended to 27 read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsections (5) through (7) of this section, for purposes of collecting or paying sales or use taxes to the appropriate jurisdictions, all sales at retail shall be sourced in accordance with this subsection and subsections (2) through (4) of this section.

(a) When tangible personal property, an extended warranty, <u>a</u>
 <u>digital good, digital code, digital automated service</u>, or ((<del>a</del>)) <u>other</u>
 service defined as a retail sale under RCW 82.04.050 is received by the

1 purchaser at a business location of the seller, the sale is sourced to 2 that business location.

(b) When the tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital 3 4 good, digital code, digital automated service, or  $((\frac{a}{a}))$  other service defined as a retail sale under RCW 82.04.050 is not received by the 5 purchaser at a business location of the seller, the sale is sourced to б 7 the location where receipt by the purchaser or the purchaser's donee, 8 designated as such by the purchaser, occurs, including the location indicated by instructions for delivery to the purchaser or donee, known 9 10 to the seller.

11 (c) When (a) and (b) of this subsection do not apply, the sale is 12 sourced to the location indicated by an address for the purchaser that 13 is available from the business records of the seller that are 14 maintained in the ordinary course of the seller's business when use of 15 this address does not constitute bad faith.

(d) When (a), (b), and (c) of this subsection do not apply, the sale is sourced to the location indicated by an address for the purchaser obtained during the consummation of the sale, including the address of a purchaser's payment instrument, if no other address is available, when use of this address does not constitute bad faith.

21 (e) When (a), (b), (c), or (d) of this subsection do not apply, 22 including the circumstance where the seller is without sufficient information to apply those provisions, then the location shall be 23 determined by the address from which tangible personal property was 24 shipped, from which the digital good or digital code or the computer 25 26 software delivered electronically was first available for transmission 27 by the seller, or from which the extended warranty or digital automated service or other service defined as a retail sale under RCW 82.04.050 28 29 was provided, disregarding for these purposes any location that merely 30 provided the digital transfer of the product sold.

31 (2) The lease or rental of tangible personal property, other than 32 property identified in subsection (3) or (4) of this section, shall be 33 sourced as provided in this subsection.

(a) For a lease or rental that requires recurring periodic
payments, the first periodic payment is sourced the same as a retail
sale in accordance with subsection (1) of this section. Periodic
payments made subsequent to the first payment are sourced to the
primary property location for each period covered by the payment. The

1 primary property location shall be as indicated by an address for the 2 property provided by the lessee that is available to the lessor from 3 its records maintained in the ordinary course of business, when use of 4 this address does not constitute bad faith. The property location is 5 not altered by intermittent use at different locations, such as use of 6 business property that accompanies employees on business trips and 7 service calls.

8 (b) For a lease or rental that does not require recurring periodic 9 payments, the payment is sourced the same as a retail sale in 10 accordance with subsection (1) of this section.

(c) This subsection (2) does not affect the imposition or computation of sales or use tax on leases or rentals based on a lump sum or accelerated basis, or on the acquisition of property for lease.

(3) The lease or rental of motor vehicles, trailers, semitrailers,
or aircraft that do not qualify as transportation equipment shall be
sourced as provided in this subsection.

17 (a) For a lease or rental that requires recurring periodic 18 payments, each periodic payment is sourced to the primary property 19 location. The primary property location is as indicated by an address 20 for the property provided by the lessee that is available to the lessor 21 from its records maintained in the ordinary course of business, when 22 use of this address does not constitute bad faith. This location is 23 not altered by intermittent use at different locations.

(b) For a lease or rental that does not require recurring periodic
payments, the payment is sourced the same as a retail sale in
accordance with subsection (1) of this section.

(c) This subsection does not affect the imposition or computation
 of sales or use tax on leases or rentals based on a lump sum or
 accelerated basis, or on the acquisition of property for lease.

30 (4) The retail sale, including lease or rental, of transportation 31 equipment shall be sourced the same as a retail sale in accordance with 32 subsection (1) of this section.

(5)(a) A purchaser of direct mail that is not a holder of a direct pay permit shall provide to the seller in conjunction with the purchase either a direct mail form or information that shows the jurisdictions to which the direct mail is delivered to recipients.

37 (i) Upon receipt of the direct mail form, the seller is relieved of38 all obligations to collect, pay, or remit the applicable tax and the

purchaser is obligated to pay or remit the applicable tax on a direct pay basis. A direct mail form shall remain in effect for all future sales of direct mail by the seller to the purchaser until it is revoked in writing.

5 (ii) Upon receipt of information from the purchaser showing the 6 jurisdictions to which the direct mail is delivered to recipients, the 7 seller shall collect the tax according to the delivery information 8 provided by the purchaser. In the absence of bad faith, the seller is 9 relieved of any further obligation to collect tax on any transaction 10 where the seller has collected tax pursuant to the delivery information 11 provided by the purchaser.

(b) If the purchaser of direct mail does not have a direct pay permit and does not provide the seller with either a direct mail form or delivery information as required by (a) of this subsection, the seller shall collect the tax according to subsection (1)(e) of this section. This subsection does not limit a purchaser's obligation for sales or use tax to any state to which the direct mail is delivered.

18 (c) If a purchaser of direct mail provides the seller with 19 documentation of direct pay authority, the purchaser is not required to 20 provide a direct mail form or delivery information to the seller.

(6) The following are sourced to the location at or from which delivery is made to the consumer:

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(a) A retail sale of watercraft;

24 (b) A retail sale of a modular home, manufactured home, or mobile 25 home;

(c) A retail sale, excluding the lease and rental, of a motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, or aircraft, that do not qualify as transportation equipment; and

(d) Florist sales. In the case of a sale in which one florist takes an order from a customer and then communicates that order to another florist who delivers the items purchased to the place designated by the customer, the location at or from which the delivery is made to the consumer is deemed to be the location of the florist originally taking the order.

35 (7) A retail sale of the providing of telecommunications services
36 or ancillary services, as those terms are defined in RCW 82.04.065,
37 shall be sourced in accordance with RCW 82.32.520.

(8) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this
 section.

3 (a) "Delivered electronically" means delivered to the purchaser by
4 means other than tangible storage media.

