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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 82.14.460 and 2015 c 291 s 5 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1)(a) A county legislative authority may authorize, fix, and
6 impose a sales and use tax in accordance with the terms of this
7 chapter.

8 (b) If a county with a population over eight hundred thousand has
9 not imposed the tax authorized under this subsection by January 1,
10 2011, any city with a population over thirty thousand located in that
11 county may authorize, fix, and impose the sales and use tax in
12 accordance with the terms of this chapter. The county must provide a
13 credit against its tax for the full amount of tax imposed under this
14 subsection (1)(b) by any city located in that county if the county
15 imposes the tax after January 1, 2011.

16 (2) The tax authorized in this section is in addition to any
17 other taxes authorized by law and must be collected from those
18 persons who are taxable by the state under chapters 82.08 and 82.12
19 RCW upon the occurrence of any taxable event within the county for a
20 county's tax and within a city for a city's tax. The rate of tax
21 equals one-tenth of one percent of the selling price in the case of a
22 sales tax, or value of the article used, in the case of a use tax.

23 (3) Moneys collected under this section must be used solely for
24 the purpose of providing for the operation or delivery of chemical
25 dependency or mental health treatment programs and services and for
26 the operation or delivery of therapeutic court programs and services.
27 For the purposes of this section, "programs and services" includes,
28 but is not limited to, treatment services, case management,
29 transportation, and housing that are a component of a coordinated
30 chemical dependency or mental health treatment program or service.
31 Every county that authorizes the tax provided in this section shall,
32 and every other county may, establish and operate a therapeutic court

1 component for dependency proceedings designed to be effective for the
2 court's size, location, and resources.

3 ~~((4) All moneys collected under this section must be used solely
4 for the purpose of providing new or expanded programs and services as
5 provided in this section, except as follows:~~

6 ~~(a) For a county with a population larger than twenty-five
7 thousand or a city with a population over thirty thousand, which
8 initially imposed the tax authorized under this section prior to
9 January 1, 2012, a portion of moneys collected under this section may
10 be used to supplant existing funding for these purposes as follows:
11 Up to fifty percent may be used to supplant existing funding in
12 calendar years 2011-2012; up to forty percent may be used to supplant
13 existing funding in calendar year 2013; up to thirty percent may be
14 used to supplant existing funding in calendar year 2014; up to twenty
15 percent may be used to supplant existing funding in calendar year
16 2015; and up to ten percent may be used to supplant existing funding
17 in calendar year 2016;~~

18 ~~(b) For a county with a population larger than twenty-five
19 thousand or a city with a population over thirty thousand, which
20 initially imposes the tax authorized under this section after
21 December 31, 2011, a portion of moneys collected under this section
22 may be used to supplant existing funding for these purposes as
23 follows: Up to fifty percent may be used to supplant existing funding
24 for up to the first three calendar years following adoption; and up
25 to twenty-five percent may be used to supplant existing funding for
26 the fourth and fifth years after adoption;~~

27 ~~(c) For a county with a population of less than twenty-five
28 thousand, a portion of moneys collected under this section may be
29 used to supplant existing funding for these purposes as follows: Up
30 to eighty percent may be used to supplant existing funding in
31 calendar years 2011-2012; up to sixty percent may be used to supplant
32 existing funding in calendar year 2013; up to forty percent may be
33 used to supplant existing funding in calendar year 2014; up to twenty
34 percent may be used to supplant existing funding in calendar year
35 2015; and up to ten percent may be used to supplant existing funding
36 in calendar year 2016; and~~

37 ~~(d) Notwithstanding (a) through (c) of this subsection, moneys
38 collected under this section may be used to support the cost of the
39 judicial officer and support staff of a therapeutic court.~~

1 ~~(5) Nothing in this section may be interpreted to prohibit the~~
2 ~~use of moneys collected under this section for the replacement of~~
3 ~~lapsed federal funding previously provided for the operation or~~
4 ~~delivery of services and programs as provided in this section.)~~)

5 **Sec. 2.** RCW 84.52.135 and 2004 c 80 s 1 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) A county (~~with a population of ninety thousand or less~~) may
8 impose additional regular property tax levies in an amount equal to
9 fifty cents or less per thousand dollars of the assessed value of
10 property in the county in accordance with the terms of this section.

11 (2) The tax proposition may be submitted at a general or special
12 election.

