
HOUSE BILL 2668

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By Representative Chandler

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1 AN ACT Relating to reflecting the impact on property values of
2 governmental restrictions that prevent the property owner from
3 exercising certain groundwater rights; adding a new section to chapter
4 84.40 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 84.40 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 The county assessor must reduce the fair market value of real
9 property to reflect the impact of restrictions or emergency rules
10 imposed by the department of ecology that result in the real property
11 owner being unable to fully exercise a groundwater right exempt from
12 the permit requirement under RCW 90.44.050. The levy for each taxing
13 district in any year must be reduced as necessary to prevent reductions
14 under this section from resulting in a higher tax rate than would have
15 occurred in the absence of the reductions under this section.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act applies to taxes levied for

1 collection in 2011 and thereafter.

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