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HOUSE BILL 2166

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By Representatives Darneille, Pedersen, Kenney, Kirby, and Hasegawa

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1            AN ACT Relating to an additional document recording surcharge to  
2 fund certain affordable housing and homeless purposes; amending RCW  
3 43.185C.190; and adding a new section to chapter 36.22 RCW.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 36.22 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7            (1) In addition to the surcharges authorized in RCW 36.22.178,  
8 36.22.179, and 36.22.1791, and except as provided in subsection (3) of  
9 this section, the county auditor shall charge an additional surcharge  
10 of twelve dollars for each document recorded, which is in addition to  
11 any other charge allowed by law.

12            (2) The auditor shall remit one hundred percent of the funds to the  
13 state treasurer for deposit in the affordable housing for all account  
14 created in RCW 43.185C.190. The department of community, trade, and  
15 economic development may use the funds for the following purposes:

16            (a) Administer and implement the programs established in RCW  
17 43.63A.305, 43.63A.645, and chapters 43.185, 43.185A, and 43.185C RCW;

18            (b) Provide affordable housing and shelter for low-income and  
19 homeless persons including, but not limited to: Grants to operate,

1 repair, and staff shelters; grants to operate transitional housing;  
2 partial payments for rental assistance; consolidated emergency  
3 assistance; overnight youth shelters; independent youth housing and  
4 emergency shelter assistance; community housing for persons with mental  
5 illness; and mobile home relocation;

6 (c) Fund the homeless families service fund created under RCW  
7 43.330.167; and

8 (d) Provide grants to housing authorities organized under chapter  
9 35.82 RCW.

10 (3) The surcharge imposed in this section does not apply to  
11 assignments or substitutions of previously recorded deeds of trust.

12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.185C.190 and 2007 c 427 s 2 are each amended to  
13 read as follows:

14 The affordable housing for all account is created in the state  
15 treasury, subject to appropriation. The state's portion of the  
16 surcharges established in RCW 36.22.178 and section 1 of this act shall  
17 be deposited in the account. Expenditures from the account may only be  
18 used for affordable housing programs.

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