
SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1132

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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Romero, Skinner, Lantz, Hankins, Ogden, Radcliff, Mitchell and Lambert)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the capitol furnishings preservation committee;
2 adding a new section to chapter 27.48 RCW; adding a new section to
3 chapter 43.19 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 42.17 RCW; and
4 creating a new section.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that those historic
7 furnishings that illustrate the history of the state of Washington
8 should be maintained and preserved for the use and benefit of the
9 people of the state. It is the purpose of this act to establish the
10 capitol furnishings preservation committee to increase the awareness of
11 the public and state employees about the significance of the
12 furnishings within the state capitol campus buildings as envisioned by
13 the original architects Wilder and White.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 27.48 RCW
15 to read as follows:

16 (1) Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions
17 in this section apply throughout this section.

1 (a) "State capitol group" includes the legislative building, the
2 insurance building, the Cherberg building, the John L. O'Brien
3 building, the Newhouse building, and the temple of justice building.

4 (b) "Historic furnishings" means furniture, fixtures, and artwork
5 fifty years of age or older.

6 (2) The capitol furnishings preservation committee is established
7 to promote and encourage the recovery and preservation of the original
8 and historic furnishings of the state capitol group, prevent future
9 loss of historic furnishings, and review and advise future remodeling
10 and restoration projects as they pertain to historic furnishings.

11 (3) The capitol furnishings preservation committee account is
12 created in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts designated
13 for the account from appropriations and from other sources must be
14 deposited into the account. Expenditures from the account may be used
15 only to finance the activities of the capitol furnishings preservation
16 committee. Only the director of the Washington state historical
17 society or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the
18 account when authorized to do so by the committee. The account is
19 subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an
20 appropriation is not required for expenditures.

21 (4) The committee may:

22 (a) Authorize the director of the Washington state historical
23 society or the director's designee to expend funds from the capitol
24 furnishings preservation committee account for limited purposes of
25 purchasing and preserving historic furnishings of the state capitol
26 group;

27 (b) Accept monetary donations, grants, and donations of historic
28 furnishings from, but not limited to, (i) current and former
29 legislators, state officials, and lobbyists; (ii) the families of
30 former legislators, state officials, and lobbyists; and (iii) the
31 general public. Moneys received under this section must be deposited
32 in the capitol furnishings preservation committee account; and

33 (c) Engage in or encourage fund raising activities including the
34 solicitation of charitable gifts, grants, or donations specifically for
35 the limited purpose of the recovery of the original and historic
36 furnishings.

37 (5) The membership of the committee shall include: Two members of
38 the house of representatives, one from each major caucus, appointed by
39 the speaker of the house of representatives; two members of the senate,

1 one from each major caucus, appointed by the president of the senate;
2 the chief clerk of the house of representatives; the secretary of the
3 senate; the governor or the governor's designee; the lieutenant
4 governor or the lieutenant governor's designee; a representative from
5 the office of the secretary of state, the office of the state
6 treasurer, the office of the state auditor, and the office of the
7 insurance commissioner; a representative from the supreme court; a
8 representative from the Washington state historical society, the
9 department of general administration, and the Thurston county planning
10 council, each appointed by the governor; and three private citizens,
11 appointed by the governor.

12 (6) Original or historic furnishings from the state capitol group
13 are not surplus property under chapter 43.19 RCW or other authority
14 unless designated as such by the committee.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW
16 to read as follows:

17 Original or historic furnishings from the state capitol group under
18 section 2 of this act do not constitute surplus property under this
19 chapter.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 42.17 RCW
21 to read as follows:

22 When soliciting charitable gifts, grants, or donations solely for
23 the limited purposes of section 2 of this act, members of the capitol
24 furnishings preservation committee are exempt from the laws of this
25 chapter.

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