HOUSE BILL 1597

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By Representatives Springer and Hunter; by request of Department of Revenue

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1 AN ACT Relating to improving the administration of state and local 2 tax programs without impacting tax collections by providing greater consistency in numerous tax incentive programs, revising provisions 3 relating to the confidentiality and disclosure of tax information, and 4 5 amending statutes to improve clarity and consistency, eliminate б obsolete provisions, and simplify administration; amending RCW 7 82.04.240, 82.04.2404, 82.04.250, 82.04.2909, 82.04.294, 82.04.426, 82.04.4266, 82.04.4268, 82.04.4269, 82.04.4452, 82.04.4461, 82.04.4463, 8 82.04.448, 82.04.4481, 82.04.4483, 82.04.4484, 82.04.449, 82.08.805, 9 82.08.965, 82.08.9651, 82.08.970, 82.08.980, 82.12.022, 82.12.805, 10 11 82.12.965, 82.12.9651, 82.12.970, 82.12.980, 82.16.0421, 82.29A.137, 12 82.60.020, 82.60.070, 82.63.020, 82.63.045, 82.74.040, 82.74.050, 82.75.010, 82.75.020, 82.75.040, 82.82.020, 82.82.040, 84.36.645, 13 84.36.655, 42.56.230, 82.16.120, 82.32.330, 82.32.480, 82.60.100, 14 15 82.62.080, 82.63.070, 82.74.070, 82.75.060, 83.100.210, 39.100.050, 82.36.440, 82.38.280, 82.04.3651, 82.08.02573, 82.08.0273, 82.08.0293, 16 82.08.865, 82.12.035, 82.12.040, 82.12.865, 82.80.120, 83.100.040, 17 18 83.100.046, 82.04.280, 82.04.280, 29A.36.210, 36.68.525, 36.69.145, 82.03.140, 84.34.020, 84.36.040, 84.36.381, 84.37.030, 84.37.902, 19 20 84.40.042, 84.48.050, 84.52.030, 84.52.070, 84.52.080, 84.56.070, 21 84.60.050, 86.09.490, 87.03.265, and 87.03.270; amending 2006 c 300 s

12 (uncodified); reenacting and amending RCW 82.04.260, 82.32.590, 1 2 82.32.600, 82.04.050, and 84.36.383; adding new sections to chapter 82.32 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.75 RCW; adding a new 3 4 section to chapter 35.102 RCW; creating new sections; repealing RCW 82.32.535, 82.32.5351, 82.32.545, 82.32.560, 82.32.570, 82.32.610, 5 б 82.32.620, 82.32.630, 82.32.645, 82.32.650, 82.16.140, and 84.55.080; 7 repealing 2005 c 301 s 5 (uncodified); providing a contingent effective 8 date; and providing expiration dates.

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

PART I

11 **PROVIDING UNIFORMITY IN TAX INCENTIVE ACCOUNTABILITY PROVISIONS**

12 Sec. 101. (1) The legislature NEW SECTION. finds that accountability and effectiveness are important aspects of setting tax 13 14 policy. In order to make policy choices regarding the best use of 15 limited state resources, the legislature needs information on how a tax 16 preference is used. In recent years, the legislature has enacted or extended numerous tax preferences that require the reporting of 17 18 information to the department of revenue. Although there are many 19 similarities in the requirements, and only two distinct accountability 20 documents, there is a lack of uniformity in the information reported, 21 penalties for failure to file, due dates, filing extensions, and filing requirements. Greater uniformity in the data reported is necessary to 22 23 adequately compare tax preference programs. The legislature intends to create two sets of uniform reporting requirements that apply to the 24 25 existing tax preferences and can be used in future legislation granting 26 additional tax preferences.

27 (2) The legislative fiscal committees or the department of revenue are required to study many of the existing tax preferences and report 28 29 to the legislature at least once. Because chapter 43.136 RCW now 30 requires the joint legislative audit and review committee, with support from the department of revenue, to comprehensively review most tax 31 32 preferences every ten years and provide a report to the legislature, a 33 number of redundant studies by the legislative fiscal committees and 34 the department of revenue have been eliminated. However, the

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1 department of revenue will continue to prepare summary descriptive 2 statistics by category and report the statistics to the legislature 3 each year.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 102. A new section is added to chapter 82.32
RCW to read as follows:

6 (1)(a) Every person claiming a tax preference that requires a 7 survey under this section must file a complete annual survey with the 8 department.

9 (i) Except as provided in (a)(ii) of this subsection, the survey is 10 due by April 30th of the year following any calendar year in which a 11 person becomes eligible to claim the tax preference that requires a 12 survey under this section.

(ii) If the tax preference is a deferral of tax, the first survey must be filed by April 30th of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the investment project is certified by the department as operationally complete, and a survey must be filed by April 30th of each of the seven succeeding calendar years.

(b) The department may extend the due date for timely filing ofannual surveys under this section as provided in RCW 82.32.590.

20 (2)(a) The survey must include the amount of the tax preference 21 claimed for the calendar year covered by the survey.

(b) The survey must also include the following information for employment positions in Washington, not to include names of employees, for the year that the tax preference was claimed:

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(i) The number of total employment positions;

26 (ii) Full-time, part-time, and temporary employment positions as a 27 percent of total employment;

(iii) The number of employment positions according to the following wage bands: Less than thirty thousand dollars; thirty thousand dollars or greater, but less than sixty thousand dollars; and sixty thousand dollars or greater. A wage band containing fewer than three individuals may be combined with another wage band; and

(iv) The number of employment positions that have employer-providedmedical, dental, and retirement benefits, by each of the wage bands.

35 (c) For persons claiming the tax preference provided under chapter
 36 82.60 or 82.63 RCW, the survey must also include the number of new

products or research projects by general classification, and the number of trademarks, patents, and copyrights associated with activities at the investment project.

4 (d) For persons claiming the credit provided under RCW 82.04.4452, the survey must also include the qualified research and development 5 expenditures during the calendar year for which the credit was claimed, 6 7 the taxable amount during the calendar year for which the credit was 8 claimed, the number of new products or research projects by general classification, the number of trademarks, patents, and copyrights 9 associated with the research and development activities for which the 10 credit was claimed, and whether the tax preference has been assigned, 11 12 and who assigned the credit. The definitions in RCW 82.04.4452 apply 13 to this subsection (2)(d).

(e) If the person filing a survey under this section did not file a survey with the department in the previous calendar year, the survey filed under this section must also include the employment, wage, and benefit information required under (b)(i) through (iv) of this subsection for the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year for which a tax preference was claimed.

20 (3) As part of the annual survey, the department may request 21 additional information necessary to measure the results of, or 22 determine eligibility for, the tax preference.

23 (4) All information collected under this section, except the amount 24 of the tax preference claimed, is deemed taxpayer information under RCW 25 82.32.330. Information on the amount of tax preference claimed is not 26 subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be 27 disclosed to the public upon request, except as provided in subsection 28 (5) of this section. If the amount of the tax preference claimed as 29 reported on the survey is different than the amount actually claimed or 30 otherwise allowed by the department based on the taxpayer's excise tax returns or other information known to the department, the amount 31 32 actually claimed or allowed may be disclosed.

(5) Persons for whom the actual amount of the tax reduced or saved is less than ten thousand dollars during the period covered by the survey may request the department to treat the amount of the tax reduction or savings as confidential under RCW 82.32.330.

37 (6)(a) Except as otherwise provided by law, if a person claims a38 tax preference that requires an annual survey under this section but

fails to submit a complete annual survey by the due date of the survey 1 2 or any extension under RCW 82.32.590, the department must declare the amount of the tax preference claimed for the previous calendar year to 3 be immediately due. If the tax preference is a deferral of tax, twelve 4 and one-half percent of the deferred tax is immediately due. If the 5 economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee, the lessee is б 7 responsible for payment to the extent the lessee has received the 8 economic benefit.

9 (b) The department must assess interest, but not penalties, on the 10 amounts due under this subsection. The interest must be assessed at rate provided for delinquent taxes this 11 the under chapter, 12 retroactively to the date the tax preference was claimed, and accrues until the taxes for which the tax preference was claimed are repaid. 13 14 due under this subsection are not subject Amounts to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the 15 16 public upon request.

(7) The department must use the information from this section to prepare summary descriptive statistics by category. No fewer than three taxpayers may be included in any category. The department must report these statistics to the legislature each year by October 1st.

21 (8) For the purposes of this section:

(a) "Person" has the meaning provided in RCW 82.04.030 and alsoincludes the state and its departments and institutions.

(b) "Tax preference" has the meaning provided in RCW 43.136.021 and includes only the tax preferences requiring a survey under this section.

27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 103. A new section is added to chapter 82.32 28 RCW to read as follows:

(1)(a) Every person claiming a tax preference that requires a report under this section must file a complete annual report with the department. The report is due by April 30th of the year following any calendar year in which a person becomes eligible to claim the tax preference that requires a report under this section. The department may extend the due date for timely filing of annual reports under this section as provided in RCW 82.32.590.

36 (b) The report must include information detailing employment,37 wages, and employer-provided health and retirement benefits for

employment positions in Washington for the year that the tax preference 1 2 was claimed. However, persons engaged in manufacturing commercial 3 airplanes or components of such airplanes may report employment, wage, 4 and benefit information per job at the manufacturing site for the year that the tax preference was claimed. The report must not include names 5 of employees. The report must also detail employment by the total 6 7 number of full-time, part-time, and temporary positions for the year 8 that the tax preference was claimed.

9 (c) Persons receiving the benefit of the tax preference provided by 10 RCW 82.16.0421 or claiming any of the tax preferences provided by RCW 11 82.04.2909, 82.04.4481, 82.08.805, 82.12.805, or 82.12.022(5) must 12 indicate on the annual report the quantity of product produced in this 13 state during the time period covered by the report.

(d) If a person filing a report under this section did not file a report with the department in the previous calendar year, the report filed under this section must also include employment, wage, and benefit information for the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year for which a tax preference was claimed.

19 (2) As part of the annual report, the department may request 20 additional information necessary to measure the results of, or 21 determine eligibility for, the tax preference.

(3) Other than information requested under subsection (2) of this
section, the information contained in an annual report filed under this
section is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW
82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.

26 (4) Except as otherwise provided by law, if a person claims a tax 27 preference that requires an annual report under this section but fails to submit a report by the due date or any extension under RCW 28 29 82.32.590, the department must declare the amount of the tax preference 30 claimed for the previous calendar year to be immediately due and The department must assess interest, but not penalties, on 31 payable. the amounts due under this subsection. The interest must be assessed 32 at the rate provided for delinguent taxes under this chapter, 33 retroactively to the date the tax preference was claimed, and accrues 34 35 until the taxes for which the tax preference was claimed are repaid. 36 due under this subsection are not subject Amounts to the 37 confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the 38 public upon request.

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1 (5) The department must use the information from this section to 2 prepare summary descriptive statistics by category. No fewer than 3 three taxpayers may be included in any category. The department must 4 report these statistics to the legislature each year by October 1st.

(6) For the purposes of this section:

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6 (a) "Person" has the meaning provided in RCW 82.04.030 and also 7 includes the state and its departments and institutions.

8 (b) "Tax preference" has the meaning provided in RCW 43.136.021 and 9 includes only the tax preferences requiring a survey under this 10 section.

11 **Sec. 104.** RCW 82.04.240 and 2003 c 149 s 3 are each amended to 12 read as follows:

(1) Upon every person engaging within this state in business as a manufacturer, except persons taxable as manufacturers under other provisions of this chapter; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of the products, including byproducts, manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

(2)(a) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business 19 20 of manufacturing semiconductor materials, as to such persons the amount 21 of tax with respect to such business ((shall)) is, in the case of 22 manufacturers, ((be)) equal to the value of the product manufactured, 23 or, in the case of processors for hire, ((be)) equal to the gross 24 income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent. For 25 the purposes of this subsection "semiconductor materials" means silicon 26 crystals, silicon ingots, raw polished semiconductor wafers, compound 27 semiconductors, integrated circuits, and microchips.

28 (b) A person reporting under the tax rate provided in this 29 subsection (2) must file a complete annual report with the department 30 under section 103 of this act.

31 (c) This subsection (2) expires twelve years after the effective 32 date of this act.

(3) The measure of the tax is the value of the products, including
byproducts, so manufactured regardless of the place of sale or the fact
that deliveries may be made to points outside the state.

1 Sec. 105. RCW 82.04.2404 and 2006 c 84 s 2 are each amended to
2 read as follows:

(1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing or processing for hire semiconductor materials, as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall)) is, in the case of manufacturers, ((be)) equal to the value of the product manufactured, or, in the case of processors for hire, ((be)) equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.

10 (2) For the purposes of this section "semiconductor materials" 11 means silicon crystals, silicon ingots, raw polished semiconductor 12 wafers, and compound semiconductor wafers.

13 (3) <u>A person reporting under the tax rate provided in this section</u> 14 <u>must file a complete annual report with the department under section</u> 15 <u>103 of this act.</u>

16 (4) This section expires ((twelve years after)) December 1, 17 ((2006)) 2018.

18 Sec. 106. RCW 82.04.250 and 2008 c 81 s 5 are each amended to read 19 as follows:

(1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail, except persons taxable as retailers under other provisions of this chapter, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.471 percent.

25 (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 26 making sales at retail that are exempt from the tax imposed under chapter 82.08 RCW by reason of RCW 82.08.0261, 82.08.0262, 27 or 82.08.0263, except persons taxable under RCW 82.04.260(11) 28 or 29 subsection (3) of this section, as to such persons, the amount of tax 30 with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross 31 proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.484 32 percent.

(3)(a) Upon every person classified by the federal aviation administration as a federal aviation regulation part 145 certificated repair station and that is engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail that are exempt from the tax imposed under chapter 82.08 RCW by reason of RCW 82.08.0261, 82.08.0262, or

1 82.08.0263, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such 2 business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the 3 business, multiplied by the rate of .2904 percent.

4 (b) A person reporting under the tax rate provided in this
5 subsection (3) must file a complete annual report with the department
6 under section 103 of this act.

7 Sec. 107. RCW 82.04.260 and 2008 c 296 s 1, 2008 c 217 s 100, and 8 2008 c 81 s 4 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

9 (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 10 manufacturing:

(a) Wheat into flour, barley into pearl barley, soybeans into soybean oil, canola into canola oil, canola meal, or canola byproducts, or sunflower seeds into sunflower oil; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of the flour, pearl barley, oil, canola meal, or canola byproduct manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent;

(b) Beginning July 1, 2012, seafood products that remain in a raw, 17 raw frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the manufacturing 18 by that person; or selling manufactured seafood products that remain in 19 20 a raw, raw frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the 21 manufacturing, to purchasers who transport in the ordinary course of 22 business the goods out of this state; as to such persons the amount of 23 tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of the products manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such 24 25 sales, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers must keep and 26 preserve records for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing 27 that the goods were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business out of this state; 28

29 (c) Beginning July 1, 2012, dairy products that as of September 20, 2001, are identified in 21 C.F.R., chapter 1, parts 131, 133, and 135, 30 31 including byproducts from the manufacturing of the dairy products such 32 as whey and casein; or selling the same to purchasers who transport in the ordinary course of business the goods out of state; as to such 33 34 persons the tax imposed ((shall be)) is equal to the value of the 35 products manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such sales 36 multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers must keep and

1 preserve records for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing 2 that the goods were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course 3 of business out of this state;

4 (d) Beginning July 1, 2012, fruits or vegetables by canning, preserving, freezing, processing, or dehydrating fresh fruits or 5 vegetables, or selling at wholesale fruits or vegetables manufactured 6 7 by the seller by canning, preserving, freezing, processing, or 8 dehydrating fresh fruits or vegetables and sold to purchasers who transport in the ordinary course of business the goods out of this 9 state; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such 10 11 ((shall be)) is equal to the value of the products business 12 manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers must keep and preserve records 13 for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods 14 15 were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business 16 out of this state;

(e) Until July 1, 2009, alcohol fuel, biodiesel fuel, or biodiesel feedstock, as those terms are defined in RCW 82.29A.135; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to the business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of alcohol fuel, biodiesel fuel, or biodiesel feedstock manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent; and

(f) ((Alcohol fuel or)) <u>W</u>ood biomass fuel((-7)) as ((those termsare)) defined in RCW 82.29A.135; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to the business ((shall be)) <u>is</u> equal to the value of ((alcohol fuel or)) wood biomass fuel manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.

(2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of splitting or processing dried peas; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of the peas split or processed, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.

(3) Upon every nonprofit corporation and nonprofit association engaging within this state in research and development, as to such corporations and associations, the amount of tax with respect to such activities ((shall be)) is equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

36 (4) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of37 slaughtering, breaking and/or processing perishable meat products

and/or selling the same at wholesale only and not at retail; as to such persons the tax imposed ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.

4 (5) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 5 acting as a travel agent or tour operator; as to such persons the 6 amount of the tax with respect to such activities ((shall be)) is equal 7 to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate 8 of 0.275 percent.

9 (6) Upon every person engaging within this state in business as an 10 international steamship agent, international customs house broker, 11 international freight forwarder, vessel and/or cargo charter broker in 12 foreign commerce, and/or international air cargo agent; as to such 13 persons the amount of the tax with respect to only international 14 activities ((shall be)) is equal to the gross income derived from such 15 activities multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.

(7) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 16 17 stevedoring and associated activities pertinent to the movement of 18 goods and commodities in waterborne interstate or foreign commerce; as 19 to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds derived from such activities 20 21 multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent. Persons subject to taxation 22 under this subsection ((shall be)) are exempt from payment of taxes 23 imposed by chapter 82.16 RCW for that portion of their business subject 24 taxation under this subsection. Stevedoring and associated to 25 activities pertinent to the conduct of goods and commodities in 26 waterborne interstate or foreign commerce are defined as all activities 27 of a labor, service or transportation nature whereby cargo may be loaded or unloaded to or from vessels or barges, passing over, onto or 28 29 under a wharf, pier, or similar structure; cargo may be moved to a 30 warehouse or similar holding or storage yard or area to await further movement in import or export or may move to a consolidation freight 31 32 station and be stuffed, unstuffed, containerized, separated or otherwise segregated or aggregated for delivery or loaded on any mode 33 of transportation for delivery to its consignee. Specific activities 34 35 included in this definition are: Wharfage, handling, loading, 36 unloading, moving of cargo to a convenient place of delivery to the 37 consignee or a convenient place for further movement to export mode; documentation services in connection with the receipt, delivery, 38

checking, care, custody and control of cargo required in the transfer of cargo; imported automobile handling prior to delivery to consignee; terminal stevedoring and incidental vessel services, including but not limited to plugging and unplugging refrigerator service to containers, trailers, and other refrigerated cargo receptacles, and securing ship hatch covers.

7 (8) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 8 disposing of low-level waste, as defined in RCW 43.145.010; as to such 9 persons the amount of the tax with respect to such business ((shall 10 be)) is equal to the gross income of the business, excluding any fees 11 imposed under chapter 43.200 RCW, multiplied by the rate of 3.3 12 percent.

13 If the gross income of the taxpayer is attributable to activities 14 both within and without this state, the gross income attributable to 15 this state ((shall)) <u>must</u> be determined in accordance with the methods 16 of apportionment required under RCW 82.04.460.

(9) Upon every person engaging within this state as an insurance producer or title insurance agent licensed under chapter 48.17 RCW; as to such persons, the amount of the tax with respect to such licensed activities ((shall be)) is equal to the gross income of such business multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

22 (10) Upon every person engaging within this state in business as a 23 hospital, as defined in chapter 70.41 RCW, that is operated as a 24 nonprofit corporation or by the state or any of its political subdivisions, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to 25 26 such activities ((shall be)) is equal to the gross income of the 27 business multiplied by the rate of 0.75 percent through June 30, 1995, 28 and 1.5 percent thereafter. The moneys collected under this subsection 29 ((shall)) must be deposited in the health services account created 30 under RCW 43.72.900.

(11)(a) Beginning October 1, 2005, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing commercial airplanes, or components of such airplanes, or making sales, at retail or wholesale, of commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes, manufactured by the seller, as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall)) is, in the case of manufacturers, ((be)) equal to the value of the product manufactured and the gross

1 proceeds of sales of the product manufactured, or in the case of 2 processors for hire, ((be)) equal to the gross income of the business, 3 multiplied by the rate of:

4 (i) 0.4235 percent from October 1, 2005, through ((the later of)) 5 June 30, 2007; and

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(ii) 0.2904 percent beginning July 1, 2007.

7 (b) Beginning July 1, 2008, upon every person who is not eligible to report under the provisions of (a) of this subsection (11) and is 8 engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing tooling 9 10 specifically designed for use in manufacturing commercial airplanes or 11 components of such airplanes, or making sales, at retail or wholesale, 12 of such tooling manufactured by the seller, as to such persons the 13 amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall)) is, in the case 14 of manufacturers, ((be)) equal to the value of the product manufactured and the gross proceeds of sales of the product manufactured, or in the 15 16 case of processors for hire, ((be)) equal to the gross income of the 17 business, multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent.

18 (c) For the purposes of this subsection (11), "commercial airplane" 19 and "component" have the same meanings as provided in RCW 82.32.550.

(d) In addition to all other requirements under this title, a person ((eligible for)) reporting under the tax rate ((under)) provided in this subsection (11) must ((report as required)) file a complete annual report with the department under ((RCW 82.32.545)) section 103 of this act.

(e) This subsection (11) does not apply on and after July 1, 2024.

26 (12)(a) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this 27 state in the business of extracting timber or extracting for hire 28 timber; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to the 29 business ((shall)) is, in the case of extractors, ((be)) equal to the 30 value of products, including byproducts, extracted, or in the case of extractors for hire, be equal to the gross income of the business, 31 32 multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from July 1, 2006, through 33 June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 34 2024.

(b) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing or processing for hire: (i) Timber into timber products or wood products; or (ii) timber products into other timber products or wood products; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to the business ((shall)) is, in the case of manufacturers, ((be)) equal to the value of products, including byproducts, manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, ((be)) equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2024.

7 (c) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of selling at wholesale: (i) Timber extracted by 8 9 that person; (ii) timber products manufactured by that person from 10 timber or other timber products; or (iii) wood products manufactured by that person from timber or timber products; as to such persons the 11 12 amount of the tax with respect to the business ((shall be)) is equal to 13 the gross proceeds of sales of the timber, timber products, or wood 14 products multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 2007, through 15 16 June 30, 2024.

17 (d) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of selling standing timber; as to such persons 18 the amount of the tax with respect to the business ((shall be)) is 19 equal to the gross income of the business multiplied by the rate of 20 21 0.2904 percent. For purposes of this subsection (12)(d), "selling 22 standing timber" means the sale of timber apart from the land, where the buyer is required to sever the timber within thirty months from the 23 24 date of the original contract, regardless of the method of payment for 25 the timber and whether title to the timber transfers before, upon, or 26 after severance.

(e) For purposes of this subsection, the following definitionsapply:

(i) "Biocomposite surface products" means surface material products
 containing, by weight or volume, more than fifty percent recycled paper
 and that also use nonpetroleum-based phenolic resin as a bonding agent.

(ii) "Paper and paper products" means products made of interwoven cellulosic fibers held together largely by hydrogen bonding. "Paper and paper products" includes newsprint; office, printing, fine, and pressure-sensitive papers; paper napkins, towels, and toilet tissue; kraft bag, construction, and other kraft industrial papers; paperboard, liquid packaging containers, containerboard, corrugated, and solidfiber containers including linerboard and corrugated medium; and

related types of cellulosic products containing primarily, by weight or volume, cellulosic materials. "Paper and paper products" does not include books, newspapers, magazines, periodicals, and other printed publications, advertising materials, calendars, and similar types of printed materials.

6 (iii) "Recycled paper" means paper and paper products having fifty 7 percent or more of their fiber content that comes from postconsumer 8 waste. For purposes of this subsection (12)(e)(iii), "postconsumer 9 waste" means a finished material that would normally be disposed of as 10 solid waste, having completed its life cycle as a consumer item.

(iv) "Timber" means forest trees, standing or down, on privately or publicly owned land. "Timber" does not include Christmas trees that are cultivated by agricultural methods or short-rotation hardwoods as defined in RCW 84.33.035.

15 (v) "Timber products" means:

(A) Logs, wood chips, sawdust, wood waste, and similar products
 obtained wholly from the processing of timber, short-rotation hardwoods
 as defined in RCW 84.33.035, or both;

(B) Pulp, including market pulp and pulp derived from recoveredpaper or paper products; and

21 (C) Recycled paper, but only when used in the manufacture of 22 biocomposite surface products.

(vi) "Wood products" means paper and paper products; dimensional lumber; engineered wood products such as particleboard, oriented strand board, medium density fiberboard, and plywood; wood doors; wood windows; and biocomposite surface products.

27 (f) Except for small harvesters as defined in RCW 84.33.035, a 28 person reporting under the tax rate provided in this subsection (12) 29 must file a complete annual survey with the department under section 30 102 of this act.

(13) Upon every person engaging within this state in inspecting, testing, labeling, and storing canned salmon owned by another person, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such activities ((shall be)) is equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

36 **Sec. 108.** RCW 82.04.2909 and 2006 c 182 s 1 are each amended to 37 read as follows: 1 (1) Upon every person who is an aluminum smelter engaging within 2 this state in the business of manufacturing aluminum; as to such 3 persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall)) is, 4 in the case of manufacturers, ((be)) equal to the value of the product 5 manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, ((be)) equal to 6 the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of .2904 7 percent.

8 (2) Upon every person who is an aluminum smelter engaging within 9 this state in the business of making sales at wholesale of aluminum 10 manufactured by that person, as to such persons the amount of tax with 11 respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of 12 sales of the aluminum multiplied by the rate of .2904 percent.

13 (3) <u>A person reporting under the tax rate provided in this section</u> 14 <u>must file a complete annual report with the department under section</u> 15 <u>103 of this act.</u>

16 (4) This section expires January 1, 2012.

17 Sec. 109. RCW 82.04.294 and 2007 c 54 s 8 are each amended to read 18 as follows:

(1) Beginning October 1, 2005, upon every person engaging within 19 20 this state in the business of manufacturing solar energy systems using 21 photovoltaic modules, or of manufacturing solar grade silicon to be 22 used exclusively in components of such systems; as to such persons the 23 amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall)) is, in the case 24 of manufacturers, ((be)) equal to the value of the product 25 manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, ((be)) equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 26 27 percent.

(2) Beginning October 1, 2005, upon every person engaging within 28 29 this state in the business of making sales at wholesale of solar energy systems using photovoltaic modules and manufactured by the seller, or 30 solar grade silicon manufactured by the seller to be used 31 of exclusively in components of such systems((, manufactured by that 32 person)); as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such 33 34 business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the 35 solar energy systems using photovoltaic modules, or of the solar grade 36 silicon to be used exclusively in components of such systems, 37 multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent.

(3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this
 section.

3 (a) "Module" means the smallest nondivisible self-contained
4 physical structure housing interconnected photovoltaic cells and
5 providing a single direct current electrical output.

6 (b) "Photovoltaic cell" means a device that converts light directly 7 into electricity without moving parts.

8 (c) "Solar energy system" means any device or combination of 9 devices or elements that rely upon direct sunlight as an energy source 10 for use in the generation of electricity.

(d) "Solar grade silicon" means high-purity silicon used exclusively in components of solar energy systems using photovoltaic modules to capture direct sunlight. "Solar grade silicon" does not include silicon used in semiconductors.

15 (4) <u>A person reporting under the tax rate provided in this section</u> 16 <u>must file a complete annual report with the department under section</u> 17 <u>103 of this act.</u>

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(5) This section expires June 30, 2014.

19 Sec. 110. RCW 82.04.426 and 2003 c 149 s 2 are each amended to 20 read as follows:

(1) The tax imposed by RCW 82.04.240(2) does not apply to any
 person in respect to the manufacturing of semiconductor microchips.

23 (2) For the purposes of this section:

(a) "Manufacturing semiconductor microchips" means taking raw
 polished semiconductor wafers and embedding integrated circuits on the
 wafers using processes such as masking, etching, and diffusion; and

(b) "Integrated circuit" means a set of microminiaturized,electronic circuits.

29 (3) <u>A person reporting under the tax rate provided in this section</u> 30 <u>must file a complete annual report with the department under section</u> 31 <u>103 of this act.</u>

32 <u>(4)</u> This section expires nine years after the effective date of 33 this act.

34 **Sec. 111.** RCW 82.04.4266 and 2006 c 354 s 3 are each amended to 35 read as follows: (1) This chapter ((shall)) does not apply to the value of products
 or the gross proceeds of sales derived from:

3 (a) Manufacturing fruits or vegetables by canning, preserving,
4 freezing, processing, or dehydrating fresh fruits or vegetables; or

(b) Selling at wholesale fruits or vegetables manufactured by the 5 seller by canning, preserving, freezing, processing, or dehydrating 6 7 fresh fruits or vegetables and sold to purchasers who transport in the ordinary course of business the goods out of this state. A person 8 taking an exemption under this subsection (1)(b) must keep and preserve 9 10 records for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of 11 12 business out of this state.

13 (2) <u>A person claiming the exemption provided in this section must</u> 14 <u>file a complete annual survey with the department under section 102 of</u> 15 <u>this act.</u>

16 (3) This section expires July 1, 2012.

17 **Sec. 112.** RCW 82.04.4268 and 2006 c 354 s 1 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

(1) This chapter ((shall)) does not apply to the value of products
 or the gross proceeds of sales derived from:

21 (a) Manufacturing dairy products; or

(b) Selling manufactured dairy products to purchasers who transport in the ordinary course of business the goods out of this state. A person taking an exemption under this subsection (1)(b) must keep and preserve records for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business out of this state.

(2) "Dairy products" means dairy products that as of September 20,
 2001, are identified in 21 C.F.R., chapter 1, parts 131, 133, and 135,
 including byproducts from the manufacturing of the dairy products such
 as whey and casein.

32 (3) <u>A person claiming the exemption provided in this section must</u> 33 file a complete annual survey with the department under section 102 of 34 <u>this act.</u>

35 (4) This section expires July 1, 2012.

1 **Sec. 113.** RCW 82.04.4269 and 2006 c 354 s 2 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

3 (1) This chapter does not apply to the value of products or the4 gross proceeds of sales derived from:

5 (a) Manufacturing seafood products that remain in a raw, raw 6 frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the manufacturing by 7 that person; or

8 (b) Selling manufactured seafood products that remain in a raw, raw 9 frozen, or raw salted state to purchasers who transport in the ordinary 10 course of business the goods out of this state. A person taking an 11 exemption under this subsection (1)(b) must keep and preserve records 12 for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods 13 were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business 14 out of this state.

