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1 AN ACT Relating to reducing the inflationary adjustment for the
2 state property tax levy to zero over time; and reenacting and amending
3 RCW 84.55.005.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 84.55.005 and 1997 c 393 s 20 and 1997 c 3 s 201
6 (Referendum Bill No. 47) are each reenacted and amended to read as
7 follows:

8 As used in this chapter:

9 (1) "Adjusted inflation" means:

10 (a) Zero for taxes levied for collection in 2000;

11 (b) Zero for taxes levied for collection in 2001;

12 (c) Eighty percent of inflation for taxes levied for collection in
13 2002;

14 (d) Eighty percent of inflation for taxes levied for collection in
15 2003;

16 (e) Sixty percent of inflation for taxes levied for collection in
17 2004;

18 (f) Forty percent of inflation for taxes levied for collection in
19 2005;

1 (g) Twenty percent of inflation for taxes levied for collection in
2 2006; and
3 (h) Zero for taxes levied for collection in 2007 and thereafter;
4 (2) "Inflation" means the percentage change in the implicit price
5 deflator for personal consumption expenditures for the United States as
6 published for the most recent twelve-month period by the bureau of
7 economic analysis of the federal department of commerce in September of
8 the year before the taxes are payable;
9 ~~((2))~~ (3) "Limit factor" means:
10 (a) For the state one hundred percent plus adjusted inflation;
11 (b) For taxing districts with a population of less than ten
12 thousand in the calendar year prior to the assessment year, one hundred
13 six percent;
14 ~~((b))~~ (c) For taxing districts for which a limit factor is
15 authorized under RCW 84.55.0101, the lesser of the limit factor
16 authorized under that section or one hundred six percent;
17 ~~((e))~~ (d) For all other districts, the lesser of one hundred six
18 percent or one hundred percent plus inflation; and
19 ~~((3))~~ (4) "Regular property taxes" has the meaning given it in
20 RCW 84.04.140.

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