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HOUSE BILL 1672

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By Representatives Wylie and Fitzgibbon

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- AN ACT Relating to local property tax levies for conservation
- 2 futures; amending RCW 84.55.010; and creating a new section.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 84.55.010 and 2021 c 207 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Except as provided in this chapter, the levy for a taxing district in any year must be set so that the regular property taxes payable in the following year do not exceed the limit factor multiplied by the amount of regular property taxes lawfully levied for such district in the highest of the three most recent years in which such taxes were levied for such district, excluding any increase due to (e) of this subsection, unless the highest levy was the statutory maximum rate amount, plus an additional dollar amount calculated by multiplying the regular property tax levy rate of that district for the preceding year by the increase in assessed value in that district resulting from:
 - (a) New construction;
- 18 (b) Increases in assessed value due to construction of wind 19 turbine, solar, biomass, and geothermal facilities, if such 20 facilities generate electricity and the property is not included 21 elsewhere under this section for purposes of providing an additional

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- dollar amount. The property may be classified as real or personal property;
 - (c) Improvements to property;

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- (d) Any increase in the assessed value of state-assessed property; and
 - (e) Any increase in the assessed value of real property, as that term is defined in RCW 39.114.010, within an increment area as designated by any local government in RCW 39.114.020 provided that such increase is not included elsewhere under this section. This subsection (1)(e) does not apply to levies by the state or by port districts and public utility districts for the purpose of making required payments of principal and interest on general indebtedness.
- 13 (2) The requirements of this section do not apply to:
- 14 (a) State property taxes levied under RCW 84.52.065(1) for 15 collection in calendar years 2019 through 2021; ((and))
- 16 (b) State property taxes levied under RCW 84.52.065(2) for collection in calendar years 2018 through 2021; and
- (c) Property taxes levied under RCW 84.34.230.
- 19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act applies to taxes levied for 20 collection in 2023 and thereafter.

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