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AN ACT Relating to an ambulance transport quality assurance fee; reenacting and amending RCW 43.84.092; adding a new chapter to Title 74 RCW; prescribing penalties; providing a contingent expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

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

6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. The purpose of this chapter is to provide 7 for a safety net fee for certain ambulance transports, which will be 8 used to augment funding from all other sources, thereby supporting 9 additional payments to ambulance transport providers for medicaid 10 services as specified in this chapter.

11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** The definitions in this section apply 12 throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires 13 otherwise.

(1) "Aggregate fee schedule increase amount" means the product of the quotient described in section 6(1) of this act and the ambulance transports, utilizing the billing codes for ambulance transport for the state fiscal year.

(2) "Ambulance transport" means the act of transporting an
 individual from any point of origin to the nearest medical facility
 capable of meeting the medical needs of the patient by an ambulance

1 licensed, operated, and equipped in accordance with applicable state or local statutes, ordinances, or regulations that are billed with 2 the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services health care 3 common procedure coding system (HCPCS) billing codes A0429 BLS 4 Emergency, A0428 BLS Non-Emergency, A0427 ALS Emergency, A0426 ALS 5 6 Non-Emergency, A0425 Mileage, and A0433 ALS2, A0434 Specialty Care 7 and any equivalent, predecessor, or successor billing codes as may be determined by the authority. "Ambulance transports" does not include 8 9 transportation of beneficiaries by passenger car, taxicabs, litter wheelchair vans, or other forms of public or private 10 vans, 11 conveyances, nor does it include transportation by an air ambulance 12 provider. An "ambulance transport" does not occur when, following evaluation of a patient, a transport is not provided. 13

14 (3) "Ambulance transport provider" means any state licensed 15 provider of ambulance transports.

16 (4) "Ambulance transport provider subject to the fee" means all 17 ambulance transport providers that bill and receive patient care 18 revenue from the provision of ambulance transports, except ambulance 19 transport providers that are exempt pursuant to section 9(3) of this 20 act.

21 (5) "Annual quality assurance fee rate" means the quality 22 assurance fee assessed on each ambulance transport during each 23 applicable state fiscal year.

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(6) "Authority" means the Washington state health care authority.

(7) "Available fee amount" means the sum of the following:

26 (a) The amount deposited in the ambulance transport fund 27 established under section 5 of this act during the applicable state 28 fiscal year, less the amounts described in section 5(3) (a) and (b) 29 of this act; and

30 (b) Any federal financial participation obtained as a result of 31 the deposit of the amount described in section 4 of this act, for the 32 applicable state fiscal year.

33 (8) "Effective state medical assistance percentage" means a ratio 34 of the aggregate expenditures from state-only sources for the 35 medicaid program divided by the aggregate expenditures from state and 36 federal sources for the medicaid program for a state fiscal year.

(9) "Gross receipts" means gross payments received as patient care revenue for ambulance transports, determined on a cash basis of accounting. "Gross receipts" includes all payments received as patient care revenue for ambulance transports, including payments for

1 the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services health care common procedure coding system (HCPCS) billing codes A0429 BLS 2 Emergency, A0428 BLS Non-Emergency, A0427 ALS Emergency, A0426 ALS 3 Non-Emergency, A0425 Mileage, and A0433 ALS2, A0434 Specialty Care 4 and any equivalent, predecessor, or successor billing codes as may be 5 6 determined by the authority, and any other ancillary billing codes 7 associated with ambulance transport as may be determined by the authority. "Gross receipts" does not include supplemental amounts 8 received pursuant to RCW 41.05.730. 9

10 (10) "Managed care organization" means an organization having a 11 certificate of authority or certificate of registration from the 12 office of the insurance commissioner that contracts with the 13 authority under a comprehensive risk contract to provide prepaid 14 health care services to eligible clients under the authority's 15 medicaid managed care programs, including the healthy options 16 program.

17 (11) "Medicaid" means the medical assistance program as 18 established in Title XIX of the social security act and as 19 administered in the state of Washington by the authority.

20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. (1)(a) The authority shall establish the 21 manner and format for ambulance transport providers to report the 22 data required pursuant to this section.

(b) The authority may establish an internet web site for thesubmission of reports required by this section.

25 (c) The authority may require a certification by each ambulance transport provider under penalty of perjury of the truth of the 26 reports required under this section. Upon written notice to an 27 28 ambulance transport provider, the authority may impose a civil penalty of one hundred dollars per day against an ambulance transport 29 30 provider for every day that an ambulance transport provider fails to make a report required by this section within five days of the date 31 upon which the report was due. Any funds resulting from a penalty 32 imposed pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited in the 33 ambulance transport fund established in section 5 of this act. 34

35 (2) Each ambulance transport provider shall report to the 36 authority data on the number of actual ambulance transports by payer 37 type, as follows:

1 (a) For each quarter beginning on July 1, 2018, through the 2 quarter beginning on July 1, 2020, inclusive, the data shall be 3 submitted on or before October 15, 2020.

