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**ESSB 5313** - H AMD **943**

By Representative Hoff

**WITHDRAWN 04/28/2019**

 On page 5, after line 23, insert the following:

 "(9) (a) Beginning January 1, 2020, a person is exempt from any legal obligation to pay real property taxes due and payable under this section in excess of the amount under this section in the year following the year in which a claim is filed, and thereafter, if the person is:

 (i) sixty-one or older on December 31st of the year in which the exemption claim under this section is filed; and

 (ii) indigent.

 (b) For purposes of this section, "indigent" means a person who is:

 (i) Receiving one of the following types of public assistance:

 (A) Temporary assistance for needy families, aged, blind, or disabled assistance benefits, medical care services under RCW 74.09.035;

 (B) Pregnant women assistance benefits;

 (C) Poverty-related veterans' benefits;

 (D) Food stamps or food stamp benefits transferred electronically;

 (E) Refugee resettlement benefits;

 (F) Medicaid; or

 (G) Supplemental security income; or

 (ii) Involuntarily committed to a public mental health facility; or

 (iii) Receiving an annual income, after taxes, of one hundred twenty-five percent or less of the current federally established poverty level."

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|  |  EFFECT:   Exempts indigent senior citizens from the increased levy rate, as provided in this bill. |

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