15 (2) <u>A person claiming the exemption provided in this section must</u> 16 <u>file a complete annual survey with the department under section 102 of</u> 17 <u>this act.</u>

18 (3) This section expires July 1, 2012.

19 Sec. 114. RCW 82.04.4452 and 2005 c 514 s 1003 are each amended to 20 read as follows:

(1) In computing the tax imposed under this chapter, a credit is allowed for each person whose research and development spending during the year in which the credit is claimed exceeds 0.92 percent of the person's taxable amount during the same calendar year.

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(2) The credit ((shall be)) <u>is</u> calculated as follows:

(a) Determine the greater of the amount of qualified research and
development expenditures of a person or eighty percent of amounts
received by a person other than a public educational or research
institution in compensation for the conduct of qualified research and
development;

31 (b) Subtract 0.92 percent of the person's taxable amount from the 32 amount determined under (a) of this subsection;

33 (c) Multiply the amount determined under (b) of this subsection by 34 the following:

(i) For the period June 10, 2004, through December 31, 2006, the person's average tax rate for the calendar year for which the credit is claimed; 1 (ii) For the calendar year ending December 31, 2007, the greater of 2 the person's average tax rate for that calendar year or 0.75 percent;

3 (iii) For the calendar year ending December 31, 2008, the greater 4 of the person's average tax rate for that calendar year or 1.0 percent; 5 (iv) For the calendar year ending December 31, 2009, the greater of 6 the person's average tax rate for that calendar year or 1.25 percent;

7 (v) For the calendar year ending December 31, 2010, and thereafter,
8 1.50 percent.

For purposes of calculating the credit, if a person's reporting 9 10 period is less than annual, the person may use an estimated average tax rate for the calendar year for which the credit is claimed by using the 11 12 person's average tax rate for each reporting period. A person who uses 13 an estimated average tax rate must make an adjustment to the total 14 credit claimed for the calendar year using the person's actual average tax rate for the calendar year when the person files its last return 15 for the calendar year for which the credit is claimed. 16

17 (3) Any person entitled to the credit provided in subsection (2) of 18 this section as a result of qualified research and development 19 conducted under contract may assign all or any portion of the credit to 20 the person contracting for the performance of the qualified research 21 and development.

22 (4) The credit, including any credit assigned to a person under subsection (3) of this section, ((shall)) must be claimed against taxes 23 24 due for the same calendar year in which the qualified research and 25 development expenditures are incurred. The credit, including any 26 credit assigned to a person under subsection (3) of this section, for 27 each calendar year ((shall)) may not exceed the lesser of two million 28 dollars or the amount of tax otherwise due under this chapter for the 29 calendar year.

(5) For any person claiming the credit, including any credit 30 assigned to a person under subsection (3) of this section, whose 31 32 research and development spending during the calendar year in which the credit is claimed fails to exceed 0.92 percent of the person's taxable 33 amount during the same calendar year or who is otherwise ineligible, 34 35 the department ((shall)) must declare the taxes against which the 36 credit was claimed to be immediately due and payable. The department 37 ((shall)) must assess interest, but not penalties, on the taxes against 38 which the credit was claimed. Interest ((shall)) must be assessed at

the rate provided for delinquent excise taxes under chapter 82.32 RCW, retroactively to the date the credit was claimed, and ((shall)) accrues until the taxes against which the credit was claimed are repaid. Any credit assigned to a person under subsection (3) of this section that is disallowed as a result of this section may be claimed by the person who performed the qualified research and development subject to the limitations set forth in subsection (4) of this section.

8 (6)(((a) The legislature finds that accountability and 9 effectiveness are important aspects of setting tax policy. In order to 10 make policy choices regarding the best use of limited state resources 11 the legislature needs information on how a tax incentive is used.

12 (b)) A person claiming the credit ((shall)) provided in this 13 section must file a complete annual survey with the department under section 102 of this act. ((The survey is due by March 31st following 14 any year in which a credit is claimed. The department may extend the 15 due date for timely filing of annual surveys under this section as 16 provided in RCW 82.32.590. The survey shall include the amount of the 17 tax credit claimed, the qualified research and development expenditures 18 during the calendar year for which the credit is claimed, the taxable 19 20 amount during the calendar year for which the credit is claimed, the 21 number of new products or research projects by general classification, the number of trademarks, patents, and copyrights associated with the 22 research and development activities for which a credit was claimed, and 23 24 whether the credit has been assigned under subsection (3) of this 25 section and who assigned the credit. The survey shall also include the 26 following information for employment positions in Washington:

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(i) The number of total employment positions;

28 (ii) Full-time, part-time, and temporary employment positions as a 29 percent of total employment;

30 (iii) The number of employment positions according to the following 31 wage bands: Less than thirty thousand dollars; thirty thousand dollars 32 or greater, but less than sixty thousand dollars; and sixty thousand 33 dollars or greater. A wage band containing fewer than three 34 individuals may be combined with another wage band; and

35 (iv) The number of employment positions that have employer-provided 36 medical, dental, and retirement benefits, by each of the wage bands.

37 (c) The department may request additional information necessary to

1 measure the results of the tax credit program, to be submitted at the 2 same time as the survey.

(d)(i) All information collected under this subsection, except the 3 4 amount of the tax credit claimed, is deemed taxpayer information under RCW 82.32.330. Information on the amount of tax credit claimed is not 5 б subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request, except as provided in this 7 subsection (6)(d). If the amount of the tax credit as reported on the 8 9 survey is different than the amount actually claimed on the taxpayer's tax returns or otherwise allowed by the department, the amount actually 10 11 claimed or allowed may be disclosed.

12 (ii) Persons for whom the actual amount of the tax credit claimed 13 on the taxpayer's returns or otherwise allowed by the department is 14 less than ten thousand dollars during the period covered by the survey 15 may request the department to treat the tax credit amount as 16 confidential under RCW 82.32.330.

17 (e) If a person fails to file a complete annual survey required 18 under this subsection with the department by the due date or any 19 extension under RCW 82.32.590, the person entitled to the credit 20 provided in subsection (2) of this section is not eligible to claim or 21 assign the credit provided in subsection (2) of this section in the 22 year the person failed to timely file a complete survey.

23 (7) The department shall use the information from subsection (6) of 24 this section to prepare summary descriptive statistics by category. No 25 fewer than three taxpayers shall be included in any category. The 26 department shall report these statistics to the legislature each year 27 by September 1st.

(8) The department shall use the information from subsection (6) of 28 this section to study the tax credit program authorized under this 29 section. The department shall report to the legislature by December 1, 30 2009, and December 1, 2013. The reports shall measure the effect of 31 the program on job creation, the number of jobs created for Washington 32 residents, company growth, the introduction of new products, the 33 diversification of the state's economy, growth in research and 34 35 development investment, the movement of firms or the consolidation of firms' operations into the state, and such other factors as the 36 37 department selects.

38 (9)) (7) For the purpose of this section:

1 (a) "Average tax rate" means a person's total tax liability under 2 this chapter for the calendar year for which the credit is claimed 3 divided by the taxpayer's total taxable amount under this chapter for 4 the calendar year for which the credit is claimed.

"Qualified research and development expenditures" means 5 (b) operating expenses, including wages, compensation of a proprietor or a 6 7 partner in a partnership as determined under rules adopted by the 8 department, benefits, supplies, and computer expenses, directly incurred in qualified research and development by a person claiming the 9 10 credit provided in this section. The term does not include amounts paid to a person other than a public educational or research 11 12 institution to conduct qualified research and development. Nor does 13 the term include capital costs and overhead, such as expenses for land, 14 structures, or depreciable property.

15 (c) "Qualified research and development" shall have the same 16 meaning as in RCW 82.63.010.

17 (d) "Research and development spending" means qualified research 18 and development expenditures plus eighty percent of amounts paid to a 19 person other than a public educational or research institution to 20 conduct qualified research and development.

(e) "Taxable amount" means the taxable amount subject to the tax imposed in this chapter required to be reported on the person's combined excise tax returns for the calendar year for which the credit is claimed, less any taxable amount for which a credit is allowed under RCW 82.04.440.

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(((10))) <u>(8)</u> This section expires January 1, 2015.

27 Sec. 115. RCW 82.04.4461 and 2008 c 81 s 7 are each amended to 28 read as follows:

(1)(a)(i) In computing the tax imposed under this chapter, a credit is allowed for each person for qualified aerospace product development. For a person who is a manufacturer or processor for hire of commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes, credit may be earned for expenditures occurring after December 1, 2003. For all other persons, credit may be earned only for expenditures occurring after June 30, 2008.

36 (ii) For purposes of this subsection, "commercial airplane" and 37 "component" have the same meanings as provided in RCW 82.32.550. (b) Before July 1, 2005, any credits earned under this section must
be accrued and carried forward and may not be used until July 1, 2005.
These carryover credits may be used at any time thereafter, and may be
carried over until used. Refunds may not be granted in the place of a
credit.

6 (2) The credit is equal to the amount of qualified aerospace 7 product development expenditures of a person, multiplied by the rate of 8 1.5 percent.

9 (3) Except as provided in subsection (1)(b) of this section the 10 credit ((shall)) <u>must</u> be ((taken)) <u>claimed</u> against taxes due for the 11 same calendar year in which the qualified aerospace product development 12 expenditures are incurred. Credit earned on or after July 1, 2005, may 13 not be carried over. The credit for each calendar year ((shall)) <u>may</u> 14 not exceed the amount of tax otherwise due under this chapter for the 15 calendar year. Refunds may not be granted in the place of a credit.

16 (4) Any person claiming the credit ((shall)) <u>must</u> file a form 17 prescribed by the department that ((shall)) <u>must</u> include the amount of 18 the credit claimed, an estimate of the anticipated aerospace product 19 development expenditures during the calendar year for which the credit 20 is claimed, an estimate of the taxable amount during the calendar year 21 for which the credit is claimed, and such additional information as the 22 department may prescribe.

23 (5) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 24 section.

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(a) "Aerospace product" has the meaning given in RCW 82.08.975.

26 (b) "Aerospace product development" means research, design, and 27 engineering activities performed in relation to the development of an aerospace product or of a product line, model, or model derivative of 28 29 an aerospace product, including prototype development, testing, and 30 The term includes the discovery of technological certification. information, the translating of technological information into new or 31 improved products, processes, techniques, formulas, or inventions, and 32 the adaptation of existing products and models into new products or new 33 models, or derivatives of products or models. 34 The term does not 35 include manufacturing activities or other production-oriented 36 activities, however the term does include tool design and engineering 37 design for the manufacturing process. The term does not include surveys and studies, social science and humanities research, market 38

research or testing, quality control, sale promotion and service,
 computer software developed for internal use, and research in areas
 such as improved style, taste, and seasonal design.

4 (c) "Qualified aerospace product development" means aerospace
5 product development performed within this state.

6 (d) "Qualified aerospace product development expenditures" means 7 operating expenses, including wages, compensation of a proprietor or a 8 partner in a partnership as determined by the department, benefits, 9 supplies, and computer expenses, directly incurred in qualified 10 aerospace product development by a person claiming the credit provided 11 in this section. The term does not include amounts paid to a person or 12 to the state and any of its departments and institutions, other than a 13 public educational or research institution to conduct qualified aerospace product development. The term does not include capital costs 14 and overhead, such as expenses for land, structures, or depreciable 15 16 property.

(e) "Taxable amount" means the taxable amount subject to the tax imposed in this chapter required to be reported on the person's tax returns during the year in which the credit is claimed, less any taxable amount for which a credit is allowed under RCW 82.04.440.

(6) In addition to all other requirements under this title, a person ((taking)) claiming the credit under this section must <u>file a</u> <u>complete annual</u> report ((as required)) with the department under ((RCW 82.32.545)) section 103 of this act.

(7) Credit may not be claimed for expenditures for which a creditis claimed under RCW 82.04.4452.

27 (8) This section expires July 1, 2024.

28 **Sec. 116.** RCW 82.04.4463 and 2008 c 81 s 8 are each amended to 29 read as follows:

30 (1) In computing the tax imposed under this chapter, a credit is 31 allowed for property taxes and leasehold excise taxes paid during the 32 calendar year.

33 (2) The credit is equal to:

34 (a)(i)(A) Property taxes paid on buildings, and land upon which the 35 buildings are located, constructed after December 1, 2003, and used 36 exclusively in manufacturing commercial airplanes or components of such 37 airplanes; and

Leasehold excise taxes paid with respect to buildings 1 (B) 2 constructed after January 1, 2006, the land upon which the buildings are located, or both, if the buildings are used exclusively in 3 4 manufacturing commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes; and (C) Property taxes or leasehold excise taxes paid on, or with 5 respect to, buildings constructed after June 30, 2008, the land upon 6 7 which the buildings are located, or both, and used exclusively for aerospace product development, manufacturing tooling specifically 8 designed for use in manufacturing commercial airplanes or their 9 components, or in providing aerospace services, by persons not within 10 11 the scope of (a)(i)(A) and (B) of this subsection (2) and $are((\div (I)))$ 12 Engaged in manufacturing tooling specifically designed for use in 13 manufacturing commercial airplanes or their components; or (II))) taxable under RCW 82.04.290(3), 82.04.260(11)(b), or 82.04.250(3); or 14

15 (ii) Property taxes attributable to an increase in assessed value due to the renovation or expansion, after: (A) December 1, 2003, of a 16 building used exclusively in manufacturing commercial airplanes or 17 components of such airplanes; and (B) June 30, 2008, of buildings used 18 19 exclusively for aerospace product development, manufacturing tooling 20 specifically designed for use in manufacturing commercial airplanes or 21 their components, or in providing aerospace services, by persons not 22 within the scope of (a)(ii)(A) of this subsection (2) and are($(\div (I))$ 23 Engaged in manufacturing tooling specifically designed for use in manufacturing commercial airplanes or their components; or (II))) 24 25 taxable under RCW 82.04.290(3), 82.04.260(11)(b), or 82.04.250(3); and 26 (b) An amount equal to:

(i)(A) Property taxes paid, by persons taxable under RCW
82.04.260(11)(a), on machinery and equipment exempt under RCW
82.08.02565 or 82.12.02565 and acquired after December 1, 2003;

30 taxes paid, by (B) Property persons taxable under RCW 82.04.260(11)(b), machinery 31 on and equipment exempt under RCW 32 82.08.02565 or 82.12.02565 and acquired after June 30, 2008; or

33 paid, taxable (C) Property taxes by persons under RCW $((\frac{82.04.0250(3)}{(82.04.250(3))}))$ 82.04.250(3) or 82.04.290(3), 34 on 35 computer hardware, computer peripherals, and software exempt under RCW 36 82.08.975 or 82.12.975 and acquired after June 30, 2008.

37 (ii) For purposes of determining the amount eligible for credit

under (i)(A) and (B) of this subsection (2)(b), the amount of property
taxes paid is multiplied by a fraction.

3 (((I))) (<u>A</u>) The numerator of the fraction is the total taxable 4 amount subject to the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.260(11) (a) or (b) on 5 the applicable business activities of manufacturing commercial 6 airplanes, components of such airplanes, or tooling specifically 7 designed for use in the manufacturing of commercial airplanes or 8 components of such airplanes.

9 (((II))) <u>(B)</u> The denominator of the fraction is the total taxable 10 amount subject to the tax imposed under all manufacturing 11 classifications in chapter 82.04 RCW.

12 (((III))) (C) For purposes of both the numerator and denominator of 13 the fraction, the total taxable amount refers to the total taxable amount required to be reported on the person's returns for the calendar 14 15 year before the calendar year in which the credit under this section is The department may provide for an alternative method for 16 earned. calculating the numerator in cases where the tax rate provided in RCW 17 18 82.04.260(11) for manufacturing was not in effect during the full 19 calendar year before the calendar year in which the credit under this 20 section is earned.

((((IV))) (<u>D</u>) No credit is available under (b)(i)(A) or (B) of this subsection (2) if either the numerator or the denominator of the fraction is zero. If the fraction is greater than or equal to ninetenths, then the fraction is rounded to one.

25 $(((\forall \forall)))$ <u>(E)</u> As used in $(((\forall III)))$ <u>(C)</u> of this subsection 26 $(2)(b)(ii)(((\forall C)))$, "returns" means the tax returns for which the tax 27 imposed under this chapter is reported to the department.

(3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout thissection, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

30 (a) "Aerospace product development" has the same meaning as 31 provided in RCW 82.04.4461.

32 (b) "Aerospace services" has the same meaning given in RCW33 82.08.975.

34 (c) "Commercial airplane" and "component" have the same meanings as 35 provided in RCW 82.32.550.

36 (4) A credit earned during one calendar year may be carried over to37 be credited against taxes incurred in a subsequent calendar year, but

may not be carried over a second year. No refunds may be granted for
 credits under this section.

3 (5) In addition to all other requirements under this title, a 4 person ((taking)) claiming the credit under this section must <u>file a</u> 5 <u>complete annual</u> report ((as required)) with the department under ((RCW 6 <u>82.32.545</u>)) section 103 of this act.

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(6) This section expires July 1, 2024.

8 **Sec. 117.** RCW 82.04.448 and 2003 c 149 s 9 are each amended to 9 read as follows:

(1) Subject to the limits and provisions of this section, a credit is authorized against the tax otherwise due under RCW 82.04.240(2) for persons engaged in the business of manufacturing semiconductor materials. For the purposes of this section "semiconductor materials" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.240(2).

The credit under this section ((shall)) equals three 15 (2)(a) 16 thousand dollars for each employment position used in manufacturing 17 production that takes place in a new building exempt from sales and use tax under RCW 82.08.965 and 82.12.965. A credit is earned for the 18 calendar year a person fills a position. Additionally a credit is 19 20 earned for each year the position is maintained over the subsequent 21 consecutive years, up to eight years. Those positions that are not 22 filled for the entire year are eligible for fifty percent of the credit 23 if filled less than six months, and the entire credit if filled more than six months. 24

(b) To qualify for the credit, the manufacturing activity of the person must be conducted at a new building that qualifies for the exemption from sales and use tax under RCW 82.08.965 and 82.12.965.

(c) In those situations where a production building in existence on 28 29 the effective date of this section will be phased out of operation, during which time employment at the new building at the same site is 30 31 increased, the person is eligible for credit for employment at the existing building and new building, with the limitation that the 32 combined eligible employment not exceed full employment at the new 33 building. "Full employment" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.08.965. 34 35 The credit may not be earned until the commencement of commercial 36 production, as that term is used in RCW 82.08.965.

1 (3) No application is necessary for the tax credit. The person is 2 subject to all of the requirements of chapter 82.32 RCW. In no case 3 may a credit earned during one calendar year be carried over to be 4 credited against taxes incurred in a subsequent calendar year. No 5 refunds may be granted for credits under this section.

6 (4) If at any time the department finds that a person is not 7 eligible for tax credit under this section, the amount of taxes for 8 which a credit has been claimed ((shall be)) is immediately due. The 9 department ((shall)) must assess interest, but not penalties, on the 10 taxes for which the person is not eligible. The interest ((shall)) must be assessed at the rate provided for delinquent excise taxes under 11 12 chapter 82.32 RCW, ((shall be)) is retroactive to the date the tax 13 credit was taken, and ((shall)) accrues until the taxes for which a 14 credit has been used are repaid.

(5) A person ((taking)) <u>claiming</u> the credit under this section must <u>file a complete annual</u> report <u>with the department</u> under ((RCW 82.32.535)) <u>section 103 of this act</u>.

18 (6) Credits may be ((taken)) <u>claimed</u> after twelve years after the 19 effective date of this act, for those buildings at which commercial 20 production began before twelve years after the effective date of this 21 act, subject to all of the eligibility criteria and limitations of this 22 section.

(7) This section expires twelve years after the effective date ofthis act.

25 **Sec. 118.** RCW 82.04.4481 and 2006 c 182 s 2 are each amended to 26 read as follows:

(1) In computing the tax imposed under this chapter, a credit is allowed for all property taxes paid during the calendar year on property owned by a direct service industrial customer and reasonably necessary for the purposes of an aluminum smelter.

(2) A person ((taking)) claiming the credit under this section is subject to all the requirements of chapter 82.32 RCW. A credit earned during one calendar year may be carried over to be credited against taxes incurred in the subsequent calendar year, but may not be carried over a second year. Credits carried over must be applied to tax liability before new credits. No refunds may be granted for credits under this section. (3) Credits may not be claimed under this section for property
 taxes levied for collection in 2012 and thereafter.

3 (4) A person claiming the credit provided in this section must file
 4 a complete annual report with the department under section 103 of this
 5 act.

6 **Sec. 119.** RCW 82.04.4483 and 2004 c 25 s 1 are each amended to 7 read as follows:

8 (1) Subject to the limits and provisions of this section, a credit 9 is authorized against the tax otherwise due under this chapter for 10 persons engaged in a rural county in the business of manufacturing 11 computer software or programming, as those terms are defined in this 12 section.

(2) A person who partially or totally relocates a business from one rural county to another rural county is eligible for any new qualifying employment positions created as a result of the relocation but is not eligible to receive credit for the jobs moved from one county to the other.

18 (3)(a) To qualify for the credit, the qualifying activity of the 19 person must be conducted in a rural county and the new qualified 20 employment position must be located in the rural county.

(b) If an activity is conducted both from a rural county and outside of a rural county, the credit is available if at least ninety percent of the qualifying activity is conducted within a rural county. If the qualifying activity is a service taxable activity, the place where the work is performed is the place at which the activity is conducted.

27 (4)(a) The credit under this section shall equal one thousand dollars for each new qualified employment position created after 28 29 January 1, 2004, in an eligible area. A credit is earned for the calendar year the person is hired to fill the position. Additionally 30 31 a credit is earned for each year the position is maintained over the 32 subsequent consecutive years, up to four years. The county must meet the definition of a rural county at the time the position is filled. 33 34 If the county does not have a rural county status the following year or 35 years, the position is still eligible for the remaining years if all 36 other conditions are met.

(b) Participants who claimed credit under RCW 82.04.4456 for 1 2 qualified employment positions created before December 31, 2003, are eligible to earn credit for each year the position is maintained over 3 4 the subsequent consecutive years, for up to four years, which four years include any years claimed under RCW 82.04.4456. Those persons 5 who did not receive a credit under RCW 82.04.4456 before December 31, б 7 2003, are not eligible to earn credit for qualified employment 8 positions created before December 31, 2003.

9 (c) Credit is authorized for new employees hired for new qualified employment positions created on or after January 1, 2004. 10 New qualified employment positions filled by existing employees are 11 12 eligible for the credit under this section only if the position vacated 13 by the existing employee is filled by a new hire. A business that is 14 a sole proprietorship without any employees is equivalent to one employee position and this type of business is eligible to receive 15 credit for one position. 16

(d) If a position is filled before July 1st, the position is eligible for the full yearly credit for that calendar year. If it is filled after June 30th, the position is eligible for half of the credit for that calendar year.

(5) No application is necessary for the tax credit. The person must keep records necessary for the department to verify eligibility under this section. This information includes information relating to description of qualifying activity conducted in the rural county and outside the rural county by the person as well as detailed records on positions and employees.

(6) If at any time the department finds that a person is not 27 eligible for tax credit under this section, the amount of taxes for 28 which a credit has been claimed ((shall be)) is immediately due. 29 The 30 department ((shall)) must assess interest, but not penalties, on the taxes for which the person is not eligible. The interest ((shall)) 31 32 must be assessed at the rate provided for delinquent excise taxes under chapter 82.32 RCW, ((shall be assessed)) applies retroactively to the 33 date the tax credit was taken, and ((shall accrue)) accrues until the 34 35 taxes for which a credit has been used are repaid.

36 (7) The credit under this section may be used against any tax due 37 under this chapter, but in no case may a credit earned during one 38 calendar year be carried over to be credited against taxes incurred in 1 a subsequent calendar year. A person is not eligible to receive a 2 credit under this section if the person is receiving credit for the 3 same position under chapter 82.62 RCW or RCW 82.04.44525 or is taking 4 a credit under this chapter for information technology help desk 5 services conducted from a rural county. No refunds may be granted for 6 credits under this section.

7 (8) Transfer of ownership does not affect credit eligibility.
8 However, the successive credits are available to the successor for
9 remaining periods in the five years only if the eligibility conditions
10 of this section are met.

11 (9) A person ((taking)) claiming a tax credit((s)) under this section ((shall make an)) must file a complete annual ((report to)) 12 13 survey with the department under section 102 of this act. ((The report shall be in a letter form and shall include the following information: 14 Number of positions for which credit is being claimed, type of position 15 for which credit is being claimed, type of activity in which the person 16 17 is engaged in the county, how long the person has been located in the 18 county, and taxpayer name and registration number. The report must be 19 filed by January 30th of each year for which credit was claimed during the previous year. Failure to file a report will not result in the 20 21 loss of eligibility under this section. However, the department, through its research division, shall contact taxpayers who have not 22 23 filed the report and obtain the data from the taxpayer or assist the 24 taxpayer in the filing of the report, so that the data and information 25 necessary to measure the program's effectiveness is maintained.))

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(10) As used in this section:

(a) "Computer software" has the meaning as defined in RCW 82.04.215
after June 30, 2004, and includes "software" as defined in RCW
82.04.215 before July 1, 2004.

30 (b) "Manufacturing" means the same as "to manufacture" under RCW
 31 82.04.120. Manufacturing includes the activities of both manufacturers
 32 and processors for hire.

33 (c) "Programming" means the activities that involve the creation or 34 modification of computer software, as that term is defined in this 35 chapter, and that are taxable as a service under RCW 82.04.290(2) or as 36 a retail sale under RCW 82.04.050.

37 (d) "Qualifying activity" means manufacturing of computer software38 or programming.

(e) "Qualified employment position" means a permanent full-time 1 2 position doing programming of computer software or manufacturing of 3 computer software. This excludes administrative, professional, 4 service, executive, and other similar positions. If an employee is 5 either voluntarily or involuntarily separated from employment, the employment position is considered filled on a full-time basis if the 6 7 employer is either training or actively recruiting a replacement 8 employee. Full-time means a position for at least thirty-five hours a 9 week.

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(f) "Rural county" means the same as in RCW 82.14.370.

11 (11) No credit may be taken or accrued under this section on or 12 after January 1, 2011.

13 (12) This section expires January 1, 2011.

14 **Sec. 120.** RCW 82.04.4484 and 2004 c 25 s 2 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

16 (1) Subject to the limits and provisions of this section, a credit 17 is authorized against the tax otherwise due under this chapter for 18 persons engaged in a rural county in the business of providing 19 information technology help desk services to third parties.

20 (2) To qualify for the credit, the help desk services must be 21 conducted from a rural county.

(3) The amount of the tax credit for persons engaged in the 22 23 activity of providing information technology help desk services in rural counties ((shall be)) is equal to one hundred percent of the 24 25 amount of tax due under this chapter that is attributable to providing 26 the services from the rural county. In order to qualify for the credit under this subsection, the county must meet the definition of rural 27 county at the time the person begins to conduct qualifying business in 28 29 the county.

30 (4) No application is necessary for the tax credit. The person 31 must keep records necessary for the department to verify eligibility 32 under this section. These records include information relating to 33 description of activity engaged in a rural county by the person.

(5) If at any time the department finds that a person is not eligible for tax credit under this section, the amount of taxes for which a credit has been used is immediately due. The department ((shall)) must assess interest, but not penalties, on the credited 1 taxes for which the person is not eligible. The interest ((shall))
2 <u>must</u> be assessed at the rate provided for delinquent excise taxes under
3 chapter 82.32 RCW, ((shall be assessed)) retroactively to the date the
4 tax credit was taken, and ((shall)) will accrue until the taxes for
5 which a credit has been used are repaid.

6 (6) The credit under this section may be used against any tax due 7 under this chapter, but in no case may a credit earned during one 8 calendar year be carried over to be credited against taxes incurred in 9 a subsequent calendar year. No refunds may be granted for credits 10 under this section.

(7) Transfer of ownership does not affect credit eligibility.
However, the credit is available to the successor only if the eligibility conditions of this section are met.

(8) A person ((taking)) claiming a tax credit((s)) under this 14 section ((shall make an)) must file a complete annual ((report to)) 15 survey with the department under section 102 of this act. ((The report 16 shall be in a letter form and shall include the following information: 17 18 Type of activity in which the person is engaged in the county, number 19 of employees in the rural county, how long the person has been located 20 in the county, and taxpayer name and registration number. The report 21 must be filed by January 30th of each year for which credit was claimed during the previous year. Failure to file a report will not result in 22 23 the loss of eligibility under this section. However, the department, 24 through its research division, shall contact taxpayers who have not filed the report and obtain the data from the taxpayer or assist the 25 26 taxpayer in the filing of the report, so that the data and information necessary to measure the program's effectiveness is maintained.)) 27

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(9) As used in this section:

(a) "Information technology help desk services" means the followingservices performed using electronic and telephonic communication:

31 (i) Software and hardware maintenance;

32 (ii) Software and hardware diagnostics and troubleshooting;

33 (iii) Software and hardware installation;

34 (iv) Software and hardware repair;

35 (v) Software and hardware information and training; and

36 (vi) Software and hardware upgrade.

37 (b) "Rural county" means the same as in RCW 82.14.370.

38 (10) This section expires January 1, 2011.

1 Sec. 121. RCW 82.04.449 and 2006 c 112 s 5 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

3 (1) In computing the tax imposed under this chapter, a credit is 4 allowed for participants in the Washington customized employment training program created in RCW 28B.67.020. The credit allowed under 5 6 this section is equal to fifty percent of the value of a participant's 7 payments to the employment training finance account created in RCW 8 28B.67.030. If a participant in the program does not meet the qualifications in RCW 28B.67.020(2)(b)(ii), the participant must remit 9 10 to the department the value of any credits taken plus interest. The 11 credit earned by a participant in one calendar year may be carried over 12 to be credited against taxes incurred in a subsequent calendar year. 13 No credit may be allowed for repayment of training allowances received 14 from the Washington customized employment training program on or after 15 July 1, 2016.

16 (2) A person claiming the credit provided in this section must file
17 a complete annual survey with the department under section 102 of this
18 act.

19 Sec. 122. RCW 82.08.805 and 2006 c 182 s 3 are each amended to 20 read as follows:

21 (1) A person who has paid tax under RCW 82.08.020 for tangible 22 personal property used at an aluminum smelter, tangible personal 23 property that will be incorporated as an ingredient or component of buildings or other structures at an aluminum smelter, or for labor and 24 25 services rendered with respect to such buildings, structures, or 26 tangible personal property, is eligible for an exemption from the state share of the tax in the form of a credit, as provided in this section. 27 A person claiming an exemption must pay the tax and may then take a 28 29 credit equal to the state share of retail sales tax paid under RCW 30 82.08.020. The person ((shall)) must submit information, in a form and 31 manner prescribed by the department, specifying the amount of 32 qualifying purchases or acquisitions for which the exemption is claimed and the amount of exempted tax. 33

34 (2) For the purposes of this section, "aluminum smelter" has the35 same meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.217.

