
SENATE BILL 6555

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1 AN ACT Relating to research and services for special purpose
2 districts; amending RCW 66.08.190; and adding new sections to chapter
3 43.110 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 43.110 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The municipal research council shall contract for the provision
8 of research and services to special purpose districts. A contract for
9 at least three FTEs shall be made with a state agency, educational
10 institution, or private consulting firm, that in the judgment of
11 council members is qualified to provide such research and services.

12 (2) Research and services to special purpose districts shall
13 consist of: (a) Studying and researching issues relating to special
14 purpose district government; and (b) furnishing legal, technical,
15 consultative, and field services to special purpose districts
16 concerning issues relating to special purpose district government.

17 (3) The activities, programs, and services of the municipal
18 research council to special purpose districts shall be carried on in
19 cooperation with the associations representing the various special

1 purpose districts. Services to special purpose districts shall be
2 based upon the moneys appropriated to the municipal research council
3 from the special purpose district research services account under
4 section 2 of this act.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.110 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 A special account is created in the state treasury to be known as
8 the special purpose district research services account. The account
9 shall consist of all money transferred or appropriated to the account
10 by the legislature. Moneys in the account may be spent only after
11 appropriation. The account is subject to the allotment process under
12 chapter 43.88 RCW.

13 Moneys in the special purpose district research services account
14 may be expended only to finance the costs of special purpose district
15 research and services.

16 **Sec. 3.** RCW 66.08.190 and 2003 1st sp.s. c 25 s 927 are each
17 amended to read as follows:

18 (1) Except for revenues generated by the 2003 surcharge of
19 \$0.42/liter on retail sales of spirits that shall be distributed to the
20 state general fund during the 2003-2005 biennium, when excess funds are
21 distributed, all moneys subject to distribution shall be disbursed as
22 follows:

23 (a) Three-tenths of one percent to border areas under RCW
24 66.08.195; and

25 (b) From the amount remaining after distribution under (a) of this
26 subsection, (i) fifty percent to the general fund of the state, (ii)
27 ten percent to the counties of the state, and (iii) forty percent to
28 the incorporated cities and towns of the state.

29 (2) During the months of June, September, December, and March of
30 each year, prior to disbursing the distribution to incorporated cities
31 and towns under subsection (1)(b) of this section, the treasurer shall
32 deduct from that distribution an amount that will fund that quarter's
33 allotments under RCW 43.88.110 from any legislative appropriation from
34 the city and town research services account. The treasurer shall
35 deposit the amount deducted into the city and town research services
36 account.

1 (3) During the months of June, September, December, and March of
2 each year, prior to disbursing the distribution to the general fund of
3 the state under subsection (1)(b) of this section, the treasurer shall
4 deduct from that distribution an amount that will fund that quarter's
5 allotments under RCW 43.88.110 from any legislative appropriation from
6 the special purpose district research services account. The treasurer
7 shall deposit the amount deducted into the special purpose district
8 research services account.

9 (4) The governor may notify and direct the state treasurer to
10 withhold the revenues to which the counties and cities are entitled
11 under this section if the counties or cities are found to be in
12 noncompliance pursuant to RCW 36.70A.340.

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