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## HOUSE BILL 2081

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By Representatives Ruderman, Crouse, Dunshee, Thomas, Kessler, Murray, O'Brien, Ogden, Rockefeller, Stensen, Constantine and Lantz; by request of Governor Locke

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to extending the prohibition on taxes or fees
- 2 specific to internet service providers; and amending RCW 35.21.717.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.21.717 and 1997 c 304 s 2 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 Until July 1,  $((\frac{1999}{}))$   $\underline{2002}$ , a city or town may not impose any new
- 7 taxes or fees specific to internet service providers. A city or town
- 8 may tax internet service providers under generally applicable business
- 9 taxes or fees, at a rate not to exceed the rate applied to a general
- 10 service classification. For the purposes of this section, "internet
- 11 service has the same meaning as in RCW 82.04.297.

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