A state highway to be known as state route number 27 is established as follows:

Beginning at a junction with state route number ((270 at)) 195 in the vicinity of Pullman, thence northerly to a junction with state route number 271 in the vicinity of Oakesdale; also

From a junction with state route number 271 at Oakesdale, thence in a northerly direction by way of Tekoa, Latah, Fairfield, and Rockford to a junction with state route number 90 in the vicinity of Opportunity.

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CHAPTER 196

[Substitute House Bill No. 302]
TAXATION—RATES—EXEMPTIONS—DEDUCTIONS

AN ACT Relating to business and occupation taxation; amending section 82.02.020, chapter 15, Laws of 1961, section 16, chapter 236, Laws of 1967, and section 8, chapter 94, Laws of 1970, 1st ex. sess., and RCW 82.02.020; amending section 82.04.240, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 3, chapter 281, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.240; amending section 82.04.260, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 7, chapter 291, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.260; amending section 82.04.300, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 41, chapter 278, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.300; amending section 82.04.430, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 1, chapter 105, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.430; amending section 2, chapter 169, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.442; amending section 7, chapter 37, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. as amended by section 1, chapter 35, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.430; amending section 14, chapter 61, Laws of 1975–'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 84.36.451; amending section 2, chapter 61, Laws of 1975–'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 82.29A.020; adding new sections to chapter 82.04 RCW; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 82.04.240, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 3, chapter 281, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.240 are each amended to read as follows:

Upon every person except persons taxable under subsections (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), ((or)) (8), (9), or (10) of RCW 82.04.260 engaging within this state in business as a manufacturer; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the products, including byproducts, manufactured, multiplied by the rate of forty-four one-hundredths of one percent.

The measure of the tax is the value of the products, including byproducts, so manufactured regardless of the place of sale or the fact that deliveries may be made to points outside the state.

- Sec. 2. Section 82.04.260, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 7, chapter 291, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.260 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of buying wheat, oats, dry peas, corn, rye and barley, but not including any manufactured or processed products thereof, and selling the same at wholesale; the tax imposed shall be equal to the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of one one-hundredth of one percent.
- (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing wheat into flour, soybeans into soybean oil, or sunflower seeds into sunflower oil; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the flour or oil manufactured, multiplied by the rate of one-eighth of one percent.
- (3) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of splitting or processing dried peas; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the peas split or processed, multiplied by the rate of one-quarter of one percent.
- (4) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing seafood products which remain in a raw, raw frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the manufacturing by that person; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the products manufactured, multiplied by the rate of one-eighth of one percent.
- (5) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing by canning, preserving, freezing or dehydrating fresh fruits and vegetables; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the products canned, preserved, frozen or dehydrated multiplied by the rate of three-tenths of one percent.
- (6) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing aluminum pig, ingot, billet, plate, sheet (flat or coiled), rod, bar, wire, cable or extrusions; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the products manufactured multiplied by the rate of four-tenths of one percent.
- (7) Upon every nonprofit corporation and nonprofit association engaging within this state in research and development, as to such corporations and associations, the amount of tax with respect to such activities shall be equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of forty-four one-hundredths of one percent.
- (8) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of slaughtering, breaking and/or processing perishable meat products and/or selling the same at wholesale; as to such persons the tax imposed shall be equal to the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of thirty-three one-hundredths of one percent.

- (9) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales, at retail or wholesale, of nuclear fuel assemblies manufactured by that person, as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the assemblies multiplied by the rate of twenty-five one-hundredths of one percent.
- (10) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing nuclear fuel assemblies, as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the value of the products manufactured multiplied by the rate of twenty-five one-hundredths of one percent.
- (11) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of acting as a travel agent; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such activities shall be equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of twenty-five one-hundredths of one percent.
- (12) Upon every person engaging within this state in business as an international steamship agent, international customs house broker, international freight forwarder, vessel and/or cargo charter broker in foreign commerce, and/or international air cargo agent; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to only international activities shall be equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of thirty-three one-hundredths of one percent.
- (13) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of stevedoring and associated activities pertinent to the movement of goods and commodities in waterborne interstate or foreign commerce; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall be equal to the gross proceeds derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of thirtythree one hundredths of one percent. Persons subject to taxation under this subsection shall be exempt from payment of taxes imposed by chapter 82.16 RCW for that portion of their business subject to taxation under this subsection. Stevedoring and associated activities pertinent to the conduct of goods and commodities in waterborne interstate or foreign commerce are defined as all activities of a labor, service or transportation nature whereby cargo may be loaded or unloaded to or from vessels or barges, passing over, onto or under a wharf, pier, or similar structure; cargo may be moved to a warehouse or similar holding or storage yard or area to await further movement in import or export or may move to a consolidation freight station and be stuffed, unstuffed, containerized, separated or otherwise segregated or aggregated for delivery or loaded on any mode of transportation for delivery to its consignee. Specific activities included in this definition are: wharfage, handling, loading, unloading, moving of cargo to a convenient place of delivery to the consignee or a convenient place for further movement to export mode; documentation services in connection with the receipt, delivery, checking, care, custody and control of cargo required in

