House Committee On Revenue

Dear Chair Barnhart, Vice-Chairs Smith and Smith-Warner, and committee members

I SUPPORT HB 4080, the update on tax connections to the federal code.

I have read the submitted testimony and none of them apply to this bill. This bill extends our current code to December 31, 2017. All the testimony is referring to connections after January 1, 2018. To make negative changes in arrears is unfair to taxpayers that need time to adjust.

I am sure there will be a study and proposals in the 2018 session on how to make connection to the new federal code. But, in this short session, we are only updated laws for tax returns for last year. When considering updates for 2018, there should be a process to set standards for a year in advance so any changes can be planned for.

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