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SENATE BILL 5426

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By Senators Hochstatter, Swecker and Stevens

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to reducing the state property tax equivalent to
- 2 moneys received under the state tobacco litigation settlement; adding
- 3 a new section to chapter 84.55 RCW; and creating a new section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 84.55 RCW 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (1) In calculating the limit on the state property tax levy under
- 8 RCW 84.55.010 for any calendar year, state levies shall be set at the
- 9 amount that would be allowed otherwise under this chapter if the state
- 10 levy for collection in 2000 and thereafter had been set without any
- 11 reduction under subsection (3) of this section.
- 12 (2) The attorney general shall certify to the department of revenue
- 13 by October 1st of each year the amount of money to be received by the
- 14 state in the following calendar year under the December 1998 settlement
- 15 of the state's litigation against the major tobacco companies,
- 16 exclusive of recoveries for costs and fees.
- 17 (3) The state property tax levy determined under subsection (1) of
- 18 this section for collection in calendar year 2000 and thereafter shall

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- 1 be reduced by the amount certified to be received during that calendar
- 2 year under subsection (2) of this section.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act applies to taxes levied for
- 4 collection in 2000 and thereafter.

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