the transfer of cargo; imported automobile handling prior to delivery to consignee; terminal stevedoring and incidental vessel services, including but not limited to plugging and unplugging refrigerator service to containers, trailers, and other refrigerated cargo receptacles, and securing ship hatch covers.

Sec. 3. Section 82.02.020, chapter 15, Laws of 1961, section 16, chapter 236, Laws of 1967, and section 8, chapter 94, Laws of 1970, 1st ex. sess., and RCW 82.02.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Except only as expressly provided in RCW 67.28.180 and 67.28.190 and the provisions of chapter 82.14 RCW, the state preempts the field of imposing taxes upon retail sales of tangible personal property, the use of tangible personal property, parimutuel wagering authorized pursuant to RCW 67.16.060, conveyances, and cigarettes, and no county, town, or other municipal subdivision shall have the right to impose taxes of that nature.

Sec. 4. Section 82.04.300, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 41, chapter 278, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.300 are each amended to read as follows:

This chapter shall apply to any person engaging in any business activity taxable under RCW 82.04.230, 82.04.240, 82.04.250, 82.04.260, 82.04.270, 82.04.275, 82.04.280 and 82.04.290 other than those whose value of products, gross proceeds of sales, or gross income of the business is less than ((three hundred)) one thousand dollars per month: PROVIDED, That where one person engages in more than one business activity and the combined measures of the tax applicable to such businesses equal or exceed ((three hundred)) one thousand dollars per month, no exemption or deduction from the amount of tax is allowed by this section.

Any person claiming exemption under the provisions of this section may be required to file returns even though no tax may be due: PROVIDED, FURTHER, That the department of revenue may allow exemptions, by general rule or regulation, in those instances in which quarterly, semiannual, or annual returns are permitted. Exemptions for such periods shall be equivalent in amount to the total of exemptions for each month of a reporting period.

Sec. 5. Section 82.04.430, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 1, chapter 105, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.430 are each amended to read as follows:

In computing tax there may be deducted from the measure of tax the following items:

(1) Amounts derived by persons, other than those engaging in banking, loan, security, or other financial businesses, from investments or the use of money as such, and also amounts derived as dividends by a parent from its subsidiary corporations;

- (2) Amounts derived from bona fide initiation fees, dues, contributions, donations, tuition fees, charges made for operation of privately operated kindergartens, and endowment funds. This paragraph shall not be construed to exempt any person, association, or society from tax liability upon selling tangible personal property or upon providing facilities or services for which a special charge is made to members or others. ((Dues which are for, or graduated upon, the amount of service rendered by the recipient thereof are not permitted as a deduction hereunder;)) If dues are in exchange for any significant amount of goods or services rendered by the recipient thereof to members without any additional charge to the member, or if the dues are graduated upon the amount of goods or services rendered, the value of such goods or services shall not be considered as a deduction hereunder;
- (3) The amount of cash discount actually taken by the purchaser. This deduction is not allowed in arriving at the taxable amount under the extractive or manufacturing classifications with respect to articles produced or manufactured, the reported values of which, for the purposes of this tax, have been computed according to the provisions of RCW 82.04.450;
- (4) The amount of credit losses actually sustained by taxpayers whose regular books of account are kept upon an accrual basis;
- (5) So much of the sale price of motor vehicle fuel as constitutes the amount of tax imposed by the state or the United States government upon the sale thereof;
- (6) Amounts derived from business which the state is prohibited from taxing under the Constitution of this state or the Constitution or laws of the United States;
- (7) Amounts derived by any person as compensation for the receiving, washing, sorting, and packing of fresh perishable horticultural products and the material and supplies used therein when performed for the person exempted in RCW 82.04.330, either as agent or as independent contractor;
- (8) Amounts derived as compensation for services rendered or to be rendered to patients or from sales of prescription drugs as defined in RCW 82.08.030 furnished as an integral part of services rendered to patients by a hospital, as defined in chapter 70.41 RCW, devoted to the care of human beings with respect to the prevention or treatment of disease, sickness, or suffering, when such hospital is operated by the United States or any of its instrumentalities, or by the state, or any of its political subdivisions;
- (9) Amounts derived as compensation for services rendered to patients or from sales of prescription drugs as defined in RCW 82.08.030 furnished as an integral part of services rendered to patients by a hospital, as defined in chapter 70.41 RCW, which is operated as a nonprofit corporation, nursing homes and homes for unwed mothers operated as religious or charitable organizations, but only if no part of the net earnings received by such an institution inures directly or indirectly, to any person other than the institution entitled to deduction hereunder. In no event shall any such deduction