13 (3) The tax may be imposed each year for six consecutive years
14 when specifically authorized by the registered voters voting on the
15 proposition, subject to the following:

16 (a) If the number of registered voters voting on the proposition
17 does not exceed forty percent of the total number of voters voting in
18 the taxing district at the last general election, the number of
19 persons voting "yes" on the proposition (~~shall~~) must constitute at
20 least three-fifths of a number equal to forty percent of the total
21 number of voters voting in the taxing district at the last general
22 election.

23 (b) If the number of registered voters voting on the proposition
24 exceeds forty percent of the total number of voters voting in the
25 taxing district at the last preceding general election, the number of
26 persons voting "yes" on the proposition (~~shall~~) must be at least
27 three-fifths of the registered voters voting on the proposition.

28 (4) Ballot propositions (~~shall~~) must conform with RCW
29 29A.36.210.

30 (5) Any tax imposed under this section (~~shall~~) must be used
31 exclusively for criminal justice purposes as defined in RCW
32 82.14.310.

33 (6) The limitations in RCW 84.52.043 do not apply to the tax
34 authorized in this section.

35 (7) The limitation in RCW 84.55.010 does not apply to the first
36 tax levy imposed pursuant to this section following the approval of
37 the levy by the voters pursuant to subsection (3) of this section.

1 **Sec. 3.** RCW 84.55.050 and 2017 c 296 s 2 are each amended to
2 read as follows:

3 (1) Subject to any otherwise applicable statutory dollar rate
4 limitations, regular property taxes may be levied by or for a taxing
5 district in an amount exceeding the limitations provided for in this
6 chapter if such levy is authorized by a proposition approved by a
7 majority of the voters of the taxing district voting on the
8 proposition at a general election held within the district or at a
9 special election within the taxing district called by the district
10 for the purpose of submitting such proposition to the voters. Any
11 election held pursuant to this section (~~shall~~) must be held not
12 more than twelve months prior to the date on which the proposed levy
13 is to be made, except as provided in subsection (2) of this section.
14 The ballot of the proposition (~~shall~~) must state the dollar rate
15 proposed and (~~shall~~) must clearly state the conditions, if any,
16 which are applicable under subsection (4) of this section.

17 (2)(~~a~~) Subject to statutory dollar limitations, a proposition
18 placed before the voters under this section may authorize annual
19 increases in levies for multiple consecutive years, up to six
20 consecutive years, during which period each year's authorized maximum
21 legal levy (~~shall~~) must be used as the base upon which an increased
22 levy limit for the succeeding year is computed, but the ballot
23 proposition must state the dollar rate proposed only for the first
24 year of the consecutive years and must state the limit factor, or a
25 specified index to be used for determining a limit factor, such as
26 the consumer price index, which need not be the same for all years,
27 by which the regular tax levy for the district may be increased in
28 each of the subsequent consecutive years. Elections for this purpose
29 must be held at a primary or general election. The title of each
30 ballot measure must state the limited purposes for which the proposed
31 annual increases during the specified period of up to six consecutive
32 years (~~shall~~) will be used.

33 (~~b~~)(i) ~~Except as otherwise provided in this subsection (2)(b),~~
34 ~~funds raised by a levy under this subsection may not supplant~~
35 ~~existing funds used for the limited purpose specified in the ballot~~
36 ~~title. For purposes of this subsection, existing funds means the~~
37 ~~actual operating expenditures for the calendar year in which the~~
38 ~~ballot measure is approved by voters. Actual operating expenditures~~
39 ~~excludes lost federal funds, lost or expired state grants or loans,~~
40 ~~extraordinary events not likely to reoccur, changes in contract~~

1 provisions beyond the control of the taxing district receiving the
2 services, and major nonrecurring capital expenditures.

3 ~~(ii) The supplanting limitations in (b)(i) of this subsection do
4 not apply to levies approved by the voters in calendar years 2009,
5 2010, and 2011, in any county with a population of one million five
6 hundred thousand or more. This subsection (2)(b)(ii) only applies to
7 levies approved by the voters after July 26, 2009.~~

8 ~~(iii) The supplanting limitations in (b)(i) of this subsection do
9 not apply to levies approved by the voters in calendar year 2009 and
10 thereafter in any county with a population less than one million five
11 hundred thousand. This subsection (2)(b)(iii) only applies to levies
12 approved by the voters after July 26, 2009.)~~

13 (3) After a levy authorized pursuant to this section is made, the
14 dollar amount of such levy may not be used for the purpose of
15 computing the limitations for subsequent levies provided for in this
16 chapter, unless the ballot proposition expressly states that the levy
17 made under this section will be used for this purpose.

