<u>SHB 2823</u> - H AMD 1435 By Representative Hunter

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Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 43.135.045 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 50 s 950 are each 4 amended to read as follows:

5 The education construction fund is hereby created in the state 6 treasury.

7 (1) Funds may be appropriated from the education construction fund 8 exclusively for common school construction or higher education 9 construction. During the 2007-2009 fiscal biennium, funds may also be 10 used for higher education facilities preservation and maintenance. 11 During the 2009-2011 and 2011-2013 fiscal biennia, the legislature may 12 transfer from the education construction fund to the state general fund 13 such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the fund.

14 (2) Funds may be appropriated for any other purpose only if 15 approved by a two-thirds vote of each house of the legislature and if 16 approved by a vote of the people at the next general election. An 17 appropriation approved by the people under this subsection ((shall)) 18 <u>must</u> result in an adjustment to the state expenditure limit only for 19 the fiscal period for which the appropriation is made and ((shall)) 20 <u>does</u> not affect any subsequent fiscal period.

(3) Funds for the student achievement program in RCW 28A.505.210 and 28A.505.220 ((shall)) <u>must</u> be appropriated to the superintendent of public instruction strictly for distribution to school districts to meet the provisions set out in the student achievement act. Allocations ((shall)) <u>must</u> be made on an equal per full-time equivalent student basis to each school district.

(4) After July 1, 2010, the state treasurer ((shall)) must transfer
one hundred two million dollars from the general fund to the education
construction fund by June 30th of each year. <u>However, the transfers</u>
<u>may not take place in the fiscal biennium ending June 30, 2015.</u>

1 Sec. 2. RCW 82.18.040 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 48 s 7034 are each
2 amended to read as follows:

(1) Taxes collected under this chapter ((shall)) must be held in 3 4 trust until paid to the state. Except as otherwise provided in this <u>subsection (1), taxes received by the state ((shall)) must</u> be deposited 5 in the public works assistance account created in RCW $43.155.050((\div$ б PROVIDED, That during the fiscal year 2011)). For the period beginning 7 8 July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2015, taxes received by the state under this chapter must be deposited in the general fund for general 9 10 purpose expenditures. For fiscal years 2016, 2017, and 2018, one-half of the taxes received by the state under this chapter must be deposited 11 12 in the general fund for general purpose expenditures and the remainder 13 deposited in the public works assistance account. Any person 14 collecting the tax who appropriates or converts the tax collected ((shall be)) is guilty of a gross misdemeanor if the money required to 15 16 be collected is not available for payment on the date payment is due. 17 If a taxpayer fails to pay the tax imposed by this chapter to the person charged with collection of the tax and the person charged with 18 19 collection fails to pay the tax to the department, the department may, in its discretion, proceed directly against the taxpayer for collection 20 21 of the tax.

22 (2) The tax ((shall be)) is due from the taxpayer within twenty-23 five days from the date the taxpayer is billed by the person collecting 24 the tax.

25 (3) The tax ((shall be)) is due from the person collecting the tax 26 at the end of the tax period in which the tax is received from the 27 taxpayer. If the taxpayer remits only a portion of the total amount 28 billed for taxes, consideration, and related charges, the amount 29 remitted ((shall)) <u>must</u> be applied first to payment of the solid waste 30 collection tax and this tax ((shall have)) <u>has</u> priority over all other 31 claims to the amount remitted.

32 **Sec. 3.** RCW 82.08.160 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 50 s 969 are each 33 amended to read as follows:

(1) On or before the twenty-fifth day of each month, all taxes
 collected under RCW 82.08.150 during the preceding month must be
 remitted to the state department of revenue, to be deposited with the
 state treasurer. Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3) of this

section, upon receipt of such moneys the state treasurer must credit sixty-five percent of the sums collected and remitted under RCW 82.08.150 (1) and (2) and one hundred percent of the sums collected and remitted under RCW 82.08.150 (3) and (4) to the state general fund and thirty-five percent of the sums collected and remitted under RCW 82.08.150 (1) and (2) to a fund which is hereby created to be known as the "liquor excise tax fund."

8 (2) During the ((2011-2013)) 2012 fiscal ((biennium)) year, 66.19 9 percent of the sums collected and remitted under RCW 82.08.150 (1) and 10 (2) must be deposited in the state general fund and the remainder 11 collected and remitted under RCW 82.08.150 (1) and (2) must be 12 deposited in the liquor excise tax fund.

