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SENATE BILL 6115

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By Senators Loveland, Brown, Bauer, Snyder, Rasmussen, Haugen, B. Sheldon, Eide, Jacobsen, McAuliffe, Gardner, Heavey, Franklin, Patterson, Prentice, T. Sheldon, Costa, Goings, McCaslin, Swecker and Winsley; by request of Governor Locke

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the reinstatement of the exemption from property
- 2 tax for motor vehicles, travel trailers, and campers eliminated by
- 3 Initiative 695; adding a new section to chapter 84.36 RCW; creating a
- 4 new section; and declaring an emergency.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 84.36 RCW
- 7 to read as follows:
- 8 (1) For the purposes of this section, the following definitions
- 9 apply:
- 10 (a) "Motor vehicle" means all motor vehicles, trailers, and
- 11 semitrailers used, or of the type designed primarily to be used, upon
- 12 the public streets and highways, for the convenience or pleasure of the
- 13 owner, or for the conveyance, for hire or otherwise, of persons or
- 14 property, including fixed loads and facilities for human habitation;
- 15 but shall not include (i) vehicles carrying exempt licenses; (ii) dock
- 16 and warehouse tractors and their cars or trailers, lumber carriers of
- 17 the type known as spiders, and all other automotive equipment not
- 18 designed primarily for use upon public streets or highways; (iii) motor
- 19 vehicles or their trailers used entirely upon private property; (iv)

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- 1 mobile homes as defined in RCW 46.04.302; or (v) motor vehicles owned
- 2 by nonresident military personnel of the armed forces of the United
- 3 States stationed in the state of Washington, provided personnel were
- 4 also nonresident at the time of their entry into military service.
- 5 (b) "Travel trailer" has the meaning given in RCW 46.04.623.
 - (c) "Camper" has the meaning given in RCW 46.04.085.
- 7 (2) Motor vehicles, travel trailers, and campers are exempt from 8 property taxation.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
- 10 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 11 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
- 12 immediately.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act applies retroactively to January 1,
- 14 2000.

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