
SENATE BILL 5360

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1 AN ACT Relating to mosquito control districts; and amending RCW
2 17.28.255 and 79.44.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 17.28.255 and 2005 c 181 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) The board of trustees shall annually determine the amount of
7 money necessary to carry on the operations of the district and shall
8 classify the property therein in proportion to the benefits to be
9 derived from the operations of the district and in accordance with such
10 classification shall apportion and assess the several lots, blocks,
11 tracts, and parcels of land or other property within the district,
12 which assessment shall be collected with the general taxes of the
13 county or counties.

14 (2) A mosquito control district must use the assessed value
15 applicable to forest land, farm and agricultural land, or open space
16 land, under chapter 84.33 or 84.34 RCW, when the land has been
17 designated as such and the assessed value is used as a component in
18 determining the district assessment. If a district uses a fractional
19 amount of assessed value as a component in determining the district

1 assessment, then a fractional amount of the value applicable to forest
2 land, farm and agricultural land, or open space land, under chapter
3 84.33 or 84.34 RCW, shall be used.

4 (3) Land that is exempt from tax under Title 84 RCW is exempt from
5 any assessment under this section.

6 **Sec. 2.** RCW 79.44.010 and 1982 1st ex.s. c 21 s 178 are each
7 amended to read as follows:

8 Except as otherwise provided by law, all lands, including school
9 lands, granted lands, escheated lands, or other lands, held or owned by
10 the state of Washington in fee simple (in trust or otherwise), situated
11 within the limits of any assessing district in this state, may be
12 assessed and charged for the cost of local or other improvements
13 specially benefiting such lands which may be ordered by the proper
14 authorities of any such assessing district and may be assessed by any
15 irrigation district to the same extent as private lands within the
16 district are assessed: PROVIDED, That the leasehold, contractual, or
17 possessory interest of any person, firm, association, or private or
18 municipal corporation in any such lands shall be charged and assessed
19 in the proportional amount such leasehold, contractual, or possessory
20 interest is benefited: PROVIDED, FURTHER, That no lands of the state
21 shall be included within an irrigation district except as provided in
22 RCW 87.03.025 and 89.12.090.

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