### SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5688

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**By** Senate Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Braun, Carrell, Dammeier, Rivers, Sheldon, and Hobbs)

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1 AN ACT Relating to simplifying definitions and classifications 2 concerning state and local tax systems; amending RCW 35.102.030, 35.102.040, 35.102.140, 35.102.160, 82.04.060, 82.04.230, 82.04.255, 3 82.04.260, 82.04.280, 35.102.150, 48.14.080, 82.04.261, 82.04.270, 4 82.04.29002, 82.04.298, 82.04.334, 82.04.440, 82.04.4451, 82.04.4463, 5 6 82.04.460, 82.08.806, 82.32.045, and 82.45.195; reenacting and amending 7 RCW 82.04.250 and 82.04.260; adding new sections to chapter 35.102 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 82.04 RCW; creating new sections; 8 9 repealing RCW 82.04.272, 82.04.2909, 82.04.294, and 35.102.120; repealing 2010 c 114 s 104; repealing 2003 c 149 s 3; repealing 2010 c 10 11 106 s 206; repealing 2009 c 461 s 3; repealing 2006 c 300 s 7; repealing 2003 c 149 s 4; providing effective dates; and providing an 12 13 expiration date.

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

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#### PART I

## INCREASING UNIFORMITY BETWEEN STATE AND LOCAL B&O TAXES

17 **Sec. 101.** RCW 35.102.030 and 2003 c 79 s 3 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter ((79, 70))1 2 Laws of 2003,)) unless the context clearly requires otherwise. 3 (1) "Business" has the same meaning as given in chapter 82.04 RCW. 4 (2) "City" means a city, town, or code city. (3) "Business and occupation tax" or "gross receipts tax" means a 5 tax imposed on or measured by the value of products, the gross income 6 7 of the business, or the gross proceeds of sales, as the case may be, 8 and that is the legal liability of the business. 9

9 (4) "Value of products" has the same meaning as given in chapter 10 82.04 RCW.

11 (5) "Gross income of the business" has the same meaning as given in 12 chapter 82.04 RCW.

(6) "Gross proceeds of sales" has the same meaning as given inchapter 82.04 RCW.

15 <u>(7) "Department" means the department of revenue.</u>

16 <u>(8) "State business and occupation tax" means the tax imposed in</u> 17 <u>chapter 82.04 RCW.</u>

18 <u>(9) "State business and occupation tax definitions" means the</u> 19 <u>definitions in chapter 82.04 RCW, rules adopted by the department to</u> 20 <u>administer chapter 82.04 RCW, and interpretive statements or other</u> 21 <u>public guidance issued by the department relating to the tax imposed in</u> 22 <u>chapter 82.04 RCW.</u>

23 (10) "City business and occupation tax" means a business and 24 occupation tax imposed by a city.

25 <u>(11) "Service and other business activities classification" means</u>
26 the classification under which an activity is taxed if it is not taxed
27 under some other classification.

28 Sec. 102. RCW 35.102.040 and 2010 c 271 s 706 are each amended to 29 read as follows:

30 (1)(a) ((The cities, working through the association of Washington 31 cities, shall form a model ordinance development committee made up of 32 a representative sampling of cities that as of July 27, 2003, impose a business and occupation tax. This committee shall work through the 33 association of Washington cities to adopt a model ordinance on 34 35 municipal gross receipts business and occupation tax. The model 36 ordinance and subsequent amendments shall)) After December 31, 2013, 37 only the department may amend the city business and occupation tax

model ordinance. Beginning January 1, 2014, the department may amend 1 the model ordinance as it deems appropriate. Amendments, other than 2 those required to conform with changes to state law, must be adopted 3 4 using a process that includes opportunity for substantial input from cities, individually or through the association of Washington cities, 5 6 business stakeholders, and other members of the public. Input ((shall)) must be solicited from statewide business associations and 7 from local chambers of commerce and downtown business associations in 8 cities that levy a business and occupation tax. 9

10 (b) The department of commerce ((shall)) must contract to post the 11 model ordinance on an internet web site and to make paper copies 12 available for inspection upon request. The department of revenue and 13 the department of licensing ((shall)) must post copies of or links to the model ordinance on their internet web sites. Additionally, a city 14 that imposes a business and occupation tax must make copies of its 15 ordinance available for inspection and copying as provided in chapter 16 42.56 RCW. 17

18 (((c) The definitions and tax classifications in the model 19 ordinance may not be amended more frequently than once every four 20 years, however the model ordinance may be amended at any time to comply 21 with changes in state law. Any amendment to a mandatory provision of 22 the model ordinance must be adopted with the same effective date by all 23 cities.))

(2) A city that imposes a business and occupation tax must adopt
 the mandatory provisions of the model ordinance. The following
 provisions are mandatory:

27 (a) ((A system of credits that meets the requirements of RCW 28 35.102.060 and a form for such use;

(b)) A uniform, minimum small business tax threshold of at least 29 30 the equivalent of twenty thousand dollars in gross income annually. A city may elect to deviate from this requirement by creating a higher 31 32 threshold or exemption but it shall not deviate lower than the level required in this subsection. If a city has a small business threshold 33 or exemption in excess of that provided in this subsection as of 34 35 January 1, 2003, and chooses to deviate below the threshold or 36 exemption level that was in place as of January 1, 2003, the city must 37 notify all businesses licensed to do business within the city at least

1 one hundred twenty days prior to the potential implementation of a 2 lower threshold or exemption amount;

3 (((<del>(c)</del>)) <u>(b)</u> Tax reporting frequencies that meet the requirements of 4 RCW 35.102.070;

5 (((<del>(d)</del>)) <u>(c)</u> Penalty and interest provisions that meet the 6 requirements of RCW 35.102.080 and 35.102.090;

7 ((<del>(e)</del>)) <u>(d)</u> Claim periods that meet the requirements of RCW 8 35.102.100;

9 ((<del>(f)</del>)) <u>(e)</u> Refund provisions that meet the requirements of RCW 10 35.102.110; ((and

11 (g) Definitions, which at a minimum, must include the definitions 12 enumerated in RCW 35.102.030 and 35.102.120. The definitions in 13 chapter 82.04 RCW shall be used as the baseline for all definitions in 14 the model ordinance, and any deviation in the model ordinance from 15 these definitions must be described by a comment in the model 16 ordinance.

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(3)) (f) Provisions consistent with RCW 82.04.480 and 82.04.520;

18 (g)(i) Tax classifications for reporting purposes that include all 19 of the state business and occupation tax classifications, including 20 those created in RCW 82.04.230 through 82.04.298, classifications 21 created after the effective date of this section and codified outside 22 of those statutes, and any classifications created by the department 23 under the authority of section 202 of this act.

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<u>(ii) The model ordinance may not include:</u>

25 (A) Any classifications that are not used for state business and 26 <u>occupation tax purposes;</u>

27 (B) Any classifications for persons taxable under the state public utility tax classification engaging in the following activities: 28 Hauling persons or property for hire by watercraft between points in 29 Washington; operating tugboats of any size and income from the sale of 30 transportation services by vessels over sixty-five feet; sales of 31 transportation services using vessels under sixty-five feet, other than 32 tugboats; or persons engaged in chartering or transporting persons by 33 water from one location in Washington to another location within this 34 state. This subsection (2)(q)(i)(B) does not include sightseeing tours 35 36 or activities that are in the nature of guided tours where the tour may

37 <u>include some water transportation; and</u>

(C) Any classifications for persons taxable under the state public 1 utility tax classifications of motor transportation or urban 2 3 transportation; and (h)(i) A provision stating that the state business and occupation 4 tax definitions apply to the model ordinance and any city's business 5 б and occupation tax in the same manner as they apply for purposes of 7 chapter 82.04 RCW. Any deviation in the model ordinance from these definitions is only permitted when expressly provided for by statute. 8 If a deviation is allowed by statute, such definition must be stated in 9 full in the model ordinance. Further, any deviation in the definitions 10 allowed is subject to the publication requirements in subsection (5) of 11 12 this section. (ii) Except as provided otherwise in this subsection, a city may 13 not, for purposes of its business and occupation tax, deviate from the 14 state business and occupation tax definitions in its ordinances, rules, 15 other public guidance, and interpretations. 16 (iii) For purposes of complying with this subsection (2)(h), 17 references to the department in state business and occupation tax 18 definitions must be construed as references to the city or cities, 19 20 unless the context clearly requires otherwise. 21 (iv) For purposes of complying with this subsection (2)(h), references to the state in state business and occupation tax 22 definitions must be construed as references to the city or cities, 23 24 unless the context clearly requires otherwise. (v) Any portion of a state business and occupation tax definition 25 26 that relates solely to sales or use tax or otherwise does not apply to the tax imposed in chapter 82.04 RCW does not apply to the model 27 ordinance or business and occupation taxes imposed by the cities. 28 (vi) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the cities and 29 the model ordinance need not adopt any exclusionary language contained 30 in a state business and occupation tax definition, but only if the 31 exclusionary language has the effect of exempting a person, activity, 32 or income from the tax imposed in chapter 82.04 RCW. 33 (vii) Notwithstanding (h)(vi) of this subsection (2), a city may 34 not deviate from the exclusion in RCW 82.04.062 from the definitions of 35 "wholesale sale," "sale at wholesale," "retail sale," and "sale at 36 retail." <u>Cities imposing a business and occupation tax must compute</u> 37

1 tax on the business of making sales of precious metal bullion or 2 monetized bullion consistent with RCW 82.04.062.

3 (viii) Notwithstanding (h)(vii) of this subsection (2), cities may
4 not deviate from the exclusion in RCW 82.04.216 of steam, electricity,
5 and electrical energy from various terms denoting tangible items that
6 may be used, sold, or consumed.

7 (ix) Language in a state business and occupation tax definition 8 governing how the defined term is to be applied for state business and 9 occupation tax purposes also applies for purposes of city business and 10 occupation taxes.

11 (3) Tax classifications must be uniform among all cities and with 12 state business and occupation tax classifications.

13 (4) Except for the deduction required by RCW 35.102.160 and the 14 system of credits developed to address multiple taxation ((under 15 subsection (2)(a) of this section)), a city may adopt its own 16 provisions for <u>tax rates</u>, tax exemptions, tax credits, and tax 17 deductions.

18 (((4))) (5) Any city that adopts an ordinance that deviates from 19 the nonmandatory provisions of the model ordinance ((shall)) <u>must</u> make 20 a description of such differences available <u>to the department for</u> 21 <u>publication by the department</u> to the public((, in written and 22 electronic form)).

23 **Sec. 103.** RCW 35.102.140 and 2003 c 79 s 14 are each amended to 24 read as follows:

25 ((Cities imposing business and occupation taxes must comply with 26 all requirements of RCW 35.102.020 through 35.102.130 by December 31, 27 2004. A city that has not complied with the requirements of RCW 35.102.020 through 35.102.130 by December 31, 2004, may not impose a 28 29 tax that is imposed by a city on the privilege of engaging in business 30 activities.)) (1) Cities imposing business and occupation taxes after 31 December 31, 2004, must comply with ((<del>RCW 35.102.020 through</del> 35.102.130)) this chapter. 32

33 (2) The department may issue official written guidance on any 34 provision of a city's business and occupation tax that is required by 35 this chapter to be administered consistently with the state business 36 and occupation tax. Any such official public guidance issued by the 37 department preempts any conflicting interpretation of the city.

