HOUSE BILL 1059

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- AN ACT Relating to extending the business and occupation tax return filing due date for annual filers; amending RCW 82.32.045; and
- 3 creating a new section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- Sec. 1. The legislature finds that the filing of 5 NEW SECTION. 6 an annual excise tax return by January 31st can be a hardship for 7 those many taxpayers, including self-employed taxpayers, who must wait to receive a 1099 form. Therefore, some state taxpayers do not 8 receive the information they need to accurately file their taxes 9 10 until on or shortly after the current state filing deadline. The 11 legislature finds that it is an unnecessary burden on taxpayers, and 12 an inefficient use of state time and resources, to require them to 13 file their return under the current timeline using the best 14 information available to them and then subsequently amend their 15 return at a later date. The legislature intends to address this by 16 extending the deadline for taxpayers who qualify to be annual filers.
- 17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 82.32.045 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 23 s 1103 are each 18 amended to read as follows:
- 19 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, payments of the 20 taxes imposed under chapters 82.04, 82.08, 82.12, 82.14, and 82.16

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RCW, along with reports and returns on forms prescribed by the department, are due monthly within twenty-five days after the end of the month in which the taxable activities occur.

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- (2) The department of revenue may relieve any taxpayer or class of taxpayers from the obligation of remitting monthly and may require the return to cover other longer reporting periods, but in no event may returns be filed for a period greater than one year. Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, for these taxpayers, tax payments are due on or before the last day of the month next succeeding the end of the period covered by the return.
- (3) For annual filers, tax payments, along with reports and returns on forms prescribed by the department, are due on or before the first day of the third month immediately following the end of the period covered by the return.
- (4) The department of revenue may also require verified annual returns from any taxpayer, setting forth such additional information as it may deem necessary to correctly determine tax liability.
- ((4)) (5) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, the department may relieve any person of the requirement to file returns if the following conditions are met:
- (a) The person's value of products, gross proceeds of sales, or gross income of the business, from all business activities taxable under chapter 82.04 RCW, is less than:
 - (i) Twenty-eight thousand dollars per year; or
- (ii) Forty-six thousand six hundred sixty-seven dollars per year for persons generating at least fifty percent of their taxable amount from activities taxable under RCW 82.04.255, 82.04.290(2)(a), and 82.04.285;
- 29 (b) The person's gross income of the business from all activities 30 taxable under chapter 82.16 RCW is less than twenty-four thousand 31 dollars per year; and
- 32 (c) The person is not required to collect or pay to the 33 department of revenue any other tax or fee which the department is 34 authorized to collect.

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