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SENATE BILL 5857

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By Senators Prentice and Kohl-Welles

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1            AN ACT Relating to the business and occupation taxation of  
2 nonprofit community health centers; amending RCW 82.04.4311; and  
3 providing an effective date.

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

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 82.04.4311 and 2002 c 314 s 2 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7            (1) A public hospital that is owned by a municipal corporation or  
8 political subdivision, or a nonprofit hospital, or a nonprofit  
9 community health center, or a network of nonprofit community health  
10 centers, that qualifies as a health and social welfare organization as  
11 defined in RCW 82.04.431, may deduct from the measure of tax amounts  
12 received as compensation for health care services covered under the  
13 federal medicare program authorized under Title XVIII of the federal  
14 social security act; medical assistance, children's health, or other  
15 program under chapter 74.09 RCW; or for the state of Washington basic  
16 health plan under chapter 70.47 RCW. The deduction authorized by this  
17 section does not apply to amounts received from patient copayments or  
18 patient deductibles.

1       (2) As used in this section, "community health center" means a  
2 federally qualified health center as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1396d as  
3 existing on the effective date of this act.

4       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 2.**   This act takes effect August 1, 2005.

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