AN ACT Relating to increasing funding for education by establishing a graduated real estate excise tax; amending RCW 82.45.060; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. RCW 82.45.060 and 2017 3rd sp.s. c 10 s 13 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) There is imposed an excise tax upon each sale of real property at the following rates multiplied by the selling price:

(a) Three-quarters percent if the selling price is less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars;

(b) One and twenty-eight one-hundredths percent if the selling price is equal to or greater than two hundred fifty thousand dollars but less than one million dollars;

(c) Two percent if the selling price is equal to or greater than one million dollars but less than five million dollars; or

(d) Two and one-half percent if the selling price is equal to or greater than five million dollars.

(2)(a) Beginning July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2019, an amount equal to two percent of the proceeds of this tax must be deposited in
the public works assistance account created in RCW 43.155.050, and an
amount equal to four and one-tenth percent must be deposited in the
education legacy trust account created in RCW 83.100.230.

(Thereafter, an amount equal to six and one-tenth percent of the
proceeds of this tax to the state treasurer must be deposited in the
public works assistance account created in RCW 43.155.050. Except as
otherwise provided in this section, an amount equal to one and six-
tenths percent of the proceeds of this tax to the state treasurer
must be deposited in the city-county assistance account created in
RCW 43.08.290.) Beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2023,
the revenues received from the tax in this section must be deposited
as follows:

(i) Two percent must be deposited into the public works
assistance account created in RCW 43.155.050;

(ii) Twenty and eight-tenths percent must be deposited into the
education legacy trust account created in RCW 83.100.230, except that
beginning July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, nineteen and sixty
four-hundredths percent must be deposited into the education legacy
trust account created in RCW 83.100.230;

(iii) One and six-tenths percent must be deposited into the city-
county assistance account created in RCW 43.08.290; and

(iv) The remainder must be deposited into the general fund.

(b) Beginning July 1, 2023, and thereafter, the revenues received
from the tax in this section must be deposited as follows:

(i) Six and one-tenth percent must be deposited into the public
works assistance account created in RCW 43.155.050;

(ii) Sixteen and seven-tenths percent must be deposited into the
education legacy trust account created in RCW 83.100.230;

(iii) One and six-tenths percent must be deposited into the city-
county assistance account created in RCW 43.08.290; and

(iv) The remainder must be deposited into the general fund.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
effect July 1, 2019.

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