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SENATE BILL 6010

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to lowering public utility tax rates; and amending
- 2 RCW 82.16.020.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 82.16.020 and 1996 c 150 s 2 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) There is levied and there shall be collected from every person 7 a tax for the act or privilege of engaging within this state in any one
- 8 or more of the businesses herein mentioned. The tax shall be equal to
- 9 the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate set out after
- 10 the business, as follows:
- 11 (a) Express, sewerage collection, and telegraph businesses: Three
- 12 and six-tenths percent;
- 13 (b) Light and power business: Three and ((sixty-two one-
- 14 hundredths)) six-tenths percent;
- (c) Gas distribution business: Three and six-tenths percent;
- 16 (d) Urban transportation business: Six-tenths of one percent;
- 17 (e) Vessels under sixty-five feet in length, except tugboats,
- 18 operating upon the waters within the state: Six-tenths of one percent;

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- 1 (f) Motor transportation, railroad, railroad car, and tugboat 2 businesses, and all public service businesses other than ones mentioned 3 above: One and eight-tenths of one percent;
- 4 (g) Water distribution business: ((Four and seven-tenths)) Three 5 and six-tenths percent.
- 6 (2) An additional tax is imposed equal to the rate specified in RCW 82.02.030 multiplied by the tax payable under subsection (1) of this 8 section.
- 9 (3) Twenty percent of the moneys collected under subsection (1) of 10 this section on water distribution businesses and sixty percent of the 11 moneys collected under subsection (1) of this section on sewerage 12 collection businesses shall be deposited in the public works assistance 13 account created in RCW 43.155.050.

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