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HOUSE BILL 2963

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- AN ACT Relating to diesel fuel sales and use tax exemptions for 1 2 loggers and timber growers; adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW;
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- adding a new section to chapter 82.12 RCW; and declaring an emergency.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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- 5 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 82.08 RCW to read as follows: 6
 - (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of diesel fuel to a logging operation for nonhighway use. This exemption is available only if the buyer provides the seller with an exemption certificate in a form and manner prescribed by the department. used for space or water heating for human habitation is not exempt under this section.
 - (2) The definitions in this subsection apply to this section.
- (a) "Diesel fuel" is defined as provided in 26 U.S.C. 4083, as 14 15 amended or renumbered as of January 1, 2006.
- (b) "Logging operation" means an establishment primarily engaged in 16 one or more of the following activities: (i) Cutting timber; (ii) 17 transporting timber; (iii) producing wood chips in the field; or (iv) 18 19 operating timber tracts for the purpose of selling standing timber.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 82.12 RCW to read as follows:

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- (1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with respect to the nonhighway use of diesel fuel by a logging operation. Fuel used for space or water heating for human habitation is not exempt under this section.
 - (2) The definitions in section 1 of this act apply to this section.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately.

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