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Likewise, any official public guidance issued by the department on a 1 state business and occupation tax matter preempts any conflicting 2 interpretation by the city on a matter involving a provision of the 3 city's business and occupation tax that is required by this chapter to 4 be administered consistently with the state business and occupation 5 6 tax. Nothing in this subsection is intended to affect the interpretation or application of a city's business and occupation tax 7 for periods before the effective date of this section. 8

9 **Sec. 104.** RCW 35.102.160 and 2006 c 301 s 6 are each amended to 10 read as follows:

(1) <u>The provision of professional employer services by a</u> professional employer organization is taxable under a city's service and other business activities classification. A city that imposes its business and occupation tax on professional employer services performed by a professional employer organization((, regardless of the tax classification applicable to such services, shall)) <u>must</u> provide a deduction identical to the deduction in RCW 82.04.540(2).

18 (2) For the purposes of this section, "professional employer 19 organization" and "professional employer services" have the same 20 meanings as in RCW 82.04.540.

21 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 105. A new section is added to chapter 35.102 22 RCW to read as follows:

Beginning on the effective date of this section, the department may 23 24 adopt rules and issue interpretive and policy statements in accordance 25 with the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW, as it 26 considers necessary or useful in enhancing uniformity between state and 27 city business and occupation taxes and in carrying out the department's 28 duties under this chapter. Such rules and interpretive and policy 29 statements take precedence over any conflicting rules and interpretive 30 or policy guidance issued by the cities. The department must seek 31 input from affected cities before issuing any rules and interpretive and policy statements concerning city business and occupation taxes to 32 33 the extent required by chapter 34.05 RCW.

34 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 106. A new section is added to chapter 35.102
35 RCW to read as follows:

For purposes of city business and occupation taxes, a person may meet its burden of proving that a sale is a wholesale sale rather than a retail sale as provided in RCW 82.04.470. Upon request of a city, the department must assist the city in determining whether a person has met the requirements of RCW 82.04.470(6).

### PART II

### REDUCING STATE B&O TAX CLASSIFICATIONS

8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 201. (1) The legislature finds that there are 9 currently over fifty tax classifications for purposes of the state 10 business and occupation tax. Most of these tax classifications were 11 created to provide a reduced tax rate to certain business activities.

12 (2) The legislature further finds that the considerable number of 13 state business and occupation tax classifications creates complexity 14 for taxpayers, increases opportunities for disputes between taxpayers 15 and the department of revenue, and is a major barrier to achieving 16 significant uniformity between state and local business and occupation 17 tax systems.

18 (3) Therefore, the legislature intends Part II of this act to 19 significantly reduce state business and occupation tax classifications 20 by:

21 (a) Consolidating the extracting and extracting for hire 22 classifications;

(b) Consolidating the public road construction and government
 contracting classifications into the wholesaling classification; and

(c) Consolidating the public and nonprofit hospital and real estate broker classifications into the catch-all service and other business activities classification.

(4) Parts II and III of this act is not intended to materially affect the tax burden of any person. If any provision of part II or III of this act would, under a plain meaning analysis, materially impact a person's tax liability, the legislature expresses its intent that such provision should be deemed a mistake and interpreted to achieve a result that is consistent with the legislature's intent as described in this section.

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<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 202. A new section is added to chapter 82.04
 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Except as provided otherwise in subsection (2) of this section, 3 4 for purposes of reporting the tax due under this chapter in a way that 5 provides taxpayers with more consistency between state and city-imposed business and occupation taxes or for ease of administration for the б 7 department or taxpayers, the department may classify business 8 activities other than as provided in RCW 82.04.230 through 82.04.298. However, new classifications created under the authority of this 9 10 section do not affect the tax rates applicable to the activities that 11 come within the new classifications.

12 (2) The department may not consolidate the manufacturing and13 processing for hire classifications.

14 **Sec. 203.** RCW 82.04.060 and 2010 c 106 s 203 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

16 "Sale at wholesale" or "wholesale sale" means:

17 (1) Any sale, which is not a sale at retail, of:

18 (a) Tangible personal property;

19 (b) Services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(2) (a) or 20 (g);

21 (c) Amusement or recreation services as defined in RCW 22 82.04.050(3)(a);

23 (d) Prewritten computer software;

24 (e) Services described in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b);

25 (f) Extended warranties as defined in RCW 82.04.050(7);

26 (g) Competitive telephone service, ancillary services, or 27 telecommunications service as those terms are defined in RCW 82.04.065; 28 or

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(h) Digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated services;

30 (2) Any charge made for labor and services rendered for persons who 31 are not consumers, in respect to real or personal property, if such 32 charge is expressly defined as a retail sale by RCW 82.04.050 when 33 rendered to or for consumers. For the purposes of this subsection (2), 34 "real or personal property" does not include any natural products named 35 in RCW 82.04.100; ((and))

36 (3) The sale of any service for resale, if the sale is excluded

1 from the definition of "sale at retail" and "retail sale" in RCW
2 82.04.050(14); and

3 (4) Any sale of or charge made for labor and services if the sale 4 or charge is excluded from the definition of retail sale in RCW 5 82.04.050 (10) or (12). Nothing in this subsection may be construed as 6 affecting the status of persons providing such services to consumers as 7 provided in RCW 82.04.190.

8 **Sec. 204.** RCW 82.04.230 and 2006 c 300 s 5 are each amended to 9 read as follows:

(1) Upon every person engaging within this state in business as an 10 11 extractor or extractor for hire, except persons taxable as an extractor 12 or extractor for hire under any other provision in this chapter; as to 13 such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is, in the case of extractors, equal to the value of the 14 products, including by-products, extracted for sale or for commercial 15 16 or industrial use, and, in the case of extractors for hire, the gross income of the business of extracting for hire, multiplied by the rate 17 18 of 0.484 percent.

19 (2) The measure of the tax <u>on extractors</u> is the value of the 20 products, including by-products, so extracted, regardless of the place 21 of sale or the fact that deliveries may be made to points outside the 22 state.

23 Sec. 205. RCW 82.04.250 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 23 s 509 are each 24 reenacted and amended to read 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 <u>on the business of making sales at</u> <u>retail</u>, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.471 percent.

31 (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 32 making sales at retail that are exempt from the tax imposed under 33 chapter 82.08 RCW by reason of RCW 82.08.0261, 82.08.0262, or 34 82.08.0263, except persons taxable under RCW 82.04.260(((10))) (8) or 35 subsection (3) of this section, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business is equal to the gross proceeds of sales
 of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

3 (3) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person classified by the federal 4 aviation administration as a federal aviation regulation part 145 certificated repair station and that is engaging within this state in 5 the business of making sales at retail that are exempt from the tax б 7 imposed under chapter 82.08 RCW by reason of RCW 82.08.0261, 8 82.08.0262, or 82.08.0263, as to such persons, the amount of tax with 9 respect to such business is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the 10 business, multiplied by the rate of .2904 percent.

11 **Sec. 206.** RCW 82.04.255 and 2011 c 322 s 2 are each amended to 12 read as follows:

(1) ((Upon every person engaging within the state in)) The business of providing real estate brokerage services((; as to such persons, the amount of the tax with respect to such business is equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 1.5 percent)) is subject to tax under RCW 82.04.290.

18 (2) The measure of the tax on real estate commissions earned by the real estate firm is the gross commission earned by the particular real 19 20 estate firm including that portion of the commission paid to brokers, 21 including designated and managing brokers, in the same firm on a 22 particular transaction. However, when a real estate commission on a 23 particular transaction is divided among real estate firms at the closing of the transaction, including a firm located out of state, each 24 25 firm must pay the tax only upon its respective shares of said 26 commission. Moreover, when the real estate firm has paid the tax as provided herein, brokers, including designated and managing brokers, 27 within the same real estate firm may not be required to pay a similar 28 29 tax upon the same transaction. If any firm located out of state receives a share of commission on a particular transaction, that 30 31 company or broker must pay the tax based on the requirements of this 32 section and RCW 82.04.067.

33 (3) For the purposes of this section, "broker," "designated 34 broker," "managing broker," and "real estate firm" have the same 35 meaning as provided in RCW 18.85.011. Sec. 207. RCW 82.04.260 and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 6 s 602 and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 6 s 204 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

3 (1) ((Upon every person engaging within this state in the business 4 of manufacturing:

5 (a) Wheat into flour, barley into pearl barley, soybeans into 6 soybean oil, canola into canola oil, canola meal, or canola by-7 products, or sunflower seeds into sunflower oil; as to such persons the 8 amount of tax with respect to such business is equal to the value of 9 the flour, pearl barley, oil, canola meal, or canola by-product 10 manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent;

11 (b) Beginning July 1, 2015, seafood products that remain in a raw, 12 raw frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the manufacturing 13 by that person; or selling manufactured seafood products that remain in a raw, raw frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the 14 manufacturing, to purchasers who transport in the ordinary course of 15 16 business the goods out of this state; as to such persons the amount of 17 tax with respect to such business is equal to the value of the products 18 manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such sales, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers must keep and preserve records 19 20 for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods 21 were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business 22 out of this state;

23 (c) Beginning July 1, 2015, dairy products that as of September 20, 24 2001, are identified in 21 C.F.R., chapter 1, parts 131, 133, and 135, 25 including by-products from the manufacturing of the dairy products such 26 as whey and casein; or selling the same to purchasers who transport in 27 the ordinary course of business the goods out of state; as to such persons the tax imposed is equal to the value of the products 28 manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied 29 by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers must keep and preserve records 30 31 for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods 32 were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business 33 out of this state;

34 (d) Beginning July 1, 2015, fruits or vegetables by canning,
 35 preserving, freezing, processing, or dehydrating fresh fruits or
 36 vegetables, or selling at wholesale fruits or vegetables manufactured
 37 by the seller by canning, preserving, freezing, processing, or
 38 dehydrating fresh fruits or vegetables and sold to purchasers who

transport in the ordinary course of business the goods out of this state; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business is equal to the value of the products manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers 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;

8 (e) Until July 1, 2009, alcohol fuel, biodiesel fuel, or biodiesel 9 feedstock, as those terms are defined in RCW 82.29A.135; as to such 10 persons the amount of tax with respect to the business is equal to the 11 value of alcohol fuel, biodiesel fuel, or biodiesel feedstock 12 manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent; and

13 (f) Wood biomass fuel as defined in RCW 82.29A.135; as to such 14 persons the amount of tax with respect to the business is equal to the 15 value of wood biomass fuel manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 16 0.138 percent.

17 (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 18 splitting or processing dried peas; as to such persons the amount of 19 tax with respect to such business is equal to the value of the peas 20 split or processed, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.

