SENATE BILL 5992

State of Washington57th Legislature2001 Regular SessionBy Senators Prentice, Winsley, Gardner, Honeyford, Patterson and WestRead first time 02/12/2001.Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce& Financial Institutions.

1 AN ACT Relating to transfers of funds from the public works 2 administration account; and amending RCW 39.12.070 and 39.12.080.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 39.12.070 and 1993 c 404 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

6 The department of labor and industries may charge fees to awarding 7 agencies on public works for the approval of statements of intent to pay prevailing wages and the certification of affidavits of wages paid. 8 9 The department may also charge fees to persons or organizations 10 requesting the arbitration of disputes under RCW 39.12.060. The amount of the fees shall be established by rules adopted by the department 11 12 under the procedures in the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 13 RCW. The fees shall apply to all approvals, certifications, and 14 arbitration requests made after the effective date of the rules. All 15 fees shall be deposited in the public works administration account. 16 ((On the fifteenth day of the first month of each quarterly period, an 17 amount equalling thirty percent of the revenues received into the public works administration account shall be transferred into the 18 19 qeneral fund.)) The department may refuse to arbitrate for

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contractors, subcontractors, persons, or organizations which have not
paid the proper fees. The department may, if necessary, request the
attorney general to take legal action to collect delinquent fees.

4 The department shall set the fees permitted by this section at a 5 level that generates revenue that is as near as practicable to the amount of the appropriation to administer this chapter, including, but 6 7 not limited to, the performance of adequate wage surveys, and to 8 investigate and enforce all alleged violations of this chapter, 9 including, but not limited to, incorrect statements of intent to pay 10 prevailing wage, incorrect certificates of affidavits of wages paid, and wage claims, as provided for in this chapter and chapters 49.48 and 11 12 49.52 RCW. However, the fees charged for the approval of statements of 13 intent to pay prevailing wages and the certification of affidavits of wages paid shall be no greater than twenty-five dollars. 14

15 Sec. 2. RCW 39.12.080 and 1993 c 404 s 2 are each amended to read 16 as follows:

17 The public works administration account is created in the state 18 treasury. The department of labor and industries shall deposit in the account all moneys received from fees collected under RCW 39.12.070. 19 Appropriations from the account((, not including moneys transferred to 20 the general fund pursuant to RCW 39.12.070,)) may be made only for the 21 22 purposes of administration of this chapter, including, but not limited 23 to, the performance of adequate wage surveys, and for the investigation 24 and enforcement of all alleged violations of this chapter as provided 25 for in this chapter and chapters 49.48 and 49.52 RCW.

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