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**SENATE BILL 5567**

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**By** Senators Hale and Snyder

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1 AN ACT Relating to federal payments used to reduce the outstanding  
2 debt of school districts within counties; and adding a new section to  
3 chapter 36.01 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 36.01 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 The county legislative authority of any county that receives  
8 payment in lieu of taxes and payment equal to tax funds from the United  
9 States department of energy under section 168 of the federal atomic  
10 energy act of 1954 and nuclear waste policy act of 1982 and that has an  
11 agreed settlement or a joint stipulation dated before January 1, 1998,  
12 which agreed settlement or joint stipulation includes funds designated  
13 for state schools, may direct the county treasurer to distribute those  
14 designated funds to reduce the outstanding debt of the school districts  
15 within the county. Any such funds shall be divided among the school  
16 districts based upon the same percentages that each district's current  
17 assessed valuation is of the total assessed value for all eligible  
18 school districts if the district has outstanding debt that equals or  
19 exceeds the amount of its distribution. If the district does not have

1 outstanding debt that equals or exceeds the amount of its distribution,  
2 any amount above the outstanding debt shall be reallocated to the  
3 remaining eligible districts. Any funds received before January 1,  
4 1999, shall be distributed using the percentages calculated for 1998.  
5 The county treasurer shall apply the funds to any outstanding debt  
6 obligation selected by the respective school districts.

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