18 (4) If expressly stated, a proposition placed before the voters
19 under subsection (1) or (2) of this section may:

20 (a) Use the dollar amount of a levy under subsection (1) of this
21 section, or the dollar amount of the final levy under subsection (2)
22 of this section, for the purpose of computing the limitations for
23 subsequent levies provided for in this chapter;

24 (b) Limit the period for which the increased levy is to be made
25 under (a) of this subsection;

26 (c) Limit the purpose for which the increased levy is to be made
27 under (a) of this subsection, but if the limited purpose includes
28 making redemption payments on bonds;

29 (i) For the county in which the state capitol is located, the
30 period for which the increased levies are made may not exceed twenty-
31 five years; and

32 (ii) For districts other than a district under (c)(i) of this
33 subsection, the period for which the increased levies are made may
34 not exceed nine years;

35 (d) Set the levy or levies at a rate less than the maximum rate
36 allowed for the district; or

37 (e) Include any combination of the conditions in this subsection.

38 (5) Except as otherwise expressly stated in an approved ballot
39 measure under this section, subsequent levies (~~shall~~) must be
40 computed as if:

1 (a) The proposition under this section had not been approved; and
2 (b) The taxing district had made levies at the maximum rates
3 which would otherwise have been allowed under this chapter during the
4 years levies were made under the proposition.

5 **Sec. 4.** RCW 71.20.110 and 2013 c 123 s 1 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) In order to provide additional funds for the coordination and
8 provision of community services for persons with developmental
9 disabilities or mental health services, the county governing
10 authority of each county in the state must ~~((budget and))~~ levy
11 annually a tax in a sum equal to the amount which would be raised by
12 ~~((a levy of))~~ two and one-half cents per thousand dollars of assessed
13 value against the taxable property in the county ~~((, or as such amount
14 is modified pursuant to subsection (2) or (3) of this section,))~~ to
15 be used for such purposes. ~~((However,))~~ The levy required in this
16 section must be imposed by the legislative authority of the county as
17 a separate levy, independent of the regular property tax levy
18 authorized in RCW 84.52.043(1)(b).

19 (2) All or part of the funds collected from the tax levied for
20 the purposes of this section may be transferred to the state of
21 Washington, department of social and health services, for the purpose
22 of obtaining federal matching funds to provide and coordinate
23 community services for persons with developmental disabilities and
24 mental health services. In the event a county elects to transfer such
25 tax funds to the state for this purpose, the state must grant these
26 moneys and the additional funds received as matching funds to
27 service-providing community agencies or community boards in the
28 county which has made such transfer, pursuant to the plan approved by
29 the county, as provided by chapters 71.24 and 71.28 RCW and by
30 chapter 71A.14 RCW, all as now or hereafter amended.

31 ~~((2) The amount of a levy allocated to the purposes specified in~~
32 ~~this section may be reduced in the same proportion as the regular~~
33 ~~property tax levy of the county is reduced by chapter 84.55 RCW.~~

34 ~~(3)(a) The amount of a levy allocated to the purposes specified~~
35 ~~in this section may be modified from the amount required by~~
36 ~~subsection (1) of this section as follows:~~

37 ~~(i) If the certified levy is reduced from the preceding year's~~
38 ~~certified levy, the amount of the levy allocated to the purposes~~
39 ~~specified in this section may be reduced by no more than the same~~

1 ~~percentage as the certified levy is reduced from the preceding year's~~
2 ~~certified levy;~~

3 ~~(ii) If the certified levy is increased from the preceding year's~~
4 ~~certified levy, the amount of the levy allocated to the purposes~~
5 ~~specified in this section must be increased from the amount of the~~
6 ~~levy so allocated in the previous year by at least the same~~
7 ~~percentage as the certified levy is increased from the preceding~~
8 ~~year's certified levy. However, the amount of the levy allocated to~~
9 ~~the purposes specified in this section does not have to be increased~~
10 ~~under this subsection (3)(a)(ii) for the portion of a certified levy~~
11 ~~increase resulting from a voter approved increase under RCW 84.55.050~~
12 ~~that is dedicated to a specific purpose; or~~

