

SHB 1488 - S AMD 226
By Senator Frame

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1 On page 2, beginning on line 13, after "acre." strike all
2 material through "~~dollars-)~~" on line 19 and insert "The maximum
3 annual per parcel rate shall not exceed (~~five dollars, except that~~
4 ~~for counties with a population of over four hundred eighty thousand~~
5 ~~persons, the maximum annual per parcel rate shall not exceed ten~~
6 ~~dollars, and for counties with a population of over one million five~~
7 ~~hundred thousand persons, the maximum annual per parcel rate shall~~
8 ~~not exceed fifteen dollars)~~ \$25."

9 On page 2, line 20, after "(b)" insert: "Beginning March 1, 2029,
10 and by March 1st every third year thereafter, the department of
11 revenue must adjust the maximum annual per parcel rates based on the
12 consumer price index for all urban consumers, all items, for the
13 Seattle metropolitan area for the prior 12-month period as calculated
14 by the United States bureau of labor statistics or its successor
15 agency. The adjusted maximum annual per parcel rates must be rounded
16 to the nearest \$1. If the adjustment to the maximum annual per parcel
17 rate is negative, the maximum annual per parcel rate for the prior
18 year continues to apply. The department of revenue must publish the
19 adjusted maximum annual per parcel rates on its public website by
20 March 31st. For purposes of this subsection (3)(b), "Seattle
21 metropolitan area" means the geographic area sample that includes
22 Seattle and surrounding areas.

23 (c)"

24 Reletter the remaining subsection consecutively and correct any
25 internal references accordingly.

EFFECT: Reinstates a maximum annual per parcel amount for conservation district rates and charges but increases the amount to \$25 per parcel for all counties; and requires the Department of

Revenue to adjust the maximum annual per parcel rate every three years based on the consumer price index.

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