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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5697**

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**By** Senate Trade & Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Braun, Carrell, Dammeier, Rivers, and Sheldon)

READ FIRST TIME 02/21/13.

1           AN ACT Relating to reducing the frequency of local sales and use  
2 tax changes; and amending RCW 82.14.055.

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

4           **Sec. 1.** RCW 82.14.055 and 2003 c 168 s 206 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6           (1) Except as provided in subsections (2), (3), and (4) of this  
7 section, a local sales and use tax change (~~shall~~) may take effect (a)  
8 no sooner than seventy-five days after the department receives notice  
9 of the change and (b) only on the first day of (~~January,~~) April(~~,~~  
10 ~~July,~~) or October.

11           (2) In the case of a local sales and use tax that is a credit  
12 against the state sales tax or use tax, a local sales and use tax  
13 change (~~shall~~) may take effect (a) no sooner than thirty days after  
14 the department receives notice of the change and (b) only on the first  
15 day of a month.

16           (3)(a) A local sales and use tax rate increase imposed on services  
17 applies to the first billing period starting on or after the effective  
18 date of the increase.

1 (b) A local sales and use tax rate decrease imposed on services  
2 applies to bills rendered on or after the effective date of the  
3 decrease.

4 (c) For the purposes of this subsection (3), "services" means  
5 retail services such as installing and constructing and retail services  
6 such as telecommunications, but does not include services such as  
7 tattooing.

8 (4) For the purposes of this section, "local sales and use tax  
9 change" means enactment or revision of local sales and use taxes under  
10 this chapter or any other statute, including changes resulting from  
11 referendum or annexation.

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