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By Representatives Jacobsen, Quall, Brumsickle, Sommers, Anderson, Wineberry, Basich, Ogden, Reams, Heavey, Romero, Appelwick, R. Fisher, Locke, Grant, Karahalios, Ludwig, Rust, Morton and Brough

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1 AN ACT Relating to making a capital appropriation for the Thomas  
2 Burke Memorial Washington State Museum; creating a new section; and  
3 making an appropriation.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The Thomas Burke Memorial Washington State  
6 Museum was designated a state museum by legislative act in 1899, and is  
7 the only state museum of natural history. It serves both the citizens  
8 of the state and the University of Washington in its mission of  
9 teaching and research. Devoted to public education, the museum uses  
10 its treasures to teach about the region's diverse environments and  
11 cultures, to support education in the natural and social sciences in  
12 our schools, and to foster informed stewardship of our resources. In  
13 support of these goals, the museum has prepared a plan for exciting new  
14 exhibits that will take full advantage of the wealth of its collections  
15 through contemporary concepts and techniques in exhibit design and  
16 education.

17 To accommodate its expanding collection of irreplaceable specimens  
18 and ensure their long-term conservation, and provide the facilities  
19 needed for effective exhibit and education programs serving a growing

1 population, and to provide better access for all citizens to its unique  
2 resources, the Burke Museum seeks to undertake a comprehensive study to  
3 determine its current space needs and to establish a long-term plan for  
4 the development of its physical facilities.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The sum of two hundred thousand dollars, or  
6 as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium  
7 ending June 30, 1995, from the state building construction account to  
8 the University of Washington for the purpose of conducting a planning  
9 study to determine the Thomas Burke Memorial Washington State Museum's  
10 space needs, establish a long-term plan of development of its physical  
11 facilities, and outline options for future expansion.

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