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## HOUSE BILL 2269

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By Representatives Appelwick, Mason, Kenney, Ogden, Lantz, Conway, O'Brien and Linville; by request of Office of Financial Management

Read first time 03/18/97. Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to civil legal services for the indigent; adding a
- 2 new section to chapter 43.330 RCW; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330 RCW
- 5 to read as follows:
- 6 The civil indigent legal services account is created in the state
- 7 treasury. Moneys may be placed in the account from tax revenues,
- 8 budget transfers or appropriations, federal appropriations, gifts, or
- 9 any other lawful source. Moneys in the account may be spent only after
- 10 appropriation. Moneys in the account shall be used to contract for
- 11 legal services related to civil actions on behalf of indigent residents
- 12 of the state.
- 13 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
- 14 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 15 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
- 16 immediately.

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