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AN ACT Relating to a sales and use tax rebate for materials and services related to the construction of affordable housing; adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.12 RCW; and providing an expiration date.

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

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6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 82.08 RCW 7 to read as follows:

- (1) An exemption in the form of a refund is provided for state and local sales taxes imposed on the sale of tangible personal property and labor and services to a limited liability company, or other company, if the property and services are used to construct new housing or reconstruct existing housing and the company has received a commitment of funding to pay for the property or services in whole or in part, from a federal, state, or local housing program.
- (2) Sellers shall collect sales tax on sales subject to this exemption. The buyer shall apply for a refund directly from the department in a form and manner prescribed by the department. The department may require the submittal of any documentation it deems necessary to verify eligibility for the exemption.

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(3) The department of community, trade, and economic development shall work with the department and the joint legislative audit and review committee to develop performance measures related to the effectiveness of the exemption authorized in this section and section 2 of this act in increasing the production of affordable housing. These performance measures must be based upon data collected by the department in the remittal process.

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- (4) A local jurisdiction may require a company exempt from tax under this section or section 2 of this act to make payments to the jurisdiction for improvements, services, and facilities furnished by the jurisdiction for the benefit of housing for which the construction of the housing is subject to the exemption under this section or section 2 of this act. However, these required payments may not exceed the amount that would have otherwise been distributed to the jurisdiction if not for the tax exemption provided under this section or section 2 of this act.
- 17 (5) For the purposes of this section, "local jurisdiction" means 18 a city, town, county, housing authority, public development authority, 19 or tribe.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 82.12 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) An exemption in the form of a refund is provided for the tax imposed under this chapter for the use of tangible personal property and labor and services by a limited liability company, or other company, if the conditions, requirements, and definitions under section 1 of this act are met.
- 27 (2) Sellers obligated to collect use tax shall collect tax on sales 28 subject to this exemption. The buyer shall apply for a refund directly 29 from the department in a form and manner prescribed by the department.
- 30 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act expires July 1, 2014.

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