

**HB 2739-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses the veterans' assistance levy.

Requires the levy to be imposed by the legislative authority of the county as: (1) A separate levy, independent of the regular property tax levy; or

(2) Part of its levy authorized in RCW 84.52.043 (1) (b).

States that if the consolidated tax levy rate still exceeds certain limitations, the certified property tax levy rates authorized for veterans' assistance must be reduced on a pro rata basis or eliminated.

Requires the department of veterans affairs to collect certain data from each county and submit an accountability report to the legislature that provides certain information from each county.