(b) "Direct mail" means printed material delivered or distributed 5 by United States mail or other delivery service to a mass audience or б 7 to addressees on a mailing list provided by the purchaser or at the 8 direction of the purchaser when the cost of the items are not billed directly to the recipients. "Direct mail" includes tangible personal 9 10 property supplied directly or indirectly by the purchaser to the direct mail seller for inclusion in the package containing the printed 11 12 material. "Direct mail" does not include multiple items of printed 13 material delivered to a single address.

14 (c) "Florist sales" means the retail sale of tangible personal 15 property by a florist. For purposes of this subsection (8)(c), 16 "florist" means a person whose primary business activity is the retail 17 sale of fresh cut flowers, potted ornamental plants, floral 18 arrangements, floral bouquets, wreaths, or any similar products, used 19 for decorative and not landscaping purposes.

(d) "Receive" and "receipt" mean taking possession of tangible personal property, making first use of <u>digital automated services or</u> <u>other</u> services, or taking possession or making first use of digital goods <u>or digital codes</u>, whichever comes first. "Receive" and "receipt" do not include possession by a shipping company on behalf of the purchaser.

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(e) "Transportation equipment" means:

(i) Locomotives and railcars that are used for the carriage ofpersons or property in interstate commerce;

(ii) Trucks and truck tractors with a gross vehicle weight rating of ten thousand one pounds or greater, trailers, semitrailers, or passenger buses that are:

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(A) Registered through the international registration plan; and

33 (B) Operated under authority of a carrier authorized and 34 certificated by the United States department of transportation or 35 another federal authority to engage in the carriage of persons or 36 property in interstate commerce;

37 (iii) Aircraft that are operated by air carriers authorized and

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certificated by the United States department of transportation or 1 another federal or foreign authority to engage in the carriage of 2 persons or property in interstate or foreign commerce; or 3

4 (iv) Containers designed for use on and component parts attached or 5 secured on the items described in (e)(i) through (iii) of this subsection. б

7 (9) In those instances where there is no obligation on the part of a seller to collect or remit this state's sales or use tax, the use of 8 tangible personal property, digital good, digital code, or of a digital 9 10 automated service or other service, subject to use tax, is sourced to the place of first use in this state. The definition of use in RCW 11 12 82.12.010 applies to this subsection.

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#### PART VIII

#### BUNDLING OF DIGITAL PRODUCTS TO BE OBTAINED THROUGH THE USE OF A CODE THAT DOES NOT MEET THE DEFINITION OF DIGITAL CODE 15

Sec. 801. RCW 82.08.195 and 2007 c 6 s 1402 are each amended to 16 read as follows: 17

(1) A bundled transaction is subject to the tax imposed by RCW 18 19 82.08.020 if the retail sale of any of its component products would be 20 subject to the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020.

21 (2) The transactions described in RCW 82.08.190(4) (a) and (b) are 22 subject to the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 if the service that is the 23 true object of the transaction is subject to the tax imposed by RCW 24 82.08.020. If the service that is the true object of the transaction 25 is not subject to the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020, the transaction is not subject to the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020. 26

(3) The transaction described in RCW 82.08.190(4)(c) is not subject 27 to the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020. 28

(4) The transaction described in RCW 82.08.190(4)(d) is not subject 29 30 to the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020.

(5) In the case of a bundled transaction that includes any of the 31 Telecommunications service, ancillary service, internet 32 following: access, or audio or video programming service: 33

34 (a) If the price is attributable to products that are taxable and 35 products that are not taxable, the portion of the price attributable to 36 the nontaxable products are subject to the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020

unless the seller can identify by reasonable and verifiable standards the portion from its books and records that are kept in the regular course of business for other purposes including, but not limited to, nontax purposes;

(b) If the price is attributable to products that are subject to 5 tax at different tax rates, the total price is attributable to the 6 7 products subject to the tax at the highest tax rate unless the seller 8 can identify by reasonable and verifiable standards the portion of the price attributable to the products subject to the tax imposed by RCW 9 10 82.08.020 at the lower rate from its books and records that are kept in the regular course of business for other purposes including, but not 11 12 limited to, nontax purposes.

13 (6) In the case of the sale of a code that provides a purchaser 14 with the right to obtain more than one digital product, and which may 15 also include the right to obtain other products or services, and all of 16 the products and services, digital or otherwise, to be obtained through 17 the use of the code do not have the same sales and use tax treatment, 18 for purposes of the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020:

19 (a) The transaction is deemed to be the sale of the products and 20 services to be obtained through the use of the code; and

21 (b)(i) The tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 applies to the entire 22 selling price of the code, except as provided in (b)(ii) of this 23 subsection (6).

24 (ii) If the seller can identify by reasonable and verifiable standards the portion of the selling price attributable to the products 25 26 and services that are not subject to the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 27 from its books and records that are kept in the regular course of business for other purposes including, but not limited to, nontax 28 purposes, the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to that 29 30 portion of the selling price of the code attributable to the products and services that are not subject to the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020. 31

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# PART IX

### NEXUS

34 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 901. A new section is added to chapter 82.32
 35 RCW to read as follows:

36 For purposes of the taxes imposed in this title, the department of

revenue may not consider a person's ownership of, or rights in, digital goods or digital codes residing on servers located in this state in determining whether the person has substantial nexus with this state. For purposes of this section, "substantial nexus" means the requisite connection that a person has with a state to allow the state to subject the person to the state's taxing authority, consistent with the commerce clause of the United States Constitution.

# PART X AMNESTY

10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1001.** (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) 11 of this section, no person may be held liable for the failure to 12 collect or pay state and local sales and use taxes accrued before the 13 effective date of this act on the sale or use of digital goods.

14 (2) Subsection (1) of this section does not relieve any person from 15 liability for:

16 (a) State and local sales and use taxes assessed by the department 17 of revenue, if the assessment was originally issued before January 1, 18 2009; and

(b) State and local sales taxes that the person collected frombuyers but did not remit to the department of revenue.

(3) Nothing in this section may be construed as authorizing the refund of state and local sales and use taxes properly paid on the sale or use of digital goods before the effective date of this act.

(4) For purposes of this section, "digital goods" has the samemeaning as in section 201 of this act.

