

(9) For the purposes of this section, "current school year" shall mean the year immediately following the prior school year.

(10) The superintendent of public instruction shall develop rules and regulations and inform school districts of the pertinent data necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect July 1, 1989.

Passed the House March 14, 1989.

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CHAPTER 142

[House Bill No. 2045]

SPECIAL FUEL TAX—COMPUTATION

AN ACT Relating to the tax on special fuel; and amending RCW 82.38.060.

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

Sec. 1. Section 7, chapter 175, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 82-.38.060 are each amended to read as follows:

In the event the tax on special fuel imported into this state in the fuel supply tanks of motor vehicles for taxable use on Washington highways can be more accurately determined on a mileage basis the department is authorized to approve and adopt such basis. When a special fuel user imports special fuel into or exports special fuel from the state of Washington in the fuel supply tanks of motor vehicles, the amount of special fuel consumed in such vehicles on Washington highways shall be deemed to be such proportion of the total amount of such special fuel consumed in his entire operations within and without this state as the total number of miles traveled on the public highways within this state bears to the total number of miles traveled within and without the state. The department may also adopt such mileage basis for determining the taxable use of special fuel used in motor vehicles which travel regularly over prescribed courses on and off the highways within the state of Washington. In the absence of records showing the number of miles actually operated per gallon of special fuel consumed, it shall be prima facie presumed that not less than one gallon of special fuel was consumed for every: (1) Four miles traveled by vehicles over forty thousand pounds gross vehicle weight; (2) seven miles traveled by vehicles twelve thousand one to forty thousand pounds gross vehicle weight; (3) ten miles traveled by vehicles six thousand one to twelve thousand pounds gross

vehicle weight; and (4) sixteen miles traveled by vehicles six thousand pounds or less gross vehicle weight.

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CHAPTER 143

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 5275]

HIGH VOLTAGE ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC FIELDS—REVIEW OF PRESENT STUDIES

AN ACT Relating to high voltage electric and magnetic fields; and creating new sections.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that it has not yet been proven that electric and magnetic field levels present in daily living are responsible for any adverse health effects. The legislature further finds that several large-scale studies are presently being conducted throughout the nation on this subject and that it would be premature to set state exposure levels for electric and magnetic fields before these studies have been analyzed.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The Washington state institute for public policy, in consultation and cooperation with the Oregon department of energy, is directed to oversee a review of present studies related to the effects of electric and magnetic fields. The review shall use the resources of the state's higher education system, and shall include a report on the status of electric and magnetic field research. The report shall identify high-priority research projects that still need to be undertaken to identify cancer or other medical risks which may be related to exposure to electric and magnetic fields. The report shall be distributed to members of the energy and utilities committees of the house of representatives and the senate, and shall be due on December 1, 1989.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The institute for public policy may accept grants, contributions, or appropriations from any person or governmental entity for the purposes of this act.

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