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## HOUSE BILL 2920

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By Representative Dellwo; by request of Department of Revenue Read first time 02/28/94. Referred to Committee on Revenue.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to the business and occupation tax on hospitals;
- 2 amending RCW 82.04.030, 82.04.260, and 82.04.4297; and providing an
- 3 effective date.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 82.04.030 and 1963 ex.s. c 28 s 1 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
- 7 "Person" or "company", herein used interchangeably, means any
- 8 individual, receiver, administrator, executor, assignee, trustee in
- 9 bankruptcy, trust, estate, firm, copartnership, joint venture, club,
- 10 company, joint stock company, business trust, municipal corporation,
- 11 political subdivision of the state of Washington, corporation,
- 12 association, society, or any group of individuals acting as a unit,
- 13 whether mutual, cooperative, fraternal, nonprofit, or otherwise and the
- 14 United States or any instrumentality thereof. The term shall also
- 15 include the state and its departments and institutions with respect to
- 16 the gross income of the business derived from the operation of a
- 17 hospital, as defined in chapter 70.41 RCW.

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Sec. 2. RCW 82.04.260 and 1993 sp.s. c 25 s 104 are each amended 1 2 to read as follows:

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- (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of buying wheat, oats, dry peas, dry beans, lentils, triticale, corn, rye and barley, but not including any manufactured or processed products thereof, and selling the same at wholesale; the tax imposed shall be equal to the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.011 percent.
- 9 (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing wheat into flour, barley into pearl barley, soybeans into soybean oil, or sunflower seeds into sunflower oil; as to such persons 12 the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the flour, pearl barley, or oil manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.
  - (3) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of splitting or processing dried peas; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the peas split or processed, multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.
  - (4) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing seafood products which remain in a raw, raw frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the manufacturing by that person; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the products manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.
  - (5) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing by canning, preserving, freezing or dehydrating fresh fruits and vegetables; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the products canned, preserved, frozen or dehydrated multiplied by the rate of 0.33 percent.
  - (6) Upon every nonprofit corporation and nonprofit association engaging within this state in research and development, as to such corporations and associations, the amount of tax with respect to such activities shall be equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.
- (7) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 36 37 slaughtering, breaking and/or processing perishable meat products and/ or selling the same at wholesale only and not at retail; as to such 38

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- (8) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales, at retail or wholesale, of nuclear fuel assemblies manufactured by that person, as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the assemblies multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.
- (9) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing nuclear fuel assemblies, as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the products manufactured multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.
- (10) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of acting as a travel agent; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such activities shall be equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.
- (11) Upon every person engaging within this state in business as an international steamship agent, international customs house broker, international freight forwarder, vessel and/or cargo charter broker in foreign commerce, and/or international air cargo agent; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to only international activities shall be equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.363 percent.
- (12) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of stevedoring and associated activities pertinent to the movement of goods and commodities in waterborne interstate or foreign commerce; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the gross proceeds derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.363 percent. Persons subject to taxation under this subsection shall be exempt from payment of taxes imposed by chapter 82.16 RCW for that portion of their business subject to taxation under this subsection. Stevedoring and associated activities pertinent to the conduct of goods and commodities in waterborne interstate or foreign commerce are defined as all activities of a labor, service or transportation nature whereby cargo may be loaded or unloaded to or from vessels or barges, passing over, onto or under a wharf, pier, or similar structure; cargo may be moved to a warehouse or similar holding or storage yard or area to await further movement in import or export or may move to a consolidation freight station and be stuffed, unstuffed, containerized, separated or otherwise segregated or

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aggregated for delivery or loaded on any mode of transportation for Specific activities included in this 2 delivery to its consignee. definition are: Wharfage, handling, loading, unloading, moving of 3 4 cargo to a convenient place of delivery to the consignee or a convenient place for further movement to export mode; documentation 5 services in connection with the receipt, delivery, checking, care, 6 custody and control of cargo required in the transfer of cargo; 7 8 imported automobile handling prior to delivery to consignee; terminal 9 stevedoring and incidental vessel services, including but not limited 10 to plugging and unplugging refrigerator service to containers, 11 trailers, and other refrigerated cargo receptacles, and securing ship 12 hatch covers.

(13) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of disposing of low-level waste, as defined in RCW 43.145.010; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the gross income of the business, excluding any fees imposed under chapter 43.200 RCW, multiplied by the rate of 3.3 percent.

19 If the gross income of the taxpayer is attributable to activities 20 both within and without this state, the gross income attributable to 21 this state shall be determined in accordance with the methods of 22 apportionment required under RCW 82.04.460.

(14) Upon every person engaging within this state as an insurance agent, insurance broker, or insurance solicitor licensed under chapter 48.17 RCW; as to such persons, the amount of the tax with respect to such licensed activities shall be equal to the gross income of such business multiplied by the rate of 1.1 percent.

(15) Upon every person engaging within this state in business as a hospital, as defined in chapter 70.41 RCW, ((that is operated as a nonprofit corporation or by the state or any of its political subdivisions,)) as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such activities shall be equal to the gross income of the business multiplied by the rate of ((0.75 percent through June 30, 1995, and)) 1.5 percent ((thereafter)). The moneys collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the health services account created under RCW 43.72.900.

37 **Sec. 3.** RCW 82.04.4297 and 1988 c 67 s 1 are each amended to read 38 as follows:

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In computing tax there may be deducted from the measure of tax 1 amounts received from the United States or any instrumentality thereof 2 or from the state of Washington or any municipal corporation or 3 4 political subdivision thereof as compensation for, or to support, health or social welfare services rendered by a health or social 5 welfare organization or by a municipal corporation or political 6 subdivision, except deductions are not allowed under this section for amounts that are received under an employee benefit plan or amounts 8 9 that are received by a person with respect to the operation of a hospital, as defined in chapter 70.41 RCW. 10

11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** This act shall take effect July 1, 1995.

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