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Beginning on page 1, line 16, strike all of Part I and insert the following:

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SELF-SERVICE LAUNDRY

5 AND DIRECT MAIL DELIVERY CHARGES

- **Sec. 101.** RCW 82.04.050 and 2004 c 174 s 3 and 2004 c 153 s 407 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - (1) "Sale at retail" or "retail sale" means every sale of tangible personal property (including articles produced, fabricated, or imprinted) to all persons irrespective of the nature of their business and including, among others, without limiting the scope hereof, persons who install, repair, clean, alter, improve, construct, or decorate real or personal property of or for consumers other than a sale to a person who presents a resale certificate under RCW 82.04.470 and who:
 - (a) Purchases for the purpose of resale as tangible personal property in the regular course of business without intervening use by such person, but a purchase for the purpose of resale by a regional transit authority under RCW 81.112.300 is not a sale for resale; or
 - (b) Installs, repairs, cleans, alters, imprints, improves, constructs, or decorates real or personal property of or for consumers, if such tangible personal property becomes an ingredient or component of such real or personal property without intervening use by such person; or
 - (c) Purchases for the purpose of consuming the property purchased in producing for sale a new article of tangible personal property or substance, of which such property becomes an ingredient or component or is a chemical used in processing, when the primary purpose of such chemical is to create a chemical reaction directly through contact with an ingredient of a new article being produced for sale; or

(d) Purchases for the purpose of consuming the property purchased in producing ferrosilicon which is subsequently used in producing magnesium for sale, if the primary purpose of such property is to create a chemical reaction directly through contact with an ingredient of ferrosilicon; or

- (e) Purchases for the purpose of providing the property to consumers as part of competitive telephone service, as defined in RCW 82.04.065. The term shall include every sale of tangible personal property which is used or consumed or to be used or consumed in the performance of any activity classified as a "sale at retail" or "retail sale" even though such property is resold or utilized as provided in (a), (b), (c), (d), or (e) of this subsection following such use. The term also means every sale of tangible personal property to persons engaged in any business which is taxable under RCW 82.04.280 (2) and (7), 82.04.290, and 82.04.2908.
- (2) The term "sale at retail" or "retail sale" shall include the sale of or charge made for tangible personal property consumed and/or for labor and services rendered in respect to the following:
- (a) The installing, repairing, cleaning, altering, imprinting, or improving of tangible personal property of or for consumers, including charges made for the mere use of facilities in respect thereto, but excluding charges made for the use of ((coin operated)) self-service laundry facilities ((when such facilities are situated in an apartment house, rooming house, or mobile home park for the exclusive use of the tenants thereof)), and also excluding sales of laundry service to nonprofit health care facilities, and excluding services rendered in respect to live animals, birds and insects;
- (b) The constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving of new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for consumers, including the installing or attaching of any article of tangible personal property therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by virtue of installation, and shall also include the sale of services or charges made for the clearing of land and the moving of earth excepting the mere leveling of land used in commercial farming or agriculture;
- (c) The charge for labor and services rendered in respect to constructing, repairing, or improving any structure upon, above, or under any real property owned by an owner who conveys the property by

title, possession, or any other means to the person performing such construction, repair, or improvement for the purpose of performing such construction, repair, or improvement and the property is then reconveyed by title, possession, or any other means to the original owner;

