HOUSE BILL 1633

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to excise tax relief for hog fuel used for
- 2 production of electricity, steam, heat, or biofuel; adding a new
- 3 section to chapter 82.08 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.12
- 4 RCW; and providing an effective date.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 82.08 RCW to read as follows:
- 8 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of hog 9 fuel used to produce electricity, steam, heat, or biofuel. This 10 exemption is available only if the buyer provides the seller with an 11 exemption certificate in a form and manner prescribed by the 12 department. The seller must retain a copy of the certificate for the 13 seller's files.
- 14 (2) For the purposes of this section the following definitions 15 apply:
- 16 (a) "Hog fuel" means wood waste and other wood residuals including 17 forest derived biomass. "Hog fuel" does not include firewood or wood 18 pellets; and
- 19 (b) "Biofuel" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 43.325.010.

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NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 82.12 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with respect to the use of hog fuel for production of electricity, steam, heat, or biofuel.
 - (2) For the purposes of this section:

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- 6 (a) "Hog fuel" has the same meaning as provided in section 1 of this act; and
 - (b) "Biofuel" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 43.325.010.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** This act takes effect October 1, 2009.

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