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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1852**

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**By** House Committee on Revenue (originally sponsored by Representatives Wang and Holland; by request of Department of Community Development and Office of Financial Management).

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1       AN ACT Relating to establishing and providing partial funding for  
2 the fire services trust fund; amending RCW 70.77.325 and 70.77.345;  
3 adding new sections to chapter 43.63A RCW; adding a new section to  
4 chapter 70.77 RCW; creating a new section; providing an effective date;  
5 and declaring an emergency.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

7       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 1.**       It is necessary for the health, safety,  
8 and welfare of the people of the state of Washington that fire code  
9 enforcement, public education on fire prevention, fire training for  
10 fire and emergency response personnel, and administration of these  
11 activities be funded in a dependable manner. It is therefore the  
12 intent of the legislature to establish a fund for these purposes.

13       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 2.**       The fire services trust fund is created  
14 in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from sources

1 designated by the legislature shall be deposited in the fund.  
2 Expenditures from the fund may be used only for the purposes of section  
3 3 of this act. Only the director or the director's designee may  
4 authorize expenditures from the fund. The fund is subject to allotment  
5 procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required  
6 for expenditures.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Money from the fire services trust fund  
8 may be expended for the following purposes:

9 (1) Training of fire service personnel, including both classroom  
10 and hands-on training at the state fire training center or other  
11 locations approved by the director through the director of fire  
12 protection services;

13 (2) Maintenance and operation at the state's fire training center  
14 near North Bend. If in the future the state builds other fire training  
15 centers a portion of these moneys may be used for the maintenance and  
16 operation at these centers;

17 (3) Lease or purchase of equipment for use in the provisions of  
18 training to fire service personnel;

19 (4) Grants to local entities to allow them to perform their  
20 functions under this section;

21 (5) Costs of administering these programs under this section;

22 (6) Licensing and enforcement of state laws governing the sales of  
23 fireworks; and

24 (7) Development with the legal fireworks industry and funding of a  
25 state-wide public education program for fireworks safety.

26 **Sec. 4.** RCW 70.77.325 and 1986 c 266 s 103 are each amended to  
27 read as follows:

1 (1) Application for a license shall be made annually by every  
2 person holding an existing license who wishes to continue the activity  
3 requiring the license. The application shall be accompanied by the  
4 annual license fees as prescribed in section 6 of this act and RCW  
5 70.77.340.

6 (2) A person applying for an annual license as a retailer under  
7 this chapter shall file an application by June 10 of the current year.  
8 The director of community development, through the director of fire  
9 protection, shall grant or deny the license within fifteen days of  
10 receipt of the application.

11 (3) A person applying for an annual license as a manufacturer,  
12 importer, or wholesaler under this chapter shall file an application by  
13 January 31 of the current year. The director of community development,  
14 through the director of fire protection, shall grant or deny the  
15 license within ninety days of receipt of the application.

16 **Sec. 5.** RCW 70.77.345 and 1982 c 230 s 25 are each amended to read  
17 as follows:

18 The license fees shall be for the calendar year from January 1st to  
19 December 31st or for the remaining portion thereof.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 70.77 RCW  
21 to read as follows:

22 License fees, in addition to the fees in RCW 70.77.340, shall be  
23 charged as follows:

24	Manufacturer .....	\$1,500.00
25	Importer .....	900.00
26	Wholesaler .....	1,000.00
27	Retailer (for each separate outlet) .....	30.00
28	Public display for special fireworks .....	40.00

1 Pyrotechnic operator for special fireworks ..... 5.00

2 (2) All receipts from the license fees in this section shall be  
3 placed in the fire services trust fund.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** Sections 2 and 3 of this act are each  
5 added to chapter 43.63A RCW.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** This act is necessary for the  
7 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
8 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take  
9 effect July 1, 1991.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** If any provision of this act or its  
11 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
12 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other  
13 persons or circumstances is not affected.