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1 AN ACT Relating to restricting property tax levies based on prior
2 levies that were less than the maximum allowed; and amending RCW
3 84.55.092.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 84.55.092 and 1998 c 16 s 3 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 The regular property tax levy for each taxing district other than
8 the state may be set at the amount which would be allowed otherwise
9 under this chapter if the regular property tax levy for the district
10 for taxes due in the prior ((years beginning with 1986)) year had been
11 set at the full amount allowed under this chapter without reference to
12 this section, and including any levy authorized under RCW 52.16.160
13 that would have been imposed but for the limitation in RCW 52.18.065,
14 applicable upon imposition of the benefit charge under chapter 52.18
15 RCW.

16 The purpose of this section is to ~~((remove the incentive for a~~
17 ~~taxing district to maintain its tax levy at the maximum level permitted~~
18 ~~under this chapter, and to protect the future levy capacity of a taxing~~
19 ~~district that reduces its tax levy below the level that it otherwise~~

1 ~~could impose under this chapter, by removing the adverse consequences~~
2 ~~to future levy capacities resulting from such levy reductions))~~ allow
3 a district that reduces its tax levy below the maximum permitted under
4 this chapter to retain its levy capacity for one year.

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