be allowed, unless the hospital building is entitled to exemption from taxation under the property tax laws of this state;

- (10) Amounts derived by a political subdivision of the state of Washington from another political subdivision of the state of Washington as compensation for services which are within the purview of RCW 82.04.290;
- (11) By those engaged in banking, loan, security or other financial businesses, amounts derived from interest received on investments or loans primarily secured by first mortgages or trust deeds on nontransient residential properties;
- (12) By those engaged in banking, loan, security or other financial businesses, amounts derived from interest paid on all obligations of the state of Washington, its political subdivisions, and municipal corporations organized pursuant to the laws thereof;
- (13) Amounts derived as interest on loans to bona fide farmers and ranchers, producers or harvesters of aquatic products, or their cooperatives by a lending institution which is owned exclusively by its borrowers or members and which is engaged solely in the business of making loans ((for agricultural production)) and providing finance-related services to bona fide farmers and ranchers, producers or harvesters of aquatic products, their cooperatives, rural residents for housing, or persons engaged in furnishing farm-related or aquatic-related services to these individuals or entities;
- (14) By persons subject to payment of the tax on manufacturers pursuant to RCW 82.04.240, the value of articles to the extent of manufacturing activities completed outside the United States, if
- (a) any additional processing of such articles in this state consists of minor final assembly only, and
- (b) in the case of domestic manufacture of such articles, can be and normally is done at the place of initial manufacture, and
- (c) the total cost of the minor final assembly does not exceed two percent of the value of the articles, and
 - (d) the articles are sold and shipped outside the state;
- (15) That portion of amounts received by any funeral home licensed to do business in this state which is received as reimbursements for expenditures (for goods supplied or services rendered by a person not employed by or affiliated or associated with the funeral home) and advanced by such funeral home as an accommodation to the persons paying for a funeral, so long as such expenditures and advances are billed to the persons paying for the funeral at only the exact cost thereof and are separately itemized in the billing statement delivered to such persons.
- (16) Amounts received from the United States or any instrumentality thereof or from the state of Washington or any municipal corporation or political subdivision thereof as compensation for, or to support, health or social welfare services rendered by a health or social welfare organization or by a municipal corporation or political subdivision.

- (17) Amounts used solely for repair, maintenance, replacement, management, or improvement of the residential structures and commonly held property, but excluding property where fees or charges are made for use by the public who are not guests accompanied by a member, which are derived by:
- (a) A cooperative housing association, corporation, or partnership from a person who resides in a structure owned by the cooperative housing association, corporation, or partnership;
- (b) An association of owners of property as defined in RCW 64.32.010, as now or hereafter amended, from a person who is an apartment owner as defined in RCW 64.32.010; or
- (c) An association of owners of residential property from a person who is a member of the association. "Association of owners of residential property" means any organization of all the owners of residential property in a defined area who all hold the same property in common within the area.

For the purposes of this subsection "commonly held property" includes areas required for common access such as reception areas, halls, stairways, parking, etc., and may include recreation rooms, swimming pools and small parks or recreation areas; but is not intended to include more grounds than are normally required in a residential area, or to include such extensive areas as required for golf courses, campgrounds, hiking and riding areas, boating areas, etc.