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# PART XI

# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

28 **Sec. 1101.** RCW 35.21.717 and 2004 c 154 s 1 are each amended to 29 read as follows:

30 ((Until July 1, 2006, a city or town may not impose any new taxes 31 or fees specific to internet service providers.)) A city or town may 32 tax internet ((service)) access providers under generally applicable 33 business taxes or fees, at a rate not to exceed the rate applied to a general service classification. For the purposes of this section,
 "internet ((service)) access" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.04.297.

3 **Sec. 1102.** RCW 48.14.080 and 2006 c 278 s 2 are each amended to 4 read as follows:

5 (1) As to insurers, other than title insurers and taxpayers under 6 RCW 48.14.0201, the taxes imposed by this title shall be in lieu of all 7 other taxes, except as otherwise provided in this section.

8 (2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply with respect to:
9 (a) Taxes on real and tangible personal property;

(b) Excise taxes on the sale, purchase, use, or possession of (i) real property; (ii) tangible personal property; (iii) extended warranties; ((and)) (iv) services, including digital automated services as defined in section 201 of this act; and (v) digital goods and digital codes as those terms are defined in section 201 of this act; and

16 (c) The tax imposed in RCW 82.04.260(10), regarding public and 17 nonprofit hospitals.

18 (3) For the purposes of this section, the term "taxes" includes 19 taxes imposed by the state or any county, city, town, municipal 20 corporation, quasi-municipal corporation, or other political 21 subdivision.

22 **Sec. 1103.** RCW 82.02.020 and 2008 c 113 s 2 are each amended to 23 read as follows:

24 Except only as expressly provided in chapters 67.28, 81.104, and 25 82.14 RCW, the state preempts the field of imposing retail sales and 26 use taxes and taxes upon ((retail sales of tangible personal property, 27 the use of tangible personal property, )) parimutuel wagering authorized pursuant to RCW 67.16.060, conveyances, and cigarettes, and no county, 28 29 town, or other municipal subdivision shall have the right to impose 30 taxes of that nature. Except as provided in RCW 64.34.440 and 82.02.050 through 82.02.090, no county, city, town, or other municipal 31 corporation shall impose any tax, fee, or charge, either direct or 32 33 indirect, on the construction or reconstruction of residential 34 buildings, commercial buildings, industrial buildings, or on any other 35 building or building space or appurtenance thereto, or on the development, subdivision, classification, or reclassification of land. 36

However, this section does not preclude dedications of land or easements within the proposed development or plat which the county, city, town, or other municipal corporation can demonstrate are reasonably necessary as a direct result of the proposed development or plat to which the dedication of land or easement is to apply.

6 This section does not prohibit voluntary agreements with counties, 7 cities, towns, or other municipal corporations that allow a payment in 8 lieu of a dedication of land or to mitigate a direct impact that has 9 identified as a consequence of a proposed development, been 10 subdivision, or plat. A local government shall not use such voluntary 11 agreements for local off-site transportation improvements within the 12 geographic boundaries of the area or areas covered by an adopted 13 transportation program authorized by chapter 39.92 RCW. Any such 14 voluntary agreement is subject to the following provisions:

(1) The payment shall be held in a reserve account and may only be expended to fund a capital improvement agreed upon by the parties to mitigate the identified, direct impact;

18 (2) The payment shall be expended in all cases within five years of 19 collection; and

(3) Any payment not so expended shall be refunded with interest to be calculated from the original date the deposit was received by the county and at the same rate applied to tax refunds pursuant to RCW 84.69.100; however, if the payment is not expended within five years due to delay attributable to the developer, the payment shall be refunded without interest.

No county, city, town, or other municipal corporation shall require any payment as part of such a voluntary agreement which the county, city, town, or other municipal corporation cannot establish is reasonably necessary as a direct result of the proposed development or plat.

Nothing in this section prohibits cities, towns, counties, or other municipal corporations from collecting reasonable fees from an applicant for a permit or other governmental approval to cover the cost to the city, town, county, or other municipal corporation of processing applications, inspecting and reviewing plans, or preparing detailed statements required by chapter 43.21C RCW.

37 This section does not limit the existing authority of any county,

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city, town, or other municipal corporation to impose special
 assessments on property specifically benefitted thereby in the manner
 prescribed by law.

4 Nothing in this section prohibits counties, cities, or towns from 5 imposing or permits counties, cities, or towns to impose water, sewer, drainage utility, and drainage 6 natural gas, system charges((+ 7 PROVIDED, That)). However, no such charge shall exceed the 8 proportionate share of such utility or system's capital costs which the 9 county, city, or town can demonstrate are attributable to the property 10 being charged((+ PROVIDED FURTHER, That)). Furthermore, these provisions ((shall)) may not be interpreted to expand or contract any 11 12 existing authority of counties, cities, or towns to impose such 13 charges.

Nothing in this section prohibits a transportation benefit district from imposing fees or charges authorized in RCW 36.73.120 nor prohibits the legislative authority of a county, city, or town from approving the imposition of such fees within a transportation benefit district.

Nothing in this section prohibits counties, cities, or towns from imposing transportation impact fees authorized pursuant to chapter 39.92 RCW.

Nothing in this section prohibits counties, cities, or towns from requiring property owners to provide relocation assistance to tenants under RCW 59.18.440 and 59.18.450.

Nothing in this section limits the authority of counties, cities, or towns to implement programs consistent with RCW 36.70A.540, nor to enforce agreements made pursuant to such programs.

This section does not apply to special purpose districts formed and acting pursuant to Title((s)) 54, 57, or 87 RCW, nor is the authority conferred by these titles affected.

30 **Sec. 1104.** RCW 82.04.44525 and 2008 c 81 s 9 are each amended to 31 read as follows:

(1) Subject to the limits in this section, an eligible person is allowed a credit against the tax due under this chapter. The credit is based on qualified employment positions in eligible areas. The credit is available to persons who are engaged in international services as defined in this section. In order to receive the credit, the 1 international service activities must take place at a business within 2 the eligible area.

