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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO A-ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 4041

1 On page 2 of the printed A-engrossed bill, line 8, before "The" insert "For 2 purposes of ORS 307.540 to 307.548,".

3 In line 35, before "services" insert "government".

4 On page 5, delete line 45 and delete page 6 and insert:

"SECTION 4. (1) On or before January 1 of each year, an eligible
Indian tribe as defined in ORS 307.181 that is granted tax exemption
for property, or a portion of property, used exclusively for low income
rental housing under ORS 307.181 (3) shall submit a report to the
Commission on Indian Services.

"(2) The report required under subsection (1) of this section must
 include:

12 "(a) For each property, or portion of property, the value of the 13 property tax exemption granted under ORS 307.181 (3) for the current 14 property tax year as provided to the tribe by the assessor of the county 15 in which the property is located; and

"(b) The percentage of the current occupants of each property who
 are members of an eligible Indian tribe as defined in ORS 307.181.

"SECTION 5. ORS 307.181, as amended by section 1 of this 2012 Act, is
 amended to read:

"307.181. (1) Land acquired by an Indian tribe by purchase, gift or without
 consideration is exempt from taxation if:

"(a) The land is located within the ancient tribal boundaries of the tribe;

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"(b) Acquisition of the land by the United States in trust status has been
requested or is in process.

"(2) The exemption under subsection (1) of this section ceases if the federal government enters a final administrative determination denying the request for acquisition of the land in trust status and:

"(a) The deadlines for all available federal administrative appeals and
federal judicial review expire with no appeal or review initiated; or

9 "(b) All federal administrative and judicial proceedings arising from or 10 related to the request for or process of acquisition of the land in trust status 11 that have been initiated are completed without overturning the administra-12 tive denial of the request.

"(3)(a) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, property that is owned exclusively by an eligible Indian tribe or by an entity wholly owned by an eligible Indian tribe, or a portion of the property, is exempt from taxation if the property, or the portion of the property, respectively, is used exclusively for government services.

"(b) Property described in paragraph (a) of this subsection that may be
 exempt from taxation as property used exclusively for low income rental
 housing includes, without limitation, property that:

"(A) Is held under lease or a lease purchase agreement by an eligible In dian tribe;

"(B)(i) Is the property of a partnership, nonprofit corporation or limited
liability company of which an eligible Indian tribe is a general partner,
limited partner, director, member, manager or general manager; and

²⁶ "(ii) Is leased or rented to low income persons for housing purposes; or

"(C) Is used exclusively for an activity that qualifies as an affordable
housing activity under 25 U.S.C. 4132.

29 "(c) Property described in paragraph (a) of this subsection may not be 30 exempt from taxation as property that is used exclusively for low income 1 rental housing unless:

"(A) All agreements necessary for the construction and operation
of the property as low income rental housing are executed before July
1, 2017;

5 "[(A)] (B) For purposes of ORS 307.540 to 307.548, the requirements of
6 ORS 307.543 have been satisfied;

"[(B)] (C) The property is offered for rent or is held for the purpose of
developing low income rental housing;

9 "[(C)] (D) If occupied, the property is occupied solely by low income per10 sons; and

"[(D)] (E) The property is located in a county in which more than 10
 percent of the enrolled members of the eligible Indian tribe reside.

13 "(4) As used in this section:

"(a) 'Eligible Indian tribe' means the Burns Paiute Tribe, the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, the Coquille Indian Tribe, the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians or the Klamath Tribes.

"(b) 'Government services' means services provided by an eligible Indian tribe that:

"(A) Are equivalent to services that a state or local government or the
 federal government customarily provides to its citizens;

25 "(B) Are related to:

26 "(i) Tribal administration;

27 "(ii) Tribal facilities or tribal health facilities;

"(iii) Elementary or secondary education or higher education, including
 community colleges;

30 "(iv) Transportation;

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1 "(v) Fire or police;

2 "(vi) Low income rental housing;

"(vii) Utility services provided to an Indian reservation or to land held
in trust by the United States for the benefit of an eligible Indian tribe; or

5 "(viii) Cemeteries; and

6 "(C) Other than government services related to the uses of property de-7 scribed in subsection (3)(c) of this section, do not generate income.

8 "(c) 'Low income':

9 "(A) Means income at or below 60 percent of the area median income as 10 determined by the State Housing Council based on information from the 11 United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

"(B) For purposes of projects undertaken pursuant to the Native Ameri can Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-330),
 includes income that qualifies under 24 C.F.R. 5.609.

"(d) 'Utility services' means services related to sanitation, sewer, storm
 drainage and water.

"SECTION 6. (1) The amendments to ORS 307.112, 307.162 and 307.181
by sections 1 to 3 of this 2012 Act apply to property tax years beginning
on or after July 1, 2012.

"(2) The amendments to ORS 307.181 by section 5 of this 2012 Act
 apply to property tax years beginning on or after July 1, 2017.

²² "<u>SECTION 7.</u> (1)(a) It is the intention of the amendments to ORS ²³ 307.181 by section 5 of this 2012 Act to eliminate the property tax ex-²⁴ emption for low income rental housing projects created by the ²⁵ amendments to ORS 307.181 by section 1 of this 2012 Act, only with ²⁶ respect to projects for which all agreements necessary for the con-²⁷ struction and operation of the property as low income rental housing ²⁸ are not executed before July 1, 2017.

29 "(b) Projects for which all agreements necessary for the con-30 struction and operation of the property as low income rental housing are executed before July 1, 2017, remain eligible on and after July 1,
2017, for the property tax exemption for low income rental housing
created by the amendments to ORS 307.181 by section 1 of this 2012
Act.

<u>SECTION 8.</u> This 2012 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the
date on which the 2012 regular session of the Seventy-sixth Legislative
Assembly adjourns sine die.".

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