

**2016 PROPERTY TAX - Active House Bills as of Feb 11, 2016 2:16 PM**

Bill	Sponsor	Description	Committee	Programs	Hearing
HB 1549	Carlyle	- DOR Request Bill - This proposal creates processes to administer the PUD privilege taxes. The law makes clear how to handle refunds of overpayment, assessment of underpayment, audits, appeals, and late filing penalties. ** Companion SB 5542	H Rules 2	PUD Privilege Tax	
2SHB 1605	Peterson+	- Modifying certain provisions governing benefit charges of fire protection districts and regional fire protection service authorities. - Regional Fire Protection Authority (RFA) renewal benefit assessment charges only require majority voter approval v. 60%. RFA & fire district's renewed charge must be for a period of 6 years instead of 6 years or less. More properties are identified as being exempt from the benefit charge.	H Rules Review	Levies	
HB 1941	Gregerson +	- Providing for a simple majority of voters voting to authorize school district bonds at general elections. - School district can request voter approval of a bond levy during a general election. A general election bond levy requires majority voter approval, while a bond levy request during a special election requires three-fifths voter approval.	H Education	Levies	*H Education 02/19 01:30 PM
HB 2321	Stokesbary +	- Removing disincentives to the voluntary formation of regional fire protection service authorities by equalizing certain provisions with existing laws governing fire protection districts and by clarifying the formation process. - A planning committee for an authority must hold hearings prior to an election when the initial formation of the authority includes a benefit assessment charge. RFA can protect up to \$0.25 of their levy from the \$5.90 limitation similar to a fire district.	H Rules Review	Levies	
SHB 2359	Goodman +	- Updating obsolete provisions and making technical corrections. - Requested by Statute Law Committee - Amends various statutes affecting agencies statewide, making technical corrections to form year designations - from "19__" to "year." Affects several property taxing districts formation declarations and RCW 84.40.320 - Assessor's BOE certificate..	H Rules Review	Administration	
2SHB 2519	McCaslin +	- Allowing nuisance abatement cost recovery for cities. - Provides authority for city/town to levy spec assess or obtain a lien to reimburse for exp of nuisance abatement. Up to \$2K of spec assess constitutes a lien of equal rank with state, county, and municipal taxes. City or town may contract with county treasurer to collect under RCW 84.56.035.	H Rules Review	Collection	
SHB 2647	Jinkins +	- Disposing tax foreclosed property to cities for affordable housing purposes. - When county acquires tax-foreclosed property suitable for affordable housing, co must notify city where property is located. Notice must be given within 60 days of acquiring property and offer opportunity for city to purchase for principal amount of unpaid tax. ** Companion SSB 6337	H Rules Review	Collection	
HB 2698	Lytton +	- Delaying implementation of revisions to the school levy lid and local effort assistance. - Extends the method of determining school district's maximum M&Q levies from	H 2nd Reading	Levies	

SHB 2708	Appleton +	- Providing for fire protection district formation by the legislative authority of a city or town subject to voter approval.- - A city or town may request their voters approve the creation of a fire district with the same boundaries as the city or town. The new district may levy property taxes and or a benefit assessment charge. The city or town legislative authority will serve ex officio as the fire commissioners. ** Companion SSB 6387	H Rules Review	Levies	
SHB 2759	Wylie	- Concerning property tax exemptions for service-connected disabled veterans and senior citizens. - Provides adjustment of income thresholds every 5 years beginning 1/1/2018 for senior/disabled exempt/deferral based on % of county median. Allows additional deduction for all insurance, including co-pays. Provides tax preference performance statement & exempts from expiration date. - Substitute incorporated DOR technical fixes.	H Rules Review	Sr Exempt Deferrals	
HB 2842	Schmick +	- Financing of improvements for state-owned lands to be transferred for private development. - Tax Increment Financing. - Bill creates a finance tool for limited cities to fund private development with the state land financing area. All taxing districts that offer services area will finance the improvements, with the exception of the state school levy and excess levies. ** Companion SB 6580	H Rules Review	TIF/LIFT Levy	
HB 2979	DeBolt	- Concerning a property tax exemption for land owned by a nonprofit organization and designated as a master planned location for major industrial activity. - AN ACT Relating to a property tax exemption for land owned by a nonprofit organization and designated as a master planned location for major industrial activity; adding a new section to chapter 84.36 RCW; and creating new sections.	H Finance	Exemption	
HB 2981	Shea	- Concerning an exemption from the requirement of county treasurers to pursue collection of delinquent personal property tax assessments when the assessment is below the cost of collection. - Authorizes treasurer to annually calculate cost of pursuing collection for personal property assessments and request an exemption from the county legislative authority for accounts below that amount.	H Finance	Collection, Exemption	
HJR 4210	Gregerson +	- Amending the Constitution to provide for a simple majority of voters voting to authorize school district bonds at general elections. - Constitutional provision for HB 1941.	H Education	Levies	*H Education 02/19 01:30 PM