To qualify for the deductions under this section:

- (a) The salary or compensation paid to officers, managers, or employees must be only for actual services rendered and at levels comparable to the salary or compensation of like positions within the county wherein the property is located;
- (b) Dues, fees, or assessments in excess of amounts needed for the purposes for which the deduction is allowed must be rebated to the members of the association;
- (c) Assets of the association or organization must be distributable to all members and must not inure to the benefit of any single member or group of members.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 6. There is added to chapter 82.04 RCW a new section to read as follows:

(1) For the purposes of RCW 82.04.430(16), the term "health or social welfare organization" means an organization which renders health or social welfare services as defined in subsection (2) of this section, which is a not-for-profit corporation under chapter 24.03 RCW and which is managed by a governing board of not less than eight individuals none of whom is a paid employee of the organization or which is a corporation sole under chapter 24.12 RCW. In addition a corporation in order to be exempt under RCW 82.04.430(16) shall satisfy the following conditions:

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- (a) No part of its income may be paid directly or indirectly to its members, stockholders, officers, directors, or trustees except in the form of services rendered by the corporation in accordance with its purposes and bylaws;
- (b) Salary or compensation paid to its officers and executives must be only for actual services rendered, and at levels comparable to the salary or compensation of like positions within the public service of the state;
- (c) Assets of the corporation must be irrevocably dedicated to the activities for which the exemption is granted and, on the liquidation, dissolution, or abandonment by the corporation, may not inure directly or indirectly to the benefit of any member or individual except a nonprofit organization, association, or corporation which also would be entitled to the exemption;
- (d) The corporation must be duly licensed or certified where licensing or certification is required by law or regulation;
- (e) The amounts received qualifying for exemption must be used for the activities for which the exemption is granted;
- (f) Services must be available regardless of race, color, national origin, or ancestry; and
- (g) The director of revenue shall have access to its books in order to determine whether the corporation is exempt from taxes within the intent of RCW 82.04.430(16) and this section.
- (2) The term "health or social welfare services" includes and is limited to:
 - (a) Mental health, drug, or alcoholism counseling or treatment;
 - (b) Family counseling;
 - (c) Health care services;
- (d) Therapeutic, diagnostic, rehabilitative, or restorative services for the care of the sick, aged, or physically, developmentally, or emotionally-disabled individuals:
- (e) Activities which are for the purpose of preventing or ameliorating juvenile delinquency or child abuse, including recreational activities for those purposes;
 - (f) Care of orphans or foster children;
 - (g) Day care of children;
 - (h) Employment development, training, and placement; and
 - (i) Legal services to the indigent.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. There is added to chapter 82.04 RCW a new section to read as follows:

- (1) This chapter does not apply to amounts derived by a nonprofit organization as a result of conducting or participating in a bazaar or rummage sale if:
- (a) The organization does not conduct or participate in more than two bazaars or rummage sales per year; and

- (b) Each bazaar or rummage sale does not extend over a period of more than two days; and
- (c) The gross income received by each organization from each bazaar or rummage sale does not exceed one thousand dollars.
- (2) For purposes of this section, "nonprofit organization" means an organization that meets all of the following criteria:
- (a) The members, stockholders, officers, directors, or trustees of the organization do not receive any part of the organization's gross income, except as payment for services rendered;
- (b) The compensation received by any person for services rendered to the organization does not exceed an amount reasonable under the circumstances; and
- (c) The activities of the organization do not include a substantial amount of political activity, including but not limited to influencing legislation and participation in any campaign on behalf of any candidate for political office.
- Sec. 8. Section 2, chapter 169, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 82.04-.442 are each amended to read as follows:

For each of the calendar years 1974 through 1983, a percentage as set forth below, of any personal property taxes paid before delinquency after May 10, 1974 by any taxpayer upon business inventories during the same calendar year or paid after delinquency under extenuating circumstances if approved by the department of revenue shall be allowed as a credit against the total of any taxes imposed on such taxpayer or its successor by chapter 82.04 RCW (business and occupation tax), as follows:

Inventory taxes paid in 1974 ten	percent
Inventory taxes paid in 1975 twenty	percent
Inventory taxes paid in 1976 thirty	percent
Inventory taxes paid in 1977 forty	percent
Inventory taxes paid in 1978 fifty	percent
Inventory taxes paid in 1979 sixty	percent
Inventory taxes paid in 1980 seventy	percent
Inventory taxes paid in 1981 eighty	percent
Inventory taxes paid in 1982 ninety	percent
Inventory taxes paid in 1983 one hundred	percent

