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By Representatives Orcutt, Blake, Rivers, Takko, Probst, Short, Kretz, Harris, McCune, Smith, and Shea

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1 AN ACT Relating to utility easements and rights-of-way under the  
2 open space taxation act; adding a new section to chapter 84.34 RCW; and  
3 creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 84.34 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) An owner of land desiring current use classification under RCW  
8 84.34.020 (2)(a), (b), or (c) or (3) may include adjacent land used by  
9 an electric light and power company or gas company through an easement  
10 or right-of-way in the acreage determination under RCW 84.34.020  
11 (2)(a), (b), or (c) or (3). The land used by the company through an  
12 easement or right-of-way is not subject the gross income, land use,  
13 ownership, and other requirements under RCW 84.34.020 (2)(a), (b), or  
14 (c) or (3). The land used by the electric light and power company or  
15 gas company must be owned or have been previously owned by the owner  
16 seeking current use classification.

17 (2) "Electric light and power company" and "gas company" have the  
18 same meanings as provided in RCW 84.12.200. "Electric light and power  
19 company" includes the Bonneville power administration.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.**    (1) This act applies to taxes levied for  
2 collection in 2012 and thereafter.

3        (2) This act applies to land that is modified or disqualified under  
4 the open space act on or after January 1, 2006.

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