- (d) The sale of or charge made for labor and services rendered in respect to the cleaning, fumigating, razing or moving of existing buildings or structures, but shall not include the charge made for janitorial services; and for purposes of this section the term "janitorial services" shall mean those cleaning and caretaking services ordinarily performed by commercial janitor service businesses including, but not limited to, wall and window washing, floor cleaning and waxing, and the cleaning in place of rugs, drapes and upholstery. The term "janitorial services" does not include painting, papering, repairing, furnace or septic tank cleaning, snow removal or sandblasting;
- (e) The sale of or charge made for labor and services rendered in respect to automobile towing and similar automotive transportation services, but not in respect to those required to report and pay taxes under chapter 82.16 RCW;
- (f) The sale of and charge made for the furnishing of lodging and all other services by a hotel, rooming house, tourist court, motel, trailer camp, and the granting of any similar license to use real property, as distinguished from the renting or leasing of real property, and it shall be presumed that the occupancy of real property for a continuous period of one month or more constitutes a rental or lease of real property and not a mere license to use or enjoy the same. For the purposes of this subsection, it shall be presumed that the sale of and charge made for the furnishing of lodging for a continuous period of one month or more to a person is a rental or lease of real property and not a mere license to enjoy the same;
- (g) The sale of or charge made for tangible personal property, labor and services to persons taxable under (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) of this subsection when such sales or charges are for property, labor and services which are used or consumed in whole or in part by such persons in the performance of any activity defined as a "sale at retail" or "retail sale" even though such property, labor and services may be resold after such use or consumption. Nothing contained in this

subsection shall be construed to modify subsection (1) of this section and nothing contained in subsection (1) of this section shall be construed to modify this subsection.

- (3) The term "sale at retail" or "retail sale" shall include the sale of or charge made for personal, business, or professional services including amounts designated as interest, rents, fees, admission, and other service emoluments however designated, received by persons engaging in the following business activities:
- 9 (a) Amusement and recreation services including but not limited to 10 golf, pool, billiards, skating, bowling, ski lifts and tows, day trips 11 for sightseeing purposes, and others, when provided to consumers;
 - (b) Abstract, title insurance, and escrow services;
 - (c) Credit bureau services;

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- (d) Automobile parking and storage garage services;
- (e) Landscape maintenance and horticultural services but excluding
 (i) horticultural services provided to farmers and (ii) pruning,
 trimming, repairing, removing, and clearing of trees and brush near
 electric transmission or distribution lines or equipment, if performed
 by or at the direction of an electric utility;
- 20 (f) Service charges associated with tickets to professional sporting events; and
 - (g) The following personal services: Physical fitness services, tanning salon services, tattoo parlor services, steam bath services, turkish bath services, escort services, and dating services.
 - (4)(a) The term shall also include:
 - (i) The renting or leasing of tangible personal property to consumers; and
 - (ii) Providing tangible personal property along with an operator for a fixed or indeterminate period of time. A consideration of this is that the operator is necessary for the tangible personal property to perform as designed. For the purpose of this subsection (4)(a)(ii), an operator must do more than maintain, inspect, or set up the tangible personal property.
- 34 (b) The term shall not include the renting or leasing of tangible 35 personal property where the lease or rental is for the purpose of 36 sublease or subrent.
- 37 (5) The term shall also include the providing of telephone service, 38 as defined in RCW 82.04.065, to consumers.

(6) The term shall also include the sale of prewritten computer software other than a sale to a person who presents a resale certificate under RCW 82.04.470, regardless of the method of delivery to the end user, but shall not include custom software or the customization of prewritten computer software.

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- (7) The term shall not include the sale of or charge made for labor and services rendered in respect to the building, repairing, or improving of any street, place, road, highway, easement, right of way, mass public transportation terminal or parking facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle which is owned by a municipal corporation or political subdivision of the state or by the United States and which is used or to be used primarily for foot or vehicular traffic including mass transportation vehicles of any kind.
- (8) The term shall also not include sales of chemical sprays or washes to persons for the purpose of postharvest treatment of fruit for the prevention of scald, fungus, mold, or decay, nor shall it include sales of feed, seed, seedlings, fertilizer, agents for enhanced pollination including insects such as bees, and spray materials to:

 (a) Persons who participate in the federal conservation reserve program, the environmental quality incentives program, the wetlands reserve program, and the wildlife habitat incentives program, or their successors administered by the United States department of agriculture;

 (b) farmers for the purpose of producing for sale any agricultural product; and (c) farmers acting under cooperative habitat development or access contracts with an organization exempt from federal income tax under 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3) or the Washington state department of fish and wildlife to produce or improve wildlife habitat on land that the farmer owns or leases.
- (9) The term shall not include the sale of or charge made for labor and services rendered in respect to the constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving of new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority created pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW, including the installing, or attaching of any article of tangible personal property therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by virtue of installation. Nor shall the term include the sale of services or charges made for the clearing of land

and the moving of earth of or for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority. Nor shall the term include the sale of services or charges made for cleaning up for the United States, or its instrumentalities, radioactive waste and other byproducts of weapons production and nuclear research and development.