21 (3)) Upon every nonprofit corporation and nonprofit association 22 engaging within this state in research and development, as to such 23 corporations and associations, the amount of tax with respect to such 24 activities is equal to the gross income derived from such activities 25 multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

26 ((<del>(4)</del> Upon every person engaging within this state in the business 27 of slaughtering, breaking and/or processing perishable meat products 28 and/or selling the same at wholesale only and not at retail; as to such 29 persons the tax imposed is equal to the gross proceeds derived from 30 such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.

31 (5)) (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the 32 business of acting as a travel agent or tour operator; as to such 33 persons the amount of the tax with respect to such activities is equal 34 to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate 35 of 0.275 percent.

36 ((<del>(6)</del>)) <u>(3)</u> Upon every person engaging within this state in 37 business as an international steamship agent, international customs 38 house broker, international freight forwarder, vessel and/or cargo

1 charter broker in foreign commerce, and/or international air cargo 2 agent; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to only 3 international activities is equal to the gross income derived from such 4 activities multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.

5 (((7))) (4) Upon every person engaging within this state in the б business of stevedoring and associated activities pertinent to the 7 movement of goods and commodities in waterborne interstate or foreign 8 commerce; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such 9 business is equal to the gross proceeds derived from such activities 10 multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent. Persons subject to taxation 11 under this subsection are exempt from payment of taxes imposed by 12 chapter 82.16 RCW for that portion of their business subject to 13 taxation under this subsection. Stevedoring and associated activities pertinent to the conduct of goods and commodities in waterborne 14 15 interstate or foreign commerce are defined as all activities of a labor, service or transportation nature whereby cargo may be loaded or 16 17 unloaded to or from vessels or barges, passing over, onto or under a 18 wharf, pier, or similar structure; cargo may be moved to a warehouse or 19 similar holding or storage yard or area to await further movement in 20 import or export or may move to a consolidation freight station and be 21 stuffed, unstuffed, containerized, separated or otherwise segregated or 22 aggregated for delivery or loaded on any mode of transportation for 23 delivery to its consignee. Specific activities included in this 24 definition are: Wharfage, handling, loading, unloading, moving of cargo to a convenient place of delivery to the consignee or a 25 26 convenient place for further movement to export mode; documentation 27 services in connection with the receipt, delivery, checking, care, custody and control of cargo required in the transfer of cargo; 28 29 imported automobile handling prior to delivery to consignee; terminal 30 stevedoring and incidental vessel services, including but not limited and unplugging refrigerator service to containers, 31 to plugging 32 trailers, and other refrigerated cargo receptacles, and securing ship hatch covers. 33

34 ((<del>(8)</del>)) <u>(5)(a)</u> Upon every person engaging within this state in the 35 business of disposing of low-level waste, as defined in RCW 43.145.010; 36 as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such business 37 is equal to the gross income of the business, excluding any fees imposed under chapter 43.200 RCW, multiplied by the rate of 3.3
percent.

3 (b) If the gross income of the taxpayer is attributable to 4 activities both within and without this state, the gross income 5 attributable to this state must be determined in accordance with the 6 methods of apportionment required under RCW 82.04.460.

7 ((<del>(9)</del>)) <u>(6)</u> Upon every person engaging within this state as an 8 insurance producer or title insurance agent licensed under chapter 9 48.17 RCW or a surplus line broker licensed under chapter 48.15 RCW; as 10 to such persons, the amount of the tax with respect to such licensed 11 activities is equal to the gross income of such business multiplied by 12 the rate of 0.484 percent.

13 ((<del>(10)</del>)) <u>(7)</u> Upon every person engaging within this state in 14 business as a hospital, as defined in chapter 70.41 RCW, that is 15 operated as a nonprofit corporation or by the state or any of its 16 political subdivisions, as to such persons, the amount of tax with 17 respect to such activities is equal to the gross income of the business 18 multiplied by the rate of 0.75 percent through June 30, 1995, and 1.5 19 percent thereafter.

20 ((<del>(11)</del>)) <u>(8)</u>(a) Beginning October 1, 2005, upon every person 21 engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing commercial 22 airplanes, or components of such airplanes, or making sales, at retail 23 or wholesale, of commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes, manufactured by the seller, as to such persons the amount of tax with 24 respect to such business is, in the case of manufacturers, equal to the 25 26 value of the product manufactured and the gross proceeds of sales of 27 the product manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of: 28

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(i) 0.4235 percent from October 1, 2005, through June 30, 2007; and(ii) 0.2904 percent beginning July 1, 2007.

(b) Beginning July 1, 2008, upon every person who is not eligible 31 32 to report under the provisions of (a) of this subsection  $\left(\frac{(11)}{(21)}\right)$ and is engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing 33 tooling specifically designed for use in manufacturing commercial 34 35 airplanes or components of such airplanes, or making sales, at retail 36 or wholesale, of such tooling manufactured by the seller, as to such 37 persons the amount of tax with respect to such business is, in the case 38 of manufacturers, equal to the value of the product manufactured and

the gross proceeds of sales 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 0.2904 percent.

4 (c) For the purposes of this subsection ((<del>(11)</del>)) <u>(8)</u>, "commercial
5 airplane" and "component" have the same meanings as provided in RCW
6 82.32.550.

7 (d) In addition to all other requirements under this title, a 8 person reporting under the tax rate provided in this subsection 9 ((<del>(11)</del>)) <u>(8)</u> must file a complete annual report with the department 10 under RCW 82.32.534.

11 (e) This subsection (((11))) (8) does not apply on and after July 12 1, 2024.

13 (((<del>(12)</del>)) <u>(9)</u>(a) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging 14 within this state in the business of extracting timber or extracting timber for hire ((timber)); as to such persons the amount of tax with 15 16 respect to the business is, in the case of extractors, equal to the 17 value of products, including by-products, extracted, or in the case of extractors for hire, equal to the gross income of the business, 18 multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from July 1, 2006, through 19 20 June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 21 2024.

22 (b) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing or processing for hire: 23 (i) 24 Timber into timber products or wood products; or (ii) timber products 25 into other timber products or wood products; as to such persons the 26 amount of the tax with respect to the business is, in the case of 27 manufacturers, equal to the value of products, including by-products, 28 manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, equal to the gross 29 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, 30 31 2007, through June 30, 2024.

(c) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of selling at wholesale: (i) Timber extracted by that person; (ii) timber products manufactured by that person from timber or other timber products; or (iii) wood products manufactured by that person from timber or timber products; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to the business is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the timber, timber products, or wood products 1 multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from July 1, 2006, through 2 June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 3 2024.

4 (d) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this 5 state in the business of selling standing timber; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to the business is equal to the 6 7 gross income of the business multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent. 8 For purposes of this subsection  $\left(\left(\frac{12}{12}\right)\right)$  (9)(d), "selling standing timber" means the sale of timber apart from the land, where the buyer 9 10 is required to sever the timber within thirty months from the date of the original contract, regardless of the method of payment for the 11 timber and whether title to the timber transfers before, upon, or after 12 13 severance.

14 (e) For purposes of this subsection, the following definitions 15 apply:

(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 19 20 cellulosic fibers held together largely by hydrogen bonding. "Paper 21 and paper products" includes newsprint; office, printing, fine, and 22 pressure-sensitive papers; paper napkins, towels, and toilet tissue; 23 kraft bag, construction, and other kraft industrial papers; paperboard, 24 liquid packaging containers, containerboard, corrugated, and solid-25 fiber containers including linerboard and corrugated medium; and 26 related types of cellulosic products containing primarily, by weight or 27 volume, cellulosic materials. "Paper and paper products" does not include books, newspapers, magazines, periodicals, and other printed 28 publications, advertising materials, calendars, and similar types of 29 30 printed materials.

31 (iii) "Recycled paper" means paper and paper products having fifty 32 percent or more of their fiber content that comes from postconsumer 33 waste. For purposes of this subsection (((12))) (9)(e)(iii), 34 "postconsumer waste" means a finished material that would normally be 35 disposed of as solid waste, having completed its life cycle as a 36 consumer item.

37 (iv) "Timber" means forest trees, standing or down, on privately or

1 publicly owned land. "Timber" does not include Christmas trees that 2 are cultivated by agricultural methods or short-rotation hardwoods as 3 defined in RCW 84.33.035.

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(v) "Timber products" means:

5 (A) Logs, wood chips, sawdust, wood waste, and similar products 6 obtained wholly from the processing of timber, short-rotation hardwoods 7 as defined in RCW 84.33.035, or both;

8 (B) Pulp, including market pulp and pulp derived from recovered9 paper or paper products; and

10 (C) Recycled paper, but only when used in the manufacture of 11 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.

16 (f) Except for small harvesters as defined in RCW 84.33.035, a 17 person reporting under the tax rate provided in this subsection 18 (((12))) (9) must file a complete annual survey with the department 19 under RCW 82.32.585.

20 (((13))) (10) Upon every person engaging within this state in 21 inspecting, testing, labeling, and storing canned salmon owned by 22 another person, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to 23 such activities is equal to the gross income derived from such 24 activities multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

(((14))) (11)(a) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of printing a newspaper, publishing a newspaper, or both, the amount of tax on such business is equal to the gross income of the business multiplied by the rate of 0.365 percent through June 30, 2013, and beginning July 1, 2013, multiplied by the rate of 0.35 percent.

30 (b) A person reporting under the tax rate provided in this 31 subsection (((14))) (11) must file a complete annual report with the 32 department under RCW 82.32.534.

33 **Sec. 208.** RCW 82.04.260 and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 6 s 204 are each 34 amended to read as follows:

35 (1) ((Upon every person engaging within this state in the business 36 of 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 is equal to the value of the flour, pearl barley, oil, canola meal, or canola by-product manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent;

7 (b) Beginning July 1, 2015, seafood products that remain in a raw, raw frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the manufacturing 8 9 by that person; or selling manufactured seafood products that remain in a raw, raw frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the 10 11 manufacturing, to purchasers who transport in the ordinary course of business the goods out of this state; as to such persons the amount of 12 13 tax with respect to such business is equal to the value of the products 14 manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such sales, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers must keep and preserve records 15 16 for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods 17 were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business 18 out of this state;

19 (c) Beginning July 1, 2015, dairy products that as of September 20, 20 2001, are identified in 21 C.F.R., chapter 1, parts 131, 133, and 135, 21 including by-products from the manufacturing of the dairy products such 22 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 23 24 persons the tax imposed is equal to the value of the products 25 manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied 26 by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers must keep and preserve records 27 for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods 28 were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business out of this state; 29

30 (d) Beginning July 1, 2015, fruits or vegetables by canning, 31 preserving, freezing, processing, or dehydrating fresh fruits or 32 vegetables, or selling at wholesale fruits or vegetables manufactured by the seller by canning, preserving, freezing, processing, or 33 dehydrating fresh fruits or vegetables and sold to purchasers who 34 35 transport in the ordinary course of business the goods out of this 36 state; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business is equal to the value of the products manufactured or the 37 38 gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138

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

4 (e) Until July 1, 2009, alcohol fuel, biodiesel fuel, or biodiesel 5 feedstock, as those terms are defined in RCW 82.29A.135; as to such 6 persons the amount of tax with respect to the business is equal to the 7 value of alcohol fuel, biodiesel fuel, or biodiesel feedstock 8 manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent; and

9 (f) Wood biomass fuel as defined in RCW 82.29A.135; as to such 10 persons the amount of tax with respect to the business is equal to the 11 value of wood biomass fuel manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 12 0.138 percent.