13 (3) During fiscal year 2013, all funds collected under RCW 14 <u>82.08.150 (1), (2), (3), and (4) must be deposited into the state</u> 15 <u>general fund.</u>

16 **Sec. 4.** RCW 82.08.170 and 2002 c 38 s 3 are each amended to read 17 as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, during 18 the months of January, April, July_ and October of each year, the state 19 20 treasurer ((shall)) must make the transfers required under subsections 21 (2) and (3) of this section from the liquor excise tax fund and then 22 the apportionment and distribution of all remaining moneys in the 23 liquor excise tax fund to the counties, cities, and towns in the 24 following proportions: (a) Twenty percent of the moneys in the liquor 25 excise tax fund ((shall)) must be divided among and distributed to the 26 counties of the state in accordance with the provisions of RCW 27 66.08.200; and (b) eighty percent of the moneys in the liquor excise tax fund ((shall)) must be divided among and distributed to the cities 28 29 and towns of the state in accordance with the provisions of RCW 66.08.210. 30

(2) Each fiscal quarter and prior to making the twenty percent distribution to counties under subsection (1)(a) of this section, the treasurer shall transfer to the ((county research services account under RCW 43.110.050)) liquor revolving fund created in RCW 66.08.170 sufficient moneys to fund the allotments from any legislative appropriations ((from the county research services account)) for county research and services as provided under chapter 43.110 RCW. 1 (3) During the months of January, April, July, and October of each 2 year, the state treasurer must transfer two million five hundred 3 thousand dollars from the liquor excise tax fund to the state general 4 fund.

5 (4) During calendar year 2012, the October distribution under 6 subsection (1) of this section and the July and October transfers under 7 subsections (2) and (3) of this section must not be made. During 8 calendar year 2013, the January, April, and July distributions under 9 subsection (1) of this section and transfers under subsections (2) and 10 (3) of this section must not be made.

11 **Sec. 5.** RCW 43.110.030 and 2010 c 271 s 701 are each amended to 12 read as follows:

13 (1) The department of commerce ((shall)) must contract for the provision of municipal research and services to cities, towns, and 14 counties. Contracts for municipal research and services ((shall)) must 15 16 be made with state agencies, educational institutions, or private 17 consulting firms, that in the judgment of the department are qualified to provide such research and services. Contracts for staff support may 18 be made with state agencies, educational institutions, or private 19 20 consulting firms that in the judgment of the department are qualified 21 to provide such support.

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(2) Municipal research and services ((shall)) consist<u>s</u> of:

(a) Studying and researching city, town, and county government andissues relating to city, town, and county government;

(b) Acquiring, preparing, and distributing publications related to city, town, and county government and issues relating to city, town, and county government;

(c) Providing educational conferences relating to city, town, and county government and issues relating to city, town, and county government; and

31 (d) Furnishing legal, technical, consultative, and field services 32 to cities, towns, and counties concerning planning, public health, 33 utility services, fire protection, law enforcement, public works, and 34 other issues relating to city, town, and county government.

35 (3) Requests for legal services by county officials ((shall)) must
 36 be sent to the office of the county prosecuting attorney. Responses by

the department of commerce to county requests for legal services ((shall)) <u>must</u> be provided to the requesting official and the county prosecuting attorney.

4 (4) The department of commerce ((shall)) must coordinate with the association of Washington cities and the Washington state association 5 of counties in carrying out the activities in this section. ((Services б 7 to cities and towns shall be based upon the moneys appropriated to the 8 department from the city and town research services account under RCW 43.110.060. Services to counties shall be based upon the moneys 9 10 appropriated to the department from the county research services 11 account under RCW 43.110.050.))

12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 6. The following acts or parts of acts are each 13 repealed:

14 (1) RCW 43.110.050 (County research services account) and 2002 c 38
 15 s 1 & 1997 c 437 s 3; and

16 (2) RCW 43.110.060 (City and town research services account) and 17 2010 c 271 s 702, 2002 c 38 s 4, & 2000 c 227 s 1.

18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 7. All moneys remaining in the county research 19 services account and city and town research services account on July 1, 20 2012, must be deposited by the state treasurer into the general fund.

21 **Sec. 8.** RCW 66.08.190 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 50 s 960 are each 22 amended to read as follows:

23 (1) ((Except for revenues generated by the 2003 surcharge of 24 \$0.42/liter on retail sales of spirits that must be distributed to the state general fund during the 2003-2005 biennium,)) Prior to making 25 distributions described in subsection (2) of this section, amounts must 26 be retained to support allotments under RCW 43.88.110 from any 27 legislative appropriation for municipal research and services. The 28 legislative appropriation for such services must be in the amount 29 specified under RCW 66.24.065. 30

31 (2) When excess funds are distributed <u>during the months of June</u>, 32 <u>September</u>, <u>December</u>, <u>and March of each year</u>, all moneys subject to 33 distribution must be disbursed ((as follows:

34 (a) Three-tenths of one percent to border areas under RCW
35 66.08.195; and

(b) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, from the amount remaining after distribution under (a) of this subsection, (i) fifty percent to the general fund of the state, (ii) ten percent to the counties of the state, and (iii) forty percent to the incorporated cities and towns of the state.

б (2) During the months of June, September, December, and March of each year, prior to disbursing the distribution to incorporated cities 7 8 and towns under subsection (1)(b) of this section, the treasurer must deduct from that distribution an amount that will fund that quarter's 9 10 allotments under RCW 43.88.110 from any legislative appropriation from the city and town research services account. The treasurer must 11 12 deposit the amount deducted into the city and town research services 13 account.

