

2 **HB 2841** - H AMD 061 WITHDRAWN 2-7-96

3 By Representative Morris

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5 Beginning on page 1, after line 4, strike all material through  
6 "year." on page 2, line 25, and insert the following:

7 **"Sec. 1.** RCW 84.55.005 and 1994 c 301 s 49 are each amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 As used in this chapter(~~(, the term)~~):

10 (1) "Regular property taxes" has the meaning given it in RCW  
11 84.04.140, and also includes amounts received in lieu of regular  
12 property taxes.

13 (2) "Inflation" means the percentage change in the implicit price  
14 deflator for the United States for each calendar year as published by  
15 the United States department of commerce.

16 (3) "Population change" means the percentage change in district  
17 population for each year as reported by the office of financial  
18 management.

19 (4) "Fiscal growth factor" means the average of the sum of  
20 inflation and population change for each of the prior three calendar  
21 years.

22 **Sec. 2.** RCW 84.55.010 and 1979 ex.s. c 218 s 2 are each amended to  
23 read as follows:

24 Except as provided in this chapter, the levy for a taxing district  
25 in any year shall be set so that the regular property taxes payable in  
26 the following year shall not exceed one hundred six percent or one  
27 hundred percent plus the fiscal growth factor, whichever is lower, of  
28 the amount of regular property taxes lawfully levied for such district  
29 in the highest of the three most recent years in which such taxes were  
30 levied for such district plus an additional dollar amount calculated by  
31 multiplying the increase in assessed value in that district resulting  
32 from new construction, improvements to property, and any increase in  
33 the assessed value of state-assessed property by the regular property  
34 tax levy rate of that district for the preceding year.

1       **Sec. 3.** RCW 84.55.020 and 1971 ex.s. c 288 s 21 are each amended  
2 to read as follows:

3       Notwithstanding the limitation set forth in RCW 84.55.010, the  
4 first levy for a taxing district created from consolidation of similar  
5 taxing districts shall be set so that the regular property taxes  
6 payable in the following year shall not exceed one hundred six percent  
7 or one hundred percent plus the fiscal growth factor, whichever is  
8 lower, of the sum of the amount of regular property taxes lawfully  
9 levied for each component taxing district in the highest of the three  
10 most recent years in which such taxes were levied for such district  
11 plus the additional dollar amount calculated by multiplying the  
12 increase in assessed value in each component district resulting from  
13 new construction and improvements to property by the regular property  
14 tax rate of each component district for the preceding year."

15       EFFECT OF AMENDMENT: Amends the current 106 percent levy lid by  
16 restricting growth in state and local regular levies to the lesser of  
17 a "fiscal growth factor" or six percent. The "fiscal growth factor" is  
18 the average of population growth plus inflation for the three prior  
19 years. This is similar to the I-601 growth factor.

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