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HOUSE BILL 2290

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- AN ACT Relating to limiting the number of tax rate changes;
- amending RCW 82.14.055; and reenacting and amending RCW 82.08.064.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 82.08.064 and 2003 c 361 s 304 and 2003 c 168 s 205 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - (1) A sales and use tax rate change under this chapter or chapter 82.12 RCW shall be imposed (a) no sooner than seventy-five days after its enactment into law and (b) only on the first day of January((7 April, July, or October)).
- 10 (2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to the tax rate 11 change in section 301, chapter 361, Laws of 2003.
- 12 (3)(a) A sales and use tax rate increase under this chapter or 13 chapter 82.12 RCW imposed on services applies to the first billing 14 period starting on or after the effective date of the increase.
- 15 (b) A sales and use tax rate decrease under this chapter or chapter 16 82.12 RCW imposed on services applies to bills rendered on or after the 17 effective date of the decrease.
- 18 (c) For the purposes of this subsection (3), "services" means

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- 2 such as telecommunications, but does not include services such as
- 3 tattooing.

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- 4 **Sec. 2.** RCW 82.14.055 and 2003 c 168 s 206 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Except as provided in subsections (2), (3), and (4) of this section, a local sales and use tax change shall take effect (a) no sooner than seventy-five days after the department receives notice of the change and (b) only on the first day of January((, April, July, or October)).
 - (2) In the case of a local sales and use tax that is a credit against the state sales tax or use tax, a local sales and use tax change shall take effect (a) no sooner than thirty days after the department receives notice of the change and (b) only on the first day of a month.
- 16 (3)(a) A local sales and use tax rate increase imposed on services 17 applies to the first billing period starting on or after the effective 18 date of the increase.
- 19 (b) A local sales and use tax rate decrease imposed on services 20 applies to bills rendered on or after the effective date of the 21 decrease.
 - (c) For the purposes of this subsection (3), "services" means retail services such as installing and constructing and retail services such as telecommunications, but does not include services such as tattooing.
 - (4) For the purposes of this section, "local sales and use tax change" means enactment or revision of local sales and use taxes under this chapter or any other statute, including changes resulting from referendum or annexation.

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