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Sponsor(s): Senators Prince and Loveland

Brief Title: Regulating current use taxation.

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Provides that, when a county has adopted a comprehensive plan under chapter 36.70A RCW and has zoned certain land not within an urban growth area as agricultural land or has designated land as agricultural land under RCW 36.70A.170, the county legislative authority shall promptly notify the assessor that the land has been zoned or designated accordingly.

Provides that, within thirty days of receiving a notice, the assessor shall notify owners of land within these areas that the owners may participate in the open space taxation program, also known as the current use program, in the farm and agricultural classification and have the land valued as provided in chapter 84.34 RCW. This notice must include an explanation of all requirements imposed on land classified as farm and agricultural land.

Provides that, if the landowner chooses not to participate in the current use program, the land must be valued in accordance with chapter 84.40 RCW.