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(3) A person claiming the tax preference provided in this section

1 must file a complete annual report with the department under section
2 103 of this act.

3 <u>(4)</u> Credits may not be claimed under this section for taxable 4 events occurring on or after January 1, 2012.

5 **Sec. 123.** RCW 82.08.965 and 2003 c 149 s 5 are each amended to 6 read as follows:

7 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to charges made for labor and services rendered in respect to the 8 9 constructing of new buildings used for the manufacturing of 10 semiconductor materials, to sales of tangible personal property that 11 will be incorporated as an ingredient or component of such buildings 12 during the course of the constructing, or to labor and services 13 rendered in respect to installing, during the course of constructing, building fixtures not otherwise eligible for the exemption under RCW 14 82.08.02565(2)(b). The exemption is available only when the buyer 15 provides the seller with an exemption certificate in a form and manner 16 prescribed by the department. The seller ((shall)) <u>must</u> retain a copy 17 of the certificate for the seller's files. 18

19 (2) To be eligible under this section the manufacturer or processor 20 for hire must meet the following requirements for an eight-year period, 21 such period beginning the day the new building commences commercial 22 production, or a portion of tax otherwise due ((shall)) will be 23 immediately due and payable pursuant to subsection (3) of this section:

(a) The manufacturer or processor for hire must maintain at least
 seventy-five percent of full employment at the new building for which
 the exemption under this section is claimed.

27 (b) Before commencing commercial production at a new facility the manufacturer or processor for hire must meet with the department to 28 29 review projected employment levels in the new buildings. The department, using information provided by the taxpayer, ((shall)) must 30 31 make a determination of the number of positions that would be filled at 32 full employment. This number ((shall)) must be used throughout the eight-year period to determine whether any tax is to be repaid. 33 This information is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 34 35 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.

36 (c) In those situations where a production building in existence on 37 the effective date of this section will be phased out of operation during which time employment at the new building at the same site is increased, the manufacturer or processor for hire ((shall)) <u>must</u> maintain seventy-five percent of full employment at the manufacturing site overall.

(d) No application is necessary for the tax exemption. The person is subject to all the requirements of chapter 82.32 RCW. A person ((taking)) claiming the exemption under this section must <u>file a</u> <u>complete annual</u> report ((as required)) with the department under ((RCW <u>82.32.535</u>)) section 103 of this act.

10 (3) If the employment requirement is not met for any one calendar 11 year, one-eighth of the exempt sales and use taxes ((shall)) will be 12 due and payable by April 1st of the following year. The department 13 ((shall)) must assess interest to the date the tax was imposed, but not 14 penalties, on the taxes for which the person is not eligible.

15 (4) The exemption applies to new buildings, or parts of buildings, 16 that are used exclusively in the manufacturing of semiconductor 17 materials, including the storage of raw materials and finished product. 18 (5) For the purposes of this section:

(a) "Commencement of commercial production" is deemed to have
occurred when the equipment and process qualifications in the new
building are completed and production for sale has begun; and

(b) "Full employment" is the number of positions required for full
 capacity production at the new building, for positions such as line
 workers, engineers, and technicians.

25 (c) "Semiconductor materials" has the same meaning as provided in 26 RCW 82.04.240(2).

(6) No exemption may be taken after twelve years after the
effective date of this act, however all of the eligibility criteria and
limitations are applicable to any exemptions claimed before that date.

30 (7) This section expires twelve years after the effective date of 31 this act.

32 **Sec. 124.** RCW 82.08.9651 and 2006 c 84 s 3 are each amended to 33 read as follows:

(1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to
 sales of gases and chemicals used by a manufacturer or processor for
 hire in the production of semiconductor materials. This exemption is
 limited to gases and chemicals used in the production process to grow

1 the product, deposit or grow permanent or sacrificial layers on the 2 product, to etch or remove material from the product, to anneal the product, to immerse the product, to clean the product, and other such 3 uses whereby the gases and chemicals come into direct contact with the 4 5 product during the production process, or uses of gases and chemicals to clean the chambers and other like equipment in which such processing б 7 takes place. For the purposes of this section, "semiconductor 8 materials" has the meaning provided in RCW 82.04.2404.

9 (2) A person ((taking)) <u>claiming</u> the exemption under this section 10 must <u>file a complete annual</u> report <u>with the department</u> under ((RCW 11 82.32.5351)) <u>section 103 of this act</u>. No application is necessary for 12 the tax exemption. The person is subject to all of the requirements of 13 chapter 82.32 RCW.

14 (3) This section expires ((twelve years after)) December 1, 15 ((2006)) 2018.

16 **Sec. 125.** RCW 82.08.970 and 2003 c 149 s 7 are each amended to 17 read as follows:

(1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to 18 19 sales of gases and chemicals used by a manufacturer or processor for 20 hire in the manufacturing of semiconductor materials. This exemption 21 is limited to gases and chemicals used in the manufacturing process to 22 grow the product, deposit or grow permanent or sacrificial layers on 23 the product, to etch or remove material from the product, to anneal the 24 product, to immerse the product, to clean the product, and other such 25 uses whereby the gases and chemicals come into direct contact with the 26 product during the manufacturing process, or uses of gases and 27 chemicals to clean the chambers and other like equipment in which such 28 processing takes place. For the purposes of this section, 29 "semiconductor materials" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 30 82.04.240(2).

(2) A person ((taking)) <u>claiming</u> the exemption under this section must <u>file a complete annual</u> report <u>with the department</u> under ((RCW 82.32.535)) <u>section 103 of this act</u>. No application is necessary for the tax exemption. The person is subject to all of the requirements of chapter 82.32 RCW.

36 (3) This section expires twelve years after the effective date of 37 this act.

1 **Sec. 126.** RCW 82.08.980 and 2003 2nd sp.s. c 1 s 11 are each 2 amended to read as follows:

(1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to 3 4 charges made for labor and services rendered in respect to the constructing of new buildings by a manufacturer engaged in the 5 manufacturing of superefficient airplanes or by a port district, to be 6 7 leased to a manufacturer engaged in the manufacturing of superefficient 8 airplanes, to sales of tangible personal property that will be incorporated as an ingredient or component of such buildings during the 9 10 course of the constructing, or to labor and services rendered in 11 respect to installing, during the course of constructing, building 12 fixtures not otherwise eligible for the exemption under RCW 13 82.08.02565(2)(b). The exemption is available only when the buyer provides the seller with an exemption certificate in a form and manner 14 prescribed by the department. The seller ((shall)) must retain a copy 15 of the certificate for the seller's files. 16

17 (2) No application is necessary for the tax exemption in this 18 section, however in order to qualify under this section before starting 19 construction the port district must have entered into an agreement with the manufacturer to build such a facility. A person ((taking)) 20 21 claiming the exemption under this section is subject to all the 22 requirements of chapter 82.32 RCW. In addition, the person must file 23 a complete annual report ((as required)) with the department under 24 ((RCW 82.32.545)) section 103 of this act.

(3) The exemption in this section applies to buildings, or parts of buildings, that are used exclusively in the manufacturing of superefficient airplanes, including buildings used for the storage of raw materials and finished product.

(4) For the purposes of this section, "superefficient airplane" hasthe meaning given in RCW 82.32.550.

31 (5) This section expires July 1, 2024.

32 **Sec. 127.** RCW 82.12.022 and 2006 c 182 s 5 are each amended to 33 read as follows:

(1) ((There is hereby levied and there shall be collected from)) <u>A</u> use tax is levied on every person in this state ((a use tax)) for the privilege of using natural gas or manufactured gas within this state as a consumer.

(2) The tax ((shall)) must be levied and collected in an amount 1 2 equal to the value of the article used by the taxpayer multiplied by the rate in effect for the public utility tax on gas distribution 3 businesses under RCW 82.16.020. The "value of the article used" does 4 not include any amounts that are paid for the hire or use of a gas 5 distribution business as defined in RCW 82.16.010(7) in transporting б 7 the gas subject to tax under this subsection if those amounts are 8 subject to tax under that chapter.

9 (3) The tax levied in this section ((shall)) <u>does</u> not apply to the 10 use of natural or manufactured gas delivered to the consumer by other 11 means than through a pipeline.

12 (4) The tax levied in this section ((shall)) does not apply to the 13 use of natural or manufactured gas if the person who sold the gas to 14 the consumer has paid a tax under RCW 82.16.020 with respect to the gas 15 for which exemption is sought under this subsection.

16 (5)(a) The tax levied in this section ((shall)) does not apply to 17 the use of natural or manufactured gas by an aluminum smelter as that 18 term is defined in RCW 82.04.217 before January 1, 2012.

19 (b) A person claiming the exemption provided in this subsection (5)
20 must file a complete annual report with the department under section
21 103 of this act.

(6) There ((shall be)) is a credit against the tax levied under
this section in an amount equal to any tax paid by:

(a) The person who sold the gas to the consumer when that tax is a
gross receipts tax similar to that imposed pursuant to RCW 82.16.020 by
another state with respect to the gas for which a credit is sought
under this subsection; or

(b) The person consuming the gas upon which a use tax similar to
the tax imposed by this section was paid to another state with respect
to the gas for which a credit is sought under this subsection.

31 (7) The use tax ((hereby)) imposed ((shall)) in this section must
32 be paid by the consumer to the department.

(8) There is imposed a reporting requirement on the person who delivered the gas to the consumer to make a quarterly report to the department. Such report ((shall)) <u>must</u> contain the volume of gas delivered, name of the consumer to whom delivered, and such other information as the department ((shall)) <u>may</u> require by rule.

(9) The department may adopt rules under chapter 34.05 RCW for the
 administration and enforcement of sections 1 through 6, chapter 384,
 Laws of 1989.

4 **Sec. 128.** RCW 82.12.805 and 2006 c 182 s 4 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

(1) A person who is subject to tax under RCW 82.12.020 for tangible 6 7 personal property used at an aluminum smelter, or for tangible personal property that will be incorporated as an ingredient or component of 8 9 buildings or other structures at an aluminum smelter, or for labor and 10 services rendered with respect to such buildings, structures, or 11 tangible personal property, is eligible for an exemption from the state 12 share of the tax in the form of a credit, as provided in this section. 13 The amount of the credit $\left(\frac{\text{shall be}}{\text{be}}\right)$ equals $\left(\frac{\text{to}}{\text{bo}}\right)$ the state share of 14 use tax computed to be due under RCW 82.12.020. The person ((shall)) must submit information, in a form and manner prescribed by the 15 16 department, specifying the amount of qualifying purchases or acquisitions for which the exemption is claimed and the amount of 17 18 exempted tax.

19 (2) For the purposes of this section, "aluminum smelter" has the20 same meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.217.

21 (3) <u>A person reporting under the tax rate provided in this section</u> 22 <u>must file a complete annual report with the department under section</u> 23 <u>103 of this act.</u>

24 <u>(4)</u> Credits may not be claimed under this section for taxable 25 events occurring on or after January 1, 2012.

26 **Sec. 129.** RCW 82.12.965 and 2003 c 149 s 6 are each amended to 27 read as follows:

(1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with respect to the use of tangible personal property that will be incorporated as an ingredient or component of new buildings used for the manufacturing of semiconductor materials during the course of constructing such buildings or to labor and services rendered in respect to installing, during the course of constructing, building fixtures not otherwise eligible for the exemption under RCW 82.08.02565(2)(b).

35 (2) The eligibility requirements, conditions, and definitions in

RCW 82.08.965 apply to this section, including the filing of a complete
 annual report with the department under section 103 of this act.

3 (3) No exemption may be taken twelve years after the effective date 4 of this act, however all of the eligibility criteria and limitations 5 are applicable to any exemptions claimed before that date.

6 (4) This section expires twelve years after the effective date of 7 this act.

8 **Sec. 130.** RCW 82.12.9651 and 2006 c 84 s 4 are each amended to 9 read as follows:

(1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with respect to the 10 11 use of gases and chemicals used by a manufacturer or processor for hire 12 in the production of semiconductor materials. This exemption is 13 limited to gases and chemicals used in the production process to grow the product, deposit or grow permanent or sacrificial layers on the 14 15 product, to etch or remove material from the product, to anneal the 16 product, to immerse the product, to clean the product, and other such 17 uses whereby the gases and chemicals come into direct contact with the product during the production process, or uses of gases and chemicals 18 19 to clean the chambers and other like equipment in which such processing 20 takes place. For purposes of this section, "semiconductor materials" 21 has the meaning provided in RCW 82.04.2404.

(2) A person ((taking)) claiming the exemption under this section
must <u>file a complete annual</u> report <u>with the department</u> under ((RCW
82.32.5351)) <u>section 103 of this act</u>. No application is necessary for
the tax exemption. The person is subject to all of the requirements of
chapter 82.32 RCW.

27 (3) This section expires ((twelve years after)) December 1,
28 ((2006)) 2018.

29 Sec. 131. RCW 82.12.970 and 2003 c 149 s 8 are each amended to 30 read as follows:

(1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with respect to the use of gases and chemicals used by a manufacturer or processor for hire in the manufacturing of semiconductor materials. This exemption is limited to gases and chemicals used in the manufacturing process to grow the product, deposit or grow permanent or sacrificial layers on the product, to etch or remove material from the product, to anneal the

product, to immerse the product, to clean the product, and other such uses whereby the gases and chemicals come into direct contact with the product during the manufacturing process, or uses of gases and chemicals to clean the chambers and other like equipment in which such processing takes place. For purposes of this section, "semiconductor materials" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.240(2).

7 (2) A person ((taking)) <u>claiming</u> the exemption under this section
8 must <u>file a complete annual</u> report <u>with the department</u> under ((RCW
9 82.32.535)) <u>section 103 of this act</u>. No application is necessary for
10 the tax exemption. The person is subject to all of the requirements of
11 chapter 82.32 RCW.

12 (3) This section expires twelve years after the effective date of13 this act.

14 **Sec. 132.** RCW 82.12.980 and 2003 2nd sp.s. c 1 s 12 are each 15 amended to read as follows:

16 (1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with respect to the 17 use of tangible personal property that will be incorporated as an ingredient or component of new buildings by a manufacturer engaged in 18 the manufacturing of superefficient airplanes or owned by a port 19 20 district and to be leased to a manufacturer engaged in the 21 manufacturing of superefficient airplanes, during the course of 22 constructing such buildings, or to labor and services rendered in 23 respect to installing, during the course of constructing, building 24 fixtures not otherwise eligible for the exemption under RCW 25 82.08.02565(2)(b).

(2) The eligibility requirements, conditions, and definitions in
 RCW 82.08.980 apply to this section, including the filing of a complete
 annual report with the department under section 103 of this act.

29 (3) This section expires July 1, 2024.

30 **Sec. 133.** RCW 82.16.0421 and 2004 c 240 s 1 are each amended to 31 read as follows:

32 (1) For the purposes of this section:

33 (a) "Chlor-alkali electrolytic processing business" means a person 34 who is engaged in a business that uses more than ten average megawatts 35 of electricity per month in a chlor-alkali electrolytic process to 36 split the electrochemical bonds of sodium chloride and water to make chlorine and sodium hydroxide. A "chlor-alkali electrolytic processing business" does not include direct service industrial customers or their subsidiaries that contract for the purchase of power from the Bonneville power administration as of June 10, 2004.

(b) "Sodium chlorate electrolytic processing business" means a 5 person who is engaged in a business that uses more than ten average 6 megawatts of electricity per month in a sodium chlorate electrolytic 7 process to split the electrochemical bonds of sodium chloride and water 8 to make sodium chlorate and hydrogen. A "sodium chlorate electrolytic 9 processing business" does not include direct service industrial 10 customers or their subsidiaries that contract for the purchase of power 11 12 from the Bonneville power administration as of June 10, 2004.

(2) Effective July 1, 2004, the tax levied under this chapter does not apply to sales of electricity made by a light and power business to a chlor-alkali electrolytic processing business or a sodium chlorate electrolytic processing business for the electrolytic process if the contract for sale of electricity to the business contains the following terms:

(a) The electricity to be used in the electrolytic process is
separately metered from the electricity used for general operations of
the business;

(b) The price charged for the electricity used in the electrolytic
process will be reduced by an amount equal to the tax exemption
available to the light and power business under this section; and

(c) Disallowance of all or part of the exemption under this section is a breach of contract and the damages to be paid by the chlor-alkali electrolytic processing business or the sodium chlorate electrolytic processing business are the amount of the tax exemption disallowed.

(3) The exemption provided for in this section does not apply to
amounts received from the remarketing or resale of electricity
originally obtained by contract for the electrolytic process.

32 (4) In order to claim an exemption under this section, the chlor-33 alkali electrolytic processing business or the sodium chlorate 34 electrolytic processing business must provide the light and power 35 business with an exemption certificate in a form and manner prescribed 36 by the department.

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(5) A person receiving the benefit of the exemption provided in

1 this section must file a complete annual report with the department
2 under section 103 of this act.

3 <u>(6)(a)</u> This section does not apply to sales of electricity made 4 after December 31, 2010.

5 (b) This section expires June 30, 2011.

6 Sec. 134. RCW 82.29A.137 and 2003 2nd sp.s. c 1 s 13 are each 7 amended to read as follows:

8 (1) All leasehold interests in port district facilities exempt from 9 tax under RCW 82.08.980 or 82.12.980 and used by a manufacturer engaged 10 in the manufacturing of superefficient airplanes, as defined in RCW 11 82.32.550, are exempt from tax under this chapter. A person ((taking)) 12 <u>claiming</u> the credit under RCW 82.04.4463 is not eligible for the 13 exemption under this section.

(2) In addition to all other requirements under this title, a
 person ((taking)) claiming the exemption under this section must <u>file</u>
 <u>a complete annual</u> report ((as required)) with the department under
 ((RCW 82.32.545)) section 103 of this act.

18 (3) This section expires July 1, 2024.

19 Sec. 135. RCW 82.32.590 and 2008 c 81 s 13 and 2008 c 15 s 7 are 20 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

21 (1) If the department finds that the failure of a taxpayer to file 22 an annual survey under section 102 of this act or annual report under ((RCW 82.04.4452, 82.32.5351, 82.32.650, 82.32.630, 82.32.610, 23 24 82.82.020, or 82.74.040)) section 103 of this act by the due date was 25 the result of circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer, the department ((shall)) must extend the time for filing the survey or 26 27 Such extension ((shall)) must be for a period of thirty days report. 28 from the date the department issues its written notification to the 29 taxpayer that it qualifies for an extension under this section. The 30 department may grant additional extensions as it deems proper.

(2) In making a determination whether the failure of a taxpayer to file an annual survey or annual report by the due date was the result of circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer, the department ((shall)) <u>must</u> be guided by rules adopted by the department for the waiver or cancellation of penalties when the underpayment or untimely 1 payment of any tax was due to circumstances beyond the control of the 2 taxpayer.

3 Sec. 136. RCW 82.32.600 and 2008 c 81 s 14 and 2008 c 15 s 8 are 4 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1) Persons required to file annual surveys or annual reports under 5 ((RCW 82.04.4452, 82.32.5351, 82.32.545, 82.32.610, 82.32.630, б 82.82.020, or 82.74.040)) section 102 or 103 of this act must 7 electronically file with the department all surveys, reports, returns, 8 9 and any other forms or information the department requires in an 10 electronic format as provided or approved by the department. As used 11 in this section, "returns" has the same meaning as "return" in RCW 82.32.050. 12

13 (2) Any survey, report, return, or any other form or information 14 required to be filed in an electronic format under subsection (1) of 15 this section is not filed until received by the department in an 16 electronic format.

17 (3) The department may waive the electronic filing requirement in18 subsection (1) of this section for good cause shown.

19 Sec. 137. RCW 82.60.020 and 2006 c 142 s 1 are each amended to 20 read as follows:

21 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 22 this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Applicant" means a person applying for a tax deferral underthis chapter.

25 (2) "Department" means the department of revenue.

26 (3) "Eligible area" means a rural county as defined in RCW27 82.14.370.

(4)(a) "Eligible investment project" means an investment project in
an eligible area as defined in subsection (3) of this section.

30 (b) The lessor or owner of a qualified building is not eligible for 31 a deferral unless:

(i) The underlying ownership of the buildings, machinery, andequipment vests exclusively in the same person; or

34 (ii)(A) The lessor by written contract agrees to pass the economic 35 benefit of the deferral to the lessee; (B) The lessee that receives the economic benefit of the deferral
 agrees in writing with the department to complete the annual survey
 required under RCW 82.60.070; and

4 (C) The economic benefit of the deferral passed to the lessee is no 5 less than the amount of tax deferred by the lessor and is evidenced by 6 written documentation of any type of payment, credit, or other 7 financial arrangement between the lessor or owner of the qualified 8 building and the lessee.

9 (c) "Eligible investment project" does not include any portion of 10 an investment project undertaken by a light and power business as 11 defined in RCW 82.16.010(5), other than that portion of a cogeneration 12 project that is used to generate power for consumption within the 13 manufacturing site of which the cogeneration project is an integral 14 part, or investment projects which have already received deferrals 15 under this chapter.

16 (5) <u>"Initiation of construction" has the same meaning as in RCW</u> 17 <u>82.63.010.</u>

18 (6) "Investment project" means an investment in qualified buildings 19 or qualified machinery and equipment, including labor and services 20 rendered in the planning, installation, and construction of the 21 project.

(((6))) <u>(7)</u> "Manufacturing" means the same as defined in RCW 82.04.120. "Manufacturing" also includes computer programming, the production of computer software, and other computer-related services, the activities performed by research and development laboratories and commercial testing laboratories, and the conditioning of vegetable seeds.

(((7))) <u>(8)</u> "Person" has the meaning given in RCW 82.04.030.

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29 (((8))) <u>(9)</u> "Qualified buildings" means construction of new 30 structures, and expansion or renovation of existing structures for the purpose of increasing floor space or production capacity used for 31 32 manufacturing and research and development activities, including plant offices and warehouses or other facilities for the storage of raw 33 material or finished goods if such facilities are an essential or an 34 35 integral part of a factory, mill, plant, or laboratory used for 36 manufacturing or research and development. If a building is used 37 partly for manufacturing or research and development and partly for

other purposes, the applicable tax deferral ((shall)) <u>must</u> be determined by apportionment of the costs of construction under rules adopted by the department.

4 (((9))) <u>(10)</u> "Qualified employment position" means a permanent 5 full-time employee employed in the eligible investment project during 6 the entire tax year. The term "entire tax year" means a full-time 7 position that is filled for a period of twelve consecutive months. The 8 term "full-time" means at least thirty-five hours a week, four hundred 9 fifty-five hours a quarter, or one thousand eight hundred twenty hours 10 a year.

11 ((((10))) (11) "Qualified machinery and equipment" means all new 12 industrial and research fixtures, equipment, and support facilities 13 that are an integral and necessary part of a manufacturing or research 14 and development operation. "Qualified machinery and equipment" Computers; software; data processing equipment; laboratory 15 includes: 16 equipment; manufacturing components such as belts, pulleys, shafts, and 17 moving parts; molds, tools, and dies; operating structures; and all 18 equipment used to control or operate the machinery.

19 (((11))) <u>(12)</u> "Recipient" means a person receiving a tax deferral 20 under this chapter.

(((12))) (13) "Research and development" means the development, refinement, testing, marketing, and commercialization of a product, service, or process before commercial sales have begun. As used in this subsection, "commercial sales" excludes sales of prototypes or sales for market testing if the total gross receipts from such sales of the product, service, or process do not exceed one million dollars.

27 **Sec. 138.** RCW 82.60.070 and 2004 c 25 s 7 are each amended to read 28 as follows:

(1)(a) ((The legislature finds that accountability and effectiveness are important aspects of setting tax policy. In order to make policy choices regarding the best use of limited state resources the legislature needs information on how a tax incentive is used.

33 (b)) Each recipient of a deferral <u>of taxes</u> granted under this 34 chapter ((after June 30, 1994, shall)) <u>must file a</u> complete ((an)) 35 annual survey <u>with the department under section 102 of this act</u>. If 36 the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as 37 provided in RCW 82.60.020(4), the lessee ((shall agree to)) <u>must file</u>

<u>a</u> complete ((the)) annual survey, and the applicant is not required to 1 2 <u>file a</u> complete ((the)) annual survey. ((The survey is due by March 31st of the year following the calendar year in which the investment 3 4 project is certified by the department as having been operationally complete and the seven succeeding calendar years. The survey shall 5 б include the amount of tax deferred, the number of new products or 7 research projects by general classification, and the number of 8 trademarks, patents, and copyrights associated with activities at the investment project. The survey shall also include the following 9 information for employment positions in Washington: 10

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(i) The number of total employment positions;

12 (ii) Full-time, part-time, and temporary employment positions as a 13 percent of total employment;

14 (iii) The number of employment positions according to the following 15 wage bands: Less than thirty thousand dollars; thirty thousand dollars 16 or greater, but less than sixty thousand dollars; and sixty thousand 17 dollars or greater. A wage band containing fewer than three 18 individuals may be combined with another wage band; and

19 (iv) The number of employment positions that have employer-provided 20 medical, dental, and retirement benefits, by each of the wage bands.

21 (c) The department may request additional information necessary to 22 measure the results of the deferral program, to be submitted at the 23 same time as the survey.

(d) All information collected under this subsection, except the
 amount of the tax deferral taken, is deemed taxpayer information under
 RCW 82.32.330 and is not disclosable. Information on the amount of tax
 deferral taken is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW
 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.

(e) The department shall use the information from this section to prepare summary descriptive statistics by category. No fewer than three taxpayers shall be included in any category. The department shall report these statistics to the legislature each year by September 1st.

34 (f)) (b) The department ((shall also)) must use the information 35 reported on the annual survey required by this section to study the tax 36 deferral program authorized under this chapter. The department 37 ((shall)) must report to the legislature by December 1, 2009. The 38 report ((shall)) must measure the effect of the program on job creation, the number of jobs created for residents of eligible areas, company growth, the introduction of new products, the diversification of the state's economy, growth in research and development investment, the movement of firms or the consolidation of firms' operations into the state, and such other factors as the department selects.

6 (2)(((a))) If, on the basis of a survey under ((this)) section <u>102</u>
7 <u>of this act</u> or other information, the department finds that an
8 investment project is not eligible for tax deferral under this chapter,
9 the amount of deferred taxes outstanding for the project ((shall be))
10 <u>is</u> immediately due.

11 (((b) If a recipient of the deferral fails to complete the annual 12 survey required under subsection (1) of this section by the date due, 13 twelve and one-half percent of the deferred tax shall be immediately 14 due. If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee 15 as provided in RCW 82.60.020(4), the lessee shall be responsible for 16 payment to the extent the lessee has received the economic benefit.))

((Notwithstanding any other subsection of this section, 17 (3) deferred taxes need not be repaid on machinery and equipment for lumber 18 19 and wood products industries, and sales of or charges made for labor and services, of the type which qualifies for exemption under RCW 20 21 82.08.02565 or 82.12.02565 to the extent the taxes have not been repaid 22 before July 1, 1995)) A recipient who must repay deferred taxes under 23 subsection (2) of this section because the department has found that an 24 investment project is not eligible for tax deferral under this chapter is no longer required to file annual surveys under section 102 of this 25 26 act beginning on the date an investment project is used for 27 nonqualifying purposes.

(4) Notwithstanding any other ((subsection)) provision of this
 section or section 102 of this act, deferred taxes on the following
 need not be repaid:

31 (a) Machinery and equipment, and sales of or charges made for labor 32 and services, which at the time of purchase would have qualified for 33 exemption under RCW 82.08.02565; and

34 (b) Machinery and equipment which at the time of first use would35 have qualified for exemption under RCW 82.12.02565.

36 **Sec. 139.** RCW 82.63.020 and 2004 c 2 s 4 are each amended to read 37 as follows:

(1) Application for deferral of taxes under this chapter must be 1 2 made before initiation of construction of, or acquisition of equipment or machinery for the investment project. The application ((shall)) 3 4 must be made to the department in a form and manner prescribed by the The application ((shall)) <u>must</u> contain information 5 department. б regarding the location of the investment project, the applicant's average employment in the state for the prior year, estimated or actual 7 8 new employment related to the project, estimated or actual wages of 9 employees related to the project, estimated or actual costs, time schedules for completion and operation, and other information required 10 11 by the department. The department ((shall)) must rule on the 12 application within sixty days.

13 (2)(((a) The legislature finds that accountability and 14 effectiveness are important aspects of setting tax policy. In order to 15 make policy choices regarding the best use of limited state resources 16 the legislature needs information on how a tax incentive is used.

(b) Applicants for)) Each recipient of a deferral of taxes under 17 this chapter ((shall agree to)) must file a complete ((an)) annual 18 survey with the department under section 102 of this act. 19 If the 20 economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in 21 RCW 82.63.010(7), the lessee ((shall agree to)) must file a complete ((the)) annual survey, and the applicant is not required to 22 23 ((complete)) file the annual survey. ((The survey is due by March 31st 24 of the year following the calendar year in which the investment project 25 is certified by the department as having been operationally complete 26 and the seven succeeding calendar years. The survey shall include the 27 amount of tax deferred, the number of new products or research projects by general classification, and the number of trademarks, patents, and 28 copyrights associated with activities at the investment project. The 29 30 survey shall also include the following information for employment positions in Washington: 31

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(i) The number of total employment positions;

33 (ii) Full-time, part-time, and temporary employment positions as a 34 percent of total employment;

35 (iii) The number of employment positions according to the following 36 wage bands: Less than thirty thousand dollars; thirty thousand dollars 37 or greater, but less than sixty thousand dollars; and sixty thousand

- 1 dollars or greater. A wage band containing fewer than three
 2 individuals may be combined with another wage band; and
- 3 (iv) The number of employment positions that have employer-provided
 4 medical, dental, and retirement benefits, by each of the wage bands.
- 5 (c) The department may request additional information necessary to 6 measure the results of the deferral program, to be submitted at the 7 same time as the survey.
- 8 (d) All information collected under this subsection, except the 9 amount of the tax deferral taken, is deemed taxpayer information under 10 RCW 82.32.330 and is not disclosable. Information on the amount of tax 11 deferral taken is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 12 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.
- 13 (3) The department shall use the information from this section to 14 prepare summary descriptive statistics by category. No fewer than 15 three taxpayers shall be included in any category. The department 16 shall report these statistics to the legislature each year by September 17 lst.
- 18 (4))) (3) The department ((shall)) must use the information 19 reported on the annual survey required by this section to study the tax 20 deferral program authorized under this chapter. The department 21 ((shall)) must report to the legislature by December 1, 2009, and 22 December 1, 2013. The reports ((shall)) must measure the effect of the program on job creation, the number of jobs created for Washington 23 residents, company growth, the introduction of new products, the 24 diversification of the state's economy, growth in research and 25 26 development investment, the movement of firms or the consolidation of 27 firms' operations into the state, and such other factors as the department selects. 28
- (4) A recipient who must repay deferred taxes under RCW 82.63.045 29 because the department has found that an investment project is used for 30 purposes other than research and development performed within this 31 state in the fields of advanced computing, advanced materials, 32 biotechnology, electronic device technology, and environmental 33 technology is no longer required to file annual surveys under section 34 102 of this act beginning on the date an investment project is used for 35 36 nonqualifying purposes.