14 (3) The governor may notify and direct the state treasurer to 15 withhold the revenues to which the counties and cities are entitled 16 under this section if the counties or cities are found to be in 17 noncompliance pursuant to RCW 36.70A.340.

18 (4) During the 2011-2013 fiscal biennium, from the amount remaining 19 after distribution under subsection (1)(a) of this section, (a) 51.7 20 percent to the general fund of the state, (b) 9.7 percent to the 21 counties of the state, and (c) 38.6 percent to the incorporated cities 22 and towns of the state)) to border areas, counties, cities, and towns 23 as provided in RCW 66.24.065.

24 (3) The amount remaining after distributions under subsections (1)
 25 and (2) of this section must be deposited into the general fund.

26 **Sec. 9.** RCW 66.08.196 and 2001 c 8 s 2 are each amended to read as 27 follows:

28 (1) Distribution of funds to border areas under RCW 66.08.190 and 29 66.24.290 (1)((+a))) (c) and (4) ((+a)) is as follows:

30 (((1))) <u>(a)</u> Sixty-five percent of the funds ((shall)) <u>must</u> be 31 distributed to border areas ratably based on border area traffic 32 totals;

33 (((2))) (b) Twenty-five percent of the funds ((shall)) must be 34 distributed to border areas ratably based on border-related crime 35 statistics; and

36 (((3))) <u>(c)</u> Ten percent of the funds ((shall)) <u>must</u> be distributed

1 to border areas ratably based upon border area per capita law 2 enforcement spending.

3 (2) Distributions to an unincorporated area ((shall)) <u>must</u> be made 4 to the county in which such an area is located and may only be spent on 5 services provided to that area.

6 **Sec. 10.** RCW 66.08.200 and 1979 c 151 s 167 are each amended to 7 read as follows:

8 With respect to the ((ten percent share coming)) <u>distribution of</u> 9 <u>funds</u> to the counties, the computations for distribution ((shall)) <u>must</u> 10 be made by the state agency responsible for collecting the same as 11 follows:

12 (1) The share coming to each eligible county ((shall)) must be 13 determined by a division among the eligible counties according to the relation which the population of the unincorporated area of such 14 eligible county, as last determined by the office of financial 15 16 management, bears to the population of the total combined unincorporated areas of all eligible counties, as determined by the 17 office of financial management((+ PROVIDED, That)). However, no 18 county in which the sale of liquor is forbidden in the unincorporated 19 20 area thereof as the result of an election ((shall be)) is entitled to 21 share in such distribution. "Unincorporated area" means all that portion of any county not included within the limits of incorporated 22 23 cities and towns.

24 (2) When a special county census has been conducted for the purpose 25 of determining the population base of a county's unincorporated area 26 for use in the distribution of liquor funds, the census figure 27 ((shall)) becomes effective for the purpose of distributing funds as of 28 the official census date once the census results have been certified by 29 the office of financial management and officially submitted to the 30 office of the secretary of state.

31 **Sec. 11.** RCW 66.08.210 and 1979 c 151 s 168 are each amended to 32 read as follows:

33 (1) With respect to the ((forty percent share coming)) distribution 34 of funds to the incorporated cities and towns <u>under RCW</u> 35 <u>66.24.290(1)(c)</u>, the computations for distribution ((shall)) <u>must</u> be 1 made by the state agency responsible for collecting the same as
2 ((follows:)) provided in subsection (2) of this section.

3 (2) The share coming to each eligible city or town ((shall)) must 4 be determined by a division among the eligible cities and towns within 5 the state ratably on the basis of population as last determined by the 6 office of financial management((: AND PROVIDED, That)). However, no 7 city or town in which the sale of liquor is forbidden as the result of 8 an election ((shall be)) is entitled to any share in such distribution.

9 Sec. 12. RCW 43.63A.190 and 1995 c 159 s 5 are each amended to 10 read as follows:

Funds appropriated by the legislature as supplemental resources for border areas ((shall)) <u>must</u> be distributed by the state treasurer pursuant to the formula for distributing funds ((from the liquor revolving fund)) to border areas, and expenditure requirements for such distributions, under RCW 66.08.196.

16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 13. Section 2 of this act is necessary for the 17 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or 18 support of the state government and its existing public institutions, 19 and takes effect immediately.

20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 14. Sections 1 and 3 through 12 of this act are 21 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, 22 or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public 23 institutions, and take effect July 1, 2012."

24 Correct the title.

<u>EFFECT:</u> Removes sections of the bill that redirect real estate excise tax and public utility tax revenues to the general fund. Redirects one-half of solid waste taxes into the general fund during fiscal years 2016, 2017, and 2018. Clarifies that the \$2.5 million quarterly transfer to the state general fund and the quarterly transfer for the support of county research services do not begin until October 2013.

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