

therewith, used as a nurses' home or as a residence for persons engaged or employed in the operation of the hospital, or operated as a portion of the hospital unit.

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CHAPTER 246  
[Senate Bill No. 196]  
BUSINESS AND OCCUPATION TAX--  
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS EXEMPTION

AN ACT Relating to revenue and taxation; exempting certain banks from payment of business and occupation taxes; amending section 82-.04.400, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 8, chapter 173, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 82.04.400; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 82.04.400, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 8, chapter 173, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 82-.04.400 are each amended to read as follows:

This chapter shall not apply to national banks, state banks, trust companies, production credit associations and banks for cooperatives organized under the Farm Credit Act of 1933, mutual savings banks, building and loan and savings and loan associations with respect to their banking, trust, or savings and loan business and to credit companies and corporations with respect to loans made for the purpose of financing the growing, harvesting, processing, storing; and marketing of horticulture and agriculture products but shall apply with respect to their engaging in any other business taxable hereunder, even though such other business is conducted primarily for the purpose of liquidating the assets thereof. This chapter shall also not apply to United States federal housing administration approved mortgagees with respect to their activities of the same type as those hereunder exempted for banks and savings and loan associations.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This 1969 amendatory 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 immediately.

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CHAPTER 247

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 199]

PUBLIC LANDS--INTER-AGENCY

COOPERATION FOR BENEFICIAL PUBLIC USES

AN ACT Relating to public lands; and adding new sections to chapter 79.08 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 79.08 RCW a new section to read as follows:

In order to maximize outdoor recreation opportunities for the people of the state of Washington and allow for the full utilization of state owned land, all state departments and agencies are authorized and directed to cooperate together in fully utilizing the public lands. All state departments and agencies, vested with statutory authority for utilizing land for outdoor recreation or other beneficial public uses, are authorized and directed to apply to another state department or agency holding suitable public lands for permission of use. The department or agency applied to is authorized and directed to grant permission of use to the applying department or agency if the public use of the public land would be consistent with the existing and continuing principal uses. Trust lands may be withdrawn for outdoor recreation purposes from sale or lease for other purposes by the department of natural resources pursuant to this section subject to the constraints imposed by the Washington State Constitution and the federal enabling statute. The decision regarding such consistency with existing and continuing principal uses shall be made by the agency owning or controlling such lands and which decision shall be final.