(2)(a) The credit shall equal three thousand dollars for each 3 4 qualified employment position created after July 1, 1998, in an eligible area. A credit is earned for the calendar year the person is 5 hired to fill the position, plus the four subsequent consecutive years, б if the position is maintained for those four years. 7

(b) Credit may not be taken for hiring of persons into positions 8 that exist on July 1, 1998. Credit is authorized for new employees 9 10 hired for new positions created after July 1, 1998. New positions filled by existing employees are eligible for the credit under this 11 12 section only if the position vacated by the existing employee is filled 13 by a new hire.

(c) When a position is newly created, if it is filled before July 14 1st, this position is eligible for the full yearly credit. If it is 15 filled after June 30th, this position is eligible for half of the 16 17 credit.

(d) Credit may be accrued and carried over until it is used. 18 No refunds may be granted for credits under this section. 19

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(3) For the purposes of this section:

21 (a) "Eligible area" means: (i) A community empowerment zone under 22 RCW 43.31C.020; or (ii) a contiguous group of census tracts that meets 23 the unemployment and poverty criteria of RCW 43.31C.030 and is 24 designated under subsection (4) of this section;

(b) "Eligible person" means a person, as defined in RCW 82.04.030, 25 26 who in an eligible area at a specific location is engaged in the 27 business of providing international services;

28 (c)(i) "International services" means the provision of a service, 29 as defined under (c)(iii) of this subsection, that is subject to tax 30 under RCW 82.04.290 (2) or (3), and either:

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(A) Is for a person domiciled outside the United States; or

32 (B) The service itself is for use primarily outside of the United 33 States.

34 (ii) "International services" excludes any service taxable under 35 RCW 82.04.290(1).

36 (iii) Eligible services are: Computer; data processing; 37 information; legal; accounting and tax preparation; engineering; 38 architectural; business consulting; business management; public 1 relations and advertising; surveying; geological consulting; real 2 estate appraisal; or financial services. For the purposes of this 3 section these services mean the following:

(A) "Computer services" are services such as computer programming,
custom software modification, customization of canned software, custom
software installation, custom software maintenance, custom software
repair, training in the use of software, computer systems design, and
custom software update services;

9 (B) "Data processing services" are services such as word 10 processing, data entry, data retrieval, data search, information compilation, payroll processing, business accounts processing, data 11 12 production, and other computerized data and information storage or 13 manipulation. "Data processing services" also includes the use of a 14 computer or computer time for data processing whether the processing is performed by the provider of the computer or by the purchaser or other 15 16 beneficiary of the service;

17 (C) "Information services" are services such as electronic data 18 retrieval or research that entails furnishing financial or legal 19 information, data or research, internet ((service)) access as defined 20 in RCW 82.04.297, general or specialized news, or current information;

(D) "Legal services" are services such as representation by an attorney, or other person when permitted, in an administrative or legal proceeding, legal drafting, paralegal services, legal research services, and court reporting services, arbitration, and mediation services;

(E) "Accounting and tax preparation services" are services such as
 accounting, auditing, actuarial, bookkeeping, or tax preparation
 services;

(F) "Engineering services" are services such as civil, electrical, mechanical, petroleum, marine, nuclear, and design engineering, machine designing, machine tool designing, and sewage disposal system designing services;

33 (G) "Architectural services" are services such as structural or 34 landscape design or architecture, interior design, building design, 35 building program management, and space planning services;

(H) "Business consulting services" are services such as primarily
 providing operating counsel, advice, or assistance to the management or
 owner of any business, private, nonprofit, or public organization,

including but not limited to those in 1 the following areas: 2 Administrative management consulting; general management consulting; 3 resource consulting or training; management engineering human 4 consulting; management information systems consulting; manufacturing 5 management consulting; marketing consulting; operations research 6 consulting; personnel management consulting; physical distribution 7 consulting; site location consulting; economic consulting; motel, 8 hotel, and resort consulting; restaurant consulting; government affairs 9 consulting; and lobbying;

10 (I) "Business management services" are services such as 11 administrative management, business management, and office management. 12 "Business management services" does not include property management or 13 property leasing, motel, hotel, and resort management, or automobile 14 parking management;

(J) "Public relations and advertising services" are services such as layout, art direction, graphic design, copy writing, mechanical preparation, opinion research, marketing research, marketing, or production supervision;

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(K) "Surveying services" are services such as land surveying;

(L) "Geological consulting services" are services rendered for the oil, gas, and mining industry and other earth resource industries, and other services such as soil testing;

(M) "Real estate appraisal services" are services such as market
 appraisal and other real estate valuation; and

(N) "Financial services" are services such as banking, loan, security, investment management, investment advisory, mortgage servicing, contract collection, and finance leasing services, engaged in by financial businesses, or businesses similar to or in competition with financial businesses; and

30 (d) "Qualified employment position" means a permanent full-time 31 position to provide international services. If an employee is either 32 voluntarily or involuntarily separated from employment, the employment 33 position is considered filled on a full-time basis if the employer is 34 either training or actively recruiting a replacement employee.

35 (4) By ordinance, the legislative authority of a city, or 36 legislative authorities of contiguous cities by ordinance of each 37 city's legislative authority, with population greater than eighty 38 thousand, located in a county containing no community empowerment zones

as designated under RCW 43.31C.020, may designate a contiguous group of 1 2 census tracts within the city or cities as an eligible area under this 3 section. Each of the census tracts must meet the unemployment and poverty criteria of RCW 43.31C.030. Upon making the designation, the 4 5 city or cities shall transmit to the department of revenue a certification letter and a map, each explicitly describing the б 7 boundaries of the census tract. This designation must be made by 8 December 31, 1998.

9 (5) No application is necessary for the tax credit. The person 10 must keep records necessary for the department to verify eligibility 11 under this section. This information includes:

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(a) Employment records for the previous six years;

13 (b) Information relating to description of international service 14 activity engaged in at the eligible location by the person; and

15 (c) Information relating to customers of international service 16 activity engaged in at that location by the person.

17 (6) If at any time the department finds that a person is not eligible for tax credit under this section, the amount of taxes for 18 19 which a credit has been used shall be immediately due. The department shall assess interest, but not penalties, on the credited taxes for 20 21 which the person is not eligible. The interest shall be assessed at 22 the rate provided for delinquent excise taxes under chapter 82.32 RCW, 23 shall be assessed retroactively to the date the tax credit was taken, 24 and shall accrue until the taxes for which a credit has been used are 25 repaid.

