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1 AN ACT Relating to property tax appeals; amending RCW 84.40.0301; 2 and creating a new section.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 84.40.0301 and 1994 c 301 s 35 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

Upon review by any court, or appellate body, of a determination of 6 7 the valuation of property for purposes of taxation, when the increase 8 in valuation is two percent or less per year, it shall be presumed that 9 the determination of the public official charged with the duty of establishing ((such)) this value is correct but this presumption shall 10 11 not be a defense against any correction indicated by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence. When the increase in valuation is more than two 12 13 percent per year, it is the burden of the public official charged with the duty of establishing this value to show it is correct. 14

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. Section 1 of this act applies to court or

1 appellate reviews commenced on or after August 1, 2003.

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