1 Sec. 140. RCW 82.63.045 and 2004 c 2 s 6 are each amended to read 2 as follows:

3 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section and
4 section 102 of this act, taxes deferred under this chapter need not be
5 repaid.

6 (2)(a) If, on the basis of the survey under ((RCW 82.63.020)) section 102 of this act or other information, the department finds that 7 an investment project is used for purposes other than qualified 8 research and development or pilot scale manufacturing at any time 9 during the calendar year in which the investment project is certified 10 by the department as having been operationally completed, or at any 11 12 time during any of the seven succeeding calendar years, a portion of 13 deferred taxes ((shall be)) is immediately due according to the following schedule: 14

| 15 | Year in which use occ | urs % of deferred taxes due |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 16 | 1 | 100% |
| 17 | 2 | 87.5% |
| 18 | 3 | 75% |
| 19 | 4 | 62.5% |
| 20 | 5 | 50% |
| 21 | 6 | 37.5% |
| 22 | 7 | 25% |
| 23 | 8 | 12.5% |

(b) ((If a recipient of the deferral fails to complete the annual survey required under RCW 82.63.020 by the date due, 12.5 percent of the deferred tax shall be immediately due. If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in RCW 82.63.010(7), the lessee shall be responsible for payment to the extent the lessee has received the economic benefit.

30 (c) If an investment project is used for purposes other than 31 qualified research and development or pilot scale manufacturing at any 32 time during the calendar year in which the investment project is 33 certified as having been operationally complete and the recipient of 34 the deferral fails to complete the annual survey due under RCW 35 82.63.020, the portion of deferred taxes immediately due is the amount 36 on the schedule in (a) of this subsection.)) If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in RCW 82.63.010(7), the lessee ((shall be)) is responsible for payment to the extent the lessee has received the economic benefit.

4 (3) The department ((shall)) <u>must</u> assess interest at the rate 5 provided for delinquent taxes, but not penalties, retroactively to the 6 date of deferral. The debt for deferred taxes will not be extinguished 7 by insolvency or other failure of the recipient. Transfer of ownership 8 does not terminate the deferral. The deferral is transferred, subject 9 to the successor meeting the eligibility requirements of this chapter, 10 for the remaining periods of the deferral.

(4) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section <u>or section 102</u>
 <u>of this act</u>, deferred taxes on the following need not be repaid:

(a) Machinery and equipment, and sales of or charges made for labor
and services, which at the time of purchase would have qualified for
exemption under RCW 82.08.02565; and

16 (b) Machinery and equipment which at the time of first use would 17 have qualified for exemption under RCW 82.12.02565.

18 Sec. 141. RCW 82.74.040 and 2006 c 354 s 8 are each amended to 19 read as follows:

20 (1)(((a) The legislature finds that accountability and 21 effectiveness are important aspects of setting tax policy. In order to 22 make policy choices regarding the best use of limited state resources 23 the legislature needs information on how a tax incentive is used.

(b))) Each recipient of a deferral of taxes granted under this 24 25 chapter ((shall)) must file a complete ((an)) annual survey with the 26 department under section 102 of this act. If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in RCW 82.74.010(6), 27 the lessee ((shall)) must file a complete ((the)) annual survey, and 28 29 the applicant is not required to ((complete)) file the annual survey. ((The survey is due by March 31st of the year following the calendar 30 31 year in which the investment project is certified by the department as 32 having been operationally complete and each of the seven succeeding calendar years. The department may extend the due date for timely 33 34 filing of annual surveys under this section as provided in RCW 35 82.32.590. The survey shall include the amount of tax deferred. The 36 survey shall also include the following information for employment 37 positions in Washington:

1 (i) The number of total employment positions;

2 (ii) Full-time, part-time, and temporary employment positions as a 3 percent of total employment;

4 (iii) The number of employment positions according to the following
5 wage bands: Less than thirty thousand dollars; thirty thousand dollars
6 or greater, but less than sixty thousand dollars; and sixty thousand
7 dollars or greater. A wage band containing fewer than three
8 individuals may be combined with another wage band; and

9 (iv) The number of employment positions that have employer-provided 10 medical, dental, and retirement benefits, by each of the wage bands.

11 (c) The department may request additional information necessary to 12 measure the results of the deferral program, to be submitted at the 13 same time as the survey.

14 (d) All information collected under this subsection, except the 15 amount of the tax deferral taken, is deemed taxpayer information under 16 RCW 82.32.330. Information on the amount of tax deferral taken is not 17 subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be 18 disclosed to the public upon request.

19 (e) The department shall use the information from this section to 20 prepare summary descriptive statistics by category. No fewer than 21 three taxpayers shall be included in any category. The department 22 shall report these statistics to the legislature each year by September 23 1st.

24 (f) The department shall also use the information to study the tax 25 deferral program authorized under this chapter. The department shall 26 report to the legislature by December 1, 2011. The report shall 27 measure the effect of the program on job creation, company growth, the introduction of new products, the diversification of the state's 28 economy, growth in research and development investment, the movement of 29 firms or the consolidation of firms' operations into the state, and 30 31 such other factors as the department selects.

32 (2)(a) If a recipient of the deferral fails to complete the annual 33 survey required under subsection (1) of this section by the date due or 34 any extension under RCW 82.32.590, twelve and one-half percent of the 35 deferred tax shall be immediately due. If the economic benefits of the 36 deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in RCW 82.74.010(6), the 37 lessee shall be responsible for payment to the extent the lessee has 38 received the economic benefit. The department shall assess interest, but not penalties, on the amounts due under this section. The interest shall be assessed at the rate provided for delinquent taxes under chapter 82.32 RCW, and shall accrue until the amounts due are repaid.

4 (b)) (2) A recipient who must repay deferred taxes under RCW 82.74.050(2) because the department has found that an investment 5 project is used for purposes other than fresh fruit and vegetable б processing, dairy product manufacturing, seafood product manufacturing, 7 8 cold storage warehousing, or research and development is no longer required to file annual surveys under ((this)) section 102 of this act 9 10 beginning on the date an investment project is used for nonqualifying 11 purposes.

12 **Sec. 142.** RCW 82.74.050 and 2006 c 354 s 9 are each amended to 13 read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section <u>and</u>
 <u>section 102 of this act</u>, taxes deferred under this chapter need not be
 repaid.

17 (2)(a) If, on the basis of the survey under ((RCW 82.74.040))18 section 102 of this act or other information, the department finds that an investment project is used for purposes other than fresh fruit and 19 20 vegetable processing, dairy product manufacturing, seafood product 21 manufacturing, cold storage warehousing, or research and development at 22 any time during the calendar year in which the investment project is 23 certified by the department as having been operationally completed, or 24 at any time during any of the seven succeeding calendar years, a 25 portion of deferred taxes ((shall be)) is immediately due according to 26 the following schedule:

| 27 | Year in which nonqualifying use occurs | % of deferred taxes due |
|----|--|-------------------------|
| 28 | 1 | 100% |
| 29 | 2 | 87.5% |
| 30 | 3 | 75% |
| 31 | 4 | 62.5% |
| 32 | 5 | 50% |
| 33 | 6 | 37.5% |
| 34 | 7 | 25% |
| 35 | 8 | 12.5% |

(b) If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee
 as provided in RCW 82.74.010(6), the lessee is responsible for payment
 to the extent the lessee has received the economic benefit.

4 The department ((shall)) must assess interest, but not (3) penalties, on the deferred taxes under subsection (2) of this section. 5 The interest ((shall)) must be assessed at the rate provided for б delinquent taxes under chapter 82.32 RCW, retroactively to the date of 7 8 deferral, and ((shall)) will accrue until the deferred taxes are 9 The debt for deferred taxes will not be extinguished by repaid. 10 insolvency or other failure of the recipient. Transfer of ownership does not terminate the deferral. The deferral is transferred, subject 11 12 to the successor meeting the eligibility requirements of this chapter, 13 for the remaining periods of the deferral.

14 (4) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section <u>or section 102</u>
 15 <u>of this act</u>, deferred taxes on the following need not be repaid:

16 (a) Machinery and equipment, and sales of or charges made for labor 17 and services, which at the time of purchase would have qualified for 18 exemption under RCW 82.08.02565; and

(b) Machinery and equipment which at the time of first use wouldhave qualified for exemption under RCW 82.12.02565.

21 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 143. A new section is added to chapter 82.75 22 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Each recipient of a deferral of taxes granted under this chapter must file a complete annual survey with the department under section 102 of this act. If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in RCW 82.75.010(5), the lessee must file a complete annual survey, and the applicant is not required to file the annual survey.

(2) A recipient who must repay deferred taxes under RCW 82.75.040(2) because the department has found that an investment project is used for purposes other than qualified biotechnology product manufacturing or medical device manufacturing activities is no longer required to file annual surveys under section 102 of this act beginning on the date an investment project is used for nonqualifying purposes.

35 **Sec. 144.** RCW 82.75.010 and 2006 c 178 s 2 are each amended to 36 read as follows:

1 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 2 this section apply throughout this chapter.

3 (1) "Applicant" means a person applying for a tax deferral under4 this chapter.

5 (2) "Biotechnology" means a technology based on the science of 6 biology, microbiology, molecular biology, cellular biology, 7 biochemistry, or biophysics, or any combination of these, and includes, 8 but is not limited to, recombinant DNA techniques, genetics and genetic 9 engineering, cell fusion techniques, and new bioprocesses, using living 10 organisms, or parts of organisms.

(3) "Biotechnology product" means any virus, therapeutic serum, antibody, protein, toxin, antitoxin, vaccine, blood, blood component or derivative, allergenic product, or analogous product produced through the application of biotechnology that is used in the prevention, treatment, or cure of diseases or injuries to humans.

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(4) "Department" means the department of revenue.

17 (5)(a) "Eligible investment project" means an investment in 18 qualified buildings or qualified machinery and equipment, including 19 labor and services rendered in the planning, installation, and 20 construction of the project.

(b) The lessor or owner of a qualified building is not eligible for a deferral unless:

(i) The underlying ownership of the buildings, machinery, and equipment vests exclusively in the same person; or

25 (ii)(A) The lessor by written contract agrees to pass the economic 26 benefit of the deferral to the lessee;

(B) The lessee that receives the economic benefit of the deferral
agrees in writing with the department to complete the annual survey
required under ((RCW 82.32.645)) section 143 of this act; and

30 (C) The economic benefit of the deferral passed to the lessee is no 31 less than the amount of tax deferred by the lessor and is evidenced by 32 written documentation of any type of payment, credit, or other 33 financial arrangement between the lessor or owner of the qualified 34 building and the lessee.

35 (6)(a) "Initiation of construction" means the date that a building 36 permit is issued under the building code adopted under RCW 19.27.031 37 for:

(i) Construction of the qualified building, if the underlying
 ownership of the building vests exclusively with the person receiving
 the economic benefit of the deferral;

4 (ii) Construction of the qualified building, if the economic
5 benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in
6 subsection (5)(b)(ii)(A) of this section; or

7 (iii) Tenant improvements for a qualified building, if the economic
8 benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in
9 subsection (5)(b)(ii)(A) of this section.

10 (b) "Initiation of construction" does not include soil testing, 11 site clearing and grading, site preparation, or any other related 12 activities that are initiated before the issuance of a building permit 13 for the construction of the foundation of the building.

14 (c) If the investment project is a phased project, "initiation of 15 construction" ((shall apply)) applies separately to each phase.

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(7) "Manufacturing" has the meaning provided in RCW 82.04.120.

17 (8) "Medical device" means an instrument, apparatus, implement, 18 machine, contrivance, implant, in vitro reagent, or other similar or 19 related article, including any component, part, or accessory, that is 20 designed or developed and:

(a) Recognized in the national formulary, or the United Statespharmacopeia, or any supplement to them;

(b) Intended for use in the diagnosis of disease, or in the cure,
mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease or other conditions in
human beings or other animals; or

(c) Intended to affect the structure or any function of the body of man or other animals, and which does not achieve any of its primary intended purposes through chemical action within or on the body of man or other animals and which is not dependent upon being metabolized for the achievement of any of its principal intended purposes.

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(9) "Person" has the meaning provided in RCW 82.04.030.

32 (10) "Qualified buildings" means construction of new structures, and expansion or renovation of existing structures for the purpose of 33 34 increasing floor space or production capacity used for biotechnology 35 product manufacturing or medical device manufacturing activities, 36 including plant offices, commercial laboratories for process 37 development, quality assurance and quality control, and warehouses or 38 other facilities for the storage of raw material or finished goods if

the facilities are an essential or an integral part of a factory, plant, or laboratory used for biotechnology product manufacturing or medical device manufacturing. If a building is used partly for biotechnology product manufacturing or medical device manufacturing and partly for other purposes, the applicable tax deferral ((shall)) must be determined by apportionment of the costs of construction under rules adopted by the department.

8 (11) "Qualified machinery and equipment" means all new industrial and research fixtures, equipment, and support facilities that are an 9 10 integral and necessary part of a biotechnology product manufacturing or 11 medical device manufacturing operation. "Qualified machinery and 12 equipment" includes: Computers; software; data processing equipment; 13 laboratory equipment; manufacturing components such as belts, pulleys, 14 shafts, and moving parts; molds, tools, and dies; operating structures; and all equipment used to control or operate the machinery. 15

16 (12) "Recipient" means a person receiving a tax deferral under this 17 chapter.

18 Sec. 145. RCW 82.75.020 and 2006 c 178 s 3 are each amended to 19 read as follows:

20 Application for deferral of taxes under this chapter must be made 21 ((and approved)) before initiation of the construction of the 22 investment project or acquisition of equipment or machinery. The 23 application ((shall)) must be made to the department in a form and 24 manner prescribed by the department. The application ((shall)) must 25 contain information regarding the location of the investment project, 26 the applicant's average employment in the state for the prior year, 27 estimated or actual new employment related to the project, estimated or actual wages of employees related to the project, estimated or actual 28 29 costs, time schedules for completion and operation, and other 30 information required by the department. The department ((shall)) must 31 rule on the application within sixty days.

32 **Sec. 146.** RCW 82.75.040 and 2006 c 178 s 5 are each amended to 33 read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section and ((RCW
 82.32.645)) section 102 of this act, taxes deferred under this chapter
 need not be repaid.

(2)(a) If, on the basis of the survey under ((RCW 82.32.645)) 1 2 section 102 of this act or other information, the department finds that an investment project is used for purposes other than qualified 3 biotechnology product manufacturing or medical device manufacturing 4 activities at any time during the calendar year in which the eligible 5 investment project is certified by the department as having been 6 operationally completed, or at any time during any of the seven 7 succeeding calendar years, a portion of deferred taxes ((shall be)) is 8 9 immediately due and payable according to the following schedule:

| 10 | Year in which use occurs | % of deferred taxes due |
|----|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 11 | 1 | 100% |
| 12 | 2 | 87.5% |
| 13 | 3 | 75% |
| 14 | 4 | 62.5% |
| 15 | 5 | 50% |
| 16 | 6 | 37.5% |
| 17 | 7 | 25% |
| 18 | 8 | 12.5% |

(b) ((If a recipient of the deferral fails to complete the annual survey required under RCW 82.32.645 by the date due, the amount of deferred tax specified in RCW 82.32.645(6) shall be immediately due and payable.)) If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in RCW 82.75.010, the lessee is responsible for payment to the extent the lessee has received the economic benefit.

(3) For a violation of subsection (2)(a) of this section, the 25 26 department ((shall)) must assess interest at the rate provided for 27 delinquent taxes, but not penalties, retroactively to the date of 28 deferral. The debt for deferred taxes ((shall)) will not be extinguished by insolvency or other failure of the recipient. Transfer 29 of ownership does not terminate the deferral. The deferral is 30 transferred, subject to the successor meeting the eligibility 31 requirements of this chapter, for the remaining periods of the 32 deferral. 33

 ^{34 (4)} Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section <u>or section 102</u>
 35 <u>of this act</u>, deferred taxes on the following need not be repaid:

(a) Machinery and equipment, and sales of or charges made for labor
 and services, which at the time of purchase would have qualified for
 exemption under RCW 82.08.02565; and

4 (b) Machinery and equipment which at the time of first use would
5 have qualified for exemption under RCW 82.12.02565.

6 **Sec. 147.** RCW 82.82.020 and 2008 c 15 s 2 are each amended to read 7 as follows:

(1) Application for deferral of taxes under this chapter can be 8 9 made at any time prior to completion of construction of a qualified 10 building or buildings, but tax liability incurred prior to the 11 department's receipt of an application may not be deferred. The 12 application must be made to the department in a form and manner prescribed by the department. The application must contain information 13 14 regarding the location of the investment project, the applicant's average employment in the state for the prior year, estimated or actual 15 16 new employment related to the project, estimated or actual wages of employees related to the project, estimated or actual costs, time 17 18 schedules for completion and operation, and other information required by the department. The department must rule on the application within 19 20 sixty days.

21 (2)(((a) The legislature finds that accountability and 22 effectiveness are important aspects of setting tax policy. In order to 23 make policy choices regarding the best use of limited state resources 24 the legislature needs information on how a tax incentive is used.

25 (b) Applicants for deferral of taxes under this chapter must agree 26 to complete an annual survey. If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in RCW 82.82.010(5), the lessee must 27 28 agree to complete the annual survey and the applicant is not required 29 to complete the annual survey. The survey is due by March 31st of the 30 year following the calendar year in which the investment project is 31 certified by the department as having been operationally complete and the seven succeeding calendar years. The survey must include the 32 amount of tax deferred. The survey must also include the following 33 34 information for employment positions in Washington:

35 (i) The number of total employment positions;

36 (ii) Full-time, part-time, and temporary employment positions as a 37 percent of total employment;

- 1 (iii) The number of employment positions according to the following 2 wage bands: Less than thirty thousand dollars; thirty thousand dollars 3 or greater, but less than sixty thousand dollars; and sixty thousand 4 dollars or greater. A wage band containing fewer than three 5 individuals may be combined with another wage band; and
- 6 (iv) The number of employment positions that have employer-provided
 7 medical, dental, and retirement benefits, by each of the wage bands.

8 (c) The department may request additional information necessary to 9 measure the results of the deferral program, to be submitted at the 10 same time as the survey.

11 (d) All information collected under this subsection, except the 12 amount of the tax deferral taken, is deemed taxpayer information under 13 RCW 82.32.330 and is not disclosable. Information on the amount of tax 14 deferral taken is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 15 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.

(3) The department must use the information to study the tax 16 deferral program authorized under this chapter. The department must 17 report to the legislature by December 1, 2014, and December 1, 2018. 18 The reports must measure the effect of the program on job creation, the 19 20 number of jobs created for Washington residents, company growth, the 21 introduction of new products, the diversification of the state's economy, growth in research and development investment, the movement of 22 firms or the consolidation of firms' operations into the state, and 23 24 such other factors as the department selects. If fewer than three 25 deferrals are granted under this chapter, the department may not report 26 statistical information.

27 (4)) Applications for deferral of taxes under this section may not
 28 be made after December 31, 2020.

29 (3) Each recipient of a deferral of taxes under this chapter must 30 file a complete annual survey with the department under section 102 of 31 this act. If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a 32 lessee as provided in RCW 82.82.010(5), the lessee must file a complete 33 annual survey, and the applicant is not required to file the annual 34 survey.

35 (4) A recipient who must repay deferred taxes under RCW 82.82.040
36 because the department has found that an investment project is no
37 longer an eligible investment project is no longer required to file

1 annual surveys under section 102 of this act beginning on the date an

2 <u>investment project is used for nonqualifying purposes.</u>

3 Sec. 148. RCW 82.82.040 and 2008 c 15 s 5 are each amended to read 4 as follows:

5 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section <u>and</u> 6 <u>section 102 of this act</u>, taxes deferred under this chapter need not be 7 repaid.

8 (2)(a) If, on the basis of the survey under ((RCW 82.82.020))section 102 of this act or other information, the department finds that 9 10 an investment project is no longer an "eligible investment project" under RCW 82.82.010 at any time during the calendar year in which the 11 12 investment project is certified by the department as having been operationally completed, or at any time during any of the seven 13 succeeding calendar years, a portion of deferred taxes are immediately 14 15 due according to the following schedule:

| 16 | Year in which use occurs | % of deferred taxes due |
|----|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 17 | 1 | 100% |
| 18 | 2 | 87.5% |
| 19 | 3 | 75% |
| 20 | 4 | 62.5% |
| 21 | 5 | 50% |
| 22 | 6 | 37.5% |
| 23 | 7 | 25% |
| 24 | 8 | 12.5% |
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(b) ((If a recipient of the deferral fails to complete the annual survey required under RCW 82.82.020 by the date due, twelve and onehalf percent of the deferred tax is immediately due.)) If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in RCW 82.82.010(5), the lessee is responsible for payment to the extent the lessee has received the economic benefit.

31 (((c) If an investment project is meeting the requirement of RCW 32 82.82.010(5) at any time during the calendar year in which the 33 investment project is certified as having been operationally complete 34 and the recipient of the deferral fails to complete the annual survey due under RCW 82.82.020, the portion of deferred taxes immediately due is the amount on the schedule in (a) of this subsection. If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in RCW 82.82.010(5), the lessee is responsible for payment to the extent the lessee has received the economic benefit.))

(3) The department must assess interest at the rate provided for б 7 delinguent taxes under chapter 82.32 RCW, but not penalties, 8 retroactively to the date of deferral. The debt for deferred taxes will not be extinguished by insolvency or other failure of the 9 10 recipient. Transfer of ownership does not terminate the deferral. The is transferred, subject to the successor meeting the 11 deferral 12 eligibility requirements of this chapter, for the remaining periods of 13 the deferral.

14 Sec. 149. RCW 84.36.645 and 2003 c 149 s 10 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

16 (1) Machinery and equipment exempt under RCW 82.08.02565 or 82.12.02565 used in manufacturing semiconductor materials at a building exempt from sales and use tax and in compliance with the employment requirement under RCW 82.08.965 and 82.12.965 are ((tax)) exempt from <u>property</u> taxation. "Semiconductor materials" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.240(2).

(2) A person seeking this exemption must make application to thecounty assessor, on forms prescribed by the department.

(3) A person ((receiving)) <u>claiming</u> an exemption under this section
must <u>file a complete annual</u> report ((in the manner prescribed in RCW
82.32.535)) with the department under section 103 of this act.

(4) This section is effective for taxes levied for collection oneyear after the effective date of this act and thereafter.

(5) This section expires December 31st of the year occurring twelve years after the effective date of this act, for taxes levied for collection in the following year.

32 **Sec. 150.** RCW 84.36.655 and 2003 2nd sp.s. c 1 s 14 are each 33 amended to read as follows:

(1) Effective January 1, 2005, all buildings, machinery, equipment,
 and other personal property of a lessee of a port district eligible
 under RCW 82.08.980 and 82.12.980, used exclusively in manufacturing

superefficient airplanes, are exempt from property taxation. A person taking the credit under RCW 82.04.4463 is not eligible for the exemption under this section. For the purposes of this section, "superefficient airplane" and "component" have the meanings given in RCW 82.32.550.

(2) In addition to all other requirements under this title, a
person ((taking)) claiming the exemption under this section must <u>file</u>
<u>a complete annual</u> report ((as required)) with the department under
((RCW 82.32.545)) section 103 of this act.

(3) Claims for exemption authorized by this section ((shall)) <u>must</u> be filed with the county assessor on forms prescribed by the department and furnished by the assessor. The assessor ((shall)) <u>must</u> verify and approve claims as the assessor determines to be justified and in accordance with this section. No claims may be filed after December 31, 2023. The department may adopt rules, under the provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW, as necessary to properly administer this section.

17 (4) This section applies to taxes levied for collection in 2006 and18 thereafter.

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(5) This section expires July 1, 2024.

20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 151. The following acts or parts of acts are 21 each repealed:

(1) RCW 82.32.535 (Annual report by semiconductor businesses) and
2003 c 149 s 11;

(2) RCW 82.32.5351 (Annual report by semiconductor businesses- Report to legislature) and 2006 c 84 s 5;

26 (3) RCW 82.32.545 (Annual report for airplane manufacturing tax
27 preferences) and 2008 c 283 s 2, 2008 c 81 s 10, 2007 c 54 s 19, & 2003
28 2nd sp.s. c 1 s 16;

(4) RCW 82.32.560 (Electrolytic processing business tax exemption- Annual report) and 2004 c 240 s 2;

31 (5) RCW 82.32.570 (Smelter tax incentives--Goals--Annual report) 32 and 2006 c 182 s 6 & 2004 c 24 s 14;

33 (6) RCW 82.32.610 (Annual survey for fruit and vegetable business 34 tax incentive--Report to legislature) and 2006 c 354 s 5 & 2005 c 513 35 s 3;

36 (7) RCW 82.32.620 (Annual report for tax incentives under RCW 37 82.04.294) and 2005 c 301 s 4;

- (8) RCW 82.32.630 (Annual survey for timber tax incentives) and
 2007 c 48 s 6 & 2006 c 300 s 9;
- 3 (9) RCW 82.32.645 (Annual survey for biotechnology and medical 4 device manufacturing business tax incentive--Report to legislature) and 5 2006 c 178 s 8;
- 6 (10) RCW 82.32.650 (Annual survey--Customized employment training-7 Report to legislature) and 2006 c 112 s 6;
- 8 (11) RCW 82.16.140 (Renewable energy system cost recovery--Report 9 to legislature) and 2005 c 300 s 5; and
- 10 (12) 2005 c 301 s 5 (uncodified).

11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 152. The repeals in section 151 of this act do 12 not affect any existing right acquired or liability or obligation 13 incurred under the statutes repealed or under any rule or order adopted 14 under those statutes, nor do they affect any proceeding instituted 15 under those statutes.

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PART II

CONFIDENTIALITY

18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 201. A new section is added to chapter 35.102
 19 RCW to read as follows:

A city that imposes a business and occupation tax may by ordinance provide that return or tax information is confidential, privileged, and subject to disclosure in the manner provided by RCW 82.32.330.

23 **Sec. 202.** RCW 42.56.230 and 2008 c 200 s 5 are each amended to 24 read as follows:

The following personal information is exempt from public inspection and copying under this chapter:

(1) Personal information in any files maintained for students in
 public schools, patients or clients of public institutions or public
 health agencies, or welfare recipients;

30 (2) Personal information in files maintained for employees,
 31 appointees, or elected officials of any public agency to the extent
 32 that disclosure would violate their right to privacy;

33 (3) Information required of any taxpayer in connection with the 34 assessment or collection of any tax if the disclosure of the information to other persons would: (a) <u>Be</u> prohibited to such persons by RCW 84.08.210, 82.32.330, 84.40.020, ((or)) 84.40.340, or any ordinance authorized under section 201 of this act; or (b) violate the taxpayer's right to privacy or result in unfair competitive disadvantage to the taxpayer;

6 (4) Credit card numbers, debit card numbers, electronic check 7 numbers, card expiration dates, or bank or other financial account 8 numbers, except when disclosure is expressly required by or governed by 9 other law; and

10 (5) Documents and related materials and scanned images of documents 11 and related materials used to prove identity, age, residential address, 12 social security number, or other personal information required to apply 13 for a driver's license or identicard.

14 **Sec. 203.** RCW 82.16.120 and 2007 c 111 s 101 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

(1) Any individual, business, or local governmental entity, not in 16 17 the light and power business or in the gas distribution business, may apply to the light and power business serving the situs of the system, 18 each fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2005, for an investment cost 19 20 recovery incentive for each kilowatt-hour from a customer-generated 21 electricity renewable energy system installed on its property that is 22 not interconnected to the electric distribution system. No incentive 23 may be paid for kilowatt-hours generated before July 1, 2005, or after 24 June 30, 2014.

25 (2) When light and power businesses serving eighty percent of the 26 total customer load in the state adopt uniform standards for 27 interconnection to the electric distribution system, any individual, business, or local governmental entity, not in the light and power 28 29 business or in the gas distribution business, may apply to the light and power business serving the situs of the system, each fiscal year, 30 31 for an investment cost recovery incentive for each kilowatt-hour from a customer-generated electricity renewable energy system installed on 32 its property that is not interconnected to the electric distribution 33 34 system and from a customer-generated electricity renewable energy 35 system installed on its property that is interconnected to the electric distribution system. Uniform standards for interconnection to the 36 37 electric distribution system means those standards established by light

and power businesses that have ninety percent of total requirements the
 same. No incentive may be paid for kilowatt-hours generated before
 July 1, 2005, or after June 30, 2014.

4 (3)(a) Before submitting for the first time the application for the 5 incentive allowed under this section, the applicant ((shall)) <u>must</u> 6 submit to the department of revenue and to the climate and rural energy 7 development center at the Washington State University, established 8 under RCW 28B.30.642, a certification in a form and manner prescribed 9 by the department that includes, but is not limited to, the following 10 information:

11 (i) The name and address of the applicant and location of the 12 renewable energy system;

13 (ii) The applicant's tax registration number;

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14 (iii) That the electricity produced by the applicant meets the 15 definition of "customer-generated electricity" and that the renewable 16 energy system produces electricity with:

17 (A) Any solar inverters and solar modules manufactured in18 Washington state;

(B) A wind generator powered by blades manufactured in Washingtonstate;

21 (C) A solar inverter manufactured in Washington state;

(D) A solar module manufactured in Washington state; or

(E) Solar or wind equipment manufactured outside of Washingtonstate;

(iv) That the electricity can be transformed or transmitted for entry into or operation in parallel with electricity transmission and distribution systems;

(v) The date that the renewable energy system received its finalelectrical permit from the applicable local jurisdiction.

30 (b) Within thirty days of receipt of the certification the 31 department of revenue ((shall)) <u>must</u> notify the applicant by mail, or 32 electronically as provided in RCW 82.32.135, whether the renewable energy system qualifies for an incentive under this section. 33 The department may consult with the climate and rural energy development 34 35 to determine eligibility for the incentive. center System 36 certifications and the information contained therein are subject to 37 disclosure under RCW 82.32.330(3)(((m))) <u>(1)</u>.

