HOUSE BILL 1494

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to providing additional funding for the state's
- 2 higher education institutions and their students; amending RCW
- 3 83.100.040; and creating a new section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. INTENT. The legislature finds that the per-
- 6 student level of funding at each of our state's higher education
- 7 institutions fails to reach the sixtieth percentile of peer level
- 8 funding as directed in RCW 28B.15.068. The legislature finds further,
- 9 that steep tuition increases levied over the past several biennia are
- 10 threatening to place the opportunity for a higher education out of the
- 11 reach of our state's middle class. Therefore, the legislature intends
- 12 to provide additional funding for our state's higher education
- 13 institutions and their students.
- 14 Sec. 2. RCW 83.100.040 and 2010 c 106 s 234 are each amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- 16 (1) A tax in an amount computed as provided in this section is
- imposed on every transfer of property located in Washington. For the

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purposes of this section, any intangible property owned by a resident is located in Washington.

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

6					Of Washington
7	If Washington Taxable		The amount of Tax Equals		Taxable Estate Value
8	Estate is at least	But Less Than	Initial Tax Amount	Plus Tax Rate %	Greater than
9	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	((10.00%)) 20.00%	\$0
10	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$100,000	((14.00%)) 28.00%	\$1,000,000
11	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$240,000	((15.00%)) 30.00%	\$2,000,000
12	\$3,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$390,000	((16.00%)) 32.00%	\$3,000,000
13	\$4,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$550,000	((17.00%)) 34.00%	\$4,000,000
14	\$6,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$890,000	((18.00%)) <u>36.00%</u>	\$6,000,000
15	\$7,000,000	\$9,000,000	\$1,070,000	((18.50%)) 37.00%	\$7,000,000
16	\$9,000,000		\$1,440,000	((19.00%)) <u>38.00%</u>	\$9,000,000

- (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 subsection multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the value of the property located in Washington. The denominator of the fraction is the value of the decedent's gross estate. Property qualifying for a deduction under RCW 83.100.046 must be excluded from the numerator and denominator of the fraction.
- (3) The tax imposed under this section is a stand-alone estate tax that incorporates only those provisions of the internal revenue code as 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.

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