HOUSE BILL 1451

State of Washington61st Legislature2009 Regular SessionBy Representative Dunshee; by request of Office of Financial ManagementRead first time 01/21/09.Referred to Committee on Capital Budget.

1 AN ACT Relating to economic stimulus bonds and related accounts; 2 adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. For the purpose of providing funds to 5 finance the projects described and authorized by the legislature in the economic stimulus capital budget, and all costs incidental thereto, the 6 7 state finance committee is authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the state of Washington in the sum of three hundred ninety-eight 8 9 million dollars, or as much thereof as may be required, to finance these projects and all costs incidental thereto. Bonds authorized in 10 this section may be sold at such price as the state finance committee 11 shall determine. No bonds authorized in this section may be offered 12 13 for sale without prior legislative appropriation of the net proceeds of 14 the sale of the bonds.

15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. The proceeds from the sale of the bonds 16 authorized in section 1 of this act shall be deposited in the state 17 building construction account created by RCW 43.83.020. The proceeds 18 shall be transferred as follows:

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(1) Three hundred ninety-five million seven hundred thousand
dollars to remain in the state building construction account created by
RCW 43.83.020;

4 (2) Two million three hundred thousand dollars to the outdoor 5 recreation account created by RCW 79A.25.060.

If the state finance committee deems it necessary to issue taxable б bonds in order to comply with federal internal revenue service rules 7 8 and regulations pertaining to the use of nontaxable bond proceeds, the proceeds of such additional taxable bonds shall be transferred to the 9 state taxable building construction account in lieu of any transfer 10 11 otherwise provided by this section. The state treasurer shall submit 12 written notice to the director of financial management if it is 13 determined that any such additional transfer to the state taxable building construction account is necessary. Moneys in the account may 14 be spent only after appropriation. 15

16 These proceeds shall be used exclusively for the purposes specified 17 in this section and for the payment of expenses incurred in the 18 issuance and sale of the bonds issued for the purposes of this section, 19 and shall be administered by the office of financial management subject 20 to legislative appropriation.

21 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. (1) The debt-limit general fund bond 22 retirement account shall be used for the payment of the principal of 23 and interest on the bonds authorized in section 2 (1) and (2) of this 24 act.

(2) The state finance committee shall, on or before June 30th of each year, certify to the state treasurer the amount needed in the ensuing twelve months to meet the bond retirement and interest requirements on the bonds authorized in section 2 (1) and (2) of this act.

30 (3) On each date on which any interest or principal and interest 31 payment is due on bonds issued for the purposes of section 2 (1) and 32 (2) of this act the state treasurer shall withdraw from any general 33 state revenues received in the state treasury and deposit in the debt-34 limit general fund bond retirement account an amount equal to the 35 amount certified by the state finance committee to be due on the 36 payment date.

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1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. (1) Bonds issued under sections 1 through 3 2 of this act shall state that they are a general obligation of the state 3 of Washington, shall pledge the full faith and credit of the state to 4 the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon, and 5 shall contain an unconditional promise to pay the principal and 6 interest as the same shall become due.

7 (2) The owner and holder of each of the bonds or the trustee for 8 the owner and holder of any of the bonds may by mandamus or other 9 appropriate proceeding require the transfer and payment of funds as 10 directed in this section.

11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 5. The legislature may provide additional means 12 for raising moneys for the payment of the principal of and interest on 13 the bonds authorized in section 1 of this act, and sections 2 and 3 of 14 this act shall not be deemed to provide an exclusive method for the 15 payment.

16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** Sections 1 through 5 of this act constitute 17 a new chapter in Title 43 RCW.

18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 7. If any provision of this act or its 19 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the 20 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other 21 persons or circumstances is not affected.

22 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 8. This act is necessary for the immediate 23 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the 24 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect 25 immediately.

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