1 (4)(a) By August 1st of each year application for the incentive 2 ((shall)) <u>must</u> be made to the light and power business serving the 3 situs of the system by certification in a form and manner prescribed by 4 the department that includes, but is not limited to, the following 5 information:

6 (i) The name and address of the applicant and location of the 7 renewable energy system;

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(ii) The applicant's tax registration number;

9 (iii) The date of the notification from the department of revenue 10 stating that the renewable energy system is eligible for the incentives 11 under this section;

12 (iv) A statement of the amount of kilowatt-hours generated by the 13 renewable energy system in the prior fiscal year.

14 (b) Within sixty days of receipt of the incentive certification the light and power business serving the situs of the system ((shall)) must 15 notify the applicant in writing whether the incentive payment will be 16 17 authorized or denied. The business may consult with the climate and 18 rural energy development center to determine eligibility for the 19 incentive payment. Incentive certifications and the information 20 contained subject disclosure therein are to under RCW 21 82.32.330(3)(((m)))(1).

(c)(i) Persons receiving incentive payments ((shall)) must keep and 22 23 preserve, for a period of five years, suitable records as may be 24 necessary to determine the amount of incentive applied for and Such records ((shall)) must be open for examination at any 25 received. 26 time upon notice by the light and power business that made the payment 27 or by the department. If upon examination of any records or from other 28 information obtained by the business or department it appears that an 29 incentive has been paid in an amount that exceeds the correct amount of 30 incentive payable, the business may assess against the person for the amount found to have been paid in excess of the correct amount of 31 32 incentive payable and ((shall)) must add thereto interest on the Interest ((shall)) must be assessed in the manner that the 33 amount. department assesses interest upon delinquent tax under RCW 82.32.050. 34

(ii) If it appears that the amount of incentive paid is less than the correct amount of incentive payable the business may authorize additional payment. 1 (5) The investment cost recovery incentive may be paid fifteen 2 cents per economic development kilowatt-hour unless requests exceed the 3 amount authorized for credit to the participating light and power 4 business. For the purposes of this section, the rate paid for the 5 investment cost recovery incentive may be multiplied by the following 6 factors:

7 (a) For customer-generated electricity produced using solar modules
8 manufactured in Washington state, two and four-tenths;

9 (b) For customer-generated electricity produced using a solar or a 10 wind generator equipped with an inverter manufactured in Washington 11 state, one and two-tenths;

12 (c) For customer-generated electricity produced using an anaerobic 13 digester, or by other solar equipment or using a wind generator 14 equipped with blades manufactured in Washington state, one; and

(d) For all other customer-generated electricity produced by wind,eight-tenths.

17 (6) No individual, household, business, or local governmental 18 entity is eligible for incentives for more than two thousand dollars 19 per year.

(7) If requests for the investment cost recovery incentive exceed the amount of funds available for credit to the participating light and power business, the incentive payments ((shall)) <u>must</u> be reduced proportionately.

(8) The climate and rural energy development center at Washington
State University energy program may establish guidelines and standards
for technologies that are identified as Washington manufactured and
therefore most beneficial to the state's environment.

(9) The environmental attributes of the renewable energy system belong to the applicant, and do not transfer to the state or the light and power business upon receipt of the investment cost recovery incentive.

32 Sec. 204. RCW 82.32.330 and 2008 c 81 s 11 are each amended to 33 read as follows:

34 (1) For purposes of this section:

35 (a) "Disclose" means to make known to any person in any manner 36 whatever a return or tax information;

1 (b) "Return" means a tax or information return or claim for refund 2 required by, or provided for or permitted under, the laws of this state 3 which is filed with the department of revenue by, on behalf of, or with 4 respect to a person, and any amendment or supplement thereto, including 5 supporting schedules, attachments, or lists that are supplemental to, 6 or part of, the return so filed;

7 (c) "Tax information" means (i) a taxpayer's identity, (ii) the 8 nature, source, or amount of the taxpayer's income, payments, receipts, deductions, exemptions, credits, assets, liabilities, net worth, tax 9 10 liability deficiencies, overassessments, or tax payments, whether taken from the taxpayer's books and records or any other source, (iii) 11 12 whether the taxpayer's return was, is being, or will be examined or 13 subject to other investigation or processing, (iv) a part of a written 14 determination that is not designated as a precedent and disclosed pursuant to RCW 82.32.410, or a background file document relating to a 15 written determination, and (v) other data received by, recorded by, 16 17 prepared by, furnished to, or collected by the department of revenue 18 with respect to the determination of the existence, or possible existence, of liability, or the amount thereof, of a person under the 19 laws of this state for a tax, penalty, interest, fine, forfeiture, or 20 21 other imposition, or offense: PROVIDED, That data, material, or 22 documents that do not disclose information related to a specific or 23 identifiable taxpayer do not constitute tax information under this 24 section. Except as provided by RCW 82.32.410, nothing in this chapter 25 ((shall)) requires any person possessing data, material, or documents 26 made confidential and privileged by this section to delete information 27 from such data, material, or documents so as to permit its disclosure;

(d) "State agency" means every Washington state office, department,
division, bureau, board, commission, or other state agency;

30 (e) "Taxpayer identity" means the taxpayer's name, address, 31 telephone number, registration number, or any combination thereof, or 32 any other information disclosing the identity of the taxpayer; and

33 (f) "Department" means the department of revenue or its officer, 34 agent, employee, or representative.

35 (2) Returns and tax information ((shall be)) are confidential and 36 privileged, and except as authorized by this section, neither the 37 department of revenue nor any other person may disclose any return or 38 tax information.

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(3) This section does not prohibit the department of revenue from:

2 (a) Disclosing such return or tax information in a civil or
3 criminal judicial proceeding or an administrative proceeding:

4 (i) In respect of any tax imposed under the laws of this state if
5 the taxpayer or its officer or other person liable under Title 82 RCW
6 or chapter 83.100 RCW is a party in the proceeding; ((or))

7 (ii) In which the taxpayer about whom such return or tax 8 information is sought and another state agency are adverse parties in 9 the proceeding; or

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(iii) Brought by the department under RCW 18.27.040 or 19.28.071;

11 (b) Disclosing, subject to such requirements and conditions as the 12 director ((shall)) prescribes by rules adopted pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW, such return or tax information regarding a taxpayer to such 13 14 taxpayer or to such person or persons as that taxpayer may designate in a request for, or consent to, such disclosure, or to any other person, 15 at the taxpayer's request, to the extent necessary to comply with a 16 17 request for information or assistance made by the taxpayer to such other person: PROVIDED, That tax information not received from the 18 19 taxpayer ((shall)) must not be so disclosed if the director determines 20 that such disclosure would compromise any investigation or litigation 21 by any federal, state, or local government agency in connection with 22 the civil or criminal liability of the taxpayer or another person, or 23 that such disclosure would identify a confidential informant, or that 24 such disclosure is contrary to any agreement entered into by the department that provides for the reciprocal exchange of information 25 26 with other government agencies which agreement requires confidentiality 27 with respect to such information unless such information is required to 28 be disclosed to the taxpayer by the order of any court;

29 (c) Disclosing the name of a taxpayer ((with a deficiency greater 30 than five thousand dollars and)) against whom a warrant under RCW 82.32.210 has been either issued or filed and remains outstanding for 31 32 a period of at least ten working days. The department ((shall not be)) 33 is not required to disclose any information under this subsection if a taxpayer((: (i) Has been issued a tax assessment; (ii) has been issued 34 35 a warrant that has not been filed; and (iii)) has entered a deferred 36 payment arrangement with the department of revenue for the payment of 37 a warrant that has not been filed and is making payments upon such 1 deficiency that will fully satisfy the indebtedness within twelve 2 months;

3 (d) ((Disclosing the name of a taxpayer with a deficiency greater 4 than five thousand dollars and against whom a warrant under RCW 5 82.32.210 has been filed with a court of record and remains 6 outstanding;

7 (e)) Publishing statistics so classified as to prevent the 8 identification of particular returns or reports or items thereof;

9 (((f))) <u>(e)</u> Disclosing such return or tax information, for official 10 purposes only, to the governor or attorney general, or to any state 11 agency, or to any committee or subcommittee of the legislature dealing 12 with matters of taxation, revenue, trade, commerce, the control of 13 industry or the professions;

14 (((g))) <u>(f)</u> Permitting the department of revenue's records to be 15 audited and examined by the proper state officer, his or her agents and 16 employees;

17 ((((h))) (<u>g</u>) Disclosing any such return or tax information to a peace officer as defined in RCW 9A.04.110 or county prosecuting 18 19 attorney, for official purposes. The disclosure may be made only in response to a search warrant, subpoena, or other court order, unless 20 21 the disclosure is for the purpose of criminal tax enforcement. A peace 22 officer or county prosecuting attorney who receives the return or tax 23 information may disclose that return or tax information only for use in 24 the investigation and a related court proceeding, or in the court 25 proceeding for which the return or tax information originally was 26 sought;

27 ((((i))) (h) Disclosing any such return or tax information to the proper officer of the internal revenue service of the United States, 28 29 the Canadian government or provincial governments of Canada, or to the 30 proper officer of the tax department of any state or city or town or county, for official purposes, but only if the statutes of the United 31 32 States, Canada or its provincial governments, or of such other state or city or town or county, as the case may be, grants substantially 33 similar privileges to the proper officers of this state; 34

35 (((j))) <u>(i)</u> Disclosing any such return or tax information to the 36 <u>United States</u> Department of Justice, including the Bureau of Alcohol, 37 Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives ((within the Department of Justice)), 38 the Department of Defense, the Immigration and Customs Enforcement and

the Customs and Border Protection agencies of the United States Department of Homeland Security, the <u>United States</u> Coast Guard ((of the United States)), <u>the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau of the</u> <u>United States Department of Treasury</u>, and the United States Department of Transportation, or any authorized representative ((thereof)) <u>of</u> <u>these federal agencies</u>, for official purposes;

7 (((k))) (j) Publishing or otherwise disclosing the text of a
8 written determination designated by the director as a precedent
9 pursuant to RCW 82.32.410;

10 (((1))) (k) Disclosing, in a manner that is not associated with other tax information, the taxpayer name, entity type, business 11 12 address, mailing address, revenue tax registration numbers, North 13 industry classification system or standard industrial American 14 classification code of a taxpayer, and the dates of opening and closing of business. This subsection ((shall)) must not be construed as giving 15 authority to the department to give, sell, or provide access to any 16 17 list of taxpayers for any commercial purpose;

18 (((m))) <u>(1)</u> Disclosing such return or tax information that is also 19 maintained by another Washington state or local governmental agency as 20 a public record available for inspection and copying under the 21 provisions of chapter 42.56 RCW or is a document maintained by a court 22 of record <u>and is</u> not otherwise prohibited from disclosure;

23 (((n))) <u>(m)</u> Disclosing such return or tax information to the United 24 States department of agriculture for the limited purpose of 25 investigating food stamp fraud by retailers;

26 (((o))) <u>(n)</u> Disclosing to a financial institution, escrow company, 27 or title company, in connection with specific real property that is the 28 subject of a real estate transaction, current amounts due the 29 department for a filed tax warrant, judgment, or lien against the real 30 property;

31 (((p))) <u>(o)</u> Disclosing to a person against whom the department has 32 asserted liability as a successor under RCW 82.32.140 return or tax 33 information pertaining to the specific business of the taxpayer to 34 which the person has succeeded;

35 (((q))) <u>(p)</u> Disclosing ((such return or tax information)) real 36 estate excise tax affidavit forms filed under RCW 82.45.150 in the 37 possession of the department ((relating to the administration or 1 enforcement of the real estate excise tax imposed under chapter 82.45
2 RCW)), including ((information)) real estate excise tax affidavit forms
3 regarding transactions exempt or otherwise not subject to tax; ((or

4 (r)) (q) Disclosing to local taxing jurisdictions the identity of
5 sellers granted relief under RCW 82.32.430(5)(b)(i) and the period for
6 which relief is granted;

7 (r) Disclosing to a person against whom the department has asserted 8 liability under RCW 83.100.120 return or tax information pertaining to 9 that person's liability for tax under chapter 83.100 RCW; or

10 (s) Disclosing any such return or tax information to the 11 streamlined sales tax governing board for official board purposes.

12 (4)(a) The department may disclose return or taxpayer information 13 to a person under investigation or during any court or administrative 14 proceeding against a person under investigation as provided in this subsection (4). The disclosure must be in connection with the 15 department's official duties relating to an audit, collection activity, 16 17 or a civil or criminal investigation. The disclosure may occur only when the person under investigation and the person in possession of 18 data, materials, or documents are parties to the return or tax 19 information to be disclosed. The department may disclose return or tax 20 21 information such as invoices, contracts, bills, statements, resale or 22 exemption certificates, or checks. However, the department may not disclose general ledgers, sales or cash receipt journals, check 23 24 registers, accounts receivable/payable ledgers, general journals, 25 financial statements, expert's workpapers, income tax returns, state 26 tax returns, tax return workpapers, or other similar data, materials, 27 or documents.

28 (b) Before disclosure of any tax return or tax information under this subsection (4), the department ((shall)) must, through written 29 correspondence, inform the person in possession of the data, materials, 30 31 or documents to be disclosed. The correspondence ((shall)) must 32 clearly identify the data, materials, or documents to be disclosed. The department may not disclose any tax return or tax information under 33 34 this subsection (4) until the time period allowed in (c) of this 35 subsection has expired or until the court has ruled on any challenge 36 brought under (c) of this subsection.

37 (c) The person in possession of the data, materials, or documents38 to be disclosed by the department has twenty days from the receipt of

the written request required under (b) of this subsection to petition 1 2 the superior court of the county in which the petitioner resides for injunctive relief. The court ((shall)) may limit or deny the request 3 4 of the department if the court determines that:

(i) The data, materials, or documents sought for disclosure are 5 cumulative or duplicative, or are obtainable from some other source 6 7 that is more convenient, less burdensome, or less expensive;

8 (ii) The production of the data, materials, or documents sought would be unduly burdensome or expensive, taking into account the needs 9 10 of the department, the amount in controversy, limitations on the petitioner's resources, and the importance of the issues at stake; or 11

12 (iii) The data, materials, or documents sought for disclosure 13 contain trade secret information that, if disclosed, could harm the 14 petitioner.

(d) The department ((shall)) must reimburse reasonable expenses for 15 the production of data, materials, or documents incurred by the person 16 in possession of the data, materials, or documents to be disclosed. 17

(e) Requesting information under (b) of this subsection that may 18 indicate that a taxpayer is under investigation does not constitute a 19 disclosure of tax return or tax information under this section. 20

21 (5) Any person acquiring knowledge of any return or tax information 22 in the course of his or her employment with the department of revenue and any person acquiring knowledge of any return or tax information as 23 24 provided under subsection (3)(((f), (g), (h), (i), (j), or (n))) (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), or (m) of this section, who discloses any such 25 26 return or tax information to another person not entitled to knowledge 27 of such return or tax information under the provisions of this section, is guilty of a misdemeanor. If the person guilty of such violation is 28 an officer or employee of the state, such person ((shall)) must forfeit 29 30 such office or employment and ((shall be)) is incapable of holding any public office or employment in this state for a period of two years 31 32 thereafter.

Sec. 205. RCW 82.32.480 and 2001 c 314 s 20 are each amended to 33 read as follows: 34

35 The forest products commission, created pursuant to chapter 15.100 36 RCW, constitutes a state agency for purposes of applying the exemption contained in RCW 82.32.330(3)(((f))) (e) for the disclosure of taxpayer 37

information by the department. Disclosure of return or tax information may be made only to employees of the commission and not to commission members. Employees are authorized to use this information in accordance with RCW 15.100.100(4). Employees are subject to all civil and criminal penalties provided under RCW 82.32.330 for disclosures made to another person not entitled under the provisions of this section or RCW 15.100.100 to knowledge of such information.

8 **Sec. 206.** RCW 82.60.100 and 1987 c 49 s 1 are each amended to read 9 as follows:

10 Applications, reports, and any other information received by the 11 department under this chapter ((shall)), except applications not 12 approved by the department, are not ((be)) confidential and ((shall 13 be)) are subject to disclosure.

14 **Sec. 207.** RCW 82.62.080 and 1987 c 49 s 3 are each amended to read 15 as follows:

Applications, reports, and any other information received by the department under this chapter ((shall)), except applications not approved by the department, are not ((be)) confidential and ((shall be)) are subject to disclosure.

20 **Sec. 208.** RCW 82.63.070 and 2004 c 2 s 7 are each amended to read 21 as follows:

Applications ((received)) <u>approved</u> by the department under this chapter are not confidential and are subject to disclosure.

24 **Sec. 209.** RCW 82.74.070 and 2005 c 513 s 10 are each amended to 25 read as follows:

Applications ((received)) <u>approved</u> by the department under this chapter are not confidential and are subject to disclosure.

28 **Sec. 210.** RCW 82.75.060 and 2006 c 178 s 7 are each amended to 29 read as follows:

Applications ((received)) <u>approved</u> by the department under this chapter are not confidential and are subject to disclosure. 1 Sec. 211. RCW 83.100.210 and 2005 c 516 s 15 are each amended to
2 read as follows:

(1) The following provisions of chapter 82.32 RCW have full force 3 4 and application with respect to the taxes imposed under this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise: 5 RCW 82.32.110, 6 82.32.120, 82.32.130, 82.32.320, <u>82.32.330</u>, and 82.32.340. The 7 definitions in this chapter have full force and application with 8 respect to the application of chapter 82.32 RCW to this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise. 9

(2) The department may enter into closing agreements as provided in
 RCW 82.32.350 and 82.32.360.

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PART III

CLARIFICATIONS AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

14 **Sec. 301.** RCW 39.100.050 and 2007 c 266 s 6 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

(1) A local government that creates a benefit zone and has received 16 17 approval from the department under RCW 82.32.700 to impose the local option sales and use tax authorized in RCW 82.14.465 may use annually 18 19 any excess local excise taxes received by it from taxable activity 20 within the benefit zone to finance public improvement costs associated 21 with the public improvements financed in whole or in part by hospital 22 benefit zone financing. The use of excess local excise taxes must 23 cease when tax allocation revenues are no longer necessary or obligated 24 to pay the costs of the public improvements. Any participating taxing 25 authority is authorized to allocate excess local excise taxes to the 26 local government as long as the local government has received approval 27 from the department under RCW 82.32.700 to impose the local option 28 sales and use tax authorized in RCW 82.14.465. The legislature 29 declares that it is a proper purpose of a local government or participating taxing authority to allocate excess local excise taxes 30 for purposes of financing public improvements under this chapter. 31

(2) A local government ((shall)) <u>must</u> provide the department
 accurate information describing the geographical boundaries of the
 benefit zone at least seventy-five days before the effective date of
 the ordinance creating the benefit zone. The local government

1 ((shall)) must ensure that the boundary information provided to the 2 department is kept current.

3 (3) The department ((shall)) <u>must</u> provide the necessary information 4 to calculate excess local excise taxes to each local government that 5 has provided boundary information to the department as provided in this 6 section and that has received approval from the department under RCW 7 82.32.700 to impose the local option sales and use tax authorized in 8 RCW 82.14.465.

9 (4) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 10 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

11 (a) "Base year" means the calendar year immediately following the 12 creation of a benefit zone.

13 (b) "Excess local excise taxes" means the amount of local excise 14 taxes received by the local government during the measurement year from taxable activity within the benefit zone over and above the amount of 15 local excise taxes received by the local government during the base 16 year from taxable activity within the benefit zone. However, if a 17 local government creates the benefit zone and reasonably determines 18 that no activity subject to tax under chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW 19 occurred in the twelve months immediately preceding the creation of the 20 21 benefit zone within the boundaries of the area that became the benefit 22 zone, "excess local excise taxes" means the entire amount of local 23 excise taxes received by the local government during a calendar year period beginning with the calendar year immediately following the 24 creation of the benefit zone and continuing with each measurement year 25 26 thereafter.

27 (c) "Local excise taxes" means local revenues derived from the imposition of sales and use taxes authorized in RCW 82.14.030 at the 28 tax rate that was in effect at the time the hospital benefit zone is 29 30 approved by the department, except that if a local government reduces the rate of such tax after the ((revenue development area)) hospital 31 benefit zone was approved, "local excise taxes" means the local 32 33 revenues derived from the imposition of the sales and use taxes authorized in RCW 82.14.030 at the lower tax rate. 34

35 (d) "Measurement year" means a calendar year, beginning with the 36 calendar year following the base year and each calendar year 37 thereafter, that is used annually to measure the amount of excess state

excise taxes and excess local excise taxes required to be used to
 finance public improvement costs associated with public improvements
 financed in whole or in part by hospital benefit zone financing.

4 **Sec. 302.** RCW 82.36.440 and 2003 c 350 s 5 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

6 (1) The tax levied in this chapter is in lieu of any excise, 7 privilege, or occupational tax upon the business of manufacturing, 8 selling, or distributing motor vehicle fuel, and no city, town, county, 9 township or other subdivision or municipal corporation of the state 10 ((shall)) may levy or collect any excise tax upon or measured by the 11 sale, receipt, distribution, or use of motor vehicle fuel, except as 12 provided in chapter 82.80 RCW and RCW 82.47.020.

13 (2) This section does not apply to any tax imposed by the state.

14 **Sec. 303.** RCW 82.38.280 and 2003 c 350 s 6 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

16 (1) The tax levied in this chapter is in lieu of any excise, 17 privilege, or occupational tax upon the business of manufacturing, 18 selling, or distributing special fuel, and no city, town, county, 19 township or other subdivision or municipal corporation of the state 20 ((shall)) may levy or collect any excise tax upon or measured by the 21 sale, receipt, distribution, or use of special fuel, except as provided 22 in chapter 82.80 RCW and RCW 82.47.020.

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(2) This section does not apply to any tax imposed by the state.

24 **Sec. 304.** RCW 82.04.050 and 2007 c 54 s 4 and 2007 c 6 s 1004 are 25 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) "Sale at retail" or "retail sale" means every sale of tangible personal property (including articles produced, fabricated, or imprinted) to all persons irrespective of the nature of their business and including, among others, without limiting the scope hereof, persons who install, repair, clean, alter, improve, construct, or decorate real or personal property of or for consumers other than a sale to a person who presents a resale certificate under RCW 82.04.470 and who:

33 ((((a))) <u>(i)</u> Purchases for the purpose of resale as tangible 34 personal property in the regular course of business without intervening 1 use by such person, but a purchase for the purpose of resale by a 2 regional transit authority under RCW 81.112.300 is not a sale for 3 resale; or

4 (((b))) (ii) Installs, repairs, cleans, alters, imprints, improves,
5 constructs, or decorates real or personal property of or for consumers,
6 if such tangible personal property becomes an ingredient or component
7 of such real or personal property without intervening use by such
8 person; or

9 ((((c))) (iii) Purchases for the purpose of consuming the property 10 purchased in producing for sale a new article of tangible personal property or substance, of which such property becomes an ingredient or 11 12 component or is a chemical used in processing, when the primary purpose 13 of such chemical is to create a chemical reaction directly through contact with an ingredient of a new article being produced for sale; or 14 15 ((((d))) (iv) Purchases for the purpose of consuming the property purchased in producing ferrosilicon which is subsequently used in 16

17 producing magnesium for sale, if the primary purpose of such property 18 is to create a chemical reaction directly through contact with an 19 ingredient of ferrosilicon; or

20 (((e))) <u>(v)</u> Purchases for the purpose of providing the property to 21 consumers as part of competitive telephone service, as defined in RCW 22 82.04.065. ((The term shall include every sale of tangible personal 23 property which is used or consumed or to be used or consumed in the 24 performance of any activity classified as a "sale at retail" or "retail 25 sale" even though such property is resold or utilized as provided in 26 (a), (b), (c), (d), or (e) of this subsection following such use. The term also means every sale of tangible personal property to persons 27 engaged in any business which is taxable under RCW 82.04.280 (2) and 28 (7), 82.04.290, and 82.04.2908)); or 29

30 (((f))) (vi) Purchases for the purpose of satisfying the person's 31 obligations under an extended warranty as defined in subsection (7) of 32 this section, if such tangible personal property replaces or becomes an 33 ingredient or component of property covered by the extended warranty 34 without intervening use by such person.

35 (b) The term includes every sale of tangible personal property that 36 is used or consumed or to be used or consumed in the performance of any 37 activity defined as a "sale at retail" or "retail sale" even though

1 such property is resold or used as provided in (a)(i) through (vi) of 2 this subsection following such use.

3 (c) The term also means every sale of tangible personal property to
4 persons engaged in any business that is taxable under RCW 82.04.280 (2)
5 and (7), 82.04.290, and 82.04.2908.

6 (2) The term "sale at retail" or "retail sale" ((shall)) includes 7 the sale of or charge made for tangible personal property consumed 8 and/or for labor and services rendered in respect to the following:

9 (a) The installing, repairing, cleaning, altering, imprinting, or 10 improving of tangible personal property of or for consumers, including 11 charges made for the mere use of facilities in respect thereto, but 12 excluding charges made for the use of self-service laundry facilities, 13 and also excluding sales of laundry service to nonprofit health care 14 facilities, and excluding services rendered in respect to live animals, 15 birds and insects;

(b) The constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving of new or 16 17 existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for consumers, including the installing or attaching of 18 19 any article of tangible personal property therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by virtue of 20 21 installation, and ((shall)) also includes the sale of services or 22 charges made for the clearing of land and the moving of earth excepting 23 the mere leveling of land used in commercial farming or agriculture;

(c) The constructing, repairing, or improving of any structure upon, above, or under any real property owned by an owner who conveys the property by title, possession, or any other means to the person performing such construction, repair, or improvement for the purpose of performing such construction, repair, or improvement and the property is then reconveyed by title, possession, or any other means to the original owner;

(d) The cleaning, fumigating, razing, or moving of existing buildings or structures, but ((shall)) does not include the charge made for janitorial services; and for purposes of this section the term "janitorial services" ((shall)) means those cleaning and caretaking services ordinarily performed by commercial janitor service businesses including, but not limited to, wall and window washing, floor cleaning and waxing, and the cleaning in place of rugs, drapes and upholstery.

The term "janitorial services" does not include painting, papering,
 repairing, furnace or septic tank cleaning, snow removal or
 sandblasting;

4 (e) Automobile towing and similar automotive transportation
5 services, but not in respect to those required to report and pay taxes
6 under chapter 82.16 RCW;

7 (f) The furnishing of lodging and all other services by a hotel, rooming house, tourist court, motel, trailer camp, and the granting of 8 any similar license to use real property, as distinguished from the 9 10 renting or leasing of real property, and it ((shall)) must be presumed that the occupancy of real property for a continuous period of one 11 12 month or more constitutes a rental or lease of real property and not a 13 mere license to use or enjoy the same. For the purposes of this 14 subsection, it ((shall)) must be presumed that the sale of and charge made for the furnishing of lodging for a continuous period of one month 15 or more to a person is a rental or lease of real property and not a 16 17 mere license to enjoy the same;

(g) Persons taxable under (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) of this 18 subsection when such sales or charges are for property, labor and 19 services which are used or consumed in whole or in part by such persons 20 21 in the performance of any activity defined as a "sale at retail" or 22 "retail sale" even though such property, labor and services may be 23 resold after such use or consumption. Nothing contained in this 24 subsection ((shall)) may be construed to modify subsection (1) of this section and nothing contained in subsection (1) of this section 25 26 ((shall)) may be construed to modify this subsection.

(3) The term "sale at retail" or "retail sale" ((shall)) includes
the sale of or charge made for personal, business, or professional
services including amounts designated as interest, rents, fees,
admission, and other service emoluments however designated, received by
persons engaging in the following business activities:

(a) Amusement and recreation services including but not limited to
 golf, pool, billiards, skating, bowling, ski lifts and tows, day trips
 for sightseeing purposes, and others, when provided to consumers;

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- (b) Abstract, title insurance, and escrow services;
- 36 (c) Credit bureau services;
- 37 (d) Automobile parking and storage garage services;

1 (e) Landscape maintenance and horticultural services but excluding 2 (i) horticultural services provided to farmers and (ii) pruning, 3 trimming, repairing, removing, and clearing of trees and brush near 4 electric transmission or distribution lines or equipment, if performed 5 by or at the direction of an electric utility;

6 (f) Service charges associated with tickets to professional 7 sporting events; and

8 (g) The following personal services: Physical fitness services, 9 tanning salon services, tattoo parlor services, steam bath services, 10 turkish bath services, escort services, and dating services.

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(4)(a) The term ((shall)) also include<u>s</u>:

12 (i) The renting or leasing of tangible personal property to 13 consumers; and

(ii) Providing tangible personal property along with an operator for a fixed or indeterminate period of time. A consideration of this is that the operator is necessary for the tangible personal property to perform as designed. For the purpose of this subsection (4)(a)(ii), an operator must do more than maintain, inspect, or set up the tangible personal property.

20 (b) The term ((shall)) <u>does</u> not include the renting or leasing of 21 tangible personal property where the lease or rental is for the purpose 22 of sublease or subrent.

(5) The term ((shall)) also includes the providing of "competitive telephone service," "telecommunications service," or "ancillary services," as those terms are defined in RCW 82.04.065, to consumers.

(6) The term ((shall)) also includes the sale of prewritten computer software other than a sale to a person who presents a resale certificate under RCW 82.04.470, regardless of the method of delivery to the end user, but ((shall)) does not include custom software or the customization of prewritten computer software.

(7) The term ((shall)) also includes the sale of or charge made for 31 32 an extended warranty to a consumer. For purposes of this subsection, "extended warranty" means an agreement for a specified duration to 33 34 perform the replacement or repair of tangible personal property at no 35 additional charge or a reduced charge for tangible personal property, 36 labor, or both, or to provide indemnification for the replacement or 37 repair of tangible personal property, based on the occurrence of specified events. The term "extended warranty" does not include an 38

agreement, otherwise meeting the definition of extended warranty in this subsection, if no separate charge is made for the agreement and the value of the agreement is included in the sales price of the tangible personal property covered by the agreement. For purposes of this subsection, "sales price" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.08.010.

7 (8) The term ((shall)) does not include the sale of or charge made 8 for labor and services rendered in respect to the building, repairing, or improving of any street, place, road, highway, easement, right-of-9 10 way, mass public transportation terminal or parking facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle which is owned by a municipal corporation or 11 12 political subdivision of the state or by the United States and which is 13 used or to be used primarily for foot or vehicular traffic including 14 mass transportation vehicles of any kind.

