

2 SB 5843 - S AMD

3 By Senators Barr and Haugen

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5 On page 5, after line 24, insert the following:

6 "Sec. 5. RCW 84.52.069 and 1991 c 175 s 1 are each amended to read  
7 as follows:

8 (1) As used in this section, "taxing district" means a county,  
9 emergency medical service district, city or town, public hospital  
10 district, or fire protection district.

11 (2) A taxing district may impose additional regular property tax  
12 levies in an amount equal to fifty cents or less per thousand dollars  
13 of the assessed value of property in the taxing district in each year  
14 for six consecutive years when specifically authorized so to do by a  
15 majority of at least three-fifths of the registered voters thereof  
16 approving a proposition authorizing the levies submitted at a general  
17 or special election, at which election the number of persons voting  
18 "yes" on the proposition shall constitute three-fifths of a number  
19 equal to forty per centum of the total votes cast in such taxing  
20 district at the last preceding general election when the number of  
21 registered voters voting on the proposition does not exceed forty per  
22 centum of the total votes cast in such taxing district in the last  
23 preceding general election; or by a majority of at least three-fifths  
24 of the registered voters thereof voting on the proposition when the  
25 number of registered voters voting on the proposition exceeds forty per  
26 centum of the total votes cast in such taxing district in the last  
27 preceding general election. Ballot propositions shall conform with RCW  
28 29.30.111.

29 (3) Any tax imposed under this section shall be used only for the  
30 provision of emergency medical care or emergency medical services,  
31 including related personnel costs, training for such personnel, and  
32 related equipment, supplies, vehicles and structures needed for the  
33 provision of emergency medical care or emergency medical services.

34 (4) If a county levies a tax under this section, no taxing district  
35 within the county may levy a tax under this section. No other taxing  
36 district may levy a tax under this section if another taxing district

1 has levied a tax under this section within its boundaries: PROVIDED,  
2 That if a county levies less than fifty cents per thousand dollars of  
3 the assessed value of property, then any other taxing district may levy  
4 a tax under this section equal to the difference between the rate of  
5 the levy by the county and fifty cents: PROVIDED FURTHER, That if a  
6 taxing district within a county levies this tax, and the voters of the  
7 county subsequently approve a levying of this tax, then the amount of  
8 the taxing district levy within the county shall be reduced, when the  
9 combined levies exceed fifty cents. Whenever a tax is levied county-  
10 wide, the service shall, insofar as is feasible, be provided throughout  
11 the county: PROVIDED FURTHER, That no county-wide levy proposal may be  
12 placed on the ballot without the approval of the legislative authority  
13 of each city exceeding fifty thousand population within the county:  
14 AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That this section and RCW 36.32.480 shall not  
15 prohibit any city or town from levying an annual excess levy to fund  
16 emergency medical services: AND PROVIDED, FURTHER, That if a county  
17 proposes to impose tax levies under this section, no other ballot  
18 proposition authorizing tax levies under this section by another taxing  
19 district in the county may be placed before the voters at the same  
20 election at which the county ballot proposition is placed: AND  
21 PROVIDED FURTHER, That any taxing district emergency medical service  
22 levy that is authorized subsequent to a county emergency medical  
23 service levy, shall expire concurrently with the county emergency  
24 medical service levy.

25 (5) The tax levy authorized in this section is in addition to the  
26 tax levy authorized in RCW 84.52.043.

27 (6) The limitation in RCW 84.55.010 shall not apply to the first  
28 levy imposed pursuant to this section following the approval of such  
29 levy by the voters pursuant to subsection (2) of this section.

30 ~~((7) No taxing district may levy under this section more than  
31 twenty-five cents per thousand dollars of assessed value of property if  
32 reductions under RCW 84.52.010(2) are made for the year within the  
33 boundaries of the taxing district.))"~~

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4 On page 1, line 4 of the title, after "84.52.043" strike "and  
5 84.52.010" and insert ", 84.52.010, and 84.52.069"

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