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1 AN ACT Relating to plaques for certain state-funded capital  
2 budget projects; amending RCW 27.34.330; adding a new section to  
3 chapter 43.46 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 43.63A RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.46  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 The Washington state arts commission shall provide a plaque sized  
8 five and three-quarter inches square and one-fourth to one-half inch  
9 deep that must be affixed to buildings or displayed as part of a  
10 project receiving a capital budget appropriation of more than ninety-  
11 nine thousand dollars, as required in section 2 of this act and RCW  
12 27.34.330. The plaque shall contain language stating, at a minimum,  
13 that the building or project has been made possible by the tax  
14 dollars of Washington citizens.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.63A  
16 RCW to read as follows:

17 The department must require the inclusion of a plaque, as  
18 specified in section 1 of this act, for capital budget projects that  
19 receive more than ninety-nine thousand dollars under RCW 43.63A.125,

1 43.63A.135, and 43.63A.750 and capital budget local and community  
2 projects that receive more than ninety-nine thousand dollars.

3 **Sec. 3.** RCW 27.34.330 and 2015 3rd sp.s. c 3 s 7014 are each  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 The Washington state historical society shall establish a  
6 competitive process to solicit proposals for and prioritize heritage  
7 capital projects for potential funding in the state capital budget.  
8 The society shall adopt rules governing project eligibility and  
9 evaluation criteria. Application for funding of specific projects may  
10 be made to the society by local governments, public development  
11 authorities, nonprofit corporations, tribal governments, and other  
12 entities, as determined by the society. The society, with the advice  
13 of leaders in the heritage field, including but not limited to  
14 representatives from the office of the secretary of state, the  
15 eastern Washington state historical society, and the department of  
16 archaeology and historic preservation, shall establish and submit a  
17 prioritized list of heritage capital projects to the governor and the  
18 legislature in the society's biennial capital budget request. The  
19 list shall include a description of each project, the amount of  
20 recommended state funding, and documentation of nonstate funds to be  
21 used for the project. The total amount of recommended state funding  
22 for projects on a biennial project list shall not exceed ten million  
23 dollars. The prioritized list shall be developed through open and  
24 public meetings and the amount of state funding shall not exceed  
25 thirty-three and thirty-three one-hundredths percent of the total  
26 cost of the project. The nonstate portion of the total project cost  
27 may include cash, the value of real property when acquired solely for  
28 the purpose of the project, and in-kind contributions. The department  
29 shall not sign contracts or otherwise financially obligate funds  
30 under this section until the legislature has approved a specific list  
31 of projects. In contracts for grants authorized under this section,  
32 the society shall include provisions requiring that capital  
33 improvements be held by the grantee for a specified period of time  
34 appropriate to the amount of the grant and that facilities be used  
35 for the express purpose of the grant. If the grantee is found to be  
36 out of compliance with provisions of the contract, the grantee shall  
37 repay to the state general fund the principal amount of the grant  
38 plus interest calculated at the rate of interest on state of  
39 Washington general obligation bonds issued most closely to the date

1 of authorization of the grant. The society must require the inclusion  
2 of a plaque, as specified in section 1 of this act, for projects that  
3 receive more than ninety-nine thousand dollars under this section.

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