13 (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 14 splitting or processing dried peas; as to such persons the amount of 15 tax with respect to such business is equal to the value of the peas 16 split or processed, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.

17 (3)) Upon every nonprofit corporation and nonprofit association 18 engaging within this state in research and development, as to such 19 corporations and associations, the amount of tax with respect to such 20 activities is equal to the gross income derived from such activities 21 multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

(((4) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of 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 is equal to the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.

27 (5)) (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the 28 business of acting as a travel agent or tour operator; as to such 29 persons the amount of the tax with respect to such activities is equal 30 to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate 31 of 0.275 percent.

32 ((<del>(6)</del>)) <u>(3)</u> Upon every person engaging within this state in 33 business as an international steamship agent, international customs 34 house broker, international freight forwarder, vessel and/or cargo 35 charter broker in foreign commerce, and/or international air cargo 36 agent; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to only 37 international activities is equal to the gross income derived from such 38 activities multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.

(((7))) (4) Upon every person engaging within this state in the 1 2 business of stevedoring and associated activities pertinent to the movement of goods and commodities in waterborne interstate or foreign 3 4 commerce; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business is equal to the gross proceeds derived from such activities 5 6 multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent. Persons subject to taxation 7 under this subsection are exempt from payment of taxes imposed by chapter 82.16 RCW for that portion of their business subject to 8 9 taxation under this subsection. Stevedoring and associated activities pertinent to the conduct of goods and commodities in waterborne 10 11 interstate or foreign commerce are defined as all activities of a 12 labor, service or transportation nature whereby cargo may be loaded or 13 unloaded to or from vessels or barges, passing over, onto or under a 14 wharf, pier, or similar structure; cargo may be moved to a warehouse or 15 similar holding or storage yard or area to await further movement in import or export or may move to a consolidation freight station and be 16 stuffed, unstuffed, containerized, separated or otherwise segregated or 17 18 aggregated for delivery or loaded on any mode of transportation for 19 delivery to its consignee. Specific activities included in this 20 definition are: Wharfage, handling, loading, unloading, moving of 21 cargo to a convenient place of delivery to the consignee or a 22 convenient place for further movement to export mode; documentation 23 services in connection with the receipt, delivery, checking, care, 24 custody and control of cargo required in the transfer of cargo; imported automobile handling prior to delivery to consignee; terminal 25 26 stevedoring and incidental vessel services, including but not limited 27 to plugging and unplugging refrigerator service to containers, trailers, and other refrigerated cargo receptacles, and securing ship 28 29 hatch covers.

30 ((<del>(8)</del>)) <u>(5)(a)</u> Upon every person engaging within this state in the 31 business of disposing of low-level waste, as defined in RCW 43.145.010; 32 as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such business 33 is equal to the gross income of the business, excluding any fees 34 imposed under chapter 43.200 RCW, multiplied by the rate of 3.3 35 percent.

36 <u>(b)</u> If the gross income of the taxpayer is attributable to 37 activities both within and without this state, the gross income

attributable to this state must be determined in accordance with the
 methods of apportionment required under RCW 82.04.460.

3 (((9))) (6) Upon every person engaging within this state as an 4 insurance producer or title insurance agent licensed under chapter 5 48.17 RCW or a surplus line broker licensed under chapter 48.15 RCW; as 6 to such persons, the amount of the tax with respect to such licensed 7 activities is equal to the gross income of such business multiplied by 8 the rate of 0.484 percent.

9 ((<del>(10)</del>)) <u>(7)</u> Upon every person engaging within this state in 10 business as a hospital, as defined in chapter 70.41 RCW, that is 11 operated as a nonprofit corporation or by the state or any of its 12 political subdivisions, as to such persons, the amount of tax with 13 respect to such activities is equal to the gross income of the business 14 multiplied by the rate of 0.75 percent through June 30, 1995, and 1.5 15 percent thereafter.

((<del>(11)</del>)) <u>(8)</u>(a) Beginning October 1, 2005, upon every person 16 17 engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing commercial airplanes, or components of such airplanes, or making sales, at retail 18 19 or wholesale, of commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes, 20 manufactured by the seller, as to such persons the amount of tax with 21 respect to such business is, in the case of manufacturers, equal to the 22 value of the product manufactured and the gross proceeds of sales of 23 the product manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, equal 24 to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of:

25 26 (i) 0.4235 percent from October 1, 2005, through June 30, 2007; and (ii) 0.2904 percent beginning July 1, 2007.

27 (b) Beginning July 1, 2008, upon every person who is not eligible to report under the provisions of (a) of this subsection (((11))) (8) 28 29 and is engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing 30 tooling specifically designed for use in manufacturing commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes, or making sales, at retail 31 32 or wholesale, of such tooling manufactured by the seller, as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business is, in the case 33 of manufacturers, equal to the value of the product manufactured and 34 35 the gross proceeds of sales of the product manufactured, or in the case 36 of processors for hire, be equal to the gross income of the business, 37 multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent.

(c) For the purposes of this subsection ((<del>(11)</del>)) <u>(8)</u>, "commercial
 airplane" 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 reporting under the tax rate provided in this subsection
((<del>(11))</del>) <u>(8)</u> must file a complete annual report with the department
under RCW 82.32.534.

8 (e) This subsection ((<del>(11)</del>)) <u>(8)</u> does not apply on and after July
9 1, 2024.

10  $\left(\left(\frac{12}{12}\right)\right)$  (9)(a) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of extracting timber or extracting 11 12 timber for hire ((timber)); as to such persons the amount of tax with 13 respect to the business is, in the case of extractors, equal to the value of products, including by-products, extracted, or in the case of 14 extractors for hire, equal to the gross income of the business, 15 multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from July 1, 2006, through 16 17 June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2024. 18

19 (b) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing or processing for hire: (i) 20 21 Timber into timber products or wood products; or (ii) timber products 22 into other timber products or wood products; as to such persons the 23 amount of the tax with respect to the business is, in the case of 24 manufacturers, equal to the value of products, including by-products, 25 manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, equal to the gross 26 income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from 27 July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 28 2007, through June 30, 2024.

29 (c) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this 30 state in the business of selling at wholesale: (i) Timber extracted by that person; (ii) timber products manufactured by that person from 31 32 timber or other timber products; or (iii) wood products manufactured by that person from timber or timber products; as to such persons the 33 amount of the tax with respect to the business is equal to the gross 34 35 proceeds of sales of the timber, timber products, or wood products 36 multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from July 1, 2006, through 37 June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 38 2024.

(d) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this 1 2 state in the business of selling standing timber; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to the business is equal to the 3 gross income of the business multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent. 4 5 For purposes of this subsection  $\left(\left(\frac{12}{12}\right)\right)$  <u>(9)</u>(d), "selling standing timber" means the sale of timber apart from the land, where the buyer 6 7 is required to sever the timber within thirty months from the date of the original contract, regardless of the method of payment for the 8 timber and whether title to the timber transfers before, upon, or after 9 10 severance.

11 (e) For purposes of this subsection, the following definitions 12 apply:

(i) "Biocomposite surface products" means surface material products 13 14 containing, by weight or volume, more than fifty percent recycled paper and that also use nonpetroleum-based phenolic resin as a bonding agent. 15 16 (ii) "Paper and paper products" means products made of interwoven 17 cellulosic fibers held together largely by hydrogen bonding. "Paper 18 and paper products" includes newsprint; office, printing, fine, and pressure-sensitive papers; paper napkins, towels, and toilet tissue; 19 20 kraft bag, construction, and other kraft industrial papers; paperboard, 21 liquid packaging containers, containerboard, corrugated, and solid-22 fiber containers including linerboard and corrugated medium; and 23 related types of cellulosic products containing primarily, by weight or 24 volume, cellulosic materials. "Paper and paper products" does not 25 include books, newspapers, magazines, periodicals, and other printed 26 publications, advertising materials, calendars, and similar types of 27 printed materials.

(iii) "Recycled paper" means paper and paper products having fifty percent or more of their fiber content that comes from postconsumer waste. For purposes of this subsection (((12))) <u>(9)(e)(iii)</u>, "postconsumer waste" means a finished material that would normally be disposed of as 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.

38 (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;

4 (B) Pulp, including market pulp and pulp derived from recovered5 paper or paper products; and

6 (C) Recycled paper, but only when used in the manufacture of 7 biocomposite surface products.

8 (vi) "Wood products" means paper and paper products; dimensional 9 lumber; engineered wood products such as particleboard, oriented strand 10 board, medium density fiberboard, and plywood; wood doors; wood 11 windows; and biocomposite surface products.

(f) Except for small harvesters as defined in RCW 84.33.035, a person reporting under the tax rate provided in this subsection ((<del>(12)</del>)) <u>(9)</u> must file a complete annual survey with the department under RCW 82.32.585.

16 (((13))) (10) Upon every person engaging within this state in 17 inspecting, testing, labeling, and storing canned salmon owned by 18 another person, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to 19 such activities is equal to the gross income derived from such 20 activities multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

(((14))) (11)(a) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of printing a newspaper, publishing a newspaper, or both, the amount of tax on such business is equal to the gross income of the business multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent.

25 (b) A person reporting under the tax rate provided in this 26 subsection (((+14+))) (11) must file a complete annual report with the 27 department under RCW 82.32.534.

28 **Sec. 209.** RCW 82.04.280 and 2010 c 106 s 205 are each amended to 29 read as follows:

30 (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business 31 of: (a) Printing materials other than newspapers, and of publishing periodicals or magazines; (b) ((building, repairing or improving any 32 33 street, place, road, highway, easement, right-of-way, mass public 34 transportation terminal or parking facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle 35 which is owned by a municipal corporation or political subdivision of 36 the state or by the United States and which is used or to be used, 37 primarily for foot or vehicular traffic including mass transportation

vehicles of any kind and including any readjustment, reconstruction or 1 2 relocation of the facilities of any public, private or cooperatively owned utility or railroad in the course of such building, repairing or 3 4 improving, the cost of which readjustment, reconstruction, or relocation, is the responsibility of the public authority whose street, 5 6 place, road, highway, easement, right-of-way, mass public 7 transportation terminal or parking facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle 8 is being built, repaired or improved; (c) extracting for hire or 9 processing for hire, except persons taxable as extractors for hire or 10 processors for hire under another section of this chapter; (d)) operating a cold storage warehouse or storage warehouse, but not 11 12 including the rental of cold storage lockers;  $((\frac{-}{+}))$  (c) representing 13 and performing services for fire or casualty insurance companies as an 14 independent resident managing general agent licensed under the provisions of chapter 48.17 RCW;  $((\frac{f}{f}))$  or (d) radio and television 15 broadcasting, excluding network, national and regional advertising 16 17 computed as a standard deduction based on the national average thereof 18 as annually reported by the federal communications commission, or in 19 lieu thereof by itemization by the individual broadcasting station, and excluding that portion of revenue represented by the out-of-state 20 21 audience computed as a ratio to the station's total audience as 22 measured by the 100 micro-volt signal strength and delivery by wire, if 23 any; ((<del>(g) engaging in activities which bring a person within the</del> definition of consumer contained in RCW 82.04.190(6);)) as to such 24 persons, the amount of tax on such business is equal to the gross 25 26 income of the business multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

(2) For the purposes of this section, the following definitionsapply unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(a) "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.

