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1 AN ACT Relating to reducing the state property tax levy for 1997
2 and thereafter; amending RCW 84.55.012; adding a new section to chapter
3 84.55 RCW; and providing for submission of this act to a vote of the
4 people.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 84.55 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) As used in this section, "full levy" means the levy amount that
9 would be allowed otherwise under this chapter without regard to RCW
10 84.55.012, this section, or any other tax reduction legislation enacted
11 in 1996.

12 (2) The state levy for collection in 1997 shall be reduced by five
13 percent of the full levy for that year. The tax reduction provided in
14 this section is in addition to any other tax reduction legislation that
15 may be enacted by the legislature.

16 (3) Levies collected before 1997 shall not be used as a base for
17 calculating limits for state levies for collection after 1997.

1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 84.55.012 and 1995 2nd sp.s. c 13 s 2 are each amended
2 to read as follows:

3 (1) The state property tax levy for collection in 1996 shall be
4 reduced by 4.7187 percent of the levy amount that would otherwise be
5 allowed under this chapter without regard to this section or any other
6 tax reduction legislation enacted in 1995.

7 (2) The tax reduction provided in this section is in addition to
8 any other tax reduction legislation that may be enacted by the
9 legislature.

10 ~~((3) State levies for collection after 1996 shall be set at the
11 amount that would be allowed otherwise under this chapter if the state
12 levy for collection in 1996 had been set without the reduction under
13 subsection (1) of this section.))~~

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act shall be submitted to the people
15 for their adoption and ratification, or rejection, at the next
16 succeeding general election to be held in this state, in accordance
17 with Article II, section 1 of the state Constitution, as amended, and
18 the laws adopted to facilitate the operation thereof.

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