Appropriations Committee

HB 3366

Brief Description: Addressing the uses of the general administration services and revolving accounts.

Sponsors: Representatives Ericks and Linville.

Brief Summary of Bill

• The General Administration Services Account is divided into two new accounts. The appropriated General Administration Services Account, and the non-appropriated General Administration Revolving Account.

Hearing Date:

Staff: Owen Rowe (786-7391).

Background:

The Department of General Administration (Department) provides a variety of services to state agencies, including: engineering and architectural services; maintaining capitol facilities; leasing property; procuring goods and services; processing mail; operating the state motor pool; and distributing food commodities. The Department operates several internal service funds that generate revenues through rates or fees for services. The Department conducts most of its operations through the following appropriated and non-appropriated accounts:

- The Motor Transport Account, used for operating the motor transport division, including salaries and wages, administrative expenses, overhead, the cost of replacement vehicles, and any other expenses;
- The General Administration Management Fund, used to pay all costs incurred by the Department in operating real estate for state agencies;
- The Facilities and Services Revolving Fund, used for providing services, equipment, and supplies to state agencies;
- The Central Stores Revolving Fund, used for purchasing and selling supplies to state agencies, and paying salaries and other costs related to operating central stores, and

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• The Surplus Property Purchase Revolving Fund, used to acquire federal surplus property for resale to eligible donees, including state agencies, local governments and others.

In 1999 all activities previously budgeted and accounted for in the Motor Transport Account, the General Administration Management Fund, the Facilities and Services Revolving Fund, the Central Stores Revolving Fund, and the Surplus Property Purchase Revolving Fund were consolidated in the General Administration Services Account.

Summary of Bill:

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The General Administration Services Account (GASA) will be used for the deposit of receipts for the following services provided to state agencies: buildings and grounds, campus facilities, lease renewal, commute trip reduction, campus utilities, and associated administrative costs. Moneys in the GASA may only be spent after an appropriation.

The General Administration Revolving Account (GARA) will be used for the deposit of receipts from the following accounts: The Motor Transport Account, the General Administration Management Fund, the General Administration Facilities and Services Revolving Fund, the Central Stores Revolving Fund, the Surplus Property Revolving Fund, and the Energy Efficiency Services Account. The GARA is subject to allotment procedures under RCW 43.88, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect on July 1, 2009.