13 ~~(iii) If the certified levy is unchanged from the preceding~~
14 ~~year's certified levy, the amount of the levy allocated to the~~
15 ~~purposes specified in this section must be equal to or greater than~~
16 ~~the amount of the levy so allocated in the preceding year.~~

17 ~~(b) For purposes of this subsection, "certified levy" means the~~
18 ~~property tax levy for general county purposes certified to the county~~
19 ~~assessor as required by RCW 84.52.070, excluding any amounts~~
20 ~~certified under chapters 84.69 and 84.68 RCW.~~

21 ~~(4) Subsections (2) and (3) of this section do not preclude a~~
22 ~~county from increasing the levy amount in subsection (1) of this~~
23 ~~section to an amount that is greater than the change in the regular~~
24 ~~county levy.)~~

25 **Sec. 5.** RCW 73.08.080 and 2013 c 123 s 2 are each amended to
26 read as follows:

27 (1)(a) The legislative authority in each county must levy(~~(, in~~
28 ~~addition to the taxes now levied by law,~~)) a tax in a sum equal to
29 the amount which would be raised by not less than one and one-eighth
30 cents per thousand dollars of assessed value, and not greater than
31 twenty-seven cents per thousand dollars of assessed value against the
32 taxable property of their respective counties, to be levied and
33 collected as now prescribed by law for the assessment and collection
34 of taxes, for the purpose of creating a veterans' assistance fund.
35 The levy must be imposed by the legislative authority of the county
36 as a separate levy, independent of the regular property tax levy
37 authorized in RCW 84.52.043(1)(b).

38 (b) Expenditures from the veterans' assistance fund, and interest
39 earned on balances from the fund, may be used only for:

1 ~~((a))~~ (i) The veterans' assistance programs authorized by RCW
2 73.08.010;

3 ~~((b))~~ (ii) The burial or cremation of a deceased indigent
4 veteran or deceased family member of an indigent veteran as
5 authorized by RCW 73.08.070; and

6 ~~((c))~~ (iii) The direct and indirect costs incurred in the
7 administration of the fund as authorized by subsection (2) of this
8 section.

9 (2) If the funds on deposit in the veterans' assistance fund,
10 less outstanding warrants, on the first Tuesday in September exceed
11 the lesser of the expected yield of one and one-eighth cents per
12 thousand dollars of assessed value against the taxable property of
13 the county (~~or the expected yield of a levy determined as set forth~~
14 ~~in subsection (5) of this section~~), the county legislative authority
15 may levy a lesser amount than would otherwise be required under
16 subsection (1) (~~or (5)~~) of this section.

17 (3) The direct and indirect costs incurred in the administration
18 of the veterans' assistance fund must be computed by the county
19 auditor, or the chief financial officer in a county operating under a
20 charter, not less than annually. Following the computation of these
21 direct and indirect costs, an amount equal to these costs may then be
22 transferred from the veterans' assistance fund to the county current
23 expense fund.

24 ~~((4) The amount of a levy allocated to the purposes specified in~~
25 ~~this section may be reduced in the same proportion as the regular~~
26 ~~property tax levy of the county is reduced by chapter 84.55 RCW.~~

27 ~~(5)(a) The amount of a levy allocated to the purposes specified~~
28 ~~in this section may be modified from the amount required by~~
29 ~~subsection (1) of this section as follows:~~

30 ~~(i) If the certified levy is reduced from the preceding year's~~
31 ~~certified levy, the amount of the levy allocated to the purposes~~
32 ~~specified in this section may be reduced by no more than the same~~
33 ~~percentage as the certified levy is reduced from the preceding year's~~
34 ~~certified levy;~~

35 ~~(ii) If the certified levy is increased from the preceding year's~~
36 ~~certified levy, the amount of the levy allocated to the purposes~~
37 ~~specified in this section may not be less than the base allocation~~
38 ~~increased by the same percentage as the certified levy is increased~~
39 ~~from the preceding year's certified levy. However, the amount of the~~
40 ~~levy allocated to the purposes specified in this section does not~~

1 ~~have to be increased under this subsection (5)(a)(ii) for the portion~~
2 ~~of a certified levy increase resulting from a voter approved increase~~
3 ~~under RCW 84.55.050 that is dedicated to a specific purpose; or~~

