SENATE BILL 5563

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to providing a business and occupation tax
- 2 exemption for environmental handling charges; adding a new section to
- 3 chapter 82.04 RCW; and creating new sections.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that Engrossed
- 6 Substitute House Bill No. 2246, enacted in 2014, created an
- 7 environmental handling charge. However, the 2014 legislature did not
- 8 intend for business and occupation taxes to be imposed on top of such
- 9 charge. Therefore, the legislature intends to clarify that
- 10 environmental handling charges are not subject to business and
- 11 occupation taxation.
- 12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 82.04
- 13 RCW to read as follows:
- 14 (1) This chapter does not apply to any person in respect to the
- 15 business of selling a product upon which the seller assesses an
- 16 environmental handling charge under Title 70 RCW.
- 17 (2) For the purposes of this section, "environmental handling
- 18 charge" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 70.275.020.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act is not subject to the requirements of RCW 82.32.805 and 82.32.808. This act is not subject
- 3 to an expiration date.

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