Sec. 9. Section 7, chapter 37, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. as amended by section 1, chapter 35, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 35.21.755 are each amended to read as follows:

A public corporation, commission, or authority created pursuant to RCW 35.21.730 or 35.21.660 shall receive the same immunity or exemption from taxation as that of the city, town, or county creating the same: PRO-VIDED, That, except for any property listed on, or which is within a district listed on any federal or state register of historical sites, any such public

corporation, commission, or authority shall pay to the county treasurer an annual excise tax equal to the amounts which would be paid upon real property and personal property devoted to the purposes of such public corporation, commission, or authority were it in private ownership, and such real property and personal property is acquired and/or operated under RCW 35.21.725 through 35.21.755, and the proceeds of such excise tax shall be allocated by the county treasurer to the various taxing authorities in which such property is situated, in the same manner as though the property were in private ownership: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the provisions of chapter 82.29A RCW((, and RCW 84.36.451 and 84.40.175)) shall not apply to property within a district listed on any federal or state register of historical sites and which is controlled by a public corporation, commission, or authority created pursuant to RCW 35.21.730 or 35.21.660, which was in existence prior to January 1, 1976((, and the exemption set forth in this proviso shall be allowed in accordance with the following schedule:

	Percentage Exemption of
Year	Tax Otherwise Due
1977 to 1981	100 percent
1982 to 1985	66 2/3 percent
1986 to 1989	33 1/3 percent

and shall expire on December 31, 1989)).

Sec. 10. Section 14, chapter 61, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 84.36.451 are each amended to read as follows:

The following property shall be exempt from taxation: Any and all rights to occupy or use any real or personal property owned in fee or held in trust by:

- (1) The United States, the state of Washington, or any political subdivision or municipal corporation of the state of Washington((7)); or
- (2) A public corporation, commission, or authority created under RCW 35.21.730 or 35.21.660 if the property is listed on or is within a district listed on any federal or state register of historical sites; and
- (3) Including any leasehold interest arising from ((such)) the property identified in subsections (1) and (2) of this section as defined in RCW 82-.29A.020: PROVIDED, That ((this)) the exemption under this section shall not apply to any such leasehold interests which are a part of operating properties of public utilities subject to assessment under chapter 84.12 RCW nor be construed to modify the provisions of RCW 84.40.230.
- Sec. 11. Section 2, chapter 61, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 82.29A.020 are each amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter the following terms shall be defined as follows, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) "Leasehold interest" shall mean an interest in publicly owned real or personal property which exists by virtue of any lease, permit, license, or any other agreement, written or verbal, between the public owner of the property and a person who would not be exempt from property taxes if that person owned the property in fee, granting possession and use, to a degree less than fee simple ownership: PROVIDED, That no interest in personal property (excluding land or buildings) which is owned by the United States, whether or not as trustee, or by any foreign government shall constitute a leasehold interest hereunder when the right to use such property is granted pursuant to a contract solely for the manufacture or production of articles for sale to the United States or any foreign government. The term "leasehold interest" shall include the rights of use or occupancy by others of property which is owned in fee or held in trust by a public corporation, commission, or authority created under RCW 35.21.730 or 35.21.660 if the property is listed on or is within a district listed on any federal or state register of historical sites. The term "leasehold interest" shall not include road or utility easements or rights of access, occupancy or use granted solely for the purpose of removing materials or products purchased from a public owner or the lessee of a public owner.
- (2) "Taxable rent" shall mean contract rent as defined in subsection (a) of this subsection in all cases where the lease or agreement has been established or renegotiated through competitive bidding, or negotiated or renegotiated in accordance with statutory requirements regarding the rent payable, or negotiated or renegotiated under circumstances, established by public record, clearly showing that the contract rent was the maximum attainable by the lessor: PROVIDED, That after January 1, 1986, with respect to any lease which has been in effect for ten years or more without renegotiation, taxable rent may be established by procedures set forth in subsection (b) of this subsection. All other leasehold interests shall be subject to the determination of taxable rent under the terms of subsection (b) of this subsection.
- (a) "Contract rent" shall mean the amount of consideration due as payment for a leasehold interest, including: The total of cash payments made to the lessor or to another party for the benefit of the lessor according to the requirements of the lease or agreement; expenditures for the protection of the lessor's interest when required by the terms of the lease or agreement; and expenditures for improvements to the property to the extent that such improvements become the property of the lessor. Where the consideration conveyed for the leasehold interest is made in combination with payment for concession or other rights granted by the lessor, only that portion of such payment which represents consideration for the leasehold interest shall be part of contract rent.