4 ~~(iii) If the certified levy is unchanged from the preceding~~
5 ~~year's certified levy, the amount of the levy allocated to the~~
6 ~~purposes specified in this section must be equal to or greater than~~
7 ~~the base allocation.~~

8 ~~(b) For purposes of this subsection, the following definitions~~
9 ~~apply:~~

10 ~~(i) "Base allocation" means the most recent allocation that was~~
11 ~~not reduced under subsection (2) of this section.~~

12 ~~(ii) "Certified levy" means the property tax levy for general~~
13 ~~county purposes certified to the county assessor as required by RCW~~
14 ~~84.52.070, excluding any amounts certified under chapters 84.69 and~~
15 ~~84.68 RCW.~~

16 ~~(6) Subsections (2), (4), and (5) of this section do not preclude~~
17 ~~a county from increasing the levy amount in subsection (1) of this~~
18 ~~section to an amount that is greater than the change in the regular~~
19 ~~county levy.)~~

20 **Sec. 6.** RCW 84.52.010 and 2017 c 196 s 10 are each amended to
21 read as follows:

22 (1) Except as is permitted under RCW 84.55.050, all taxes must be
23 levied or voted in specific amounts.

24 (2) The rate percent of all taxes for state and county purposes,
25 and purposes of taxing districts coextensive with the county, must be
26 determined, calculated and fixed by the county assessors of the
27 respective counties, within the limitations provided by law, upon the
28 assessed valuation of the property of the county, as shown by the
29 completed tax rolls of the county, and the rate percent of all taxes
30 levied for purposes of taxing districts within any county must be
31 determined, calculated and fixed by the county assessors of the
32 respective counties, within the limitations provided by law, upon the
33 assessed valuation of the property of the taxing districts
34 respectively.

35 (3) When a county assessor finds that the aggregate rate of tax
36 levy on any property, that is subject to the limitations set forth in
37 RCW 84.52.043 or 84.52.050, exceeds the limitations provided in
38 either of these sections, the assessor must recompute and establish a
39 consolidated levy in the following manner:

1 (a) The full certified rates of tax levy for state, county,
2 county road district, regional transit authority, and city or town
3 purposes must be extended on the tax rolls in amounts not exceeding
4 the limitations established by law; however any state levy takes
5 precedence over all other levies and may not be reduced for any
6 purpose other than that required by RCW 84.55.010. If, as a result of
7 the levies imposed under RCW 36.54.130, 84.34.230, 84.52.069,
8 84.52.105, the portion of the levy by a metropolitan park district
9 that was protected under RCW 84.52.120, 84.52.125, 84.52.135, and
10 84.52.140, and the portion of the levy by a flood control zone
11 district that was protected under RCW 84.52.816, the combined rate of
12 regular property tax levies that are subject to the one percent
13 limitation exceeds one percent of the true and fair value of any
14 property, then these levies must be reduced as follows:

15 (i) The portion of the levy by a flood control zone district that
16 was protected under RCW 84.52.816 must be reduced until the combined
17 rate no longer exceeds one percent of the true and fair value of any
18 property or must be eliminated;

19 (ii) If the combined rate of regular property tax levies that are
20 subject to the one percent limitation still exceeds one percent of
21 the true and fair value of any property, the levy imposed by a county
22 under RCW 84.52.140 must be reduced until the combined rate no longer
23 exceeds one percent of the true and fair value of any property or
24 must be eliminated;

25 (iii) If the combined rate of regular property tax levies that
26 are subject to the one percent limitation still exceeds one percent
27 of the true and fair value of any property, the portion of the levy
28 by a fire protection district or regional fire protection service
29 authority that is protected under RCW 84.52.125 must be reduced until
30 the combined rate no longer exceeds one percent of the true and fair
31 value of any property or must be eliminated;

32 (iv) If the combined rate of regular property tax levies that are
33 subject to the one percent limitation still exceeds one percent of
34 the true and fair value of any property, the levy imposed by a county
35 under RCW 84.52.135 must be reduced until the combined rate no longer
36 exceeds one percent of the true and fair value of any property or
37 must be eliminated;

38 (v) If the combined rate of regular property tax levies that are
39 subject to the one percent limitation still exceeds one percent of
40 the true and fair value of any property, the levy imposed by a ferry

1 district under RCW 36.54.130 must be reduced until the combined rate
2 no longer exceeds one percent of the true and fair value of any
3 property or must be eliminated;