4 (b) For the quarter beginning on October 1, 2018, and continuing 5 each quarter thereafter, the data shall be submitted on or before the 6 forty-fifth day after the last day of the applicable quarter.

7 (3) Each ambulance transport provider shall report to the 8 authority data on the gross receipts received from the provision of 9 ambulance transports per state fiscal year, as follows:

10 (a) For the state fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2018, and 11 July 1, 2019, the data shall be submitted on or before October 15, 12 2020.

(b) For each state fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2020, and continuing each state fiscal year thereafter, the data shall be submitted on or before the forty-fifth day after the last day of the applicable state fiscal year.

17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. (1) Commencing with the state fiscal 18 quarter beginning on July 1, 2020, and continuing each state fiscal 19 quarter thereafter there shall be imposed a quality assurance fee for 20 each ambulance transport provided by each ambulance transport 21 provider subject to the fee in accordance with this section.

(2)(a) On or before June 15, 2020, and continuing each June 15th 22 23 thereafter, the authority shall calculate the annual quality 24 assurance fee rate applicable to the following state fiscal year 25 based on the most recently collected data from ambulance transport providers pursuant to section 3 of this act. The authority may 26 27 correct any identified material or significant errors in the data collected from ambulance transport providers pursuant to section 3 of 28 this act for the purposes of calculating the annual quality assurance 29 30 fee rate.

(i) For the state fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2020, the annual quality assurance fee rate shall be calculated by multiplying the projected total annual gross receipts for all ambulance transport providers subject to the fee by 5.1 percent, which resulting product shall be divided by the projected total annual ambulance transports by all ambulance transport providers subject to the fee for the state fiscal year.

38 (ii) For state fiscal years beginning July 1, 2021, and 39 continuing each state fiscal year thereafter, the annual quality

assurance fee rate shall be calculated by a ratio, the numerator of 1 which shall be the sum of (A) the product of the projected aggregate 2 fee schedule amount and the effective state medical assistance 3 percentage and (B) the amount described in section 5(3)(a) of this 4 act for the state fiscal year, and the denominator of which shall be 5 б ninety percent of the projected total annual ambulance transports by 7 all ambulance transport providers subject to the fee for the state 8 fiscal year.

9 (b) On or before June 15, 2020, and continuing each June 15th 10 thereafter for which this article is implemented, the authority shall 11 publish the annual quality assurance fee rate on its internet web 12 site.

(c) In no case shall the fees calculated pursuant to this 13 subsection (2)(c) and collected pursuant to this chapter exceed the 14 amounts allowable under federal law. If, on or before June 15th of 15 16 each year, the authority makes a determination that the fees 17 collected pursuant to this subsection exceed the amounts allowable under federal law, the authority may reduce the add-on increase to 18 the fee-for-service payment schedule described in section 6 of this 19 act only to the extent necessary to reflect the amount of fees 20 21 allowable under federal law in an applicable state fiscal year.

(d) If, during a state fiscal year, the actual or projected 22 available fee amount exceeds or is less than the actual or projected 23 aggregate fee schedule amount by more than one percent, the authority 24 25 shall adjust the annual quality assurance fee rate so that the available fee amount for the state fiscal year will approximately 26 equal the aggregate fee schedule amount for the state fiscal year. 27 The available fee amount for a state fiscal year shall be considered 28 29 to equal the aggregate fee schedule amount for the state fiscal year if the difference between the available fee amount for the state 30 31 fiscal year and the aggregate fee schedule amount for the state fiscal year constitutes less than one percent of the aggregate fee 32 schedule amount for the state fiscal year. 33

(3)(a) Each ambulance transport provider subject to the fee shall remit to the authority an amount equal to the annual quality assurance fee rate for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year multiplied by the number of transports reported or that should have been reported by the ambulance transport provider pursuant to section 3(2) of this act in the quarter beginning on April 1, 2020, based on a schedule established by the authority. The schedule established by the

1 authority for the fee payment described in this subsection shall 2 require remittance of the fee payment according to the following 3 guidelines:

4 (i) The authority shall require an ambulance transport provider 5 that rendered thirty-five thousand or more medicaid fee-for-service 6 ambulance transports during the 2019-2020 state fiscal year to remit 7 the fee payment described in this subsection on or after July 1, 8 2020.

9 (ii) The authority shall require an ambulance transport provider 10 that rendered fewer than thirty-five thousand medicaid fee-for-11 service ambulance transports during the 2019-2020 state fiscal year 12 to remit fifty percent or less of the fee payment described in this 13 subsection on or after August 1, 2020.

14 (iii) The authority shall require an ambulance transport provider 15 that rendered fewer than thirty-five thousand medicaid fee-for-16 service ambulance transports during the 2019-2020 state fiscal year 17 to remit any remaining fee payment amount described in this 18 subsection on or after August 15, 2020.