26 (7) The employment security department shall provide to the 27 department of revenue such information needed by the department of 28 revenue to verify eligibility under this section.

29 Sec. 1105. RCW 82.08.040 and 1975 1st ex.s. c 278 s 46 are each 30 amended to read as follows:

31 (1) Every consignee, bailee, factor, or auctioneer ((authorized, 32 engaged, or employed to sell or call)) selling or calling for bids on 33 ((tangible)) personal property belonging to another, ((and so selling 34 or calling, shall be)) is deemed the seller of such ((tangible)) 35 personal property within the meaning of this chapter ((and)). All 36 sales made by such persons are subject to ((its)) the provisions of 1 <u>this chapter</u> even though the sale would have been exempt from <u>the</u> tax 2 ((hereunder)) <u>imposed in this chapter</u> had it been made directly by the 3 owner of the property sold.

4 (2)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection (2), every
5 consignee, bailee, factor, or auctioneer ((shall)) must collect and
6 remit the amount of tax due under this chapter with respect to sales
7 made or called by ((him: PROVIDED,)) that seller.

8 (b) If the owner of the property sold is engaged in the business of 9 ((selling tangible personal property)) making sales at retail in this 10 state, the tax imposed under this chapter may be remitted by such owner 11 under such rules ((and regulations)) as the department ((of revenue 12 shall prescribe)) may adopt.

13 Sec. 1106. RCW 82.08.130 and 1993 sp.s. c 25 s 702 are each 14 amended to read as follows:

(1) If a buyer normally is engaged in both consuming and reselling 15 16 certain types of ((articles of tangible)) personal property, the retail sale of which is taxable under this chapter, and the buyer is not able 17 18 to determine at the time of purchase whether the particular property acquired will be consumed or resold, the buyer may use a resale 19 20 certificate for the entire purchase if the buyer principally resells 21 the articles according to the general nature of the buyer's business. 22 The buyer shall account for the value of any articles purchased with a 23 resale certificate that are used by the buyer and remit the sales tax 24 on the articles to the department.

25 (2) A buyer who pays a tax on all purchases and subsequently 26 resells an article at retail, without intervening use by the buyer, 27 shall collect the tax from the purchaser as otherwise provided by law and is entitled to a deduction on the buyer's tax return equal to the 28 29 cost to the buyer of the property resold upon which retail sales tax has been paid. The deduction is allowed only if the taxpayer keeps and 30 31 preserves records that show the names of the persons from whom the 32 articles were purchased, the date of the purchase, the type of articles, the amount of the purchase, and the tax that was paid. 33 The 34 department shall provide by rule for the refund or credit of retail 35 sales tax paid by a buyer for purchases that are later sold at 36 wholesale without intervening use by the buyer.

1 sec. 1107. RCW 82.12.035 and 2007 c 6 s 1203 are each amended to
2 read as follows:

3 A credit ((shall be)) is allowed against the taxes imposed by this 4 chapter upon the use in this state of tangible personal property, extended warranty, <u>digital good</u>, <u>digital code</u>, <u>digital automated</u> 5 service, or services ((taxable under)) defined as a retail sale in RCW б 82.04.050 (2) (a) or (g), (3)(a), or (6)(b), in the ((state of 7 8 Washington in the)) amount that the present user thereof or his or her 9 bailor or donor has paid a <u>legally imposed</u> retail sales or use tax with 10 respect to such property, extended warranty, digital good, digital 11 code, digital automated service, or service defined as a retail sale in <u>RCW 82.04.050 (2) (a) or (g), (3)(a), or (6)(b)</u> to any other state, 12 13 possession, territory, or commonwealth of the United States, any 14 political subdivision thereof, the District of Columbia, and any 15 foreign country or political subdivision thereof((, prior to the use of 16 such property, extended warranty, or service in Washington)).

17 Sec. 1108. RCW 82.12.040 and 2005 c 514 s 109 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

(1) Every person who maintains in this state a place of business or 19 20 a stock of goods, or engages in business activities within this state, 21 shall obtain from the department a certificate of registration, and 22 shall, at the time of making sales of tangible personal property, 23 digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, extended warranties, or sales of any service defined as a retail sale in RCW 24 25 82.04.050 (2) (a) or (g), (3)(a), or (6)(b), or making transfers of 26 either possession or title, or both, of tangible personal property for use in this state, collect from the purchasers or transferees the tax 27 imposed under this chapter. The tax to be collected under this section 28 29 ((shall)) must be in an amount equal to the purchase price multiplied by the rate in effect for the retail sales tax under RCW 82.08.020. 30 31 For the purposes of this chapter, the phrase "maintains in this state 32 a place of business" shall include the solicitation of sales and/or 33 taking of orders by sales agents or traveling representatives. For the purposes of this chapter, "engages in business activity within this 34 35 includes every activity which is sufficient under the state" 36 Constitution of the United States for this state to require collection of tax under this chapter. The department ((shall)) must in rules 37

specify activities which constitute engaging in business activity
 within this state, and ((shall)) <u>must</u> keep the rules current with
 future court interpretations of the Constitution of the United States.

4 (2) Every person who engages in this state in the business of acting as an independent selling agent for persons who do not hold a 5 valid certificate of registration, and who receives compensation by 6 7 reason of sales of tangible personal property, digital goods, digital 8 codes, digital automated services, extended warranties, or sales of any service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2) (a) or (g), 9 10 (3)(a), or (6)(b), of his or her principals for use in this state, ((shall)) must, at the time such sales are made, collect from the 11 12 purchasers the tax imposed on the purchase price under this chapter, 13 and for that purpose shall be deemed a retailer as defined in this 14 chapter.

15 (3) The tax required to be collected by this chapter ((shall be)) is deemed to be held in trust by the retailer until paid to the 16 17 department, and any retailer who appropriates or converts the tax 18 collected to the retailer's own use or to any use other than the 19 payment of the tax provided herein to the extent that the money 20 required to be collected is not available for payment on the due date 21 as prescribed ((shall be)) is quilty of a misdemeanor. In case any 22 seller fails to collect the tax herein imposed or having collected the 23 tax, fails to pay the same to the department in the manner prescribed, 24 whether such failure is the result of the seller's own acts or the result of acts or conditions beyond the seller's control, the seller 25 26 ((shall)) is nevertheless((, be)) personally liable to the state for 27 the amount of such tax, unless the seller has taken from the buyer in 28 good faith a copy of a direct pay permit issued under RCW 82.32.087.

