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On page 17, after line 2 of the amendment, insert the following:

"Sec. 17. RCW 39.42.060 and 1993 c 52 ú 1; 1989 1st ex.s. c 14 ú 17; 1989 c 356 ú 7; 1983 1st ex.s. c 36 ú 1; 1979 ex.s. c 204 ú 1; and 1971 ex.s. c 184 ú 6 are each amended to read as follows:

No bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness for borrowed money shall be issued by the state which will cause the aggregate debt contracted by the state to exceed that amount for which payments of principal and interest in any fiscal year would require the state to expend more than seven percent of the arithmetic mean of its general state revenues, as defined in section 1(c) of Article VIII of the Washington state Constitution for the three immediately preceding fiscal years as certified by the treasurer in accordance with RCW 39.42.070. It shall be the duty of the state finance committee to compute annually the amount required to pay principal of and interest on outstanding debt. making such computation, the state finance committee shall include all borrowed money represented by bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness which are secured by the full faith and credit of the state or are required to be paid, directly or indirectly, from general state revenues and which are incurred by the state, any department, authority, public corporation or quasi corporation of the state, any state university or college, or any other public agency created by the state but not by counties, cities, towns, school districts, or other municipal corporations, and shall include debt incurred pursuant to section 3 of Article VIII of the Washington state Constitution, but shall exclude the following:

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- (1) Obligations for the payment of current expenses of state government;
 - (2) Indebtedness incurred pursuant to RCW 39.42.080 or 39.42.090;
 - (3) Principal of and interest on bond anticipation notes;
 - (4) Any indebtedness which has been refunded;
 - (5) Financing contracts entered into under chapter 39.94 RCW;
- (6) Indebtedness authorized or incurred before July 1, 1993, pursuant to statute which requires that the state treasury be reimbursed, in the amount of the principal of and the interest on such indebtedness, from money other than general state revenues or from the special excise tax imposed pursuant to chapter 67.40 RCW;
- (7) Indebtedness authorized and incurred after July 1, 1993, pursuant to statute that requires that the state treasury be reimbursed, in the amount of the principal of and the interest on such indebtedness, from (a) moneys outside the state treasury, except higher education operating fees, (b) higher education building fees, (c) indirect costs recovered from federal grants and contracts, ((and)) (d) fees and charges associated with hospitals operated or managed by institutions of higher education, and (e) the special excise tax imposed pursuant to chapter 67.40 RCW; and
- (8) Any agreement, promissory note, or other instrument entered into by the state finance committee under RCW 39.42.030 in connection with its acquisition of bond insurance, letters of credit, or other credit support instruments for the purpose of guaranteeing the payment or enhancing the marketability, or both, of any state bonds, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness.

To the extent necessary because of the constitutional or statutory debt limitation, priorities with respect to the issuance or guaranteeing of bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness by the state shall be determined by the state finance committee."

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- 1 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively, correct
- 2 internal references accordingly, and correct the title amendment
- 3 accordingly.

EFFECT: State bonds for the Washington State Convention and Trade Center paid from Hotel/Motel tax revenues are exempt from the state 7% debt limit.

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