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HOUSE BILL 1417

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- AN ACT Relating to reducing total state levy amounts by 4.7187 percent; amending RCW 84.55.012 and 84.55.012; adding new sections to chapter 84.55 RCW; creating new sections; providing for submission of sections 4 through 6 of this act to a vote of the people; and declaring an emergency.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 7 **Sec. 1.** RCW 84.55.012 and 1995 2nd sp.s. c 13 s 2 are each amended 8 to read as follows:
- 9 (1) The state property tax levy for collection in 1996 shall be 10 reduced by 4.7187 percent of the levy amount that would otherwise be 11 allowed under this chapter without regard to this section or any other 12 tax reduction legislation enacted in 1995.
- 13 (2) The tax reduction provided in this section is in addition to 14 any other tax reduction legislation that may be enacted by the 15 legislature.
- (((3) State levies for collection after 1996 shall be set at the amount that would be allowed otherwise under this chapter if the state levy for collection in 1996 had been set without the reduction under subsection (1) of this section.))

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 84.55 RCW
- 2 to read as follows:
- 3 State property tax levies for collection in 1998 and thereafter
- 4 shall be set at the amounts that would be allowed otherwise under this
- 5 chapter if the state levies for collection in 1996 and 1997 had been
- 6 set without the reductions under RCW 84.55.012 or this section.
- 7 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. Sections 1 and 2 of this act apply to taxes
- 8 levied for collection in 1997 and thereafter.
- 9 **Sec. 4.** RCW 84.55.012 and 1995 2nd sp.s. c 13 s 2 are each amended
- 10 to read as follows:
- 11 (1) The state property tax levy for collection in 1996 shall be
- 12 reduced by 4.7187 percent of the levy amount that would otherwise be
- 13 allowed under this chapter without regard to this section or any other
- 14 tax reduction legislation enacted in 1995.
- 15 (2) The tax reduction provided in this section is in addition to
- 16 any other tax reduction legislation that may be enacted by the
- 17 legislature.
- 18 (((3) State levies for collection after 1996 shall be set at the
- 19 amount that would be allowed otherwise under this chapter if the state
- 20 levy for collection in 1996 had been set without the reduction under
- 21 subsection (1) of this section.))
- 22 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 84.55 RCW
- 23 to read as follows:
- 24 The state property tax levy for collection in 1998 shall be reduced
- 25 by 4.7187 percent of the levy amount that would otherwise be allowed
- 26 under this chapter without regard to RCW 84.55.012 or this section.
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** Sections 4 and 5 of this act apply to taxes
- 28 levied for collection in 1997 and thereafter.
- 29 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 7.** The secretary of state shall submit sections
- 30 4 through 6 of this act to the people for their adoption and
- 31 ratification, or rejection, at the next general election to be held in
- 32 this state, in accordance with Article II, section 1 of the state
- 33 Constitution and the laws adopted to facilitate its operation.

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 8.** Sections 1 through 3 of this act are
- 2 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health,
- 3 or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public
- 4 institutions, and take effect immediately.

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