



## *Lewis County Treasurer*

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From the Desk of the Treasurer:

### IMPACT OF EHB 2242 ON YOUR TAX BILL

In 2017 the Legislature passed EHB 2242 partly in response to the Supreme Court's *McCleary* decision. The Court found that the State was not meeting its constitutional requirement to fully fund basic education. EHB 2242 has several components and at least two will impact your tax bill now and in the future.

First, EHB 2242 created a new state school levy with collection beginning in 2018. This new levy adds approximately \$0.90 per \$1000 value to your tax bill in addition to the current state school levy. The exact amount of the combined state levies will vary based on calculations made by the State Department of Revenue.

Second, beginning in 2019, EHB 2242 imposes limitations on how much can be collected in local school levies. This change affects both existing and new local school levies. Depending on how much your local school levy is currently, the portion of your property tax that goes to support schools in 2019 may be more or less.

Further information on the property tax impacts of EHB 2242 may be found on the Department of Revenue ([www.dor.wa.gov](http://www.dor.wa.gov)) and Office of School Superintendent's ([www.ospi.wa.gov](http://www.ospi.wa.gov)) websites.

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