"Contract rent" shall not include: (i) Expenditures made by the lessee, which under the terms of the lease or agreement, are to be reimbursed by

the lessor to the lessee; (ii) expenditures made by the lessee for the replacement or repair of facilities due to fire or other casualty or for alterations or additions made necessary by an action of government taken after the date of the execution of the lease or agreement; (iii) improvements added to publicly owned property by a sublessee under an agreement executed prior to January 1, 1976, which have been taxed as personal property of the sublessee prior to January 1, 1976, or improvements made by a sublessee of the same lessee under a similar agreement executed prior to January 1, 1976, and such improvements shall be taxable to the sublessee as personal property; (iv) improvements added to publicly owned property if such improvements are being taxed as personal property to any person.

Any prepaid contract rent shall be considered to have been paid in the year due and not in the year actually paid with respect to prepayment for a period of more than one year. Expenditures for improvements with a useful life of more than one year which are included as part of contract rent shall be treated as prepaid contract rent and prorated over the useful life of the improvement or the remaining term of the lease or agreement if the useful life is in excess of the remaining term of the lease or agreement. Rent prepaid prior to January 1, 1976, shall be prorated from the date of prepayment.

With respect to a "product lease", the value of agricultural products received as rent shall be the value at the place of delivery as of the fifteenth day of the month of delivery; with respect to all other products received as contract rent, the value shall be that value determined at the time of sale under terms of the lease.

- (b) If it shall be determined by the department of revenue, upon examination of a lessee's accounts or those of a lessor of publicly owned property, that a lessee is occupying or using publicly owned property in such a manner as to create a leasehold interest and that such leasehold interest has not been established through competitive bidding, or negotiated in accordance with statutory requirements regarding the rent payable, or negotiated under circumstances, established by public record, clearly showing that the contract rent was the maximum attainable by the lessor, the department may establish a taxable rent computation for use in determining the tax payable under authority granted in this chapter based upon the following criteria: (i) Consideration shall be given to rental being paid to other lessors by lessees of similar property for similar purposes over similar periods of time; (ii) consideration shall be given to what would be considered a fair rate of return on the market value of the property leased less reasonable deductions for any restrictions on use, special operating requirements or provisions for concurrent use by the lessor, another person or the general public.
- (3) "Product lease" as used in this chapter shall mean a lease of property for use in the production of agricultural or marine products to the extent that such lease provides for the contract rent to be paid by the delivery

of a stated percentage of the production of such agricultural or marine products to the credit of the lessor or the payment to the lessor of a stated percentage of the proceeds from the sale of such products.

- (4) "Renegotiated" means a change in the lease agreement which changes the agreed time of possession, restrictions on use, the rate of the cash rental or of any other consideration payable by the lessee to or for the benefit of the lessor, other than any such change required by the terms of the lease or agreement. In addition "renegotiated" shall mean a continuation of possession by the lessee beyond the date when, under the terms of the lease agreement, the lessee had the right to vacate the premises without any further liability to the lessor.
 - (5) "City" means any city or town.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. There is added to chapter 82.04 RCW a new section to read as follows:

This chapter shall not apply to school districts and educational service districts as defined in Title 28A RCW, in respect to materials printed in the school district and educational service districts printing facilities when said materials are used solely for school district and educational service district purposes.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. There is added to chapter 82.04 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The tax imposed by RCW 82.04.270(1) does not apply to any person who manufactures alcohol with respect to sales of said alcohol to be used in the production of gasohol for use as motor vehicle fuel. As used in this section, "motor vehicle fuel" has the meaning given in RCW 82.36.010(2), and "gasohol" means motor vehicle fuel which contains more than nine and one-half percent alcohol by volume.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. There is added to chapter 82.04 RCW a new section to read as follows:

This chapter does not apply to any county, city or town as defined in Title 35 RCW and Title 36 RCW, in respect to materials printed in the county, city or town printing facilities when said materials are used solely for said county, city or town purposes.

<u>NEW SECTION</u>. Sec. 15. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect on July 1, 1979.

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