(4) Any retailer who refunds, remits, or rebates to a purchaser, or transferee, either directly or indirectly, and by whatever means, all or any part of the tax levied by this chapter ((shall be)) is guilty of a misdemeanor.

33 (5) Notwithstanding subsections (1) through (4) of this section, 34 any person making sales is not obligated to collect the tax imposed by 35 this chapter if:

36 (a) The person's activities in this state, whether conducted 37 directly or through another person, are limited to:

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(i) The storage, dissemination, or display of advertising;

1 (ii) The taking of orders; or

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(iii) The processing of payments; and

3 (b) The activities are conducted electronically via a web site on 4 a server or other computer equipment located in Washington that is not 5 owned or operated by the person making sales into this state nor owned 6 or operated by an affiliated person. "Affiliated persons" has the same 7 meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.424.

8 (6) Subsection (5) of this section expires when: (a) The United 9 States congress grants individual states the authority to impose sales 10 and use tax collection duties on remote sellers; or (b) it is 11 determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, in a judgment not 12 subject to review, that a state can impose sales and use tax collection 13 duties on remote sellers.

14 **Sec. 1109.** RCW 82.14.465 and 2007 c 266 s 7 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

16 (1) A city, town, or county that creates a benefit zone and 17 finances public improvements pursuant to chapter 39.100 RCW may impose a sales and use tax in accordance with the terms of this chapter and 18 subject to the criteria set forth in this section. Except as provided 19 20 in this section, the tax is in addition to other taxes authorized by 21 law and shall be collected from those persons who are taxable by the 22 state under chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW upon the occurrence of any 23 taxable event within the taxing jurisdiction of the city, town, or 24 The rate of tax shall not exceed the rate provided in RCW county. 25 82.08.020(1) in the case of a sales tax or ((<del>the rate provided in RCW</del> 26 82.12.020(5) in the case of)) a use tax, less the aggregate rates of 27 any other taxes imposed on the same events that are credited against the state taxes imposed under chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW. 28 The tax 29 rate shall be no higher than what is reasonably necessary for the local government to receive its entire annual state contribution in a ten-30 31 month period of time.

32 (2) The tax imposed under subsection (1) of this section shall be 33 deducted from the amount of tax otherwise required to be collected or 34 paid over to the department under chapter 82.08 or 82.12 RCW. The 35 department shall perform the collection of such taxes on behalf of the 36 city, town, or county at no cost to the city, town, or county.

(3) No tax may be imposed under this section before July 1, 2007. 1 2 Before imposing a tax under this section, the city, town, or county 3 shall first have received tax allocation revenues during the preceding 4 calendar year. The tax imposed under this section shall expire on the earlier of the date: (a) The tax allocation revenues are no longer 5 used for public improvements and public improvement costs; (b) the б 7 bonds issued under the authority of chapter 39.100 RCW are retired, if 8 the bonds are issued; or (c) that is thirty years after the tax is 9 first imposed.

10 (4) An ordinance adopted by the legislative authority of a city,
11 town, or county imposing a tax under this section shall provide that:

12 (a) The tax shall first be imposed on the first day of a fiscal13 year;

(b) The amount of tax received by the local government in anyfiscal year shall not exceed the amount of the state contribution;

16 (c) The tax shall cease to be distributed for the remainder of any 17 fiscal year in which either:

18 (i) The amount of tax distributions totals the amount of the state 19 contribution;

(ii) The amount of tax distributions totals the amount of local public sources, dedicated in the previous calendar year to finance public improvements authorized under chapter 39.100 RCW, expended in the previous year for public improvement costs or used to pay for other bonds issued to pay for public improvements; or

(iii) The amount of revenue from taxes imposed under this section by all cities, towns, and counties totals the annual state credit limit as provided in RCW 82.32.700(3);

(d) The tax shall be distributed again, should it cease to be distributed for any of the reasons provided in (c) of this subsection, at the beginning of the next fiscal year, subject to the restrictions in this section; and

32 (e) Any revenue generated by the tax in excess of the amounts 33 specified in (b) and (c) of this subsection shall belong to the state 34 of Washington.

35 (5) If both a county and a city or town impose a tax under this 36 section, the tax imposed by the city, town, or county shall be credited 37 as follows: 1 (a) If the county has created a benefit zone before the city or 2 town, the tax imposed by the county shall be credited against the tax 3 imposed by the city or town, the purpose of such credit is to give 4 priority to the county tax; and

5 (b) If the city or town has created a benefit zone before the 6 county, the tax imposed by the city or town shall be credited against 7 the tax imposed by the county, the purpose of such credit is to give 8 priority to the city or town tax.

(6) The department shall determine the amount of tax distributions 9 10 attributable to each city, town, and county imposing a sales and use tax under this section and shall advise a city, town, or county when 11 12 the tax will cease to be distributed for the remainder of the fiscal 13 year as provided in subsection (4)(c) of this section. Determinations 14 by the department of the amount of taxes attributable to a city, town, or county are final and shall not be used to challenge the validity of 15 any tax imposed under this section. The department shall remit any tax 16 17 revenues in excess of the amounts specified in subsection (4)(b) and (c) of this section to the state treasurer who shall deposit the moneys 18 in the general fund. 19

20 (7) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 21 section and RCW 82.14.470 unless the context clearly requires 22 otherwise.

(a) "Base year" means the calendar year immediately following thecreation of a benefit zone.

25 (b) "Benefit zone" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 26 39.100.010.

(c) "Excess local excise taxes" has the same meaning as provided inRCW 39.100.050.