7 **Sec. 102.** RCW 82.08.010 and 2004 c 153 s 406 are each amended to 8 read as follows:

For the purposes of this chapter:

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(1) "Selling price" includes "sales price." "Sales price" means the total amount of consideration, except separately stated trade-in property of like kind, including cash, credit, property, and services, for which tangible personal property or services defined as a "retail sale" under RCW 82.04.050 are sold, leased, or rented, valued in money, whether received in money or otherwise. No deduction from the total amount of consideration is allowed for the following: (a) The seller's cost of the property sold; (b) the cost of materials used, labor or service cost, interest, losses, all costs of transportation to the seller, all taxes imposed on the seller, and any other expense of the seller; (c) charges by the seller for any services necessary to complete the sale, other than delivery and installation charges; (d) delivery charges; (e) installation charges; and (f) the value of exempt tangible personal property given to the purchaser where taxable and exempt tangible personal property have been bundled together and sold by the seller as a single product or piece of merchandise.

When tangible personal property is rented or leased under circumstances that the consideration paid does not represent a reasonable rental for the use of the articles so rented or leased, the "selling price" shall be determined as nearly as possible according to the value of such use at the places of use of similar products of like quality and character under such rules as the department may prescribe.

"Selling price" or "sales price" does not include: Discounts, including cash, term, or coupons that are not reimbursed by a third party that are allowed by a seller and taken by a purchaser on a sale; interest, financing, and carrying charges from credit extended on the sale of tangible personal property or services, if the amount is separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar document

given to the purchaser; and any taxes legally imposed directly on the consumer that are separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar document given to the purchaser;

- (2) "Seller" means every person, including the state and its departments and institutions, making sales at retail or retail sales to a buyer, purchaser, or consumer, whether as agent, broker, or principal, except "seller" does not mean the state and its departments and institutions when making sales to the state and its departments and institutions;
- (3) "Buyer," "purchaser," and "consumer" include, without limiting the scope hereof, every individual, receiver, assignee, trustee in bankruptcy, trust, estate, firm, copartnership, joint venture, club, company, joint stock company, business trust, corporation, association, society, or any group of individuals acting as a unit, whether mutual, cooperative, fraternal, nonprofit, or otherwise, municipal corporation, quasi municipal corporation, and also the state, its departments and institutions and all political subdivisions thereof, irrespective of the nature of the activities engaged in or functions performed, and also the United States or any instrumentality thereof;
- (4) "Delivery charges" means charges by the seller of personal property or services for preparation and delivery to a location designated by the purchaser of personal property or services including, but not limited to, transportation, shipping, postage, handling, crating, and packing;
- (5) "Direct mail" means printed material delivered or distributed by United States mail or other delivery service to a mass audience or to addressees on a mailing list provided by the purchaser or at the direction of the purchaser when the cost of the items are not billed directly to the recipients. "Direct mail" includes tangible personal property supplied directly or indirectly by the purchaser to the direct mail seller for inclusion in the package containing the printed material. "Direct mail" does not include multiple items of printed material delivered to a single address;
- (6) The meaning attributed in chapter 82.04 RCW to the terms "tax
 year," "taxable year," "person," "company," "sale," "sale at retail,"
 "retail sale," "sale at wholesale," "wholesale," "business," "engaging
 in business," "cash discount," "successor," "consumer," "in this state"

