HOUSE BILL 1739

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to a property tax exemption for nonprofit
- 2 organizations that house low-income homeless persons; and amending RCW
- 3 84.36.043.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 84.36.043 and 1990 c 283 s 2 are each amended to read
- 6 as follows:
- 7 (1) The real and personal property used by a nonprofit organization
- 8 in providing ((nonpermanent shelter to)) temporary or permanent housing
- 9 <u>for</u> low-income homeless persons as defined in RCW 35.21.685 or
- 10 36.32.415 or victims of domestic violence who are homeless for personal
- 11 safety reasons is exempt from taxation if:
- 12 (a) The charge, if any, for the ((shelter)) housing does not exceed
- 13 the actual cost of operating and maintaining the ((shelter facility))
- 14 housing; and
- 15 (b)(i) The property is owned by the nonprofit organization; or

- 1 (ii) For taxes levied for collection in 1991 through 1999 only, the
- 2 property is rented or leased by the nonprofit organization and the
- 3 benefit of the exemption inures to the nonprofit organization.
- 4 (2) This exemption is subject to the administrative provisions
- 5 contained in RCW 84.36.800 through 84.36.865.