(9) The term ((shall)) also does not include sales of chemical 15 sprays or washes to persons for the purpose of postharvest treatment of 16 17 fruit for the prevention of scald, fungus, mold, or decay, nor ((shall)) does it include sales of feed, seed, seedlings, fertilizer, 18 agents for enhanced pollination including insects such as bees, and 19 spray materials to: (a) Persons who participate in the federal 20 21 conservation reserve program, the environmental quality incentives 22 program, the wetlands reserve program, and the wildlife habitat incentives program, or their successors administered by the United 23 24 States department of agriculture; (b) farmers for the purpose of 25 producing for sale any agricultural product; and (c) farmers acting 26 under cooperative habitat development or access contracts with an organization exempt from federal income tax under 26 U.S.C. Sec. 27 28 501(c)(3) or the Washington state department of fish and wildlife to 29 produce or improve wildlife habitat on land that the farmer owns or 30 leases.

(10) The term ((shall)) does not include the sale of or charge made 31 32 for labor and services rendered in respect to the constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving of new or existing buildings or 33 34 other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for the 35 United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing 36 authority created pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW, including the 37 installing, or attaching of any article of tangible personal property 38 therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a

part of the realty by virtue of installation. Nor ((shall)) does the 1 2 term include the sale of services or charges made for the clearing of land and the moving of earth of or for the United States, any 3 instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority. Nor 4 5 ((shall)) does the term include the sale of services or charges made for cleaning up for the United States, or its instrumentalities, б 7 radioactive waste and other byproducts of weapons production and 8 nuclear research and development.

9 (11) The term ((shall)) does not include the sale of or charge made 10 for labor, services, or tangible personal property pursuant to 11 agreements providing maintenance services for bus, rail, or rail fixed 12 guideway equipment when a regional transit authority is the recipient 13 of the labor, services, or tangible personal property, and a transit 14 agency, as defined in RCW 81.104.015, performs the labor or services.

15 sec. 305. RCW 82.04.3651 and 1999 c 358 s 3 are each amended to 16 read as follows:

17 (1) This chapter does not apply to amounts received <u>from</u> 18 <u>fundraising activities</u> by nonprofit organizations, as defined in 19 subsection (2) of this section, ((for fund-raising activities)) <u>and</u> 20 <u>libraries as defined in RCW 27.12.010</u>.

(2) As used in this section, a "nonprofit organization" means:

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(a) An organization exempt from tax under section 501(c) (3), (4),
or (10) of the federal internal revenue code (26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)
(3), (4), or (10));

(b) A nonprofit organization that would qualify under (a) of this subsection except that it is not organized as a nonprofit corporation; or

28 (c) A nonprofit organization that meets all of the following 29 criteria:

30 (i) The members, stockholders, officers, directors, or trustees of 31 the organization do not receive any part of the organization's gross 32 income, except as payment for services rendered;

33 (ii) The compensation received by any person for services rendered 34 to the organization does not exceed an amount reasonable under the 35 circumstances; and

36 (iii) The activities of the organization do not include a

substantial amount of political activity, including but not limited to influencing legislation and participation in any campaign on behalf of any candidate for political office.

4 (3) As used in this section, the term "fund-raising activity" means soliciting or accepting contributions of money or other property or 5 activities involving the anticipated exchange of goods or services for 6 7 money between the soliciting organization and the organization or 8 person solicited, for the purpose of furthering the goals of the nonprofit organization. "Fund-raising activity" does not include the 9 10 operation of a regular place of business in which sales are made during 11 regular hours such as a bookstore, thrift shop, restaurant, or similar business or the operation of a regular place of business from which 12 13 services are provided or performed during regular hours such as the 14 provision of retail, personal, or professional services. The sale of used books, used videos, used sound recordings, or similar used 15 information products in a library, as defined in RCW 27.12.010, is not 16 17 the operation of a regular place of business for the purposes of this 18 section, if the proceeds of the sales are used to support the library.

19 Sec. 306. RCW 82.08.02573 and 1998 c 336 s 3 are each amended to 20 read as follows:

The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to a sale made by a nonprofit organization <u>or a library</u>, if the gross income from the sale is exempt under RCW 82.04.3651.

24 **Sec. 307.** RCW 82.08.0273 and 2007 c 135 s 2 are each amended to 25 read as follows:

26 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to 27 sales to nonresidents of this state of tangible personal property for 28 use outside this state when the purchaser (a) is a bona fide resident 29 of a state or possession or Province of Canada other than the state of 30 Washington and such state, possession, or Province of Canada does not impose a retail sales tax or use tax of three percent or more or, if 31 imposing such a tax, permits Washington residents exemption from 32 33 otherwise taxable sales by reason of their residence, and (b) agrees, 34 when requested, to grant the department of revenue access to such 35 records and other forms of verification at his or her place of

residence to assure that such purchases are not first used
 substantially in the state of Washington.

(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this chapter, if 3 4 parts or other tangible personal property are installed by the seller during the course of repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving motor 5 vehicles, trailers, or campers and the seller makes a separate charge 6 7 for the tangible personal property, the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 8 does not apply to the separately stated charge to a nonresident purchaser for the tangible personal property but only if the separately 9 10 stated charge does not exceed either the seller's current publicly stated retail price for the tangible personal property or, if no 11 ((separately)) publicly stated retail price is available, the seller's 12 cost for the tangible personal property. 13 However, the exemption 14 provided by this section does not apply if tangible personal property is installed by the seller during the course of repairing, cleaning, 15 altering, or improving motor vehicles, trailers, or campers and the 16 17 seller makes a single nonitemized charge for providing the tangible personal property and service. All of the requirements in subsections 18 19 (1) and (3) through (6) of this section apply to this subsection.

20 (3)(a) Any person claiming exemption from retail sales tax under 21 the provisions of this section must display proof of his or her current 22 nonresident status as provided in this section.

23 (b) Acceptable proof of a nonresident person's status ((shall 24 include)) includes one piece of identification such as a valid driver's 25 license from the jurisdiction in which the out-of-state residency is 26 claimed or a valid identification card which has a photograph of the 27 holder and is issued by the out-of-state jurisdiction. Identification 28 under this subsection (3)(b) must show the holder's residential address 29 and have as one of its legal purposes the establishment of residency in 30 that out-of-state jurisdiction.

(4) Nothing in this section requires the vendor to make tax exempt 31 32 retail sales to nonresidents. A vendor may choose to make sales to nonresidents, collect the sales tax, and remit the amount of sales tax 33 collected to the state as otherwise provided by law. 34 If the vendor chooses to make a sale to a nonresident without collecting the sales 35 36 tax, the vendor ((shall)) must, in good faith, examine the proof of 37 nonresidence, determine whether the proof is acceptable under subsection (3)(b) of this section, and maintain records for each 38

1 nontaxable sale which ((shall)) <u>must</u> show the type of proof accepted,
2 including any identification numbers where appropriate, and the
3 expiration date, if any.

4 (5)(a) Any person making fraudulent statements, which includes the
5 offer of fraudulent identification or fraudulently procured
6 identification to a vendor, in order to purchase goods without paying
7 retail sales tax is guilty of perjury under chapter 9A.72 RCW.

8 (b) Any person making tax exempt purchases under this section by 9 displaying proof of identification not his or her own, or counterfeit 10 identification, with intent to violate the provisions of this section, 11 is guilty of a misdemeanor and, in addition, ((shall be)) is liable for 12 the tax and subject to a penalty equal to the greater of one hundred 13 dollars or the tax due on such purchases.

14 (6)(a) Any vendor who makes sales without collecting the tax to a 15 person who does not hold valid identification establishing out-of-state 16 residency, and any vendor who fails to maintain records of sales to 17 nonresidents as provided in this section, ((shall be)) is personally 18 liable for the amount of tax due.

19 (b) Any vendor who makes sales without collecting the retail sales tax under this section and who has actual knowledge that the 20 21 purchaser's proof of identification establishing out-of-state residency 22 is fraudulent is guilty of a misdemeanor and, in addition, ((shall be)) 23 is liable for the tax and subject to a penalty equal to the greater of one thousand dollars or the tax due on such sales. In addition, both 24 the purchaser and the vendor ((shall be)) are liable for any penalties 25 26 and interest assessable under chapter 82.32 RCW.

27 **Sec. 308.** RCW 82.08.0293 and 2004 c 153 s 201 are each amended to 28 read as follows:

29 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section or any other provision of this chapter, the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) 30 does not apply to sales of food and food ingredients other than 31 prepared food, soft drinks, and dietary supplements. (("Food and food 32 ingredients" means substances, whether in liquid, concentrated, solid, 33 34 frozen, dried, or dehydrated form, that are sold for ingestion or 35 chewing by humans and are consumed for their taste or nutritional 36 value. "Food and food ingredients" does not include:

(a) "Alcoholic beverages," which means beverages that are suitable
 for human consumption and contain one-half of one percent or more of

3 alcohol by volume; and

- 4 (b) "Tobacco," which means cigarettes, cigars, chewing or pipe 5 tobacco, or any other item that contains tobacco.
- 6 (2) The exemption of "food and food ingredients" provided for in
 7 subsection (1) of this section shall not apply to prepared food, soft
 8 drinks, or dietary supplements.
- 9 (a) "Prepared food" means:
- 10 (i) Food sold in a heated state or heated by the seller;

11 (ii) Food sold with eating utensils provided by the seller, 12 including plates, knives, forks, spoons, glasses, cups, napkins, or 13 straws. A plate does not include a container or packaging used to 14 transport the food; or

- 15 (iii) Two or more food ingredients mixed or combined by the seller 16 for sale as a single item, except:
- 17 (A) Food that is only cut, repackaged, or pasteurized by the 18 seller; or
- 19 (B) Raw eggs, fish, meat, poultry, and foods containing these raw 20 animal foods requiring cooking by the consumer as recommended by the 21 federal food and drug administration in chapter 3, part 401.11 of The 22 Food Code, published by the food and drug administration, as amended or 23 renumbered as of January 1, 2003, so as to prevent foodborne illness.

24 (b) "Prepared food" does not include the following food or food 25 ingredients, if the food or food ingredients are sold without eating 26 utensils provided by the seller:

- 27 (i) Food sold by a seller whose proper primary North American 28 industry classification system (NAICS) classification is manufacturing 29 in sector 311, except subsector 3118 (bakeries), as provided in the 30 "North American industry classification system--United States, 2002";
- 31 (ii) Food sold in an unheated state by weight or volume as a single
 32 item; or
- 33 (iii) Bakery items. The term "bakery items" includes bread, rolls,
 34 buns, biscuits, bagels, croissants, pastries, donuts, Danish, cakes,
 35 tortes, pies, tarts, muffins, bars, cookies, or tortillas.
- 36 (c) "Soft drinks" means nonalcoholic beverages that contain natural 37 or artificial sweeteners. Soft drinks do not include beverages that

- 1 contain: Milk or milk products; soy, rice, or similar milk
 2 substitutes; or greater than fifty percent of vegetable or fruit juice
- 3 by volume.
- 4 (d) "Dietary supplement" means any product, other than tobacco,
 5 intended to supplement the diet that:
- 6 (i) Contains one or more of the following dietary ingredients:
- 7 (A) A vitamin;
- 8 (B) A mineral;
- 9 (C) An herb or other botanical;
- 10 (D) An amino acid;
- 11 (E) A dietary substance for use by humans to supplement the diet by 12 increasing the total dietary intake; or
- 13 (F) A concentrate, metabolite, constituent, extract, or combination 14 of any ingredient described in this subsection;
- 15 (ii) Is intended for ingestion in tablet, capsule, powder, softgel, 16 gelcap, or liquid form, or if not intended for ingestion in such form, 17 is not represented as conventional food and is not represented for use 18 as a sole item of a meal or of the diet; and
- 19 (iii) Is required to be labeled as a dietary supplement, 20 identifiable by the "supplement facts" box found on the label as 21 required pursuant to 21 C.F.R. Sec. 101.36, as amended or renumbered as 22 of January 1, 2003.
- 23 (3)) (2) Notwithstanding anything in this section to the contrary, 24 the exemption of "food and food ingredients" provided in this section 25 ((shall apply)) applies to the sale of food and food ingredients that 26 are furnished, prepared, or served as meals:
- (a) Under a state administered nutrition program for the aged as
 provided for in the Older Americans Act (P.L. 95-478 Title III) and RCW
 74.38.040(6); or
- (b) That are provided to senior citizens, ((disabled persons))
 <u>individuals with disabilities</u>, or low-income persons by a not-for profit organization organized under chapter 24.03 or 24.12 RCW.
- 33 (((4))) (3)(a) Subsection (1) of this section notwithstanding, the 34 retail sale of food and food ingredients is subject to sales tax under 35 RCW 82.08.020 if the food and food ingredients are sold through a 36 vending machine, and in this case the selling price for purposes of RCW 37 82.08.020 is fifty-seven percent of the gross receipts.

(b) This subsection $\left(\left(\frac{4}{4}\right)\right)$ (3) does not apply to $\left(\left(\frac{1}{1}\right)\right)$ sales of 1 2 the following items through a vending machine: (i) Soft drinks; (ii) dietary supplements; and (iii) prepared food ((and food ingredients, 3 other than)). The exclusion for prepared food in this subsection 4 (3)(b)(iii) does not apply to food and food ingredients ((which)) not 5 6 meeting the definition of prepared food and that are heated after they 7 have been dispensed from the vending machine. 8 (c) For tax collected under this subsection $\left(\left(\frac{4}{4}\right)\right)$ (3), the requirements that the tax be collected from the buyer and that the

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11 (4) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Dietary supplement" means any product, other than tobacco,
 intended to supplement the diet that:

14 (i) Contains one or more of the following dietary ingredients:

amount of tax be stated as a separate item are waived.

- 15 <u>(A) A vitamin;</u>
- 16 (B) A mineral;
- 17 (C) An herb or other botanical;
- 18 (D) An amino acid;
- 19 (E) A dietary substance for use by humans to supplement the diet by 20 increasing the total dietary intake; or
- 21 (F) A concentrate, metabolite, constituent, extract, or combination
 22 of any ingredient described in this subsection;

23 (ii) Is intended for ingestion in tablet, capsule, powder, softgel, 24 gelcap, or liquid form, or if not intended for ingestion in such form, 25 is not represented as conventional food and is not represented for use 26 as a sole item of a meal or of the diet; and

27 (iii) Is required to be labeled as a dietary supplement, 28 identifiable by the "supplement facts" box found on the label as 29 required pursuant to 21 C.F.R. Sec. 101.36, as amended or renumbered as 30 of January 1, 2003.

31 (b) "Food and food ingredients" means substances, whether in liquid, 32 concentrated, solid, frozen, dried, or dehydrated form, that are sold 33 for ingestion or chewing by humans and are consumed for their taste or 34 nutritional value. "Food and food ingredients" does not include:

35 (i) "Alcoholic beverages," which means beverages that are suitable 36 for human consumption and contain one-half of one percent or more of 37 alcohol by volume; and

(ii) "Tobacco," which means cigarettes, cigars, chewing or pipe 1 tobacco, or any other item that contains tobacco. 2 (c)(i) "Prepared food" means: 3 4 (A) Food sold in a heated state or heated by the seller; (B) Food sold with eating utensils provided by the seller, 5 б including plates, knives, forks, spoons, glasses, cups, napkins, or 7 straws. A plate does not include a container or packaging used to 8 transport the food; or (C) Two or more food ingredients mixed or combined by the seller 9 10 for sale as a single item, except: (I) Food that is only cut, repackaged, or pasteurized by the 11 12 seller; or 13 (II) Raw eggs, fish, meat, poultry, and foods containing these raw 14 animal foods requiring cooking by the consumer as recommended by the federal food and drug administration in chapter 3, part 401.11 of The 15 Food Code, published by the food and drug administration, as amended or 16 renumbered as of January 1, 2003, so as to prevent foodborne illness. 17 (ii) "Prepared food" does not include the following food or food 18 ingredients, if the food or food ingredients are sold without eating 19 utensils provided by the seller: 20 (A) Food sold by a seller whose proper primary North American 21 industry classification system (NAICS) classification is manufacturing 22 in sector 311, except subsector 3118 (bakeries), as provided in the 23 24 "North American industry classification system -- United States, 2002"; (B) Food sold in an unheated state by weight or volume as a single 25 26 item; or 27 (C) Bakery items. The term "bakery items" includes bread, rolls, buns, biscuits, bagels, croissants, pastries, donuts, Danish, cakes, 28 tortes, pies, tarts, muffins, bars, cookies, or tortillas. 29 30 (d) "Soft drinks" means nonalcoholic beverages that contain natural or artificial sweeteners. Soft drinks do not include beverages that 31 contain: Milk or milk products; soy, rice, or similar milk 32 substitutes; or greater than fifty percent of vegetable or fruit juice 33 34 by volume.

35 **Sec. 309.** RCW 82.08.865 and 2007 c 443 s 1 are each amended to 36 read as follows:

37 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of

diesel fuel, biodiesel fuel, or aircraft fuel, to a farm fuel user for 1 2 ((nonhighway use)) agricultural purposes. This exemption applies to a fuel blend if all of the component fuels of the blend would otherwise 3 4 be exempt under this subsection if the component fuels were sold as separate products. This exemption is available only if the buyer 5 6 provides the seller with an exemption certificate in a form and manner 7 prescribed by the department. ((Fuel used for space or water heating 8 for human habitation is not exempt under this section.))

9 (2) The definitions in RCW 82.04.213 and this subsection apply to 10 this section.

(a)(i) "Agricultural purposes" means the performance of activities directly related to the growing, raising, or producing of agricultural products.

14 (ii) "Agricultural purposes" does not include: (A) Heating space for 15 human habitation or water for human consumption; or (B) Transporting on 16 public roads individuals, agricultural products, farm machinery or 17 equipment, or other tangible personal property, except when the 18 transportation is incidental to transportation on private property and 19 the fuel used for such transportation is not subject to tax under 20 chapter 82.38 RCW.

21 (b) "Aircraft fuel" is defined as provided in RCW 82.42.010.

22 (((b))) <u>(c)</u> "Biodiesel fuel" is defined as provided in RCW
23 19.112.010.

24 (((c))) <u>(d)</u> "Diesel fuel" is defined as provided in 26 U.S.C. 4083,
 25 as amended or renumbered as of January 1, 2006.

26 (((d))) <u>(e)</u> "Farm fuel user" means: (i) A farmer; or (ii) a person 27 who provides horticultural services for farmers, such as soil 28 preparation services, crop cultivation services, and crop harvesting 29 services.

30 **Sec. 310.** RCW 82.12.035 and 2007 c 6 s 1203 are each amended to 31 read as follows:

A credit ((shall be)) is allowed against the taxes imposed by this chapter upon the use of tangible personal property, extended warranty, or services taxable under RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (3)(a), in the state of Washington in the amount that the present user thereof or his or her bailor or donor has paid a <u>legally imposed</u> retail sales or use tax with respect to such property, extended warranty, or service to any other

state, possession, territory, or commonwealth of the United States, any political subdivision thereof, the District of Columbia, and any foreign country or political subdivision thereof((, prior to the use of such property, extended warranty, or service in Washington)).

5 **Sec. 311.** RCW 82.12.040 and 2005 c 514 s 109 are each amended to 6 read as follows:

7 (1) Every person who maintains in this state a place of business or a stock of goods, or engages in business activities within this state, 8 9 must obtain from the department a certificate ((shall)) of registration, and ((shall)) must, at the time of making sales of 10 11 tangible personal property, extended warranties, or sales of any 12 service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (3)(a), or 13 making transfers of either possession or title, or both, of tangible personal property for use in this state, collect from the purchasers or 14 transferees the tax imposed under this chapter. The tax to be 15 collected under this section ((shall)) must be in an amount equal to 16 17 the purchase price multiplied by the rate in effect for the retail sales tax under RCW 82.08.020. For the purposes of this chapter, the 18 phrase "maintains in this state a place of business" ((shall)) includes 19 20 the solicitation of sales and/or taking of orders by sales agents or 21 traveling representatives. For the purposes of this chapter, "engages 22 in business activity within this state" includes every activity which 23 is sufficient under the Constitution of the United States for this state to require collection of tax under this chapter. The department 24 25 ((shall)) must in rules specify activities which constitute engaging in 26 business activity within this state, and ((shall)) <u>must</u> keep the rules 27 current with future court interpretations of the Constitution of the United States. 28

29 (2) Every person who engages in this state in the business of 30 acting as an independent selling agent for persons who do not hold a valid certificate of registration, and who receives compensation by 31 32 reason of sales of tangible personal property, extended warranties, or sales of any service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) 33 34 or (3)(a), of his or her principals for use in this state, ((shall)) 35 must, at the time such sales are made, collect from the purchasers the 36 tax imposed on the purchase price under this chapter, and for that 37 purpose ((shall be)) is deemed a retailer as defined in this chapter.

(3) The tax required to be collected by this chapter ((shall be)) 1 2 is deemed to be held in trust by the retailer until paid to the 3 department and any retailer who appropriates or converts the tax 4 collected to the retailer's own use or to any use other than the payment of the tax provided herein to the extent that the money 5 required to be collected is not available for payment on the due date б as prescribed ((shall be)) <u>is</u> guilty of a misdemeanor. 7 In case any 8 seller fails to collect the tax herein imposed or having collected the tax, fails to pay the same to the department in the manner prescribed, 9 10 whether such failure is the result of the seller's own acts or the 11 result of acts or conditions beyond the seller's control, the seller 12 ((shall)) is nevertheless, ((be)) personally liable to the state for 13 the amount of such tax, unless the seller has taken from the buyer in 14 good faith a copy of a direct pay permit issued under RCW 82.32.087.

15 (4) Any retailer who refunds, remits, or rebates to a purchaser, or 16 transferee, either directly or indirectly, and by whatever means, all 17 or any part of the tax levied by this chapter ((shall be)) is guilty of 18 a misdemeanor.

19 (5) Notwithstanding subsections (1) through (4) of this section, 20 any person making sales is not obligated to collect the tax imposed by 21 this chapter if:

(a) The person's activities in this state, whether conducteddirectly or through another person, are limited to:

24 (i) The storage, dissemination, or display of advertising;

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(ii) The taking of orders; or

26 (iii) The processing of payments; and

(b) The activities are conducted electronically via a web site on a server or other computer equipment located in Washington that is not owned or operated by the person making sales into this state nor owned or operated by an affiliated person. "Affiliated persons" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.424.

32 (6) Subsection (5) of this section expires when: (a) The United 33 States congress grants individual states the authority to impose sales 34 and use tax collection duties on remote sellers; or (b) it is 35 determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, in a judgment not 36 subject to review, that a state can impose sales and use tax collection 37 duties on remote sellers.

(7) Notwithstanding subsections (1) through (4) of this section, 1 2 any person making sales is not obligated to collect the tax imposed by this chapter if the person would have been obligated to collect retail 3 sales tax on the sale absent a specific exemption provided in chapter 4 82.08 RCW, and there is no corresponding use tax exemption in this 5 chapter. Nothing in this section may be construed as relieving б purchasers from liability for reporting and remitting the tax due under 7 this chapter directly to the department. 8

9 Sec. 312. RCW 82.12.865 and 2007 c 443 s 2 are each amended to 10 read as follows:

(1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with respect to the ((nonhighway)) use of diesel fuel, biodiesel fuel, or aircraft fuel, by a farm fuel user <u>for agricultural purposes</u>. This exemption applies to a fuel blend if all of the component fuels of the blend would otherwise be exempt under this subsection if the component fuels were acquired as separate products. ((Fuel used for space or water heating for human habitation is not exempt under this section.))

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(2) The definitions in RCW 82.08.865 apply to this section.

19 Sec. 313. RCW 82.80.120 and 2006 c 311 s 18 are each amended to 20 read as follows:

21 (1) For purposes of this section:

(a) "Distributor" means every person who imports, refines, manufactures, produces, or compounds motor vehicle fuel and special fuel as defined in RCW 82.36.010 and 82.38.020, respectively, and sells or distributes the fuel into a county;

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(b) "Person" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.04.030;

(c) "District" means a regional transportation investment districtunder chapter 36.120 RCW.

(2) A regional transportation investment district under chapter 29 30 36.120 RCW, subject to the conditions of this section, may levy additional excise taxes equal to ten percent of the statewide motor 31 vehicle fuel tax rate under RCW 82.36.025 on each gallon of motor 32 33 vehicle fuel as defined in RCW 82.36.010 and on each gallon of special 34 fuel as defined in RCW 82.38.020 sold within the boundaries of the 35 district. The additional excise tax is subject to the approval of a 36 majority of the voters within the district boundaries. Vehicles paying

an annual license fee under RCW 82.38.075 are exempt from the 1 2 district's fuel excise tax. The additional excise taxes are subject to the same exceptions and rights of refund as applicable to other motor 3 4 vehicle fuel and special fuel excise taxes levied under chapters 82.36 and 82.38 RCW. The proposed tax may not be levied less than one month 5 from the date the election results are certified. The commencement б 7 date for the levy of any tax under this section will be the first day 8 of January, April, July, or October.

9 (3) The local option motor vehicle fuel tax on each gallon of motor 10 vehicle fuel and on each gallon of special fuel is imposed upon the 11 distributor of the fuel.

12 (4) A taxable event for the purposes of this section occurs upon 13 the first distribution of the fuel within the boundaries of the 14 district to a retail outlet, bulk fuel user, or ultimate user of the 15 fuel.

(5) All administrative provisions in chapters 82.01, 82.03, and
 82.32 RCW, insofar as they are applicable, apply to local option fuel
 taxes imposed under this section.

(6) Before the effective date of the imposition of the fuel taxes 19 under this section, a district ((shall)) must contract with the 20 21 department of ((licensing)) revenue for the administration and 22 collection of the taxes. The contract must provide that a percentage 23 amount, not to exceed one percent of the taxes imposed under this 24 section, will be deposited into the local tax administration account created in the custody of the state treasurer. The department of 25 26 ((licensing)) revenue may spend money from this account, upon appropriation, for the administration of the local taxes imposed under 27 28 this section.

(7) The state treasurer ((shall)) <u>must</u> distribute monthly to the district levying the tax as part of the regional transportation investment district plan, after the deductions for payments and expenditures as provided in RCW 46.68.090(1) (a) and (b).

(8) The proceeds of the additional taxes levied by a district in this section, to be used as a part of a regional transportation investment district plan, must be used in accordance with chapter 36.120 RCW, but only for those areas that are considered "highway purposes" as that term is construed in Article II, section 40 of the state Constitution. 1 (9) A district may only levy the tax under this section if the 2 district is comprised of boundaries identical to the boundaries of a 3 county or counties. A district may not levy the tax in this section if 4 a member county is levying the tax in RCW 82.80.010 or 82.80.110.

5 **sec. 314.** RCW 83.100.040 and 2005 c 516 s 3 are each amended to 6 read as follows:

7 (1) A tax in an amount computed as provided in this section is 8 imposed on every transfer of property located in Washington. For the 9 purposes of this section, any intangible property owned by a resident 10 is located in Washington.

11 (2)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, the amount of 12 tax is the amount provided in the following table:

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26 (b) If any property in the decedent's estate is located outside of Washington, the amount of tax is the amount determined in (a) of this 27 subsection multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is 28 the value of the property located in Washington. 29 The denominator of 30 the fraction is the value of the decedent's gross estate. Property 31 qualifying for a deduction under RCW 83.100.046 ((shall)) must be excluded from the numerator and denominator of the fraction. 32

33 (3) The tax imposed under this section is a stand-alone estate tax 34 that incorporates only those provisions of the <u>internal revenue code</u> as 35 amended or renumbered as of January 1, 2005, that do not conflict with the provisions of this chapter. The tax imposed under this chapter is independent of any federal estate tax obligation and is not affected by termination of the federal estate tax.

4 **Sec. 315.** RCW 83.100.046 and 2005 c 514 s 1201 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

6 (1) For the purposes of determining the Washington taxable estate, 7 a deduction is allowed from the federal taxable estate for:

8 (a) The value of qualified real property reduced by any amounts 9 allowable as a deduction in respect of the qualified real property 10 ((and tangible personal property)) under section 2053(a)(4) of the 11 internal revenue code, if the decedent was at the time of his or her 12 death a citizen or resident of the United States.

13 (b) The value of any tangible personal property used by the decedent or a member of the decedent's family for a qualified use on 14 the date of the decedent's death, reduced by any amounts allowable as 15 16 a deduction in respect of the tangible personal property under section 2053(a)(4) of the internal revenue code, if all of the requirements of 17 subsection (10)(f)(i)(A) of this section are met and the decedent was 18 at the time of his or her death a citizen or resident of the United 19 20 States.

21 (c) The value of real property that is not deductible under (a) of 22 this subsection solely by reason of subsection (10)(f)(i)(B) of this 23 section, reduced by any amounts allowable as a deduction in respect of 24 the ((qualified)) real property ((and tangible personal property)) 25 under section 2053(a)(4) of the internal revenue code, if the 26 requirements of subsection (10)(f)(i)(C) of this section are met with 27 respect to the property and the decedent was at the time of his or her death a citizen or resident of the United States. 28

29 (2) Property ((shall)) will be considered to have been acquired 30 from or to have passed from the decedent if:

31 (a) The property is so considered under section 1014(b) of the 32 <u>internal revenue code;</u>

33 (b) The property is acquired by any person from the estate; or

34 (c) The property is acquired by any person from a trust, to the35 extent the property is includible in the gross estate of the decedent.

36 (3) If the decedent and the decedent's surviving spouse at any time37 held qualified real property as community property, the interest of the

surviving spouse in the property ((shall)) <u>must</u> be taken into account under this section to the extent necessary to provide a result under this section with respect to the property which is consistent with the result which would have obtained under this section if the property had not been community property.

6 (4) In the case of any qualified woodland, the value of trees 7 growing on the woodland may be deducted if otherwise qualified under 8 this section.

9 (5) If property is qualified real property with respect to a 10 decedent, hereinafter in this subsection referred to as the "first 11 decedent," and the property was acquired from or passed from the first 12 decedent to the surviving spouse of the first decedent, active 13 management of the farm by the surviving spouse ((shall)) <u>must</u> be 14 treated as material participation by the surviving spouse in the 15 operation of the farm.

(6) Property owned indirectly by the decedent may qualify for a 16 17 deduction under this section if owned through an interest in a 18 corporation, partnership, or trust as the terms corporation, partnership, or trust are used in section 2032A(g) of the internal 19 20 revenue code. In order to qualify for a deduction under this 21 subsection, the interest, in addition to meeting the other tests for 22 qualification under this section, must qualify under section 6166(b)(1) 23 of the internal revenue code as an interest in a closely held business 24 on the date of the decedent's death and for sufficient other time, 25 combined with periods of direct ownership, to equal at least five years 26 of the eight-year period preceding the death.