(b) "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.

6 (c) "Periodical or magazine" means a printed publication, other 7 than a newspaper, issued regularly at stated intervals at least once 8 every three months, including any supplement or special edition of the 9 publication.

10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 210. The following acts or parts of acts are 11 each repealed:

(1) RCW 82.04.272 (Tax on warehousing and reselling prescription
drugs) and 2003 c 168 s 401 & 1998 c 343 s 1;

14 (2) RCW 82.04.2909 (Tax on aluminum smelters) and 2011 c 174 s 301;
15 (3) RCW 82.04.294 (Tax on manufacturers or wholesalers of solar
16 energy systems) and 2011 c 179 s 1, 2010 c 114 s 109, 2009 c 469 s 501,
17 2007 c 54 s 8, & 2005 c 301 s 2;

18 (4) RCW 35.102.120 (Definitions--Tax classifications) and 2003 c 79
19 s 12;

20 (5) 2010 c 114 s 104;

21 (6) 2003 c 149 s 3;

22 (7) 2010 c 106 s 206;

- 23 (8) 2009 c 461 s 3;
- 24 (9) 2006 c 300 s 7; and

25 (10) 2003 c 149 s 4.

26 **Sec. 211.** RCW 35.102.150 and 2011 c 174 s 201 are each amended to 27 read as follows:

Notwithstanding RCW 35.102.130, a city that imposes a business and 28 29 occupation tax must allocate a person's gross income from the 30 activities of printing, and of publishing newspapers, periodicals, or magazines, to the principal place in this state from which the 31 32 taxpayer's business is directed or managed. As used in this section, the activities of printing, and of publishing newspapers, periodicals, 33 34 or magazines are those activities to which the tax rates in RCW 35 82.04.260((<del>(13)</del>)) (11) and 82.04.280(1)(a) apply.

1 sec. 212. RCW 48.14.080 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 23 s 520 are each
2 amended to read as follows:

3 (1) As to insurers, other than title insurers and taxpayers under 4 RCW 48.14.0201, the taxes imposed by this title are in lieu of all 5 other taxes, except as otherwise provided in this section.

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(2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply with respect to:

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(a) Taxes on real and tangible personal property;

8 (b) Excise taxes on the sale, purchase, use, or possession of (i) 9 real property; (ii) tangible personal property; (iii) extended 10 warranties; (iv) services, including digital automated services as 11 defined in RCW 82.04.192; and (v) digital goods and digital codes as 12 those terms are defined in RCW 82.04.192; and

13 (c) The tax imposed in ((<del>RCW 82.04.260(9), regarding</del>)) <u>chapter</u> 14 <u>82.04 RCW on</u> public and nonprofit hospitals.

15 (3) For the purposes of this section, the term "taxes" includes 16 taxes imposed by the state or any county, city, town, municipal 17 corporation, quasi-municipal corporation, or other political 18 subdivision.

19 Sec. 213. RCW 82.04.261 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 23 s 510 are each 20 amended to read as follows:

(1) In addition to the taxes imposed under RCW 82.04.260(((11)))(9), a surcharge is imposed on those persons who are subject to any of the taxes imposed under RCW 82.04.260(((11))) (9). Except as otherwise provided in this section, the surcharge is equal to 0.052 percent. The surcharge is added to the rates provided in RCW 82.04.260((((11)))) (9) (a), (b), (c), and (d). The surcharge and this section expire July 1, 2024.

(2) All receipts from the surcharge imposed under this section must
 be deposited into the forest and fish support account created in RCW
 76.09.405.

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(3)(a) The surcharge imposed under this section is suspended if:

32 (i) Receipts from the surcharge total at least eight million33 dollars during any fiscal biennium; or

(ii) The office of financial management certifies to the department
 that the federal government has appropriated at least two million
 dollars for participation in forest and fish report-related activities

by federally recognized Indian tribes located within the geographical
 boundaries of the state of Washington for any federal fiscal year.

3 (b)(i) The suspension of the surcharge under (a)(i) of this 4 subsection (3) takes effect on the first day of the calendar month that 5 is at least thirty days after the end of the month during which the 6 department determines that receipts from the surcharge total at least 7 eight million dollars during the fiscal biennium. The surcharge is 8 imposed again at the beginning of the following fiscal biennium.

9 (ii) The suspension of the surcharge under (a)(ii) of this subsection (3) takes effect on the later of the first day of October of 10 11 any federal fiscal year for which the federal government appropriates 12 at least two million dollars for participation in forest and fish 13 report-related activities by federally recognized Indian tribes located within the geographical boundaries of the state of Washington, or the 14 15 first day of a calendar month that is at least thirty days following the date that the office of financial management makes a certification 16 to the department under subsection (5) of this section. 17 The surcharge 18 is imposed again on the first day of the following July.

19 (4)(a) If, by October 1st of any federal fiscal year, the office of 20 financial management certifies to the department that the federal 21 government has appropriated funds for participation in forest and fish 22 report-related activities by federally recognized Indian tribes located 23 within the geographical boundaries of the state of Washington but the 24 amount of the appropriation is less than two million dollars, the 25 department must adjust the surcharge in accordance with this 26 subsection.

27 (b) The department must adjust the surcharge by an amount that the department estimates will cause the amount of funds deposited into the 28 forest and fish support account for the state fiscal year that begins 29 30 July 1st and that includes the beginning of the federal fiscal year for which the federal appropriation is made, to be reduced by twice the 31 amount of the federal appropriation for participation in forest and 32 33 fish report-related activities by federally recognized Indian tribes located within the geographical boundaries of the state of Washington. 34

35 (c) Any adjustment in the surcharge takes effect at the beginning 36 of a calendar month that is at least thirty days after the date that 37 the office of financial management makes the certification under 38 subsection (5) of this section.

1 (d) The surcharge is imposed again at the rate provided in 2 subsection (1) of this section on the first day of the following state 3 fiscal year unless the surcharge is suspended under subsection (3) of 4 this section or adjusted for that fiscal year under this subsection.

5 (e) Adjustments of the amount of the surcharge by the department 6 are final and may not be used to challenge the validity of the 7 surcharge imposed under this section.

8 (f) The department must provide timely notice to affected taxpayers 9 of the suspension of the surcharge or an adjustment of the surcharge.

10 (5) The office of financial management must make the certification 11 to the department as to the status of federal appropriations for tribal 12 participation in forest and fish report-related activities.

13 Sec. 214. RCW 82.04.270 and 2004 c 24 s 5 are each amended to read 14 as follows:

Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales at wholesale, except persons taxable ((as wholesalers)) under other provisions of this chapter <u>on the business of making sales</u> <u>at wholesale</u>; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) <u>is</u> equal to the gross proceeds of sales of such business multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

21 **Sec. 215.** RCW 82.04.29002 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 23 s 1101 are each 22 amended to read as follows:

(1) Beginning May 1, 2010, through June 30, 2013, an additional rate of tax of 0.30 percent is added to the rate provided for in RCW ((82.04.255,)) 82.04.285((7)) and 82.04.290(2)(a).

26  $(2)((\frac{a}{a}))$  The additional rate in subsection (1) of this section 27 does not apply to:

28 (a) Persons engaging within this state in business as a hospital. 29 "Hospital" has the meaning provided in chapter 70.41 RCW but also 30 includes any hospital that comes within the scope of chapter 71.12 RCW 31 if the hospital is also licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW((-)); and

32 (b) ((The additional rate in subsection (1) of this section does 33 not apply to)) <u>A</u>mounts received from performing scientific research and 34 development services including but not limited to research and 35 development in the physical, engineering, and life sciences (such as agriculture, bacteriological, biotechnology, chemical, life sciences,
 and physical science research and development laboratories or
 services).

4 **Sec. 216.** RCW 82.04.298 and 2011 c 2 s 204 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

б (1) The amount of tax with respect to a qualified grocery 7 distribution cooperative's sales of groceries or related goods for resale, excluding ((items subject to tax under RCW 82.04.260(4))) 8 9 qualifying meat products, to customer-owners of the grocery 10 distribution cooperative is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the grocery distribution cooperative multiplied by the rate of one and 11 12 one-half percent.

(2) A qualified grocery distribution cooperative is allowed a 13 14 deduction from the gross proceeds of sales of groceries or related goods for resale, excluding ((items subject to tax under RCW 15 82.04.260(4))) qualifying meat products, to customer-owners of the 16 grocery distribution cooperative that is equal to the portion of the 17 18 gross proceeds of sales for resale that represents the actual cost of the merchandise sold by the grocery distribution cooperative to 19 20 customer-owners.

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

(a) "Grocery distribution cooperative" means an entity that sells groceries and related items to customer-owners of the grocery distribution cooperative and has customer-owners, in the aggregate, who own a majority of the outstanding ownership interests of the grocery distribution cooperative or of the entity controlling the grocery distribution cooperative. "Grocery distribution cooperative" includes an entity that controls a grocery distribution cooperative.

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(b) "Qualified grocery distribution cooperative" means:

(i) A grocery distribution cooperative that has been determined by a court of record of the state of Washington to be not engaged in wholesaling or making sales at wholesale, within the meaning of RCW 82.04.270 or any similar provision of a municipal ordinance that imposes a tax on gross receipts, gross proceeds of sales, or gross income, with respect to purchases made by customer-owners, and

subsequently changes its form of doing business to make sales at
 wholesale of groceries or related items to its customer-owners; or

3 (ii) A grocery distribution cooperative that has acquired
4 substantially all of the assets of a grocery distribution cooperative
5 described in (b)(i) of this subsection.

6 (c) "Customer-owner" means a person who has an ownership interest 7 in a grocery distribution cooperative and purchases groceries and 8 related items at wholesale from that grocery distribution cooperative.

9 (d) "Controlling" means holding fifty percent or more of the voting 10 interests of an entity and having at least equal power to direct or 11 cause the direction of the management and policies of the entity, 12 whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract, or 13 otherwise.

14 (e) "Qualifying meat product" has the same meaning as provided in 15 section 306 of this act.

