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**State of Washington 64th Legislature 2015 Regular Session**

**By** Representatives Stokesbary, Fitzgibbon, Ryu, Magendanz, Kochmar, Hargrove, Rodne, Bergquist, Hurst, Gregerson, Orwall, and Jinkins

AN ACT Relating to exempting levies imposed by qualifying flood control zone districts from certain limitations upon regular property tax levies; amending 2011 1st sp.s. c 28 s 7 (uncodified); creating a new section; and repealing 2011 c 275 ss 4 and 5 (uncodified).

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

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  The legislature finds that flooding is a critical problem in Washington. The legislature further finds that flooding can result in loss of human life, damage to property, destruction of infrastructure, and bring economic activity to a standstill. The legislature further finds that flood control zone districts offer critical services that protect our state by mitigating the devastating impacts of flooding. It is the legislature's public policy objective to maximize available financing tools to flood control zone districts to continue their important work. Therefore, it is the legislature's intent to exempt levies imposed by a qualifying flood control zone district from certain limitations upon regular property tax levies.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  2011 c 275 ss 4 and 5 (uncodified) are each repealed.

**Sec.**  2011 1st sp.s. c 28 s 7 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

Except for section 4 of this act, this act expires January 1, 2018.

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