CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 2416

Chapter 1, Laws of 2007

60th Legislature 2007 1st Special Session

PROPERTY TAX LIMIT

EFFECTIVE DATE: 11/29/07

Passed by the House November 29, 2007 Yeas 86 Nays 8

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate November 29, 2007 Yeas 39 Nays 9

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2416** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER

Chief Clerk

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Approved November 29, 2007, 7:56 p.m.

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CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington

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By Representatives Hurst, Orcutt, Barlow, Roach, Seaquist, Condotta, Kelley, McCune, Goodman, Strow, VanDeWege, Bailey, Wallace, Ahern, Green, Schmick, Lantz, Ross, Springer, Rodne, Morrell, Anderson, Rolfes, Hailey, P. Sullivan, Haler, McCoy, Hankins, Eddy, Priest, Takko, Kristiansen, Blake, Pearson, Ericks, Ericksen, Kessler, DeBolt, Appleton, Skinner, Clibborn, Hinkle, Fromhold, Warnick, O'Brien, Alexander, Campbell, Armstrong, Lovick, Newhouse, Morris, Chandler, B. Sullivan, Schindler, Eickmeyer, Crouse, Jarrett, Dunn, Kretz, Sump, McDonald, Walsh and Linville; by request of Governor Gregoire

Read first time 11/29/2007. Referred to Committee on Finance.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to reinstating the one percent property tax limit
- 2 factor adopted by the voters under Initiative Measure No. 747; amending
- 3 RCW 84.55.0101; reenacting and amending RCW 84.55.005; creating a new
- 4 section; and declaring an emergency.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 84.55.005 and 1997 c 393 s 20 and 1997 c 3 s 201 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 8 As used in this chapter:
- 9 (1) "Inflation" means the percentage change in the implicit price 10 deflator for personal consumption expenditures for the United States as 11 published for the most recent twelve-month period by the bureau of 12 economic analysis of the federal department of commerce in September of 13 the year before the taxes are payable;
- 14 (2) "Limit factor" means:
- 15 (a) For taxing districts with a population of less than ten 16 thousand in the calendar year prior to the assessment year, one hundred 17 ((six)) one percent;
- 18 (b) For taxing districts for which a limit factor is authorized

- under RCW 84.55.0101, the lesser of the limit factor authorized under that section or one hundred ((six)) one percent;
- 3 (c) For all other districts, the lesser of one hundred ((six)) one
 4 percent or one hundred percent plus inflation; and
- 5 (3) "Regular property taxes" has the meaning given it in RCW 84.04.140.
- 7 **Sec. 2.** RCW 84.55.0101 and 1997 c 3 s 204 are each amended to read 8 as follows:
- Upon a finding of substantial need, the legislative authority of a 9 10 taxing district other than the state may provide for the use of a limit factor under this chapter of one hundred ((six)) one percent or less. 11 In districts with legislative authorities of four members or less, two-12 thirds of the members must approve an ordinance or resolution under 13 In districts with more than four members, a majority 14 this section. 15 plus one vote must approve an ordinance or resolution under this 16 section. The new limit factor shall be effective for taxes collected in the following year only. 17
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act applies both prospectively and retroactively to taxes levied for collection in 2002 and thereafter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately.

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