SENATE BILL 5677

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- AN ACT Relating to allowing county treasurers to retain a portion 1
- 2 of the state property tax to defray the costs of collection; amending
- 3 RCW 84.56.280; and creating a new section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- RCW 84.56.280 and 1991 c 245 s 24 are each amended to 5 Sec. 1. 6
- read as follows: (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, 7
- immediately after the last day of each month, the county treasurer 9 ((shall)) must pay over to the state treasurer the amount collected
- by the county treasurer and credited to the various state funds, but 10
- 11 every such payment ((shall be)) is subject to correction for error
- discovered. If they are not paid to the state treasurer before the 12
- 13 twentieth day of the month the state treasurer ((shall)) must make a
- 14 sight draft on the county treasurer for such amount. Should any
- county treasurer fail or refuse to honor the draft or make payment of 15
- 16 the amount thereon, except for manifest error or other good and
- 17 sufficient cause, the county treasurer ((shall be)) is guilty of
- nonfeasance in office and upon conviction thereof ((shall)) must be 18
- punished according to law. 19

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- (2) The county treasurer must place a percentage of property 20
- 21 taxes collected for all taxing districts, other than the state and

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- 1 <u>county</u>, in the county current expense fund to defray the costs of collection, as follows:
- 3 (a) For taxes levied for collection in calendar years 2016 and 2017, .25 percent;
- 5 (b) For taxes levied for collection in calendar years 2018 and
- 6 <u>2019</u>, .50 percent; and
- 7 (c) For taxes levied for collection in calendar year 2020 and
- 8 thereafter, one percent.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act applies to taxes collected by a 10 county treasurer on or after August 1, 2015.

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