- and "within this state" shall apply equally to the provisions of this chapter;
- 3 $((\frac{(6)}{(6)}))$ <u>(7)</u> For the purposes of the taxes imposed under this chapter and under chapter 82.12 RCW, "tangible personal property" means
- 5 personal property that can be seen, weighed, measured, felt, or
- 6 touched, or that is in any other manner perceptible to the senses.
- 7 Tangible personal property includes electricity, water, gas, steam, and
- 8 prewritten computer software.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 103.** A new section is added to chapter 82.04 10 RCW to read as follows:
- 11 (1) In computing tax there may be deducted from the measure of tax,
- 12 amounts derived from delivery charges made for the delivery of direct
- 13 mail if the charges are separately stated on an invoice or similar
- 14 billing document given to the purchaser.
- 15 (2) "Delivery charges" and "direct mail" have the same meanings as
- 16 in RCW 82.08.010.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 104. A new section is added to chapter 82.08
- 18 RCW to read as follows:
- The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to delivery charges
- 20 made for the delivery of direct mail if the charges are separately
- 21 stated on an invoice or similar billing document given to the
- 22 purchaser.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 105. A new section is added to chapter 82.12
- 24 RCW to read as follows:
- 25 (1) The tax levied by this chapter does not apply to the value of
- 26 delivery charges made for the delivery of direct mail if the charges
- 27 are separately stated on an invoice or similar billing document given
- 28 to the purchaser.
- 29 (2) "Delivery charges" and "direct mail" have the same meanings as
- 30 in RCW 82.08.010."
- 31 Beginning on page 66, line 31, strike all of Part XIII and insert
- 32 the following:

33 "PART XIII

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MISCELLANEOUS

- 2 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1301. Part headings used in this act are not
- 3 any part of the law.
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1302.** Except as otherwise specifically provided
- 5 in this act, this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of
- 6 the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government
- 7 and its existing public institutions, and takes effect July 1, 2005.
- 8 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1303. Sections 102 through 105, 1001, 1003,
- 9 1004, 1201, 1311, and 1312 of this act are necessary for the immediate
- 10 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 11 state government and its existing public institutions, and take effect
- 12 immediately.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1304. Sections 401 through 403 of this act take
- 14 effect July 1, 2006.
- 15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1305.** Sections 501 and 1002 of this act take
- 16 effect January 1, 2006.
- 17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1306.** Section 701 of this act takes effect July
- 18 1, 2007.
- 19 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1307. Sections 901 and 908 through 912 of this
- 20 act constitute a new chapter in Title 43 RCW.
- 21 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1308. Sections 902 through 907 of this act
- 22 constitute a new chapter in Title 82 RCW.
- 23 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1309. If any provision of this act or its
- 24 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
- 25 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
- 26 persons or circumstances is not affected.
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1310.** Sections 901 through 912 of this act may
- 28 be known and cited as the Washington main street act.

- NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1311.** Section 1003 of this act applies retroactively to June 10, 2004.
- 3 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1312. Section 1001 of this act applies
- 4 retroactively to annual surveys required under RCW 82.04.4452 that are
- 5 due after December 31, 2004.
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1313.** Section 1107 of this act takes effect
- 7 July 1, 2006.
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1314.** Section 1106 of this act expires July 1,
- 9 2006."

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10 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "taxation;" strike the 11 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 82.08.010, 82.08.150, 12 69.50.520, 82.04.2908, 82.04.4463, 82.29A.130, 82.71.020, 82.04.4452, 84.52.068, 43.84.092, 43.84.092, 69.50.520, 70.146.030, and 83.100.---; 13 amending 2003 1st sp.s. c 16 s 6 (uncodified); reenacting and amending 14 15 RCW 82.04.050; adding new sections to chapter 82.04 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 82.08 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 82.12 16 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 82.32 RCW; adding a new section to 17 chapter 83.100 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.24 RCW; adding 18 19 a new section to chapter 28A.505 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 43 20 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 82 RCW; creating new sections; providing effective dates; providing expiration dates; and declaring an 21 22 emergency."

EFFECT: Removes provisions imposing sales and use taxes on sales

of warranties.

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