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AN ACT Relating to a business and occupation tax credit for the provision of certain mental health services; adding a new section to chapter 82.04 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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 82.04 RCW 6 to read as follows:

A credit is allowed against tax due under this chapter to employers for the cost of the provision of mental health services pursuant to the passage of chapter . . ., Laws of 2005 (House Bill No. 1154) to employees. The credit is equal to the additional cost to the employer attributable to the coverage of such services within an employeroffered health benefit plan required by chapter . . ., Laws of 2005 (House Bill No. 1154).

14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate 15 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the 16 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect

1 immediately.