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**SENATE BILL 6494**

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**By** Senators Thorsness and Jesernig

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1            AN ACT Relating to state lease of Hanford reservation land;  
2 amending RCW 43.31.205; adding a new section to chapter 43.31 RCW;  
3 creating a new section; and making an appropriation.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**            The legislature finds that the ninety-  
6 nine-year lease of one thousand acres of land by the state from the  
7 federal government requires that the state use any rent moneys from  
8 subleasing the land to promote the site. The legislature further finds  
9 that the state agencies charged with administering the lease have  
10 neglected to undertake this requirement and that the new emphasis on  
11 waste cleanup at Hanford and the new technologies needed for  
12 environmental restoration warrant a renewed effort to promote the one  
13 thousand acres.

1       **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.31.205 and 1990 c 281 s 2 are each amended to read  
2 as follows:

3       In an effort to enhance the economy of the Tri-Cities area, the  
4 department of trade and economic development is directed to promote the  
5 existence of the lease between the state of Washington and the federal  
6 government executed September 10, 1964, covering one thousand acres of  
7 land lying within the Hanford reservation near Richland, Washington,  
8 and the opportunity of subleasing the land to entities for nuclear-  
9 related industry, in agreement with the terms of the lease. When  
10 promoting the existence of the lease, the department shall work in  
11 cooperation with any associate development organizations located in or  
12 near the Tri-Cities area.

13       NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.31 RCW  
14 to read as follows:

15       (1) The Hanford sublease rent account is hereby created in the  
16 state treasury. Moneys in the account may be spent only after  
17 appropriation and only for the following purposes:

18       (a) To promote the existence of the lease between the state of  
19 Washington and the federal government executed September 10, 1964,  
20 covering one thousand acres of land lying within the Hanford  
21 reservation near Richland, Washington;

22       (b) To promote the opportunity of subleasing the land to entities  
23 for nuclear-related industry, in agreement with the terms of the lease;  
24 and

25       (c) To execute any new sublease agreements that meet the terms of  
26 the lease.

27       (2) Sources for this account shall include:

28       (a) Any rent payments from subleases of the site; and

29       (b) Other funding from federal, state, and local agencies.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 4.**        The sum of forty thousand dollars, or as  
2 much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium  
3 ending June 30, 1993, from the general fund to the department of trade  
4 and economic development for the purposes of section 2 of this act.