16 **Sec. 217.** RCW 82.04.334 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 23 s 512 are each 17 amended to read as follows:

This chapter does not apply to any sale of standing timber excluded from the definition of "sale" in RCW 82.45.010(3). The definitions in RCW 82.04.260(((11))) (9) apply to this section.

21 **Sec. 218.** RCW 82.04.440 and 2011 c 2 s 205 are each amended to 22 read as follows:

(1) Every person engaged in activities that are subject to tax under two or more provisions of RCW 82.04.230 through 82.04.298, inclusive, is taxable under each provision applicable to those activities.

(2) Persons taxable under RCW ((<del>82.04.2909(2),</del>)) 82.04.250, 27 82.04.270, ((82.04.294(2),)) or 82.04.260 (((1)(b), (c), or (d), (4),28 (11), or (12))) (8) or (9)(c) with respect to selling products in this 29 30 state, including those persons who are also taxable under RCW 82.04.261, are allowed a credit against those taxes for any (a) 31 32 manufacturing taxes paid with respect to the manufacturing of products so sold in this state, and/or (b) extracting taxes paid with respect to 33 34 the extracting of products so sold in this state or ingredients of 35 products so sold in this state. Extracting taxes taken as credit under 36 subsection (3) of this section may also be taken under this subsection,

1 if otherwise allowable under this subsection. The amount of the credit 2 may not exceed the tax liability arising under this chapter with 3 respect to the sale of those products.

(3) Persons taxable as manufacturers under RCW 82.04.240 or
82.04.260 (((1)(b) or (12))) (9), including those persons who are also
taxable under RCW 82.04.261, are allowed a credit against those taxes
for any extracting taxes paid with respect to extracting the
ingredients of the products so manufactured in this state. The amount
of the credit may not exceed the tax liability arising under this
chapter with respect to the manufacturing of those products.

11 taxable under RCW (4) Persons 82.04.230, 82.04.240,  $((\frac{82.04.2909(1)}{82.04.294(1)}, \frac{82.04.2404}{82.04.2404}))$  or 82.04.260  $((\frac{1}{1}, \frac{2}{2}),$ 12 13 (4), (11), or (12))) (8) or (9), including those persons who are also 82.04.261, with respect to extracting 14 taxable under RCW or manufacturing products in this state are allowed a credit against those 15 taxes for any (i) gross receipts taxes paid to another state with 16 17 respect to the sales of the products so extracted or manufactured in 18 this state, (ii) manufacturing taxes paid with respect to the manufacturing of products using ingredients so extracted in this state, 19 or (iii) manufacturing taxes paid with respect to manufacturing 20 21 activities completed in another state for products so manufactured in 22 this state. The amount of the credit may not exceed the tax liability 23 arising under this chapter with respect to the extraction or 24 manufacturing of those products.

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(5) For the purpose of this section:

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(a) "Gross receipts tax" means a tax:

(i) Which is imposed on or measured by the gross volume of business, in terms of gross receipts or in other terms, and in the determination of which the deductions allowed would not constitute the tax an income tax or value added tax; and

31 (ii) Which is also not, pursuant to law or custom, separately 32 stated from the sales price.

33 (b) "State" means (i) the state of Washington, (ii) a state of the 34 United States other than Washington, or any political subdivision of 35 such other state, (iii) the District of Columbia, and (iv) any foreign 36 country or political subdivision thereof.

37 (c) "Manufacturing tax" means a gross receipts tax imposed on the
 38 act or privilege of engaging in business as a manufacturer, and

includes (i) the taxes imposed <u>on persons who are engaged in business</u> <u>as a manufacturer</u> in RCW 82.04.240((<del>, 82.04.2404, 82.04.2909(1),</del>)) <u>and</u> 82.04.260 ((<del>(1), (2), (4), (11), and (12), and 82.04.294(1)</del>)) <u>(8) or</u> (<u>9);</u> (ii) the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.261 on persons who are engaged in business as a manufacturer; and (iii) similar gross receipts taxes paid to other states.

7 (d) "Extracting tax" means a gross receipts tax imposed on the act 8 or privilege of engaging in business as an extractor, and includes (i) 9 the tax imposed on extractors in RCW 82.04.230 and 82.04.260((<del>(12)</del>)) 10 <u>(9);</u> (ii) the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.261 on persons who are 11 engaged in business as an extractor; and (iii) similar gross receipts 12 taxes paid to other states.

(e) "Business", "manufacturer", "extractor", and other terms used in this section have the meanings given in RCW 82.04.020 through ((82.04.212 [82.04.217])) 82.04.217, notwithstanding the use of those terms in the context of describing taxes imposed by other states.

17 **Sec. 219.** RCW 82.04.4451 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 23 s 1102 are each 18 amended to read as follows:

(1) In computing the tax imposed under this chapter, a credit is 19 20 allowed against the amount of tax otherwise due under this chapter, as 21 provided in this section. Except for taxpayers that report at least 22 fifty percent of their taxable amount under RCW  $((\frac{82.04.255_{7}}{}))$ 23 82.04.290(2)(a)((-)) and 82.04.285, the maximum credit for a taxpayer 24 for a reporting period is thirty-five dollars multiplied by the number 25 of months in the reporting period, as determined under RCW 82.32.045. 26 For a taxpayer that reports at least fifty percent of its taxable 27 amount under RCW  $((\frac{82.04.255}{}))$  82.04.290(2)(a)((-)) and 82.04.285, the maximum credit for a reporting period is seventy dollars multiplied by 28 29 the number of months in the reporting period, as determined under RCW 82.32.045. 30

31 (2) When the amount of tax otherwise due under this chapter is 32 equal to or less than the maximum credit, a credit is allowed equal to 33 the amount of tax otherwise due under this chapter.

34 (3) When the amount of tax otherwise due under this chapter exceeds 35 the maximum credit, a reduced credit is allowed equal to twice the 36 maximum credit, minus the tax otherwise due under this chapter, but not 37 less than zero.

(4) The department may prepare a tax credit table consisting of tax 1 2 ranges using increments of no more than five dollars and a 3 corresponding tax credit to be applied to those tax ranges. The table ((shall)) must be prepared in such a manner that no taxpayer will owe 4 a greater amount of tax by using the table than would be owed by 5 performing the calculation under subsections (1) through (3) of this б 7 section. A table prepared by the department under this subsection must 8 be used by all taxpayers in taking the credit provided in this section.

9 Sec. 220. RCW 82.04.4463 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 23 s 515 are each 10 amended to read as follows:

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

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(2) The credit is equal to:

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

(B) Leasehold excise taxes paid with respect to buildings constructed after January 1, 2006, the land upon which the buildings are located, or both, if the buildings are used exclusively in manufacturing commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes; and

23 (C) Property taxes or leasehold excise taxes paid on, or with respect to, buildings constructed after June 30, 2008, the land upon 24 25 which the buildings are located, or both, and used exclusively for 26 aerospace product development, manufacturing tooling specifically 27 designed for use in manufacturing commercial airplanes or their 28 components, or in providing aerospace services, by persons not within 29 the scope of (a)(i)(A) and (B) of this subsection (2) and are taxable 30 under RCW 82.04.290(3), 82.04.260(((10)))) (8)(b), or 82.04.250(3); or

(ii) Property taxes attributable to an increase in assessed value due to the renovation or expansion, after: (A) December 1, 2003, of a building used exclusively in manufacturing commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes; and (B) June 30, 2008, of buildings used exclusively for aerospace product development, manufacturing tooling specifically designed for use in manufacturing commercial airplanes or

their components, or in providing aerospace services, by persons not within the scope of (a)(ii)(A) of this subsection (2) and are taxable under RCW 82.04.290(3), 82.04.260((<del>(10)</del>)) <u>(8)(b)</u>, or 82.04.250(3); and (b) An amount equal to:

4 (b) An amount equal to:

(i)(A) Property taxes paid, by persons taxable under RCW
82.04.260(((10))) (8)(a), on machinery and equipment exempt under RCW
82.08.02565 or 82.12.02565 and acquired after December 1, 2003;

8 (B) Property taxes paid, by persons taxable under RCW 9 82.04.260((<del>(10)</del>)) <u>(8)</u>(b), on machinery and equipment exempt under RCW 10 82.08.02565 or 82.12.02565 and acquired after June 30, 2008; or

(C) Property taxes paid, by persons taxable under RCW 82.04.250(3) or 82.04.290(3), on computer hardware, computer peripherals, and software exempt under RCW 82.08.975 or 82.12.975 and acquired after June 30, 2008.

(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.

(A) The numerator of the fraction is the total taxable amount subject to the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.260(((10))) (8) (a) or (b) on the applicable business activities of manufacturing commercial airplanes, components of such airplanes, or tooling specifically designed for use in the manufacturing of commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes.

(B) The denominator of the fraction is the total taxable amount
subject to the tax imposed under all manufacturing classifications in
chapter 82.04 RCW.

27 (C) For purposes of both the numerator and denominator of the 28 fraction, the total taxable amount refers to the total taxable amount 29 required to be reported on the person's returns for the calendar year 30 before the calendar year in which the credit under this section is The department may provide for an alternative method for 31 earned. 32 calculating the numerator in cases where the tax rate provided in RCW 82.04.260(((10))) (8) for manufacturing was not in effect during the 33 full calendar year before the calendar year in which the credit under 34 35 this section is earned.

36 (D) No credit is available under (b)(i)(A) or (B) of this 37 subsection (2) if either the numerator or the denominator of the 1 fraction is zero. If the fraction is greater than or equal to nine-2 tenths, then the fraction is rounded to one.

3 (E) As used in (b)(ii)(C) of this subsection (2), "returns" means 4 the tax returns for which the tax imposed under this chapter is 5 reported to the department.

6 (3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 7 section, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

8 (a) "Aerospace product development" has the same meaning as 9 provided in RCW 82.04.4461.

10 (b) "Aerospace services" has the same meaning given in RCW 11 82.08.975.

12 (c) "Commercial airplane" and "component" have the same meanings as 13 provided in RCW 82.32.550.

14 (4) A credit earned during one calendar year may be carried over to 15 be credited against taxes incurred in a subsequent calendar year, but 16 may not be carried over a second year. No refunds may be granted for 17 credits under this section.

18 (5) In addition to all other requirements under this title, a 19 person claiming the credit under this section must file a complete 20 annual report with the department under RCW 82.32.534.

21 (6) This section expires July 1, 2024.

22 **Sec. 221.** RCW 82.04.460 and 2011 c 174 s 203 are each amended to 23 read as follows:

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, any person earning apportionable income taxable under this chapter and also taxable in another state must, for the purpose of computing tax liability under this chapter, apportion to this state, in accordance with RCW 82.04.462, that portion of the person's apportionable income derived from business activities performed within this state.

30 (2) The department must by rule provide a method of apportioning 31 the apportionable income of financial institutions, where such 32 apportionable income is taxable under RCW 82.04.290. The rule adopted 33 by the department must, to the extent feasible, be consistent with the 34 multistate tax commission's recommended formula for the apportionment 35 and allocation of net income of financial institutions as existing on 36 June 1, 2010, or such subsequent date as may be provided by the 1 department by rule, consistent with the purposes of this section, 2 except that:

3 (a) The department's rule must provide for a single factor4 apportionment method based on the receipts factor; and

5 (b) The definition of "financial institution" contained in appendix 6 A to the multistate tax commission's recommended formula for the 7 apportionment and allocation of net income of financial institutions is 8 advisory only.

