

2 **EHB 2837** - S AMD - 248

3 By Senators Wojahn, Winsley, Quigley, Fairley, Moyer, Frankin and
4 Thibaudeau

5 SCOPE & OBJECT RAISED 2/29/96; RULED BEYOND S/O 3/1/96

6 On page 3, after line 3, insert the following:

7 "**Sec. 2.** RCW 48.14.0201 and 1993 sp.s. c 25 s 601 are each amended
8 to read as follows:

9 (1) As used in this section, "taxpayer" means a health maintenance
10 organization, as defined in RCW 48.46.020, or a health care service
11 contractor, as defined in RCW 48.44.010(~~(, or a certified health plan~~
12 ~~certified under RCW 48.43.030))~~).

13 (2) Each taxpayer shall pay a tax on or before the first day of
14 March of each year to the state treasurer through the insurance
15 commissioner's office. The tax shall be equal to the total amount of
16 all premiums and prepayments for health care services received by the
17 taxpayer during the preceding calendar year multiplied by the rate of
18 two percent.

19 (3) Taxpayers shall prepay their tax obligations under this
20 section. The minimum amount of the prepayments shall be percentages of
21 the taxpayer's tax obligation for the preceding calendar year
22 recomputed using the rate in effect for the current year. For the
23 prepayment of taxes due during the first calendar year, the minimum
24 amount of the prepayments shall be percentages of the taxpayer's tax
25 obligation that would have been due had the tax been in effect during
26 the previous calendar year. The tax prepayments shall be paid to the
27 state treasurer through the commissioner's office by the due dates and
28 in the following amounts:

- 29 (a) On or before June 15, forty-five percent;
30 (b) On or before September 15, twenty-five percent;
31 (c) On or before December 15, twenty-five percent.

32 (4) For good cause demonstrated in writing, the commissioner may
33 approve an amount smaller than the preceding calendar year's tax
34 obligation as recomputed for calculating the health maintenance
35 organization's, health care service contractor's, or certified health
36 plan's prepayment obligations for the current tax year.

1 (5) Moneys collected under this section shall be deposited in the
2 general fund through March 31, 1996, and in the health services account
3 under RCW 43.72.900 after March 31, 1996.

4 (6) The taxes imposed in this section do not apply to:

5 (a) Amounts received by any taxpayer from the United States or any
6 instrumentality thereof as prepayments for health care services
7 provided under Title XVIII (medicare) of the federal social security
8 act. This exemption shall expire July 1, (~~(1997)~~) 1998.

9 (b) Amounts received by any health care service contractor, as
10 defined in RCW 48.44.010, as prepayments for health care services
11 included within the definition of practice of dentistry under RCW
12 18.32.020. (~~(This exemption does not apply to amounts received under
13 a certified health plan certified under RCW 48.43.030.)~~)"

14 Renumber the remaining section consecutively.

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19 On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "48.66.020" insert "and
20 48.14.0201"

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