HOUSE BILL 1529

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Ву	Representatives	Barkis,	Fey,	Slatter,	and	Eslick		

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1 AN ACT Relating to modifying requirements in order to pay for 2 debt service obligations when toll revenues are not sufficient to 3 cover legal obligations; amending RCW 47.56.876; and declaring an 4 emergency.

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

6 Sec. 1. RCW 47.56.876 and 2019 c 416 s 710 are each amended to 7 read as follows:

A special account to be known as the state route number 520 civil 8 penalties account is created in the state treasury. All state route 9 10 number 520 bridge replacement and HOV program civil penalties 11 generated from the nonpayment of tolls on the state route number 520 12 corridor must be deposited into the account, as provided under RCW 47.56.870(4)(b)(vii). Moneys in the account may be spent only after 13 appropriation. Expenditures from the account ((may)) must be used to 14 15 fund legal obligations associated with bonds and loans associated 16 with the construction and operation of state route number 520 under 17 circumstances where the toll revenue collections at the time are not 18 sufficient to fully cover the debt service payment, and then may be 19 used to fund any project within the state route number 520 bridge 20 replacement and HOV program, including mitigation. During the 2013-2015 and 2015-2017 fiscal biennia, the legislature may transfer 21

from the state route number 520 civil penalties account to the state 1 route number 520 corridor account such amounts as reflect the excess 2 fund balance of the state route number 520 civil penalties account. 3 Funds transferred must be used solely for capital expenditures for 4 the state route number 520 bridge replacement and HOV project. 5 6 ((During the 2017-2019 and the 2019-2021 fiscal biennia, the)) The 7 legislature may direct the state treasurer to make transfers of moneys in the state route number 520 civil penalties account to the 8 state route number 520 corridor account. 9

10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate 11 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of 12 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes 13 effect immediately.

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