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1 AN ACT Relating to significant historic places; and amending RCW  
2 27.34.220 and 27.34.270.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 27.34.220 and 1987 c 505 s 8 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 The director or the director's designee is authorized:

7 (1) To promulgate and maintain (~~(a state register)~~) the Washington  
8 heritage register of districts, sites, buildings, structures, and  
9 objects significant in American or Washington state history,  
10 architecture, archaeology, and culture, and to prepare comprehensive  
11 state-wide historic surveys and plans and research and evaluation of  
12 surveyed resources for the preparation of nominations to the (~~(state)~~)  
13 Washington heritage register and the national register(~~(s)~~) of historic  
14 places, in accordance with criteria approved by the advisory council  
15 established under RCW 27.34.250. (~~(The)~~) Nominations to the national  
16 register of historic places shall comply with any standards and  
17 regulations promulgated by the United States secretary of the interior  
18 for the preservation, acquisition, and development of such properties.

1 Nominations to the Washington heritage register shall comply with rules  
2 adopted under this chapter.

3 (2) To establish a program of matching grants-in-aid to public  
4 agencies, public or private organizations, or individuals for projects  
5 having as their purpose the preservation for public benefit of  
6 properties that are significant in American or Washington state  
7 history, architecture, archaeology, and culture.

8 (3) To promote historic preservation efforts throughout the state,  
9 including private efforts and those of city, county, and state  
10 agencies.

11 (4) To enhance the effectiveness of the state preservation program  
12 through the initiation of legislation, the use of varied funding  
13 sources, the creation of special purpose programs, and contact with  
14 state, county, and city officials, civic groups, and professionals.

15 (5) To spend funds, subject to legislative appropriation and the  
16 availability of funds, where necessary to assist the Indian tribes of  
17 Washington state in removing prehistoric human remains for scientific  
18 examination and reburial, if the human remains have been unearthed  
19 inadvertently or through vandalism and if no other public agency is  
20 legally responsible for their preservation.

21 (6) To consult with the governor and the legislature on issues  
22 relating to the conservation of the man-made environment and their  
23 impact on the well-being of the state and its citizens.

24 (7) To charge fees for professional and clerical services provided  
25 by the office.

26 (8) To adopt such rules, in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW, as  
27 are necessary to carry out RCW 27.34.200 through 27.34.280.

28 **Sec. 2.** RCW 27.34.270 and 1986 c 266 s 14 are each amended to read  
29 as follows:

30 The advisory council shall:

31 (1) Advise the governor and the department on matters relating to  
32 historic preservation; recommend measures to coordinate activities of  
33 state and local agencies, private institutions, and individuals  
34 relating to historic preservation; and advise on the dissemination of  
35 information pertaining to such activities; and

1           (2) Review and recommend nominations for the ((~~state and~~)) national  
2 register((~~s~~)) of historic places to the preservation officer and the  
3 director.

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