HB 2084 - H AMD 248 By Representative Hunter

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 2 following:

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- 4 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.09 5 RCW to read as follows:
- 6 (1) By October 1, 2015, and by October 1st of every year
- 7 thereafter, the state auditor must notify the state and county
- 8 treasurers of any special purpose districts that have not timely
- 9 filed the annual financial report required under RCW 43.09.230 for
- 10 the current year. If a special purpose district submits the report
- 11 after the state auditor has notified the state and county
- 12 treasurers, the state auditor, within thirty days, must notify
- 13 treasurers that the district is compliant.
- 14 (2) Beginning with distributions made in October, the state
- 15 treasurer may not distribute any local sales and use taxes imposed
- 16 by the special purpose district to the district until the state
- 17 treasurer is notified that the district is compliant as provided in
- 18 subsection (1) of this section. The state treasurer must remit all
- 19 withheld funds; however, the distribution may not include interest.
- 20 (3) Beginning with distributions made in October, county
- 21 treasurers may not distribute any regular property taxes imposed by
- 22 the special purpose district, or any other charges that the county
- 23 collects on behalf of the district, to the district until the county
- 24 treasurer is notified that the district is compliant as provided in
- 25 subsection (1) of this section. A county treasurer must remit all
- 26 withheld funds; however, the distribution may not include interest.

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- 1 (4) For the purpose of this section, "special purpose district"
- 2 means cemetery districts, metropolitan park districts, water-sewer
- 3 districts, fire protection districts, port districts, public utility
- 4 districts, county park and recreation service areas, park and
- 5 recreation districts, flood control zone districts, diking
- 6 districts, drainage improvement districts, solid waste collection
- 7 districts, mosquito districts, and transportation benefit areas."

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9 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Removes provisions of the underlying bill that:

- (1) Impose a \$500 fine on local governments that file an annual financial report (report) with the State Auditor (Auditor) more than 150 days after the close of the fiscal year;
- (2) Provide for the dissolution of special purpose districts (*i.e.*, every municipal and quasi-municipal corporation other than counties, cities, and towns) that have not timely filed reports with the Auditor in two or more years, beginning in 2015; and
- (3) Provide for the disincorporation of certain special purpose districts that are located in a county with a population of 210,000 or more and have not timely filed reports with the Auditor in two or more years, beginning in 2015.

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