
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6014

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By Senate Committee on Government Operations (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Winsley, Vognild and Snyder)

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1 AN ACT Relating to state fire protection services; amending RCW
2 84.52.043; adding a new section to chapter 84.52 RCW; and providing for
3 submission of this act to a vote of the people.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 84.52.043 and 1993 c 337 s 3 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 Within and subject to the limitations imposed by RCW 84.52.050 as
8 amended, the regular ad valorem tax levies upon real and personal
9 property by the taxing districts hereafter named shall be as follows:

10 (1) Levies of the senior taxing districts shall be as follows: (a)
11 The levy by the state under RCW 84.52.065 shall not exceed three
12 dollars and sixty cents per thousand dollars of assessed value adjusted
13 to the state equalized value in accordance with the indicated ratio
14 fixed by the state department of revenue to be used exclusively for the
15 support of the common schools; (b) the levy by the state under section
16 2 of this act shall not exceed two cents per thousand dollars of
17 assessed value adjusted to the state equalized value in accordance with
18 the indicated ratio fixed by the state department of revenue to be used
19 exclusively for state fire protection services; (c) the levy by any

1 county shall not exceed one dollar and eighty cents per thousand
2 dollars of assessed value; ~~((+e))~~ (d) the levy by any road district
3 shall not exceed two dollars and twenty-five cents per thousand dollars
4 of assessed value; and ~~((+d))~~ (e) the levy by any city or town shall
5 not exceed three dollars and thirty-seven and one-half cents per
6 thousand dollars of assessed value. However any county is hereby
7 authorized to increase its levy from one dollar and eighty cents to a
8 rate not to exceed two dollars and forty-seven and one-half cents per
9 thousand dollars of assessed value for general county purposes if the
10 total levies for both the county and any road district within the
11 county do not exceed four dollars and five cents per thousand dollars
12 of assessed value, and no other taxing district has its levy reduced as
13 a result of the increased county levy.

14 (2) The aggregate levies of junior taxing districts and senior
15 taxing districts, other than the state, shall not exceed five dollars
16 and ninety cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The term
17 "junior taxing districts" includes all taxing districts other than the
18 state, counties, road districts, cities, towns, port districts, and
19 public utility districts. The limitations provided in this subsection
20 shall not apply to: (a) Levies at the rates provided by existing law
21 by or for any port or public utility district; (b) excess property tax
22 levies authorized in Article VII, section 2 of the state Constitution;
23 (c) levies for acquiring conservation futures as authorized under RCW
24 84.34.230; (d) levies for emergency medical care or emergency medical
25 services imposed under RCW 84.52.069; and (e) levies to finance
26 affordable housing for very low-income housing imposed under RCW
27 84.52.105.

28 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 84.52 RCW
29 to read as follows:

30 Subject to the limitations in RCW 84.55.010, in each year the state
31 shall levy for collection in the following year for state fire
32 protection responsibilities within the department of community, trade,
33 and economic development a tax of two cents per thousand dollars of
34 assessed value upon the assessed valuation of all taxable property
35 within the state adjusted to the state equalized value in accordance
36 with the indicated ratio fixed by the state department of revenue.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act shall be submitted to the people
2 for their adoption and ratification, or rejection, at the next
3 succeeding general election to be held in this state, in accordance
4 with Article II, section 1 of the state Constitution, as amended, and
5 the laws adopted to facilitate the operation thereof.

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