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By House Committee on Revenue (originally sponsored by Representatives Winsley, Wang, Broback, Kremen, Paris, J. Kohl, Rasmussen and Miller)
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- 1 AN ACT Relating to waiver of delinquent real property tax interest
- 2 and penalties where a mortgage lien has been removed but the county has
- 3 not notified the property owner of taxes owed; and amending RCW
- 4 84.56.025.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 84.56.025 and 1984 c 185 s 1 are each amended to read
- 7 as follows:
- 8 (1) The interest and penalties for delinquencies on property taxes,
- 9 which taxes are levied on real estate in the year of a conveyance of
- 10 the real estate or in the year when a debt secured by the real estate
- 11 is satisfied of record, and which are collected in the following year,
- 12 shall be waived by the county treasurer under the following
- 13 circumstances:

- 1 (((1))) (a) Records conveying the real estate or satisfying a debt
- 2 <u>secured</u> by the real estate were filed with the county auditor on or
- 3 before November 30 of the year the taxes are levied;
- 4 $((\frac{2}{1}))$ A grantee's name and address or the name and address of
- 5 the owner satisfying a debt secured by the real estate are included in
- 6 the records; and
- 7 $((\frac{3}{3}))$ (c) The notice for these taxes due, as provided in RCW
- 8 84.56.050, was not sent to a grantee, or to the owner who satisfied a
- 9 <u>debt secured by the real estate</u>, due to error by the county <u>treasurer</u>,
- 10 or failure by the county treasurer to send the notice to the new
- 11 <u>address filed with the county auditor</u>.
- 12 (2) Where such waiver of interest and penalties has occurred, the
- 13 full amount of interest and penalties shall be reinstated if the
- 14 grantee or owner who has satisfied a debt secured by the real estate
- 15 fails to pay the delinquent taxes within thirty days of receiving
- 16 notice that the taxes are due. Each county treasurer shall, subject to
- 17 guidelines prepared by the department of revenue, establish
- 18 administrative procedures to determine if grantees or owner who
- 19 satisfied a debt secured by the real estate are eligible for this
- 20 waiver.