
HOUSE BILL 3305

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1 AN ACT Relating to providing relief to Tacoma Narrows bridge users;
2 and amending RCW 47.46.060.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.46.060 and 2002 c 114 s 18 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) Any person, including the department of transportation and any
7 private entity or entities, may apply for deferral of taxes on the site
8 preparation for, the construction of, the acquisition of any related
9 machinery and equipment which will become a part of, and the rental of
10 equipment for use in the state route number 16 corridor improvements
11 project under this chapter. Application shall be made to the
12 department of revenue in a form and manner prescribed by the department
13 of revenue. The application shall contain information regarding
14 estimated or actual costs, time schedules for completion and operation,
15 and other information required by the department of revenue. The
16 department of revenue shall approve the application within sixty days
17 if it meets the requirements of this section.

18 (2) The department of revenue shall issue a sales and use tax

1 deferral certificate for state and local sales and use taxes due under
2 chapters 82.08, 82.12, and 82.14 RCW on the project.

3 (3) The department of transportation or a private entity granted a
4 tax deferral under this section shall begin paying the deferred taxes
5 in the fifth year after the date certified by the department of revenue
6 as the date on which the project is operationally complete. The first
7 payment is due on December 31st of the fifth calendar year after such
8 certified date, with subsequent annual payments due on December 31st of
9 the following nine years. Each payment shall equal ten percent of the
10 deferred tax. Within five days of each deferred sales and use tax
11 payment the state treasurer shall transfer an amount equal to the sales
12 tax payment from the state general fund to the Tacoma Narrows toll
13 bridge account. The project is operationally complete under this
14 section when the collection of tolls is commenced for the state route
15 number 16 improvements covered by the deferral.

16 (4) The department of revenue may authorize an accelerated
17 repayment schedule upon request of the department of transportation or
18 a private entity granted a deferral under this section.

19 (5) Interest shall not be charged on any taxes deferred under this
20 section for the period of deferral, although all other penalties and
21 interest applicable to delinquent excise taxes may be assessed and
22 imposed for delinquent payments under this section. The debt for
23 deferred taxes is not extinguished by insolvency or other failure of
24 the private entity. Transfer of ownership does not terminate the
25 deferral.

26 (6) Applications and any other information received by the
27 department of revenue under this section are not confidential and are
28 subject to disclosure. Chapter 82.32 RCW applies to the administration
29 of this section.

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