27 (7)(a) If, on the date of the decedent's death, the requirements of subsection (10)(f)(i)(C)(II) of this section with respect to the 28 29 decedent for any property are not met, and the decedent (i) was 30 receiving old age benefits under Title II of the social security act for a continuous period ending on such date, or (ii) was disabled for 31 32 а continuous period ending on this date, then subsection (10)(f)(i)(C)(II) of this section ((shall)) must be applied with 33 respect to the property by substituting "the date on which the longer 34 35 of such continuous periods began" for "the date of the decedent's 36 death" in subsection (10)(f)(i)(C) of this section.

37 (b) For the purposes of (a) of this subsection, an individual

1 ((shall be)) is disabled if the individual has a mental or physical 2 impairment which renders that individual unable to materially 3 participate in the operation of the farm.

(8) Property may be deducted under this section whether or not
special valuation is elected under section 2032A of the <u>internal</u>
<u>revenue code</u> on the federal return. For the purposes of determining
the deduction under this section, the value of property is its value as
used to determine the value of the gross estate.

(9)(a) In the case of any qualified replacement property, any 9 10 period during which there was ownership, qualified use, or material participation with respect to the replaced property by the decedent or 11 12 any member of the decedent's family ((shall)) must be treated as a 13 period during which there was ownership, material use, or 14 participation, as the case may be, with respect to the qualified replacement property. 15

(b) Subsection (9)(a) of this section ((shall)) does not apply to the extent that the fair market value of the qualified replacement property, as of the date of its acquisition, exceeds the fair market value of the replaced property, as of the date of its disposition.

20 (c) For the purposes of this subsection (9), the following 21 definitions apply:

22 (i) "Qualified replacement property" means any real property:

(A) Which is acquired in an exchange which qualifies under section
1031 of the <u>internal revenue code;</u> or

(B) The acquisition of which results in the nonrecognition of gain
under section 1033 of the <u>internal revenue code</u>.

The term "qualified replacement property" only includes property which is used for the same qualified use as the replaced property was being used before the exchange.

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(ii) "Replaced property" means the property was:

(A) Transferred in the exchange which qualifies under section 1031
 of the <u>internal revenue code</u>; or

(B) Compulsorily or involuntarily converted within the meaning of
 section 1033 of the <u>internal revenue code</u>.

35 (10) For the purposes of this section, the following definitions 36 apply:

37 (a) "Active management" means the making of the management38 decisions of a farm, other than the daily operating decisions.

1 (b) "Farm" includes stock, dairy, poultry, fruit, furbearing 2 animal, and truck farms; plantations; ranches; nurseries; ranges; 3 greenhouses or other similar structures used primarily for the raising 4 of agricultural or horticultural commodities; and orchards and 5 woodlands.

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(c) "Farming purposes" means:

(i) Cultivating the soil or raising or harvesting any agricultural
or horticultural commodity, including the raising, shearing, feeding,
caring for, training, and management of animals on a farm;

10 (ii) Handling, drying, packing, grading, or storing on a farm any 11 agricultural or horticultural commodity in its unmanufactured state, 12 but only if the owner, tenant, or operator of the farm regularly 13 produces more than one-half of the commodity so treated; and

14 (iii)(A) The planting, cultivating, caring for, or cutting of 15 trees; or

16 (B) The preparation, other than milling, of trees for market.

17 (d) "Member of the family" means, with respect to any individual, 18 only:

19 (i) An ancestor of the individual;

20 (ii) The spouse of the individual;

(iii) A lineal descendant of the individual, of the individual's spouse, or of a parent of the individual; or

(iv) The spouse of any lineal descendant described in (d)(iii) ofthis subsection.

For the purposes of this subsection (10)(d), a legally adopted child of an individual ((shall)) <u>must</u> be treated as the child of such individual by blood.

(e) "Qualified heir" means, with respect to any property, a member
 of the decedent's family who acquired property, or to whom property
 passed, from the decedent.

(f)(i) "Qualified real property" means real property which was acquired from or passed from the decedent to a qualified heir of the decedent and which, on the date of the decedent's death, was being used for a qualified use by the decedent or a member of the decedent's family, but only if:

36 (A) Fifty percent or more of the adjusted value of the gross estate37 consists of the adjusted value of real or personal property which:

(I) On the date of the decedent's death, was being used for a
 qualified use by the decedent or a member of the decedent's family; and
 (II) Was acquired from or passed from the decedent to a qualified

4 heir of the decedent;

5 (B) Twenty-five percent or more of the adjusted value of the gross 6 estate consists of the adjusted value of real property which meets the 7 requirements of (f)(i)(A)(II) and (f)(i)(C) of this subsection; and

8 (C) During the eight-year period ending on the date of the 9 decedent's death there have been periods aggregating five years or more 10 during which:

(I) The real property was owned by the decedent or a member of the decedent's family and used for a qualified use by the decedent or a member of the decedent's family; and

14 (II) There was material participation by the decedent or a member 15 of the decedent's family in the operation of the farm. For the 16 purposes of this subsection (f)(i)(C)(II), material participation 17 ((shall)) must be determined in a manner similar to the manner used for 18 purposes of section 1402(a)(1) of the internal revenue code.

19 (ii) For the purposes of this subsection, the term "adjusted value" 20 means:

(A) In the case of the gross estate, the value of the gross estate,
determined without regard to any special valuation under section 2032A
of the <u>internal revenue code</u>, reduced by any amounts allowable as a
deduction under section 2053(a)(4) of the <u>internal revenue code</u>; or

(B) In the case of any real or personal property, the value of the property for purposes of chapter 11 of the <u>internal revenue code</u>, determined without regard to any special valuation under section 2032A of the <u>internal revenue code</u>, reduced by any amounts allowable as a deduction in respect of such property under section 2053(a)(4) of the <u>internal revenue code</u>.

(g) "Qualified use" means the property is used as a farm for 31 32 farming purposes. In the case of real property which meets the requirements of (f)(i)(C) of this subsection, residential buildings and 33 related improvements on the real property occupied on a regular basis 34 35 by the owner or lessee of the real property or by persons employed by 36 the owner or lessee for the purpose of operating or maintaining the 37 real property, and roads, buildings, and other structures and improvements functionally related to the qualified use ((shall)) must 38

be treated as real property devoted to the qualified use. For tangible personal property eligible for a deduction under subsection (1)(b) of this section, "qualified use" means the property is used primarily for farming purposes on a farm.

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(h) "Qualified woodland" means any real property which:

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(i) Is used in timber operations; and

7 (ii) Is an identifiable area of land such as an acre or other area
8 for which records are normally maintained in conducting timber
9 operations.

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(i) "Timber operations" means:

- 11 (i) The planting, cultivating, caring for, or cutting of trees; or
- 12 (ii) The preparation, other than milling, of trees for market.

13 **Sec. 316.** RCW 82.04.280 and 2006 c 300 s 6 are each amended to 14 read as follows:

Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of: 15 16 (1) Printing, and of publishing newspapers, periodicals, or magazines; 17 (2) building, repairing or improving any street, place, road, highway, easement, right-of-way, mass public transportation terminal or parking 18 facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle which is owned by a municipal 19 20 corporation or political subdivision of the state or by the United 21 States and which is used or to be used, primarily for foot or vehicular 22 traffic including mass transportation vehicles of any kind and 23 including any readjustment, reconstruction or relocation of the 24 facilities of any public, private or cooperatively owned utility or 25 railroad in the course of such building, repairing or improving, the 26 cost of which readjustment, reconstruction, or relocation, is the 27 responsibility of the public authority whose street, place, road, highway, easement, right-of-way, mass public transportation terminal or 28 29 parking facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle is being built, repaired 30 or improved; (3) extracting for hire or processing for hire, except 31 persons taxable as extractors for hire or processors for hire under 32 another section of this chapter; (4) operating a cold storage warehouse or storage warehouse, but not including the rental of cold storage 33 34 lockers; (5) representing and performing services for fire or casualty 35 insurance companies as an independent resident managing general agent 36 licensed under the provisions of <u>chapter 48.17</u> RCW ((48.05.310)); (6) radio and television broadcasting, excluding network, national and 37

regional advertising computed as a standard deduction based on the 1 2 national average thereof as annually reported by the Federal 3 Communications Commission, or in lieu thereof by itemization by the 4 individual broadcasting station, and excluding that portion of revenue represented by the out-of-state audience computed as a ratio to the 5 б station's total audience as measured by the 100 micro-volt signal 7 strength and delivery by wire, if any; (7) engaging in activities which 8 bring a person within the definition of consumer contained in RCW 9 82.04.190(6); as to such persons, the amount of tax on such business 10 shall be equal to the gross income of the business multiplied by the 11 rate of 0.484 percent.

As used in this section, "cold storage warehouse" means a storage warehouse used to store fresh and/or frozen perishable fruits or vegetables, meat, seafood, dairy products, or fowl, or any combination thereof, at a desired temperature to maintain the quality of the product for orderly marketing.

17 As used in this section, "storage warehouse" means a building or 18 structure, or any part thereof, in which goods, wares, or merchandise 19 are received for storage for compensation, except field warehouses, fruit warehouses, fruit packing plants, warehouses licensed under 20 21 chapter 22.09 RCW, public garages storing automobiles, railroad freight 22 sheds, docks and wharves, and "self-storage" or "mini storage" 23 facilities whereby customers have direct access to individual storage 24 areas by separate entrance. "Storage warehouse" does not include a 25 building or structure, or that part of such building or structure, in 26 which an activity taxable under RCW 82.04.272 is conducted.

As used in this section, "periodical or magazine" means a printed publication, other than a newspaper, issued regularly at stated intervals at least once every three months, including any supplement or special edition of the publication.

31 Sec. 317. RCW 82.04.280 and 2006 c 300 s 7 are each amended to 32 read as follows:

33 Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of: 34 (1) Printing, and of publishing newspapers, periodicals, or magazines; 35 (2) building, repairing or improving any street, place, road, highway, 36 easement, right-of-way, mass public transportation terminal or parking 37 facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle which is owned by a municipal

corporation or political subdivision of the state or by the United 1 2 States and which is used or to be used, primarily for foot or vehicular 3 traffic including mass transportation vehicles of any kind and including any readjustment, reconstruction or relocation of the 4 facilities of any public, private or cooperatively owned utility or 5 railroad in the course of such building, repairing or improving, the 6 7 cost of which readjustment, reconstruction, or relocation, is the 8 responsibility of the public authority whose street, place, road, highway, easement, right-of-way, mass public transportation terminal or 9 10 parking facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle is being built, repaired or improved; (3) extracting for hire or processing for hire, except 11 12 persons taxable as extractors for hire or processors for hire under 13 another section of this chapter; (4) operating a cold storage warehouse 14 or storage warehouse, but not including the rental of cold storage lockers; (5) representing and performing services for fire or casualty 15 insurance companies as an independent resident managing general agent 16 17 licensed under the provisions of <u>chapter 48.17</u> RCW ((48.05.310)); (6) radio and television broadcasting, excluding network, national and 18 regional advertising computed as a standard deduction based on the 19 average thereof as annually reported by the Federal 20 national 21 Communications Commission, or in lieu thereof by itemization by the 22 individual broadcasting station, and excluding that portion of revenue 23 represented by the out-of-state audience computed as a ratio to the 24 station's total audience as measured by the 100 micro-volt signal strength and delivery by wire, if any; (7) engaging in activities which 25 26 bring a person within the definition of consumer contained in RCW 27 82.04.190(6); as to such persons, the amount of tax on such business 28 shall be equal to the gross income of the business multiplied by the 29 rate of 0.484 percent.

As used in this section, "cold storage warehouse" means a storage warehouse used to store fresh and/or frozen perishable fruits or vegetables, meat, seafood, dairy products, or fowl, or any combination thereof, at a desired temperature to maintain the quality of the product for orderly marketing.

As used in this section, "storage warehouse" means a building or structure, or any part thereof, in which goods, wares, or merchandise are received for storage for compensation, except field warehouses, fruit warehouses, fruit packing plants, warehouses licensed under chapter 22.09 RCW, public garages storing automobiles, railroad freight sheds, docks and wharves, and "self-storage" or "mini storage" facilities whereby customers have direct access to individual storage areas by separate entrance. "Storage warehouse" does not include a building or structure, or that part of such building or structure, in which an activity taxable under RCW 82.04.272 is conducted.

7 As used in this section, "periodical or magazine" means a printed 8 publication, other than a newspaper, issued regularly at stated 9 intervals at least once every three months, including any supplement or 10 special edition of the publication.

PART IV PROPERTY TAX

13 Sec. 401. RCW 29A.36.210 and 2004 c 80 s 2 are each amended to 14 read as follows:

(1) The ballot proposition authorizing a taxing district to impose the regular property tax levies authorized in RCW <u>36.68.525</u>, 36.69.145, 67.38.130, 84.52.069, or 84.52.135 ((shall)) <u>must</u> contain in substance the following:

19 "((Shall)) <u>Will</u> the (insert the name of the taxing 20 district) be authorized to impose regular property tax levies of 21 (insert the maximum rate) or less per thousand dollars of 22 assessed valuation for each of (insert the maximum number 23 of years allowable) consecutive years?

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Each voter ((shall)) may indicate either "Yes" or "No" on his or her ballot in accordance with the procedures established under this title.

(2) The ballot proposition authorizing a taxing district to impose a permanent regular tax levy under RCW 84.52.069 ((shall)) <u>must</u> contain <u>in substance</u> the following:

32 "((Shall)) <u>Will</u> the (insert the name of the taxing 33 district) be authorized to impose a PERMANENT regular property levy of 34 . . . (insert the maximum rate) or less per thousand dollars of 35 assessed valuation? 3 **Sec. 402.** RCW 36.68.525 and 1994 c 156 s 5 are each amended to 4 read as follows:

A park and recreation service area may impose regular property tax 5 б levies in an amount equal to sixty cents or less per thousand dollars 7 of assessed value of property in the service area in each year for six consecutive years when specifically authorized so to do by a majority 8 9 of at least three-fifths of the voters thereof approving a proposition authorizing the levies submitted not more than twelve months prior to 10 11 the date on which the proposed initial levy is to be made and not 12 oftener than twice in such twelve month period, either at a special election or at the regular election of the service area, at which 13 election the number of voters voting "yes" on the proposition ((shall)) 14 must constitute three-fifths of a number equal to forty percent of the 15 16 number of voters voting in the service area at the last preceding 17 general election when the number of voters voting on the proposition does not exceed forty percent of the number of voters voting in such 18 taxing district in the last preceding general election; or by a 19 20 majority of at least three-fifths of the voters thereof voting on the 21 proposition if the number of voters voting on the proposition exceeds forty per centum of the number of voters voting in such taxing district 22 23 in the last preceding general election. A proposition authorizing such 24 tax levies ((shall)) may not be submitted by a park and recreation 25 service area more than twice in any twelve-month period. Ballot 26 propositions ((shall)) <u>must</u> conform with RCW ((29.30.111)) <u>29A.36.210</u>. 27 If a park and recreation service area is levying property taxes, which in combination with property taxes levied by other taxing districts 28 29 result in taxes in excess of the ((nine-dollar and fifteen cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation)) limitation provided for in RCW 30 31 84.52.043(2), the park and recreation service area property tax levy ((shall)) must be reduced or eliminated ((before the property tax 32 33 levies of other taxing districts are reduced)) as provided in RCW 34 84.52.010.

35 **Sec. 403.** RCW 36.69.145 and 1994 c 156 s 3 are each amended to 36 read as follows:

(1) A park and recreation district may impose regular property tax 1 levies in an amount equal to sixty cents or less per thousand dollars 2 of assessed value of property in the district in each year for six 3 4 consecutive years when specifically authorized so to do by a majority of at least three-fifths of the voters thereof approving a proposition 5 authorizing the levies submitted at a special election or at the 6 7 regular election of the district, at which election the number of 8 voters voting "yes" on the proposition ((shall)) must constitute threefifths of a number equal to forty per centum of the number of voters 9 10 voting in such district at the last preceding general election when the number of voters voting on the proposition does not exceed forty per 11 12 centum of the number of voters voting in such taxing district in the 13 last preceding general election; or by a majority of at least three-14 fifths of the voters thereof voting on the proposition if the number of voters voting on the proposition exceeds forty per centum of the number 15 of voters voting in such taxing district in the last preceding general 16 17 election. A proposition authorizing the tax levies ((shall)) may not 18 be submitted by a park and recreation district more than twice in any 19 twelve-month period. Ballot propositions ((shall)) must conform with RCW ((29.30.111)) 29A.36.210. In the event a park and recreation 20 21 district is levying property taxes, which in combination with property 22 taxes levied by other taxing districts subject to the one percent 23 limitation provided for in Article 7, section 2, of our state 24 Constitution result in taxes in excess of the limitation provided for 25 in RCW 84.52.043(2), the park and recreation district property tax levy 26 ((shall)) must be reduced or eliminated ((before the property tax levies of other taxing districts are reduced)) as provided in RCW 27 28 84.52.010.

(2) The limitation in RCW 84.55.010 ((shall)) does not apply to the
 first levy imposed under this section following the approval of the
 levies by the voters under subsection (1) of this section.

32 **Sec. 404.** RCW 82.03.140 and 2000 c 103 s 1 are each amended to 33 read as follows:

<u>(1)</u> In all appeals over which the board has jurisdiction under RCW
 82.03.130, a party ((taking)) <u>filing</u> an appeal may elect either a
 formal or an informal hearing((, such election to be made)). The

1 <u>election must be made</u> according to rules of practice and procedure to 2 be promulgated by the board((: <u>PROVIDED</u>, That)).

3 (2)(a) Nothing ((shall)) in subsection (1) of this section prevents the <u>department of revenue</u>, taxing unit, county assessor, or taxpayer, 4 5 as a party to an appeal ((pursuant to)) <u>under</u> RCW 84.08.130((, within twenty days from the date of the receipt of the notice of appeal)), б 7 from filing with the clerk of the board notice of intention that the 8 hearing be a formal one((+ PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That nothing herein shall be construed to modify the provisions of RCW 82.03.190: AND 9 PROVIDED FURTHER, That upon an)). Except as provided in (b) of this 10 subsection, the notice under this subsection must be filed within 11 12 twenty days from the date that the party received the notice of appeal.

13 (b) For appeals under RCW 82.03.130(1)(e), the ((director)) 14 department of revenue may, within ten days from the date of its receipt 15 of the notice of appeal, file with the clerk of the board notice of its 16 intention that the hearing be held pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW.

17 <u>(3)</u> In the event that appeals ((are taken from)) of the same 18 decision, order, or determination, as the case may be, <u>are filed</u> by 19 different parties and only one of ((such)) <u>the</u> parties elects a formal 20 hearing, <u>the board must grant</u> a formal hearing ((shall be granted)).

21 (4) This section does not apply to appeals governed by RCW
22 82.03.190.

23 **Sec. 405.** RCW 84.34.020 and 2005 c 57 s 1 are each amended to read 24 as follows:

As used in this chapter, unless a different meaning is required by the context:

(1) "Open space land" means (a) any land area so designated by an 27 official comprehensive land use plan adopted by any city or county and 28 29 zoned accordingly, or (b) any land area, the preservation of which in its present use would (i) conserve and enhance natural or scenic 30 31 resources, or (ii) protect streams or water supply, or (iii) promote 32 conservation of soils, wetlands, beaches or tidal marshes, or (iv) enhance the value to the public of abutting or neighboring parks, 33 34 forests, wildlife preserves, nature reservations or sanctuaries or 35 other open space, or (v) enhance recreation opportunities, or (vi) 36 preserve historic sites, or (vii) preserve visual quality along 37 highway, road, and street corridors or scenic vistas, or (viii) retain

in its natural state tracts of land not less than one acre situated in 1 2 an urban area and open to public use on such conditions as may be reasonably required by the legislative body granting the open space 3 4 classification, or (c) any land meeting the definition of farm and agricultural conservation land under subsection (8) of this section. 5 As a condition of granting open space classification, the legislative б 7 body may not require public access on land classified under (b)(iii) of 8 this subsection for the purpose of promoting conservation of wetlands.

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(2) "Farm and agricultural land" means:

10 (a) Any parcel of land that is twenty or more acres or multiple 11 parcels of land that are contiguous and total twenty or more acres:

12 (i) Devoted primarily to the production of livestock or 13 agricultural commodities for commercial purposes;

(ii) Enrolled in the federal conservation reserve program or its successor administered by the United States department of agriculture; or

17 (iii) Other similar commercial activities as may be established by 18 rule;

(b)(i) Any parcel of land that is five acres or more but less than twenty acres devoted primarily to agricultural uses, which has produced a gross income from agricultural uses equivalent to, as of January 1, 1993:

23 (A) One hundred dollars or more per acre per year for three of the 24 five calendar years preceding the date of application for classification under this chapter for all parcels of land that are 25 26 classified under this subsection or all parcels of land for which an 27 application for classification under this subsection is made with the 28 granting authority prior to January 1, 1993; and

(B) On or after January 1, 1993, two hundred dollars or more per
acre per year for three of the five calendar years preceding the date
of application for classification under this chapter;

32 (ii) For the purposes of (b)(i) of this subsection, "gross income 33 from agricultural uses" includes, but is not limited to, the wholesale 34 value of agricultural products donated to nonprofit food banks or 35 feeding programs;

36 (c) Any parcel of land of less than five acres devoted primarily to 37 agricultural uses which has produced a gross income as of January 1, 38 1993, of: 1 (i) One thousand dollars or more per year for three of the five 2 calendar years preceding the date of application for classification 3 under this chapter for all parcels of land that are classified under 4 this subsection or all parcels of land for which an application for 5 classification under this subsection is made with the granting 6 authority prior to January 1, 1993; and

7 (ii) On or after January 1, 1993, fifteen hundred dollars or more
8 per year for three of the five calendar years preceding the date of
9 application for classification under this chapter.

Parcels of land described in (b)(i)(A) and (c)(i) of this subsection ((shall)) will, upon any transfer of the property excluding a transfer to a surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner, be subject to the limits of (b)(i)(B) and (c)(ii) of this subsection;

(d) Any lands including incidental uses as are compatible with 14 agricultural purposes, including wetlands preservation, provided such 15 incidental use does not exceed twenty percent of the classified land 16 and the land on which appurtenances necessary to the production, 17 18 preparation, or sale of the agricultural products exist in conjunction 19 with the lands producing such products. Agricultural lands ((shall)) also include any parcel of land of one to five acres, which is not 20 21 contiguous, but which otherwise constitutes an integral part of farming 22 operations being conducted on land qualifying under this section as 23 "farm and agricultural lands"; or

(e) The land on which housing for employees and the principal place of residence of the farm operator or owner of land classified pursuant to (a) of this subsection is sited if: The housing or residence is on or contiguous to the classified parcel; and the use of the housing or the residence is integral to the use of the classified land for agricultural purposes.

30 (3) "Timber land" means any parcel of land that is five or more acres or multiple parcels of land that are contiguous and total five or 31 32 more acres which is or are devoted primarily to the growth and harvest of timber for commercial purposes. Timber land means the land only and 33 does not include a residential homesite. The term includes land used 34 35 for incidental uses that are compatible with the growing and harvesting 36 of timber but no more than ten percent of the land may be used for such 37 incidental uses. It also includes the land on which appurtenances

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necessary for the production, preparation, or sale of the timber
 products exist in conjunction with land producing these products.

3 (4) "Current" or "currently" means as of the date on which property4 is to be listed and valued by the assessor.

5 (5) "Owner" means the party or parties having the fee interest in 6 land, except that where land is subject to real estate contract "owner" 7 ((shall mean)) means the contract vendee.

8 (6) "Contiguous" means land adjoining and touching other property 9 held by the same ownership. Land divided by a public road, but 10 otherwise an integral part of a farming operation, ((shall be)) is 11 considered contiguous.

(7) "Granting authority" means the appropriate agency or official
who acts on an application for classification of land pursuant to this
chapter.

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(8) "Farm and agricultural conservation land" means either:

16 (a) Land that was previously classified under subsection (2) of 17 this section, that no longer meets the criteria of subsection (2) of 18 this section, and that is reclassified under subsection (1) of this 19 section; or

(b) Land that is traditional farmland that is not classified under chapter 84.33 or 84.34 RCW, that has not been irrevocably devoted to a use inconsistent with agricultural uses, and that has a high potential for returning to commercial agriculture.

24 **Sec. 406.** RCW 84.36.040 and 2001 c 126 s 1 are each amended to 25 read as follows:

(1) The real and personal property used by ((nonprofit)), and for
 the purposes of, the following nonprofit organizations is exempt from
 property taxation:

29 (a) <u>Child</u> day care centers as defined ((pursuant to RCW 74.15.020))
30 in subsection (4) of this section;

- 31 (b) <u>Free public libraries;</u>
- 32 (c) Orphanages and orphan asylums;
- 33 (d) Homes for the sick or infirm;

34 (e) <u>H</u>ospitals for the sick; and

35 (f) <u>Outpatient dialysis facilities((, which are used for the</u> 36 <u>purposes of such organizations shall be exempt from taxation:</u> 37 PROVIDED, That the benefit of the exemption inures to the user)). 1 (2) The real and personal property leased to and used by a 2 hospital((-,)) for hospital purposes is exempt from property taxation if 3 the hospital is established under chapter 36.62 RCW or is owned and 4 operated by a public hospital district established under chapter 70.44 5 RCW((-, for hospital purposes is exempt from taxation. The benefit of 6 the exemption must inure to the user)).

7 (3) To be exempt under this section, the property must be used 8 exclusively for the purposes for which exemption is granted, except as 9 provided in RCW 84.36.805<u>, and the benefit of the exemption must inure</u> 10 <u>to the user</u>.

11 (4) For purposes of subsection (1) of this section, "child day care 12 center" means a nonprofit organization that regularly provides child 13 day care and early learning services for a group of children for 14 periods of less than twenty-four hours.

15 Sec. 407. RCW 84.36.381 and 2008 c 6 s 706 are each amended to 16 read as follows:

A person ((shall be)) is exempt from any legal obligation to pay all or a portion of the amount of excess and regular real property taxes due and payable in the year following the year in which a claim is filed, and thereafter, in accordance with the following:

21 (1) The property taxes must have been imposed upon a residence which was occupied by the person claiming the exemption as a principal 22 23 place of residence as of the time of filing: PROVIDED, That any person 24 who sells, transfers, or is displaced from his or her residence may 25 transfer his or her exemption status to a replacement residence, but no 26 claimant ((shall)) may receive an exemption on more than one residence 27 PROVIDED FURTHER, That confinement of the person to a in any year: hospital, nursing home, boarding home, or adult family home ((shall)) 28 29 does not disgualify the claim of exemption if:

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(a) The residence is temporarily unoccupied;

31 (b) The residence is occupied by a spouse or a domestic partner 32 and/or a person financially dependent on the claimant for support; or

33 (c) The residence is rented for the purpose of paying nursing home,34 hospital, boarding home, or adult family home costs;

35 (2) The person claiming the exemption must have owned, at the time 36 of filing, in fee, as a life estate, or by contract purchase, the 37 residence on which the property taxes have been imposed or if the

person claiming the exemption lives in a cooperative housing 1 2 association, corporation, or partnership, such person must own a share therein representing the unit or portion of the structure in which he 3 4 or she resides. For purposes of this subsection, a residence owned by 5 a marital community or state registered domestic partnership or owned by cotenants ((shall be)) is deemed to be owned by each spouse or each 6 7 domestic partner or each cotenant, and any lease for life ((shall be)) 8 is deemed a life estate;

9 (3) The person claiming the exemption must be (a) sixty-one years 10 of age or older on December 31st of the year in which the exemption claim is filed, or must have been, at the time of filing, retired from 11 12 regular gainful employment by reason of disability, or (b) a veteran of 13 the armed forces of the United States with one hundred percent serviceconnected disability as provided in 42 U.S.C. Sec. 423 (d)(1)(A) as 14 amended prior to January 1, 2005, or such subsequent date as the 15 department may provide by rule consistent with the purpose of this 16 17 section. However, any surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner 18 of a person who was receiving an exemption at the time of the person's 19 death ((shall)) will qualify if the surviving spouse or surviving 20 domestic partner is fifty-seven years of age or older and otherwise 21 meets the requirements of this section;

22 (4) The amount that the person $((\frac{\text{shall be}}{\text{be}}))$ is exempt from an 23 obligation to pay ((shall be)) is calculated on the basis of combined 24 disposable income, as defined in RCW 84.36.383. If the person claiming the exemption was retired for two months or more of the assessment 25 26 year, the combined disposable income of such person ((shall)) must be calculated by multiplying the average monthly combined disposable 27 income of such person during the months such person was retired by 28 29 twelve. If the income of the person claiming exemption is reduced for 30 two or more months of the assessment year by reason of the death of the person's spouse or the person's domestic partner, or when other 31 32 substantial changes occur in disposable income that are likely to continue for an indefinite period of time, the combined disposable 33 income of such person ((shall)) must be calculated by multiplying the 34 35 average monthly combined disposable income of such person after such 36 occurrences by twelve. If it is necessary to estimate income to comply 37 with this subsection, the assessor may require confirming documentation 38 of such income prior to May 31 of the year following application;

(5)(a) A person who otherwise qualifies under this section and has
 a combined disposable income of thirty-five thousand dollars or less
 ((shall be)) is exempt from all excess property taxes; and

(b)(i) A person who otherwise qualifies under this section and has a combined disposable income of thirty thousand dollars or less but greater than twenty-five thousand dollars ((shall be)) is exempt from all regular property taxes on the greater of fifty thousand dollars or thirty-five percent of the valuation of his or her residence, but not to exceed seventy thousand dollars of the valuation of his or her residence; or

(ii) A person who otherwise qualifies under this section and has a combined disposable income of twenty-five thousand dollars or less ((shall be)) is exempt from all regular property taxes on the greater of sixty thousand dollars or sixty percent of the valuation of his or her residence;

(6) For a person who otherwise qualifies under this section and has 16 17 a combined disposable income of thirty-five thousand dollars or less, 18 the valuation of the residence ((shall be)) is the assessed value of the residence on the later of January 1, 1995, or January 1st of the 19 assessment year the person first qualifies under this section. If the 20 21 person subsequently fails to qualify under this section only for one 22 year because of high income, this same valuation ((shall)) must be used upon requalification. If the person fails to qualify for more than one 23 24 year in succession because of high income or fails to qualify for any 25 other reason, the valuation upon requalification ((shall be)) is the 26 assessed value on January 1st of the assessment year in which the person requalifies. If the person transfers the exemption under this 27 section to a different residence, the valuation of the different 28 29 residence ((shall be)) is the assessed value of the different residence 30 on January 1st of the assessment year in which the person transfers the 31 exemption.

In no event may the valuation under this subsection be greater than the true and fair value of the residence on January 1st of the assessment year.