(d) "Excess state excise taxes" means the amount of excise taxes 29 30 received by the state during the measurement year from taxable activity within the benefit zone over and above the amount of excise taxes 31 32 received by the state during the base year from taxable activity within the benefit zone. However, if a local government creates the benefit 33 34 zone and reasonably determines that no activity subject to tax under 35 chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW occurred in the twelve months immediately 36 preceding the creation of the benefit zone within the boundaries of the 37 area that became the benefit zone, "excess state excise taxes" means 38 the entire amount of state excise taxes the state receives during a

1 calendar year period beginning with the calendar year immediately 2 following the creation of the benefit zone and continuing with each 3 measurement year thereafter.

4 (e) "State excise taxes" means revenues derived from state retail 5 sales and use taxes under chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW, less the amount 6 of tax distributions from all local retail sales and use taxes imposed 7 on the same taxable events that are credited against the state retail 8 sales and use taxes under chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW except for the 9 local tax authorized in this section.

10 (f) "Fiscal year" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 11 39.100.030.

12 (g) "Measurement year" means a calendar year, beginning with the 13 calendar year following the base year and each calendar year 14 thereafter, that is used annually to measure the amount of excess state 15 excise taxes and excess local excise taxes.

16 (h) "State contribution" means the lesser of two million dollars or 17 an amount equal to excess state excise taxes received by the state 18 during the preceding calendar year.

19 (i) "Tax allocation revenues" has the same meaning as provided in 20 RCW 39.100.010.

(j) "Public improvements" and "public improvement costs" have the same meanings as provided in RCW 39.100.010.

(k) "Local public sources" includes, but is not limited to, private monetary contributions, assessments, dedicated local government funds, and tax allocation revenues. "Local public sources" does not include local government funds derived from any state loan or state grant, any local tax that is credited against the state sales and use taxes, or any other state funds.

29 Sec. 1110. RCW 82.16.010 and 2007 c 6 s 1023 are each amended to 30 read as follows:

For the purposes of this chapter, unless otherwise required by the context:

33 (1) "Railroad business" means the business of operating any 34 railroad, by whatever power operated, for public use in the conveyance 35 of persons or property for hire. It shall not, however, include any 36 business herein defined as an urban transportation business.

1 (2) "Express business" means the business of carrying property for 2 public hire on the line of any common carrier operated in this state, 3 when such common carrier is not owned or leased by the person engaging 4 in such business.

5 (3) "Railroad car business" means the business of operating stock 6 cars, furniture cars, refrigerator cars, fruit cars, poultry cars, tank 7 cars, sleeping cars, parlor cars, buffet cars, tourist cars, or any 8 other kinds of cars used for transportation of property or persons upon 9 the line of any railroad operated in this state when such railroad is 10 not owned or leased by the person engaging in such business.

11 (4) "Water distribution business" means the business of operating 12 a plant or system for the distribution of water for hire or sale.

13 (5) "Light and power business" means the business of operating a 14 plant or system for the generation, production or distribution of 15 electrical energy for hire or sale and/or for the wheeling of 16 electricity for others.

17 (6) "Telegraph business" means the business of affording18 telegraphic communication for hire.

19 (7) "Gas distribution business" means the business of operating a 20 plant or system for the production or distribution for hire or sale of 21 gas, whether manufactured or natural.

22 (8) "Motor transportation business" means the business (except 23 urban transportation business) of operating any motor propelled vehicle 24 by which persons or property of others are conveyed for hire, and 25 includes, but is not limited to, the operation of any motor propelled 26 vehicle as an auto transportation company (except urban transportation 27 business), common carrier or contract carrier as defined by RCW 81.68.010 and 81.80.010((: PROVIDED, That)). However, "motor 28 29 transportation business" ((shall)) does not mean or include the 30 transportation of logs or other forest products exclusively upon 31 private roads or private highways.

(9) "Urban transportation business" means the business of operating any vehicle for public use in the conveyance of persons or property for hire, insofar as (a) operating entirely within the corporate limits of any city or town, or within five miles of the corporate limits thereof, or (b) operating entirely within and between cities and towns whose corporate limits are not more than five miles apart or within five miles of the corporate limits of either thereof. Included herein, but

without limiting the scope hereof, is the business of operating passenger vehicles of every type and also the business of operating cartage, pickup, or delivery services, including in such services the collection and distribution of property arriving from or destined to a point within or without the state, whether or not such collection or distribution be made by the person performing a local or interstate line-haul of such property.

8 (10)(a) "Public service business" means any of the businesses defined in subsections (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), and (9) 9 10 of this section or any business subject to control by the state, or 11 having the powers of eminent domain and the duties incident thereto, or 12 any business hereafter declared by the legislature to be of a public 13 service nature, except telephone business and low-level radioactive waste site operating companies as redefined in RCW 81.04.010. 14 Ιt includes, among others, without limiting the scope hereof: Airplane 15 transportation, boom, dock, ferry, pipe line, toll bridge, toll logging 16 17 road, water transportation and wharf businesses.

18 (b) The definitions in this subsection (10)(b) apply throughout 19 this subsection (10).

20 (i) "Competitive telephone service" has the same meaning as in RCW21 82.04.065.

22 (ii) "Network telephone service" means the providing by any person 23 of access to a telephone network, telephone network switching service, 24 toll service, or coin telephone services, or the providing of telephonic, video, data, or similar communication or transmission for 25 26 hire, via a telephone network, toll line or channel, cable, microwave, 27 or similar communication or transmission system. "Network telephone 28 service" includes the provision of transmission to and from the site of 29 an internet provider via a telephone network, toll line or channel, 30 cable, microwave, or similar communication or transmission system. "Network telephone service" does not include the providing 31 of competitive telephone service, the providing of cable television 32 33 service, the providing of broadcast services by radio or television stations, nor the provision of internet ((service)) access as defined 34 35 in RCW 82.04.297, including the reception of dial-in connection, 36 provided at the site of the internet service provider.

37 (iii) "Telephone business" means the business of providing network

telephone service. It includes cooperative or farmer line telephone
 companies or associations operating an exchange.

3 (iv) "Telephone service" means competitive telephone service or 4 network telephone service, or both, as defined in (b)(i) and (ii) of 5 this subsection.

6 (11) "Tugboat business" means the business of operating tugboats,
7 towboats, wharf boats or similar vessels in the towing or pushing of
8 vessels, barges or rafts for hire.

