

2SHB 2117 - H AMD TO H AMD (H-2385.5/19) 420  
By Representative Irwin

NOT CONSIDERED 12/23/2019

1 On page 3, beginning on line 32, after "(i)" strike all material  
2 through "(ii)" line 34

3 Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any  
4 internal references accordingly.

5 On page 4, line 1, after "(4)" insert "The legislature further  
6 finds that while considering potential modifications to the tax code,  
7 the legislature should be mindful of the people's history of  
8 rejecting all forms of income tax, resoundingly. On ten separate  
9 occasions, Washington voters have voted down income tax proposals.  
10 The following resolutions to instate an income tax have failed:

11 (a) House Joint Resolution No. 11 in 1934, failed with fifty-  
12 seven percent of the votes;

13 (b) Senate Joint Resolution No. 7 in 1936, failed with seventy-  
14 eight percent of the votes;

15 (c) Senate Joint Resolution No. 5 in 1938, failed with sixty-  
16 seven percent of the votes;

17 (d) Constitutional Amendment Article VII, Sec. 2 in 1942, failed  
18 with sixty-six percent of the votes;

19 (e) Initiative to the People No. 158 in 1944, failed with seventy  
20 percent of the votes;

21 (f) House Joint Resolution No. 42 in 1970, failed with sixty-  
22 eight percent of the votes;

23 (g) House Joint Resolution No. 37 in 1973, failed with seventy-  
24 seven percent of the votes;

25 (h) Initiative to the People No. 314 in 1975, failed with sixty-  
26 seven percent of the votes;

27 (i) Initiative to the People No. 435 in 1982, failed with sixty-  
28 six percent of the votes; and

29 (j) Initiative to the People No. 1098 in 2010; failed with sixty-  
30 four percent of the votes.

31 (5) "

1 Correct any internal references accordingly.

2 On page 7, line 35, after "council." insert "Additionally, the  
3 work group must uphold the will of the people and not recommend any  
4 form of income tax."

EFFECT: Prohibits the tax structure work group from recommending any form of an income tax. Adds intent language related to income tax proposals.

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