9 (3) The department may by rule provide a method or methods of 10 apportioning or allocating gross income derived from sales of 11 telecommunications service and competitive telephone service taxed 12 under this chapter, if the gross proceeds of sales subject to tax under 13 this chapter do not fairly represent the extent of the taxpayer's 14 income attributable to this state. The rule must provide for an 15 equitable and constitutionally permissible division of the tax base.

16 (4) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply 17 unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Apportionable income" means gross income of the business generated from engaging in apportionable activities, including income received from apportionable activities performed outside this state if the income would be taxable under this chapter if received from activities in this state, less the exemptions and deductions allowable under this chapter. For purposes of this subsection, "apportionable activities" means only those activities taxed under:

25 (i) ((<del>RCW 82.04.255;</del>

26 (ii)) RCW 82.04.260 (((3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), and 27 (12))) (2) through (8) and (11);

- 28 ((<del>(iii)</del>)) <u>(ii)</u> RCW 82.04.280(1)((<del>(e)</del>)) <u>(c)</u>;
- 29 ((<del>(iv)</del>)) <u>(iii)</u> RCW 82.04.285;
- 30 ((<del>(v)</del>)) <u>(iv)</u> RCW 82.04.286;
- 31 ((<del>(vi)</del>)) <u>(v)</u> RCW 82.04.290;
- 32 ((<del>(vii)</del>)) <u>(vi)</u> RCW 82.04.2907;
- 33 ((<del>(viii)</del>)) <u>(vii)</u> RCW 82.04.2908;

34 (((ix))) (viii) RCW 82.04.263, but only to the extent of any 35 activity that would be taxable under any of the provisions enumerated 36 under (a)(i) through (((viii))) (vii) of this subsection (4) if the tax 37 classification in RCW 82.04.263 did not exist; and 1 (((x))) (ix) RCW 82.04.260(((13))) (11) and 82.04.280(1)(a), but 2 only with respect to advertising.

3 (b)(i) "Taxable in another state" means that the taxpayer is 4 subject to a business activities tax by another state on its income received from engaging in apportionable activities; or the taxpayer is 5 not subject to a business activities tax by another state on its income б 7 received from engaging in apportionable activities, but any other state 8 has jurisdiction to subject the taxpayer to a business activities tax 9 such income under the substantial nexus on standards in RCW 10 82.04.067(1).

(ii) For purposes of this subsection (4)(b), "business activities tax" and "state" have the same meaning as in RCW 82.04.462.

13 **Sec. 222.** RCW 82.08.806 and 2011 c 174 s 204 are each amended to 14 read as follows:

(1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales, to a 15 16 printer or publisher, of computer equipment, including repair parts and replacement parts for such equipment, when the computer equipment is 17 18 used primarily in the printing or publishing of any printed material, or to sales of or charges made for labor and services rendered in 19 20 respect to installing, repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving the 21 computer equipment. This exemption applies only to computer equipment 22 not otherwise exempt under RCW 82.08.02565.

(2) A person taking the exemption under this section must keep records necessary for the department to verify eligibility under this section. This exemption is available only when the purchaser provides the seller with an exemption certificate in a form and manner prescribed by the department. The seller must retain a copy of the certificate for the seller's files.

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

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(a) "Computer" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.04.215.

(b) "Computer equipment" means a computer and the associated physical components that constitute a computer system, including monitors, keyboards, printers, modems, scanners, pointing devices, and other computer peripheral equipment, cables, servers, and routers. "Computer equipment" also includes digital cameras and computer software. (c) "Computer software" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.04.215.

2 (d) "Primarily" means greater than fifty percent as measured by3 time.

4 (e) "Printer or publisher" means a person, as defined in RCW
5 82.04.030, who is subject to tax under RCW 82.04.260(((13))) (11) or
6 82.04.280(1)(a).

7 (4) "Computer equipment" does not include computer equipment that is used primarily for administrative purposes including but not limited 8 to payroll processing, accounting, customer service, telemarketing, and 9 10 collection. If computer equipment is used simultaneously for administrative and nonadministrative purposes, the administrative use 11 12 must be disregarded during the period of simultaneous use for purposes 13 of determining whether the computer equipment is used primarily for 14 administrative purposes.

15 Sec. 223. RCW 82.32.045 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 23 s 1103 are each 16 amended to read as follows:

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, payments of the taxes imposed under chapters 82.04, 82.08, 82.12, 82.14, and 82.16 RCW, along with reports and returns on forms prescribed by the department, are due monthly within twenty-five days after the end of the month in which the taxable activities occur.

(2) The department of revenue may relieve any taxpayer or class of taxpayers from the obligation of remitting monthly and may require the return to cover other longer reporting periods, but in no event may returns be filed for a period greater than one year. For these taxpayers, tax payments are due on or before the last day of the month next succeeding the end of the period covered by the return.

(3) The department of revenue may also require verified annual
returns from any taxpayer, setting forth such additional information as
it may deem necessary to correctly determine tax liability.

31 (4) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, the 32 department may relieve any person of the requirement to file returns if 33 the following conditions are met:

(a) The person's value of products, gross proceeds of sales, or
 gross income of the business, from all business activities taxable
 under chapter 82.04 RCW, is less than:

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(i) Twenty-eight thousand dollars per year; or

1 (ii) Forty-six thousand six hundred sixty-seven dollars per year 2 for persons generating at least fifty percent of their taxable amount 3 from activities taxable under RCW ((82.04.255,)) 82.04.290(2)(a)( $(\tau)$ ) 4 and 82.04.285;

5 (b) The person's gross income of the business from all activities 6 taxable under chapter 82.16 RCW is less than twenty-four thousand 7 dollars per year; and

8 (c) The person is not required to collect or pay to the department 9 of revenue any other tax or fee which the department is authorized to 10 collect.

11 **Sec. 224.** RCW 82.45.195 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 23 s 518 are each 12 amended to read as follows:

A sale of standing timber is exempt from tax under this chapter if the gross income from such sale is taxable under RCW 82.04.260(((11)))(9)(d).

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## PART III CREDITS

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18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 301. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 19 RCW to read as follows:

20 WOOD BIOMASS. (1) In computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.240 21 on the business of manufacturing wood biomass fuel, a person is 22 entitled to a credit as determined in subsection (2) of this section.

23 (2) The amount of the credit under this section is determined by multiplying 0.71488 by the tax otherwise due during the reporting 24 25 period on the business of manufacturing wood biomass fuel. The department must administer the credit in this section in a way that 26 27 results in a tax liability that is comparable to what it would have been under the tax rate in effect for the business of manufacturing 28 29 wood biomass fuel immediately preceding the effective date of this 30 section.

(3) "Wood biomass fuel" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.29A.135.
(4) The credit in this section may only be claimed on a return
filed electronically using the department's online tax filing service.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 302. A new section is added to chapter 82.04
 RCW to read as follows:

ALUMINUM SMELTERS. (1)(a) In computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.270 on the business of making wholesale sales of aluminum manufactured by the seller, an aluminum smelter is entitled to a credit as determined in (b) of this subsection (1).

The amount of the credit under this subsection (1) 7 (b) is 8 determined by multiplying 0.4 by the tax otherwise due on the business 9 of making wholesale sales by the taxpayer, during the reporting period, 10 of aluminum manufactured by the taxpayer. The department must 11 administer the credit in this subsection in a way that results in a tax 12 liability that is comparable to what it would have been under the tax 13 rate in effect for the business of making wholesale sales, during the 14 reporting period, of aluminum by the manufacturer, immediately preceding the effective date of this section. 15

16 (2)(a) In computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.240 on the 17 business of manufacturing aluminum, an aluminum smelter is entitled to 18 a credit as determined in (b) of this subsection (2).

(b) The amount of the credit under this subsection (2) 19 is 20 determined by multiplying 0.4 by the tax otherwise due during the 21 reporting period on the business of manufacturing aluminum, which 22 includes the activities of both manufacturers and processors for hire. 23 The department must administer the credit in this subsection in a way 24 that results in a tax liability that is comparable to what it would 25 have been under the tax rate in effect for the business of 26 manufacturing aluminum.

(3) A person claiming a credit under this section must file a
complete annual report with the department under RCW 82.32.534.
However, if legislation is enacted after 2013 that replaces the annual
report under RCW 82.32.534 with the annual survey under RCW 82.32.585,
a person claiming a credit under this section must file a complete
annual survey with the department under RCW 82.32.585.

33 (4) The credits in this section may only be claimed on a return 34 filed electronically using the department's online tax filing service.

(5) No credit may be claimed under this section for reportingperiods beginning January 1, 2017.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 303. A new section is added to chapter 82.04
 RCW to read as follows:

3 WHOLESALING/MANUFACTURING OF SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS. (1)(a) In 4 computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.270 on the business of making 5 wholesale sales of qualifying solar energy systems or qualifying 6 components by the manufacturer of the system or component, a person is 7 entitled to a credit as determined in (b) of this subsection (1).

8 (b) The amount of the credit under this subsection (1) is determined by multiplying 0.43183 by the tax otherwise due, during the 9 10 reporting period, on the business of making wholesale sales of 11 qualifying solar energy products or qualifying components, manufactured The department must administer the credit in this 12 by the person. 13 subsection in a way that results in a tax liability that is comparable 14 to what it would have been under the tax rate in effect for the business of making wholesale sales, during the reporting period, of 15 qualifying solar energy products or qualifying components, manufactured 16 17 by the taxpayer.

18 (2)(a) In computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.240 on the 19 business of manufacturing qualifying solar energy systems or qualifying 20 components, a person is entitled to a credit as determined in (b) of 21 this subsection (2).

The amount of the credit under this subsection (2) 22 (b) is 23 determined by multiplying 0.43183 by the tax otherwise due on the 24 business of manufacturing qualifying solar energy systems or qualifying 25 components during the reporting period. The department must administer 26 the credit in this subsection in a way that results in a tax liability 27 that is comparable to what it would have been under the tax rate in 28 effect for the business of manufacturing qualifying solar energy 29 products or qualifying components during the reporting period.

30 (3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 31 section.

32 (a) "Compound semiconductor solar wafers" means a semiconductor
 33 solar wafer composed of elements from two or more different groups of
 34 the periodic table.

35 (b) "Module" means the smallest nondivisible self-contained 36 physical structure housing interconnected photovoltaic cells and 37 providing a single direct current electrical output.

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

3 (d) "Qualifying component" means the following products to be used 4 exclusively in components of qualifying solar energy systems: Solar 5 grade silicon, silicon solar wafers, silicon solar cells, thin film 6 solar devices, or compound semiconductor solar wafers.

7 (e) "Qualifying solar energy system" means a solar energy system
8 using photovoltaic modules or stirling converters.