4 (vi) If the combined rate of regular property tax levies that are
5 subject to the one percent limitation still exceeds one percent of
6 the true and fair value of any property, the portion of the levy by a
7 metropolitan park district that is protected under RCW 84.52.120 must
8 be reduced until the combined rate no longer exceeds one percent of
9 the true and fair value of any property or must be eliminated;

10 (vii) If the combined rate of regular property tax levies that
11 are subject to the one percent limitation still exceeds one percent
12 of the true and fair value of any property, then the levies imposed
13 under RCW 84.34.230, 84.52.105, and any portion of the levy imposed
14 under RCW 84.52.069 that is in excess of thirty cents per thousand
15 dollars of assessed value, must be reduced on a pro rata basis until
16 the combined rate no longer exceeds one percent of the true and fair
17 value of any property or must be eliminated; and

18 (viii) If the combined rate of regular property tax levies that
19 are subject to the one percent limitation still exceeds one percent
20 of the true and fair value of any property, then the thirty cents per
21 thousand dollars of assessed value of tax levy imposed under RCW
22 84.52.069 must be reduced until the combined rate no longer exceeds
23 one percent of the true and fair value of any property or eliminated.

24 (b) The certified rates of tax levy subject to these limitations
25 by all junior taxing districts imposing taxes on such property and
26 the tax levies under RCW 71.20.110 and 73.08.080 must be reduced or
27 eliminated as follows to bring the consolidated levy of taxes on such
28 property within the provisions of these limitations:

29 (i) First, the certified property tax levies authorized under RCW
30 71.20.110 and 73.08.080 must be reduced on a pro rata basis or
31 eliminated;

32 (ii) Second, the certified property tax levy authorized under RCW
33 84.52.821 must be reduced on a pro rata basis or eliminated;

34 (~~(ii) Second,~~) (iii) Third, if the consolidated tax levy rate
35 still exceeds these limitations, the certified property tax levy
36 rates of those junior taxing districts authorized under RCW
37 36.68.525, 36.69.145, 35.95A.100, and 67.38.130 must be reduced on a
38 pro rata basis or eliminated;

39 (~~(iii) Third,~~) (iv) Fourth, if the consolidated tax levy rate
40 still exceeds these limitations, the certified property tax levy

1 rates of flood control zone districts other than the portion of a
2 levy protected under RCW 84.52.816 must be reduced on a pro rata
3 basis or eliminated;

4 (~~(iv) Fourth,~~) (v) Fifth, if the consolidated tax levy rate
5 still exceeds these limitations, the certified property tax levy
6 rates of all other junior taxing districts, other than fire
7 protection districts, regional fire protection service authorities,
8 library districts, the first fifty cent per thousand dollars of
9 assessed valuation levies for metropolitan park districts, and the
10 first fifty cent per thousand dollars of assessed valuation levies
11 for public hospital districts, must be reduced on a pro rata basis or
12 eliminated;

13 (~~(v) Fifth,~~) (vi) Sixth, if the consolidated tax levy rate
14 still exceeds these limitations, the first fifty cent per thousand
15 dollars of assessed valuation levies for metropolitan park districts
16 created on or after January 1, 2002, must be reduced on a pro rata
17 basis or eliminated;

18 (~~(vi) Sixth,~~) (vii) Seventh, if the consolidated tax levy rate
19 still exceeds these limitations, the certified property tax levy
20 rates authorized to fire protection districts under RCW 52.16.140 and
21 52.16.160 and regional fire protection service authorities under RCW
22 52.26.140(1) (b) and (c) must be reduced on a pro rata basis or
23 eliminated; and

24 (~~(vii) Seventh,~~) (viii) Eighth, if the consolidated tax levy
25 rate still exceeds these limitations, the certified property tax levy
26 rates authorized for fire protection districts under RCW 52.16.130,
27 regional fire protection service authorities under RCW
28 52.26.140(1)(a), library districts, metropolitan park districts
29 created before January 1, 2002, under their first fifty cent per
30 thousand dollars of assessed valuation levy, and public hospital
31 districts under their first fifty cent per thousand dollars of
32 assessed valuation levy, must be reduced on a pro rata basis or
33 eliminated."

34 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Establishes the Veterans' Assistance Levy and the County Mental Health Levy as separate property tax levies, outside of the county general levy.

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