9 (12) "Gross income" means the value proceeding or accruing from the 10 performance of the particular public service or transportation business 11 involved, including operations incidental thereto, but without any 12 deduction on account of the cost of the commodity furnished or sold, 13 the cost of materials used, labor costs, interest, discount, delivery 14 costs, taxes, or any other expense whatsoever paid or accrued and 15 without any deduction on account of losses.

16 (13) The meaning attributed, in chapter 82.04 RCW, to the term "tax 17 year," "person," "value proceeding or accruing," "business," "engaging 18 in business," "in this state," "within this state," "cash discount" and 19 "successor" shall apply equally in the provisions of this chapter.

20 **Sec. 1111.** RCW 82.32.020 and 2007 c 6 s 101 are each amended to 21 read as follows:

22 For the purposes of this chapter:

(1) The meaning attributed in chapters 82.01 through 82.27 RCW to the words and phrases "tax year," "taxable year," "person," "company," "gross proceeds of sales," "gross income of the business," "business," "engaging in business," "successor," "gross operating revenue," "gross income," "taxpayer," "retail sale," "seller," "buyer," "purchaser," "extended warranty," and "value of products" shall apply equally to the provisions of this chapter.

30 (2) Whenever "property" or "personal property" is used, those terms 31 must be construed to include digital goods and digital codes unless: 32 (a) It is clear from the context that the term "personal property" is 33 intended only to refer to tangible personal property; (b) it is clear 34 from the context that the term "property" is intended only to refer to 35 tangible personal property, real property, or both; or (c) to construe 36 the term "property" or "personal property" as including digital goods

and digital codes would yield unlikely, absurd, or strained 1 2 consequences.

(3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 3 4 chapter, unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

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(a) "Agreement" means the streamlined sales and use tax agreement.

- (b) "Associate member" means a petitioning state that is found to б 7 be in compliance with the agreement and changes to its laws, rules, or 8 other authorities necessary to bring it into compliance are not in effect, but are scheduled to take effect on or before January 1, 2008. 9 10 The petitioning states, by majority vote, may also grant associate 11 member status to a petitioning state that does not receive an 12 affirmative vote of three-fourths of the petitioning states upon a 13 finding that the state has achieved substantial compliance with the terms of the agreement as a whole, but not necessarily each required 14 provision, measured qualitatively, and there is a 15 reasonable expectation that the state will achieve compliance by January 1, 2008. 16
- 17 (c) "Certified automated system" means software certified under the 18 agreement to calculate the tax imposed by each jurisdiction on a 19 transaction, determine the amount of tax to remit to the appropriate state, and maintain a record of the transaction. 20
- 21 (d) "Certified service provider" means an agent certified under the 22 agreement to perform all of the seller's sales and use tax functions, 23 other than the seller's obligation to remit tax on its own purchases.
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  - (e)(i) "Member state" means a state that:
- (A) Has petitioned for membership in the agreement and submitted a 25 26 certificate of compliance; and
- 27 (B) Before the effective date of the agreement, has been found to 28 in compliance with the requirements of the agreement by an be 29 affirmative vote of three-fourths of the other petitioning states; or
- 30 (C) After the effective date of the agreement, has been found to be in compliance with the agreement by a three-fourths vote of the entire 31 32 governing board of the agreement.
- (ii) Membership by reason of (e)(i)(A) and (B) of this subsection 33 is effective on the first day of a calendar quarter at least sixty days 34 35 after at least ten states comprising at least twenty percent of the 36 total population, as determined by the 2000 federal census, of all 37 states imposing a state sales tax have petitioned for membership and

have either been found in compliance with the agreement or have been
 found to be an associate member under section 704 of the agreement.

3 (iii) Membership by reason of (e)(i)(A) and (C) of this subsection 4 is effective on the state's proposed date of entry or the first day of 5 the calendar quarter after its petition is approved by the governing 6 board, whichever is later, and is at least sixty days after its 7 petition is approved.

8 (f) "Model 1 seller" means a seller that has selected a certified 9 service provider as its agent to perform all the seller's sales and use 10 tax functions, other than the seller's obligation to remit tax on its 11 own purchases.

12 (g) "Model 2 seller" means a seller that has selected a certified 13 automated system to perform part of its sales and use tax functions, 14 but retains responsibility for remitting the tax.

(h) "Model 3 seller" means a seller that has sales in at least five 15 member states, has total annual sales revenue of at least five hundred 16 17 million dollars, has a proprietary system that calculates the amount of 18 tax due each jurisdiction, and has entered into a performance agreement 19 with the member states that establishes a tax performance standard for the seller. As used in this subsection  $((\frac{2}{2}))$  (3)(h), a seller 20 21 includes an affiliated group of sellers using the same proprietary 22 system.

(i) "Source" means the location in which the sale or use of tangible personal property, <u>a digital good or digital code</u>, an extended warranty, or a <u>digital automated service or other</u> service, subject to tax under chapter 82.08, 82.12, 82.14, or 82.14B RCW, is deemed to occur.

28 **Sec. 1112.** RCW 82.32.023 and 2007 c 6 s 104 are each amended to 29 read as follows:

For purposes of ((compliance with the requirements of the agreement only)) construing those provisions of the streamlined sales and use tax agreement that have been incorporated into this title, and unless the context requires otherwise, the terms "product" and "products" refer to tangible personal property, <u>digital goods</u>, <u>digital codes</u>, <u>digital</u> <u>automated services</u>, <u>other</u> services, extended warranties, and anything else that can be sold or used.

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## PART XII

## MISCELLANEOUS

3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1201. This act does not have any impact 4 whatsoever on the characterization of digital goods and digital codes 5 as tangible or intangible personal property for purposes of property 6 taxation and may not be used in any way in construing any provision of 7 Title 84 RCW.

8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1202. If any provision of this act or its 9 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the 10 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other 11 persons or circumstances is not affected.

12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1203. The repeals in sections 515 and 623 of 13 this act do not affect any existing right acquired or liability or 14 obligation incurred under the statutes repealed or under any rule or 15 order adopted under those statutes nor do they affect any proceedings 16 instituted under them.

17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1204. This act is necessary for the immediate 18 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the 19 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect 20 July 1, 2009.

21 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1205. Part headings used in this act are not 22 any part of the law.

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