9 (f) "Silicon solar cells" means a photovoltaic cell manufactured 10 from a silicon solar wafer.

11 (g) "Silicon solar wafers" means a silicon wafer manufactured for 12 solar conversion purposes.

13 (h) "Solar energy system" means any device or combination of 14 devices or elements that rely upon direct sunlight as an energy source 15 for use in the generation of electricity.

16 (i) "Solar grade silicon" means high purity silicon used 17 exclusively in components of solar energy systems using photovoltaic 18 modules to capture direct sunlight. "Solar grade silicon" does not 19 include silicon used in semiconductors.

(j) "Stirling converter" means a device that produces electricityby converting heat from a solar source utilizing a stirling engine.

(k) "Thin film solar devices" means a nonparticipating substrate on which various semiconducting materials are deposited to produce a photovoltaic cell that is used to generate electricity.

(4) A person claiming a credit under this section must file a complete annual report with the department under RCW 82.32.534. However, if legislation is enacted after 2013 that replaces the annual report under RCW 82.32.534 with the annual survey under RCW 82.32.585, a person claiming a credit under this section must file a complete annual survey with the department under RCW 82.32.585.

31 (5) No credit may be claimed under this section for reporting 32 periods beginning July 1, 2014.

33 (6) The credit in this section may only be claimed on a return 34 filed electronically using the department's online tax filing service.

35 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 304. A new section is added to chapter 82.04
36 RCW to read as follows:

37 SPLITTING/PROCESSING DRIED PEAS AND MANUFACTURERS OF FLOUR AND OIL.

(1) In computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.240 on the business of splitting or processing dried peas or of manufacturing wheat into flour; barley into pearl barley; soybeans into soybean oil; canola into canola oil, canola meal, or canola by-products; or sunflower seeds into sunflower oil; a person is entitled to a credit as determined in subsection (2) of this section.

(2) The amount of the credit under this section is determined by 7 8 multiplying 0.71488 by the tax otherwise due on the manufacturing of 9 the product or products described in subsection (1) of this section 10 during the reporting period. The department must administer the credit 11 in this subsection in a way that results in a tax liability that is 12 comparable to what it would have been under the tax rate in effect for 13 the business of manufacturing the product or products described in subsection (1) of this section during the reporting period. 14

15 (3) The credit in this section may only be claimed on a return 16 filed electronically using the department's online tax filing service.

17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 305. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 18 RCW to read as follows:

19 PRESCRIPTION DRUG RESELLING AT RETAIL AND PRESCRIPTION DRUG 20 WAREHOUSING AND RESELLING AT WHOLESALE. (1)(a) In computing the tax 21 imposed under RCW 82.04.250 or 82.04.270 on the business of making 22 sales at retail or wholesale of prescription drugs, an eligible person 23 is entitled to a credit as determined in this subsection.

(b) The credit under this subsection from the gross proceeds of 24 25 retail sales of prescription drugs is determined by multiplying 0.70701 26 by the tax otherwise due on making wholesale sales of prescription drugs by the eligible person during the reporting period. 27 The 28 department must administer the credit in this subsection (1)(b) in a 29 way that results in a tax liability that is comparable to what it would have been under the tax rate in effect for the business of making 30 31 wholesale sales of prescription drugs during the reporting period.

32 (2) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this33 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

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(a) "Eligible person" means a person who:

(i) Is registered with the federal drug enforcement administrationand licensed by the state board of pharmacy;

1 (ii) Buys prescription drugs from a manufacturer or another 2 wholesaler and resells the drugs to persons selling at retail or to 3 hospitals, clinics, health care providers, or other providers of health 4 care services; and

5 (iii) Owns or operates a warehouse inside or outside of this state 6 where the person's prescription drugs are stored pending delivery to 7 buyers.

8 (b) "Prescription drugs" means drugs intended for human use9 pursuant to a prescription.

10 (c) "Prescription" and "drug" have the same meaning as in RCW 11 82.08.0281.

12 (3) The credit in this section may only be claimed on a return 13 filed electronically using the department's online tax filing service.

14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 306. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 15 RCW to read as follows:

MEAT PRODUCTS--PROCESSING PERISHABLE AND WHOLESALE SALES OF QUALIFYING. (1)(a) In computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.270 on the business of making wholesale sales of qualifying meat products, an eligible person is entitled to a credit as determined in (b) of this subsection (1).

21 (b) The amount of the credit under this subsection (1) is determined by multiplying 0.71488 by the tax otherwise due on wholesale 22 23 sales of qualifying meat products made during the reporting period by 24 the eligible person. The department must administer the credit in this 25 subsection in a way that results in a tax liability that is comparable 26 to what it would have been under the tax rate in effect for the 27 business of making wholesale sales of qualifying meat products during 28 the reporting period.

(2)(a) In computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.240 on the business of processing perishable meat products, a person is entitled to a credit as determined in (b) of this subsection (2).

32 (b) The amount of the credit under this subsection (2) is 33 determined by multiplying 0.71488 by:

(i) The value of the meat product processed by the person for the
 reporting period, in the case of manufacturers, or, in the case of
 processors for hire, the gross income of the business for the reporting
 period from processing meat products for hire; or

(ii) If the person is entitled to one or more credits under any 1 2 other statute in this chapter in computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.240 on the business of processing perishable meat products, the 3 difference resulting from subtracting all other deductible amounts from 4 5 the value of the meat product processed by the person for the reporting period, in the case of manufacturers, or, in the case of processors for 6 7 hire, the gross income of the business for the reporting period from 8 processing meat products for hire.

9 (3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 10 section.

(a) "Eligible person" means any person who sells perishable meat products at wholesale or any person who takes an animal or a perishable meat product, processes it, and sells the resulting qualifying meat product at wholesale.

(b) "Meat product" means a product derived in whole or in part from any part of an animal carcass, except products derived from seafood or insects. The term includes only products that are intended for human consumption as food or animal consumption as feed.

(c) "Perishable meat product" means a meat product having a high risk of spoilage within a period of thirty days without refrigeration or freezing.

(d) "Processed," "processes," or "processing" means to engage in one or more of the following activities: Slaughtering an animal, breaking an animal carcass or part of an animal carcass into any type of smaller unit, or engaging in any other manufacturing activity when perishable meat is either the finished product or an ingredient or component of the finished product.

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(e) "Qualifying meat product" means:

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(i) With respect to any person, a perishable meat product; and

30 (ii) Any meat product, perishable or not, that is the result of the 31 seller taking an animal or a perishable meat product, processing it, 32 and selling the resulting meat product at wholesale, even if meat is 33 only a component of the finished product.

34 (4) The credit in this section may only be claimed on a return35 filed electronically using the department's online tax filing service.

36 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 307. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 37 RCW to read as follows: 1 MANUFACTURING, WHOLESALING, AND RETAILING--SEAFOOD PRODUCTS AND 2 DAIRY PRODUCTS--MANUFACTURING AND WHOLESALING--FRESH FRUITS AND 3 VEGETABLES. (1)(a) In computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.240 on 4 qualifying manufacturing activities, a person is entitled to a credit 5 as determined in (b) of this subsection (1).

6 (b) The amount of the credit under this subsection is determined by 7 multiplying 0.71488 by the tax otherwise due on the manufacturing of 8 eligible products by the person during the reporting period. The 9 department must administer the credit in this subsection in a way that 10 results in a tax liability that is comparable to what it would have 11 been under the tax rate in effect for the business of manufacturing 12 eligible products during the reporting period.

13 (2) In computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.250 on the 14 business of making qualifying retail sales, a person is entitled to a 15 credit as determined in (b) of this subsection (2).

The amount of the credit under this subsection (2) 16 (a) is determined by multiplying 0.70701 by the tax otherwise due on making 17 18 qualifying retail sales by the person during the reporting period. The 19 department must administer the credit in this subsection in a way that 20 results in a tax liability that is comparable to what it would have 21 been under the tax rate in effect for the business of making qualifying 22 retail sales during the reporting period.

(b) Persons claiming a credit under this subsection (2) must keep and preserve records for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the qualifying retail sales were for eligible products that were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business out of this state.

(3) In computing the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.270 on the
business of making qualifying wholesale sales, a person is entitled to
a credit as determined in (b) of this subsection (3).

The amount of the credit under this subsection (3) 31 (a) is 32 determined by multiplying 0.71488 by the tax otherwise due on making qualifying wholesale sales by the person during the reporting period. 33 The department must administer the credit in this subsection in a way 34 35 that results in a tax liability that is comparable to what it would 36 have been under the tax rate in effect for the business of making 37 qualifying wholesale sales during the reporting period.

1 (b) Persons claiming a credit under this subsection (3) must keep 2 and preserve records for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 3 establishing that the qualifying wholesale sales were for eligible 4 products transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of 5 business out of this state.

6 (4) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 7 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

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(a) "Eligible product" means:

9 (i) Seafood products that remain in a raw, raw frozen, or raw 10 salted state at the completion of the manufacturing;

(ii) Dairy products that as of September 20, 2001, are identified in 21 C.F.R., chapter 1, parts 131, 133, and 135, including by-products from the manufacturing process, such as whey and casein; and

(iii) Fruits and vegetables that have been manufactured by canning,
 preserving, freezing, processing, or dehydrating fresh fruits or
 vegetables.

17 (b) "Qualifying manufacturing" means manufacturing an eligible 18 product.

19 (c) "Qualifying retail sales" means retail sales of an eligible 20 product described in (a)(i) or (ii) of this subsection (4) by the 21 manufacturer of the product, but only when the product is delivered to 22 purchasers who transport the product out of this state in the ordinary 23 course of business.

(d) "Qualifying wholesale sales" means wholesale sales of an
eligible product described in (a) of this subsection (4) by the
manufacturer of the product, but only when the product is delivered to
purchasers who transport the product out of this state in the ordinary
course of business.

(5) The credit in this section may only be claimed on a return filed electronically using the department's online tax filing service.

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## PART IV MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

33 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 401. The department of revenue must convene a 34 group of affected stakeholders to develop recommendations to further 35 reduce, refine, and simplify the number of tax classifications under 36 chapter 82.04 RCW, the business and occupation tax. By January 1,

1 2014, and in compliance with RCW 43.01.036, the department must report 2 the group's recommendations to the governor, the senate committee on 3 trade and economic development, and the house of representatives 4 committee on technology and economic development.

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 402. (1) Except as provided otherwise in this 6 section, this act takes effect January 1, 2014.

7 (2) Section 208 of this act takes effect July 1, 2015.

8 (3) Section 401 of this act takes effect August 1, 2013.

9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 403. Section 207 of this act expires July 1, 10 2015.

11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 404. The provisions of this act are to be 12 liberally construed to effectuate the intent, policies, and purpose of 13 this act to reduce the complexity of state and local business and 14 occupation taxes and to make it easier for businesses to meet their 15 local licensing and business and occupation tax filing obligations.

16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 405. If any provision of this act or its 17 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the 18 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other 19 persons or circumstances is not affected.

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