This subsection does not apply to subsequent improvements to the property in the year in which the improvements are made. Subsequent improvements to the property ((shall)) <u>must</u> be added to the value

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otherwise determined under this subsection at their true and fair value
 in the year in which they are made.

3 Sec. 408. RCW 84.36.383 and 2008 c 182 s 1 and 2008 c 6 s 709 are 4 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

5 As used in RCW 84.36.381 through 84.36.389, except where the 6 context clearly indicates a different meaning:

7 The term "residence" means a single family dwelling unit (1) whether such unit be separate or part of a multiunit dwelling, 8 including the land on which such dwelling stands not to exceed one 9 10 acre, except that a residence includes any additional property up to a 11 total of five acres that comprises the residential parcel if this 12 larger parcel size is required under land use regulations. The term ((shall)) also includes a share ownership in a cooperative housing 13 14 association, corporation, or partnership if the person claiming exemption can establish that his or her share represents the specific 15 unit or portion of such structure in which he or she resides. The term 16 17 ((shall)) also includes a single family dwelling situated upon lands 18 the fee of which is vested in the United States or any instrumentality thereof including an Indian tribe or in the state of Washington, and 19 20 notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 84.04.080 and 84.04.090, such a 21 residence ((shall be)) is deemed real property.

22 (2) The term "real property" ((shall)) also includes a mobile home 23 which has substantially lost its identity as a mobile unit by virtue of its being fixed in location upon land owned or leased by the owner of 24 25 the mobile home and placed on a foundation (posts or blocks) with fixed 26 pipe, connections with sewer, water, or other utilities. A mobile home 27 located on land leased by the owner of the mobile home is subject, for 28 tax billing, payment, and collection purposes, only to the personal 29 property provisions of chapter 84.56 RCW and RCW 84.60.040.

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(3) "Department" means the state department of revenue.

(4) "Combined disposable income" means the disposable income of the person claiming the exemption, plus the disposable income of his or her spouse or domestic partner, and the disposable income of each cotenant occupying the residence for the assessment year, less amounts paid by the person claiming the exemption or his or her spouse or domestic partner during the assessment year for:

(a) Drugs supplied by prescription of a medical practitioner 1 authorized by the laws of this state or another jurisdiction to issue 2 prescriptions; 3

(b) The treatment or care of either person received in the home or 4 5 in a nursing home, boarding home, or adult family home; and

(c) Health care insurance premiums for medicare under Title XVIII б 7 of the social security act.

(5) "Disposable income" means adjusted gross income as defined in 8 the federal internal revenue code, as amended prior to January 1, 1989, 9 or such subsequent date as the director may provide by rule consistent 10 with the purpose of this section, plus all of the following items to 11 12 the extent they are not included in or have been deducted from adjusted 13 gross income:

(a) Capital gains, other than gain excluded from income under 14 section 121 of the federal internal revenue code to the extent it is 15 reinvested in a new principal residence; 16

17 (b) Amounts deducted for loss;

(c) Amounts deducted for depreciation; 18

(d) Pension and annuity receipts; 19

20 (e) Military pay and benefits other than attendant-care and 21 medical-aid payments;

22 (f) Veterans benefits, other than:

23 (i) Attendant-care payments;

24 (ii) Medical-aid payments;

(iii) Disability compensation, as defined in Title 38, part 3, 25 26 section 3.4 of the code of federal regulations, as of January 1, 2008; 27 and

(iv) Dependency and indemnity compensation, as defined in Title 38, 28 part 3, section 3.5 of the code of federal regulations, as of January 29 1, 2008; 30

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(g) Federal social security act and railroad retirement benefits;

32 (h) Dividend receipts; and

(i) Interest received on state and municipal bonds. 33

34 (6) "Cotenant" means a person who resides with the person claiming the exemption and who has an ownership interest in the residence. 35

(7) "Disability" has the same meaning as provided in 42 U.S.C. Sec. 36 37 423(d)(1)(A) as amended prior to January 1, ((2004)) <u>2005</u>, or such subsequent date as the ((director)) department may provide by rule
 consistent with the purpose of this section.

3 Sec. 409. RCW 84.37.030 and 2007 sp.s. c 2 s 2 are each amended to 4 read as follows:

5 A claimant may defer payment of fifty percent of special 6 assessments or real property taxes, or both, <u>listed on the annual tax</u> 7 <u>statement</u> in any year in which all of the following conditions are met:

8 (1) The special assessments or property taxes must be imposed upon 9 a residence that was occupied by the claimant as a principal place of 10 residence as of January 1st of the year in which the assessments and 11 taxes are due, subject to the exceptions allowed under RCW 12 84.36.381(1);

13 (2) The claimant must have combined disposable income, as defined 14 in RCW 84.36.383, of fifty-seven thousand dollars or less in the 15 calendar year preceding the filing of the declaration;

16 (3) The claimant must have paid one-half of the total amount of 17 special assessments and property taxes listed on the <u>annual</u> tax 18 statement for the year in which the deferral claim is made;

(4) A deferral is not allowed for <u>special</u> assessments ((or)),
 <u>property</u> taxes, <u>or both</u>, levied <u>for collection</u> in the first five
 calendar years in which the person owns the residence;

(5) The claimant who defers payment of special assessments or real property taxes, or both, <u>listed on the annual tax statement</u> under this section must also meet the conditions of RCW 84.38.030 (4) and (5);

(6) The total amount deferred by a claimant under this chapter must not exceed forty percent of the amount of the claimant's equity value in the claimant's residence; <u>and</u>

(7) The claimant may not defer taxes under both this chapter and
 chapter 84.38 RCW((; and

30 (8) In the case of deferred special assessments, the claimant must 31 have opted for payment of the assessments on the installment method if 32 this method was available)) in the same tax year.

33 Sec. 410. RCW 84.37.902 and 2007 sp.s. c 2 s 13 are each amended 34 to read as follows:

35 (1) ((During calendar year 2011, the joint legislative audit and 36 review committee shall review the property tax deferral program under

chapter 84.37 RCW.)) Pursuant to chapter 43.136 RCW, the citizen 1 2 commission for performance measurement of tax preferences must schedule the property tax deferral program under this chapter for a tax 3 preference review by the joint legislative audit and review committee 4 in 2011. The department of revenue and county assessors shall provide 5 the committee with any data within its purview that the committee б 7 considers necessary to conduct the review. ((By December 1, 2011, the 8 joint legislative audit and review committee shall report to the legislature the results of its review.)) 9

10 (2) ((As part of its review under subsection (1) of this section)) 11 In addition to the factors in RCW 43.136.055(1), the committee shall 12 also study and report on:

(a) The effectiveness of the property tax deferral program in
 assisting families in economic distress in remaining in their homes;

(b) The effectiveness of the property tax deferral program in decreasing the default rate on residential mortgages for the statewide population within the income threshold of the program;

(c) The number of potential participants per thousand population bygeographic region;

(d) The ratio of actual deferral program participants to potential
deferral program participants by geographic region;

(e) The ratio of average annual household property taxes for
 deferral program participants and average annual income of deferral
 program participants by geographic region;

(f) Economic conditions in the housing and lending markets for the prior three years and the forecasted economic conditions for the current biennium and the next succeeding biennium;

28 (g) Annual costs specific to the administration of the deferral 29 program; and

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(h) Total annual costs of the deferral program(($\dot{ au}$

31 (i) Recommended changes to the deferral program that would increase 32 program participation;

33 (j) Any other recommendations the committee may have to improve the 34 deferral program; and

35 (k) Any other factors that the committee considers necessary to 36 properly evaluate the deferral program)).

37 (3) This section expires January 1, 2012.

1 Sec. 411. RCW 84.40.042 and 2008 c 17 s 1 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 (1) When real property is divided in accordance with chapter 58.17 4 RCW, the assessor ((shall)) <u>must</u> carefully investigate and ascertain 5 the true and fair value of each lot and assess each lot on that same 6 basis, unless specifically provided otherwise by law. For purposes of 7 this section, "lot" has the same definition as in RCW 58.17.020.

8 (a) For each lot on which an advance tax deposit has been paid in accordance with RCW 58.08.040, the assessor ((shall)) must establish 9 10 the true and fair value by October ((30th)) 31st of the year following the recording of the plat, replat, or altered plat. 11 The value 12 established ((shall)) must be the value of the lot as of January 1st of 13 the year the original parcel of real property was last revalued. ((An)) No additional property tax ((shall not be)) is due on the land 14 until the calendar year following the year for which the advance tax 15 deposit was paid if the deposit was sufficient to pay the full amount 16 17 of the taxes due on the property.

(b) For each lot on which an advance tax deposit has not been paid, the assessor ((shall)) <u>must</u> establish the true and fair value not later than the calendar year following the recording of the plat, map, subdivision, or replat. For purposes of this section, "subdivision" means a division of land into two or more lots.

(c) For each subdivision, all current year and delinquent taxes and assessments on the entire tract must be paid in full in accordance with RCW 58.17.160 and 58.08.030 except when property is being acquired by a government for public use. For purposes of this section, "current year taxes" means taxes that are collectible under RCW 84.56.010 subsequent to ((February 14th)) completing the tax roll for current year collection.

30 (2) When the assessor is required by law to segregate any part or parts of real property, assessed before or after July 27, 1997, as one 31 32 parcel or when the assessor is required by law to combine parcels of real property assessed before or after July 27, 1997, as two or more 33 the assessor ((shall)) must carefully investigate and 34 parcels, 35 ascertain the true and fair value of each part or parts of the real 36 property and each combined parcel and assess each part or parts or each 37 combined parcel on that same basis.

1 **Sec. 412.** RCW 84.48.050 and 1995 c 134 s 15 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

3 (1) The county assessor ((shall)) must, on or before the fifteenth 4 day of January in each year, ((make out and transmit to the state auditor, in such form as may be prescribed,)) prepare a complete 5 abstract of the tax rolls of the county, showing the number of acres б 7 that have been assessed and the total value of the real property, 8 including the structures on the real property; the total value of all taxable personal property in the county; the aggregate amount of all 9 10 taxable property in the county; the total amount as equalized and the total amount of taxes levied in the county for state, county, city, and 11 12 other taxing district purposes, for that year. ((Should the))

(2) If an assessor of any county fails to transmit to the 13 14 department of revenue the abstract provided for in RCW 84.48.010, and if((, by reason of such failure to transmit such abstract, any)) a 15 county ((shall)) fails to collect and pay to the state its due 16 17 proportion of the state tax for any year because of that failure, the 18 department of revenue ((shall)) must ascertain what amount of state tax ((said)) the county ((has)) failed to collect((, and)). The department 19 20 <u>must</u> certify ((the same)) to the state auditor((, who shall)) the 21 amount of state tax the county failed to collect. The state auditor 22 must charge the amount to the proper county and notify the auditor of 23 ((said)) the county of the amount ((of said charge; said)) due. This 24 sum ((shall be)) is due and payable immediately by warrant in favor of 25 the state on the current expense fund of ((said)) the county.

26 **Sec. 413.** RCW 84.52.030 and 1994 c 124 s 38 are each amended to 27 read as follows:

For the purpose of raising revenue for state, county, and other taxing district purposes, the county legislative authority of each county ((at its October session)), and all other officials or boards authorized by law to levy taxes for taxing district purposes, ((shall)) <u>must</u> levy taxes on all the taxable property in the county or district, as the case may be, sufficient for such purposes, and within the limitations permitted by law.

35 **Sec. 414.** RCW 84.52.070 and 1994 c 81 s 86 are each amended to 36 read as follows: 1 (1) It ((shall be)) is the duty of the county legislative authority 2 of each county, on or before the thirtieth day of November in each 3 year, to certify to the county assessor ((of the county)) the amount of 4 taxes levied upon the property in the county for county purposes, and 5 the respective amounts of taxes levied by the board for each taxing 6 district, within or coextensive with the county, for district 7 purposes((, and)).

(2) It ((shall be)) is the duty of the council of each city having 8 a population of three hundred thousand or more, and of the council of 9 10 each town, and of all officials or boards of taxing districts within or coextensive with the county, authorized by law to levy taxes directly 11 12 and not through the county legislative authority, on or before the 13 thirtieth day of November in each year, to certify to the county 14 assessor ((of the county)) the amount of taxes levied upon the property within the city, town, or district for city, town, or district 15 16 purposes.

17 <u>(3)</u> If a levy amount is ((not)) certified to the county assessor 18 ((by)) <u>after</u> the thirtieth day of November, the county assessor 19 ((shall)) <u>may</u> use no more than the certified levy amount for the 20 previous year for the taxing district((÷ <u>PROVIDED</u>, <u>That</u>)). <u>This</u> 21 ((shall)) <u>subsection (3) does</u> not apply to the state levy or when the 22 assessor has not certified assessed values as required by RCW 84.48.130 23 at least twelve working days ((<u>prior to</u>)) <u>before</u> November 30th.

24 **Sec. 415.** RCW 84.52.080 and 1989 c 378 s 16 are each amended to 25 read as follows:

26 (1) The county assessor ((shall)) <u>must</u> extend the taxes upon the 27 tax rolls in the form ((herein)) prescribed in this section. The rate percent necessary to raise the amounts of taxes levied for state and 28 county purposes, and for purposes of taxing districts coextensive with 29 30 the county, ((shall)) <u>must</u> be computed upon the assessed value of the property of the county((\div)). The rate percent necessary to raise the 31 amount of taxes levied for any taxing district within the county 32 33 ((shall)) must be computed upon the assessed value of the property of the district((\div)). All taxes assessed against any property ((shall)) 34 35 must be added together and extended on the rolls in a column headed 36 consolidated or total tax. In extending any tax, whenever ((it)) the 37 <u>tax</u> amounts to a fractional part of a cent greater than ((five mills))

<u>one-half of a cent</u> it ((shall)) <u>must</u> be ((made)) <u>rounded up to</u> one cent, and whenever it amounts to ((five mills)) <u>one-half of a cent</u> or less ((than five mills)) it ((shall)) <u>must</u> be dropped. The amount of all taxes ((shall)) <u>must</u> be entered in the proper columns, as shown by entering the rate percent necessary to raise the consolidated or total tax and the total tax assessed against the property.

7 (2) For the purpose of computing the rate necessary to raise the 8 amount of any excess levy in a taxing district ((which has classified or designated forest land under chapter 84.33 RCW)) entitled to a 9 10 distribution under RCW 84.33.081, other than the state, the county 11 assessor ((shall)) must add the district's timber assessed value, as 12 defined in RCW 84.33.035, to the assessed value of the property((\div 13 PROVIDED, That)). However, for school districts maintenance and operations levies, only one-half of the district's timber assessed 14 15 value or eighty percent of the timber roll of ((such)) the district in calendar year 1983 as determined under chapter 84.33 RCW, whichever is 16 17 greater, ((shall)) must be added to the assessed value of the property. 18 (3) Upon the completion of such tax extension, it ((shall be)) is

19 the duty of the county assessor to make in each assessment book, tax 20 roll or list a certificate in the following form:

21 I,, assessor of county, state of

Washington, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a
correct list of taxes levied on the real and personal property

in the county of for the year ((one)) two thousand

25 ((nine hundred and)).....

Witness my hand this day of , ((19)) <u>20</u>. . .

....., County Assessor

(4) The county assessor ((shall)) <u>must</u> deliver ((said)) <u>the</u> tax rolls to the county treasurer, on or before the fifteenth day of January, taking <u>a</u> receipt ((therefor, and)) <u>from the treasurer. A</u>t the same time, the county assessor ((shall)) <u>must</u> provide the county auditor with an abstract of the tax rolls showing the total amount of taxes collectible in each of the taxing districts.

34 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 416. RCW 84.55.080 (Adjustment to tax 35 limitation) and 2006 c 184 s 5 & 1982 1st ex.s. c 42 s 12 are each 36 repealed.

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1 **Sec. 417.** RCW 84.56.070 and 2007 c 295 s 5 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

3 ((On the fifteenth day of February succeeding the levy of 4 taxes,))(1) The county treasurer ((shall)) must proceed to collect all 5 personal property taxes after first completing the tax roll for the 6 current year's collection. The treasurer ((shall)) must give notice by 7 mail to all persons charged with personal property taxes((, and if 8 such)).

(2) If the taxes are not paid before they become delinquent, the 9 10 treasurer ((shall forthwith)) must immediately proceed to collect the ((same)) delinquent taxes. In the event that he or she is unable to 11 12 collect the ((same)) taxes when due, the treasurer ((shall)) may 13 prepare papers in distraint, which ((shall)) must contain a description 14 of the personal property, the amount of taxes, the amount of the accrued interest at the rate provided by law from the date of 15 delinquency, and the name of the owner or reputed owner. The treasurer 16 17 ((shall)) may without demand or notice distrain sufficient goods and 18 chattels belonging to the person charged with ((such taxes to pay the same)) paying the taxes, with interest at the rate provided by law from 19 20 the date of delinquency, together with all accruing costs((, and 21 shall)). Following the distraint, the treasurer must proceed to 22 advertise the ((same)) sale of the distrained property by posting written notices ((in three)) at the county courthouse and two other 23 24 public places in the county in which ((such)) the property ((has been)) 25 was distrained((, one of which places shall be at the county court 26 house, such)). The notice ((to)) must state the time when and place 27 where ((such)) the property will be sold. The county treasurer, or the treasurer's deputy, ((shall tax)) must assess the same fees for making 28 the distraint and sale of goods and chattels for the payment of taxes 29 as are allowed by law to sheriffs for making levy and sale of property 30 31 on execution; traveling fees to be computed from the county seat of the 32 county to the place of making distraint.

33 (3) If the taxes for which ((such)) the property is distrained, and 34 the interest and costs accruing thereon, are not paid before the date 35 appointed for ((such)) the sale, which ((shall)) may be not less than 36 ten days after the taking of ((such)) the property, ((such)) the 37 treasurer or treasurer's designee ((shall)) must proceed to sell 38 ((such)) the property at public auction, or so much ((thereof)) of the property as ((shall)) will be sufficient to pay ((such)) the taxes, with interest and costs((, and)). If there ((be)) is any excess of money arising from the sale of any personal property, the treasurer ((shall)) must pay ((such)) the excess less any cost of the auction to the owner of the property so sold or to his or her legal representative((: PROVIDED, That whenever it shall)).

7 (4) If it becomes necessary to distrain any standing timber owned separately from the ownership of the land upon which the ((same)) 8 timber may stand, or any fish trap, pound net, reef net, set net or 9 10 drag seine fishing location, or any other personal property as the 11 treasurer ((shall)) determines to be incapable or reasonably 12 impracticable of manual delivery, it ((shall)) will be deemed to have 13 been distrained and taken into possession when the treasurer ((shall 14 have)) has, at least thirty days before the date fixed for the sale ((thereof)) of the property, filed with the auditor of the county 15 ((wherein such)) where the property is located a notice in writing 16 17 reciting that the treasurer has distrained ((such)) the property((describing it, giving)). The notice must include a description of the 18 property, the name of the owner or reputed owner, the amount of the tax 19 due, with interest, and the time and place of sale($(\dot{\tau})$). A copy of the 20 21 notice ((shall)) must also be sent to the owner or reputed owner at his 22 or her last known address, by ((registered letter)) certified mail, 23 return receipt requested, at least thirty days ((prior to)) before the 24 date of the sale((: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That)).

25 (5) If the county treasurer has reasonable grounds to believe that 26 any personal property, including mobile homes, manufactured homes, or 27 park model trailers, upon which taxes have been levied, but not paid, 28 is about to be removed from the county where the ((same has been)) property was assessed, or is about to be destroyed, sold or disposed 29 of, the county treasurer may demand ((such)) payment of the taxes, 30 without the notice provided for in this section, and if necessary may 31 32 ((forthwith)) immediately distrain sufficient goods and chattels to pay the ((same)) taxes. 33

34 **Sec. 418.** RCW 84.60.050 and 1994 c 301 s 54 are each amended to 35 read as follows:

36 (1) When real property is acquired by purchase or condemnation by37 the state of Washington, any county or municipal corporation or is

placed under a recorded agreement for immediate possession and use or an order of immediate possession and use ((pursuant to)) under RCW 8.04.090, ((such)) the property ((shall)) will continue to be subject to the tax lien for the years prior to the year in which the property is so acquired or placed under ((such)) the agreement or order, of any tax levied by the state, county, municipal corporation, or other tax levying public body, except as is otherwise provided in RCW 84.60.070.

8 (2) The lien for taxes applicable to the real property being acquired or placed under immediate possession and use for the year in 9 10 which ((such)) the real property is so acquired or placed under immediate possession and use ((shall)) will be for only the pro rata 11 12 portion of taxes allocable to that portion of the year ((prior to)) 13 before the date of execution of the instrument vesting title, date of 14 recording ((such)) the agreement of immediate possession and use, date of ((such)) the order of immediate possession and use, or date of 15 judgment. No taxes levied or tax lien on ((such)) the property 16 17 allocable to a period ((subsequent to)) following the dates identified in this subsection ((shall)) <u>will</u> be valid and any ((such)) taxes 18 19 levied ((shall)) must be canceled as provided in RCW 84.48.065. In the event the owner has paid taxes allocable to that portion of the year 20 21 ((subsequent to)) following the dates identified in this subsection 22 ((he or she shall be)) that person is entitled to a pro rata refund of 23 the amount paid on the property so acquired or placed under a recorded 24 agreement or an order of immediate possession and use. If the dates 25 identified in this subsection precede ((February 15th of the year in 26 which such taxes become payable)) the completion of the property tax rolls for the current year's collection, no lien for ((such)) the taxes 27 28 ((shall)) will be valid and any ((such)) taxes levied but not payable 29 ((shall)) must be canceled as provided in RCW 84.48.065.

30 **Sec. 419.** RCW 86.09.490 and 1937 c 72 s 164 are each amended to 31 read as follows:

The assessment upon real property ((shall be)) is a lien against the property assessed, from and after the first day of January in the year in which the assessment becomes due and payable, but as between grantor and grantee ((such)) the lien ((shall)) does not attach until the ((fifteenth day of February of such year, which)) county treasurer has completed the property tax roll for the current year's collection

and provided the notification required by RCW 84.56.020 in the year in 1 which the assessment is payable. The lien ((shall be)) is paramount 2 and superior to any other lien ((theretofore or thereafter)) created 3 before or after the lien provided in this section, whether by mortgage 4 or otherwise, except a lien for undelinquent flood control district 5 assessments, diking or drainage district assessments, or diking or 6 7 drainage improvement((τ)) district assessments, and for unpaid and 8 outstanding general ad valorem taxes((, and such)). The lien ((shall)) 9 will not be removed until the assessments are paid or the property sold 10 for the payment ((thereof)) of the delinquent assessments as provided by law. 11

12 **Sec. 420.** RCW 87.03.265 and 1939 c 171 s 2 are each amended to 13 read as follows:

(1) The assessment upon real property ((shall be)) is a lien 14 against the property assessed, from and after the first day of January 15 16 in the year in which it is levied, but as between grantor and grantee 17 ((such)) the lien ((shall)) does not attach until the ((fifteenth day of February of)) county treasurer has completed the property tax roll 18 for the current year's collection and provided the notification 19 20 required by RCW 84.56.020 in the year in which the assessment is payable((, which)). The lien ((shall be)) is paramount and superior to 21 any other lien ((theretofore or thereafter)) created before or after 22 23 the lien provided in this section, whether by mortgage or otherwise, except for a lien for prior assessments((, and such)). The lien 24 25 ((shall)) will not be removed until the assessments are paid or the 26 property sold for the payment ((thereof)) of the delinquent assessment 27 as provided by law. ((And))

(2) The lien for the bonds of any issue ((shall be)) is a preferred lien to that of any subsequent issue. Also, the lien for all payments due or to become due under any contract with the United States, or the state of Washington, accompanying which bonds of the district have not been deposited with the United States or the state of Washington, as in RCW 87.03.140 provided, ((shall be)) is a preferred lien to any issue of bonds ((subsequent to)) after the date of ((such)) the contract.

35 **Sec. 421.** RCW 87.03.270 and 1988 c 134 s 13 are each amended to 36 read as follows:

(1) The assessment roll, before its equalization and adoption, 1 2 ((shall)) must be checked and compared as to descriptions and ownerships, with the county treasurer's land rolls. On or before the 3 4 fifteenth day of January in each year the secretary must deliver the 5 assessment roll or the respective segregation ((thereof)) of the assessment roll to the county treasurer of each respective county in 6 7 which the lands ((therein)) described in the assessment roll are 8 located((, and said)). The assessments ((shall become)) reflected in 9 the assessment roll are due and payable ((on the fifteenth day of 10 February following)) after the county treasurer has subsequently 11 completed the property tax roll for the current year's collection and 12 provided the notification required by RCW 84.56.020.

13 (2) All assessments on ((said)) the assessment roll ((shall)) will become delinquent on the first day of May following the filing of the 14 roll unless the assessments are paid ((on or)) before ((the thirtieth 15 day of April of said year: PROVIDED,)) that date. If an assessment is 16 17 ten dollars or more for ((said)) the current year and if one-half of 18 the assessment is paid on or before the thirtieth day of April, the 19 remainder ((shall be)) is due and payable on or before the thirty-first day of the following October ((following)) and ((shall be)) is 20 21 delinquent after that date. All delinquent assessments ((shall)) bear 22 interest at the rate of twelve percent per annum, computed on a monthly 23 basis and without compounding, from the date of delinquency until paid.

24 (3) Upon receiving the assessment roll the county treasurer ((shall)) <u>must</u> prepare ((therefrom)) an assessment book ((in which 25 shall be)). The assessment book must contain a written ((the)) 26 27 description of the land as it appears in the assessment roll, the name of the owner or owners where known, and if assessed to the unknown 28 owners, then the word "unknown", and the total assessment levied 29 30 against each tract of land. Proper space ((shall)) <u>must</u> be left in ((said)) the assessment book for the entry ((therein)) 31 of all subsequent proceedings relating to the payment and collection of 32 33 ((said)) the assessments.

34 <u>(4)</u> On or before April 1st of each year, the treasurer of the 35 district ((shall)) <u>must</u> send a statement of assessments due. County 36 treasurers who collect irrigation district assessments may send the 37 statement of irrigation district assessments together with the 38 statement of general taxes. 1 (5) Upon payment of any assessment the county treasurer must enter 2 the date of ((said)) the payment in ((said)) the assessment book 3 opposite the description of the land and the name of the person paying 4 and give a receipt to such person specifying the amount of the 5 assessment and the amount paid with the description of the property 6 assessed.

7 (6) It ((shall be)) is the duty of the treasurer of the district to furnish upon request of the owner, or any person interested, a 8 statement showing any and all assessments levied as shown by the 9 10 assessment roll in his or her office upon land described in ((such)) All statements of irrigation district assessments 11 the request. 12 covering any land in the district ((shall)) must show the amount of the 13 irrigation district assessment, the dates on which the assessment is 14 due, the place of payment, and, if the property was sold for delinquent assessments in a prior year, the amount of the delinquent assessment 15 and the notation "certificate issued."((+ PROVIDED, That)) The failure 16 17 of the treasurer to render any statement ((herein)) required of him ((shall)) or her by this section does not render invalid any 18 19 assessments made by any irrigation district.

20 <u>(7)</u> It ((shall be)) is the duty of the county treasurer of any 21 county, other than the county in which the office of the board of 22 directors is located, to make monthly remittances to the county 23 treasurer of the county in which the office of the board of directors 24 is located covering all amounts collected by him <u>or her</u> for the 25 irrigation district during the preceding month.

26 (8) When the treasurer collects a delinquent assessment, the 27 treasurer ((shall)) <u>must</u> collect any other amounts due by reason of the 28 delinquency, including accrued costs, which ((shall)) <u>must</u> be deposited 29 to the treasurer's operation and maintenance fund.

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PART V

MISCELLANEOUS

32 Sec. 501. 2006 c 300 s 12 (uncodified) is amended to read as 33 follows:

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1 <u>123, 125, 129, 131, 149, and 317 of this act</u>) are contingent upon the 2 siting and commercial operation of a significant semiconductor 3 microchip fabrication facility in the state of Washington.

4 (b) For the purposes of this section:

5 (i) "Commercial operation" means the same as "commencement of 6 commercial production" as used in RCW 82.08.965.

7 (ii) "Semiconductor microchip fabrication" means "manufacturing
8 semiconductor microchips" as defined in RCW 82.04.426.

9 (iii) "Significant" means the combined investment of new buildings 10 and new machinery and equipment in the buildings, at the commencement 11 of commercial production, will be at least one billion dollars.

12 (2) This act takes effect the first day of the month in which a 13 contract for the construction of a significant semiconductor 14 fabrication facility is signed, as determined by the director of the 15 department of revenue.

16 (3)(a) The department of revenue ((shall)) <u>must</u> provide notice of 17 the effective date of ((this act)) <u>chapter 149</u>, <u>Laws of 2003</u> to 18 affected taxpayers, the legislature, and others as deemed appropriate 19 by the department.

(b) If, after making a determination that a contract has been 20 21 signed and this act is effective, the department discovers that 22 commencement of commercial production did not take place within three 23 years of the date the contract was signed, the department ((shall)) 24 must make a determination that this act is no longer effective, and all taxes that would have been otherwise due ((shall be)) are deemed 25 26 deferred taxes and are immediately assessed and payable from any person 27 reporting tax under RCW 82.04.240(2) or claiming an exemption or credit under section 2 or 5 through 10 ((of this act)), chapter 149, Laws of 28 29 The department is not authorized to make a second determination 2003. 30 regarding the effective date of ((this act)) chapter 149, laws of 2003.

31 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 502. If any provision of this act or its 32 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the 33 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other 34 persons or circumstances is not affected.

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 NEW SECTION.
 Sec. 503.
 Those provisions of sections 101 through

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 103, 105 through 109, 111 through 116, 118 through 122, 124, 126

1 through 128, 130, 132 through 148, and 150 through 152 of this act that 2 relate to annual surveys and annual reports apply beginning with annual 3 surveys and annual reports due in 2010 and thereafter.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 504. Section 106 of this act expires July 1,
2011.

6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 505. Sections 204(3) (a)(i) and (r) and 211 of 7 this act apply to return or tax information in respect to the tax 8 imposed under chapter 83.100 RCW in the possession of the department of 9 revenue on or after the effective date of this section.

10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 506. Sections 314 and 315 of this act apply 11 both retroactively and prospectively to estates of decedents dying on 12 or after May 17, 2005.

13 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 507. Section 406 of this act applies both 14 prospectively and retroactively beginning with taxes levied for 15 collection in 2002 and thereafter.

16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 508. 2009 c . . . s 501 (section 501 of this 17 act), 2006 c 300 s 12, and 2003 c 149 s 12 (uncodified) are codified as 18 a section within chapter 82.32 RCW.

19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 509. Part headings used in this act are not any 20 part of the law.

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