(b) Commencing with the state fiscal guarter beginning on October 19 1, 2018, and continuing each state fiscal quarter thereafter, on or 20 before the first day of each state fiscal quarter, each ambulance 21 transport provider subject to the fee shall remit to the authority an 22 amount equal to the annual quality assurance fee rate for the 23 applicable state fiscal year multiplied by the number of transports 24 25 reported or that should have been reported by the ambulance transport 26 provider pursuant to section 3(2) of this act in the immediately 27 preceding quarter.

(4)(a) Interest shall be assessed on quality assurance fees not paid on the date due at the greater of ten percent per annum or the rate at which the authority assesses interest on medicaid program overpayments pursuant to WAC 182-502-0130. Interest shall begin to accrue the day after the date the payment was due and shall be deposited in the ambulance transport fund established in section 5 of this act.

35 (b) In the event that any fee payment is more than sixty days 36 overdue, the authority may deduct the unpaid fee and interest owed 37 from any medicaid reimbursement payments owed to the ambulance 38 transport provider until the full amount of the fee, interest, and 39 any penalties assessed under this chapter are recovered. Any 40 deduction made pursuant to this subsection shall be made only after

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1 the authority gives the ambulance transport provider written 2 notification. Any deduction made pursuant to this subsection may be 3 deducted over a period of time that takes into account the financial 4 condition of the ambulance transport provider.

5 (c) In the event that any fee payment is more than sixty days 6 overdue, a penalty equal to the interest charge described in (a) of 7 this subsection shall be assessed and due for each month for which 8 the payment is not received after sixty days. Any funds resulting 9 from a penalty imposed pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited 10 into the ambulance transport fund established in section 5 of this 11 act.

12 (d) The authority may waive a portion or all of either the interest or penalties, or both, assessed under this chapter in the 13 event the authority determines, in its sole discretion, that the 14 ambulance transport provider has demonstrated that imposition of the 15 16 full amount of the quality assurance fee pursuant to the timelines 17 applicable under this chapter has a high likelihood of creating an 18 undue financial hardship for the provider. Waiver of some or all of the interest or penalties pursuant to this subsection shall be 19 20 conditioned on the ambulance transport provider's agreement to make 21 fee payments on an alternative schedule developed by the authority.

(5) The authority shall accept an ambulance transport provider's payment even if the payment is submitted in a rate year subsequent to the rate year in which the fee was assessed.

25 (6) In the event of a merger, acquisition, or similar transaction 26 involving an ambulance transport provider that has outstanding quality assurance fee payment obligations pursuant to this chapter, 27 including any interest and penalty amounts owed, the resultant or 28 29 successor ambulance transport provider shall be responsible for paying to the authority the full amount of outstanding quality 30 31 assurance fee payments, including any applicable interest and 32 penalties, attributable to the ambulance transport provider for which it was assessed, upon the effective date of such transaction. An 33 entity considering a merger, acquisition, or similar transaction 34 35 involving an ambulance transport provider may submit a request to the 36 authority to ascertain the outstanding quality assurance fee payment 37 obligations of the ambulance transport provider pursuant to this 38 chapter as of the date of the authority's response to that request.

1 NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. (1) A dedicated fund is hereby established 2 within the state treasury to be known as the ambulance transport fund. The purpose and use of the fund shall be to receive and 3 disburse funds, together with accrued interest, in accordance with 4 this chapter. Moneys in the fund, including interest earned, shall 5 6 not be used or disbursed for any purposes other than those specified 7 in this chapter. Any amounts expended from the fund that are later recouped by the authority on audit or otherwise shall be returned to 8 9 the fund. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation. 10

11 (2) The quality assurance fees collected by the authority 12 pursuant to section 4 of this act must be deposited in the ambulance 13 transport fund.

14 (3) The moneys in the ambulance transport fund, including any interest and dividends earned on money in the fund, 15 shall be 16 available exclusively to enhance federal financial participation for 17 ambulance services under the medicaid program and to provide additional reimbursement to, and to support quality improvement 18 19 efforts of, ambulance transport providers, and to pay for the state's administrative costs and to provide funding for health care coverage 20 21 for Washingtonians, in the following order of priority:

(a) To pay for the authority's staffing and administrative costs
directly attributable to implementing this chapter, not to exceed
twenty percent of the annual quality assurance fee collection amount,
exclusive of any federal matching funds; and

(b) To make increased payments to ambulance transport providerspursuant to section 6 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. (1) Commencing July 1, 2020, and for each 28 state fiscal year thereafter, reimbursement to ambulance transport 29 30 providers for ambulance transports shall be increased by application 31 of an add-on to the associated medicaid fee-for-service payment schedule. The add-on increase to the fee-for-service payment schedule 32 under this section shall be calculated on or before June 15, 2020, 33 and shall remain the same for later state fiscal years, to the extent 34 the authority determines federal financial participation is available 35 and is not otherwise jeopardized. The add-on increase to the fee-for-36 service payment schedule under this section shall apply only to the 37 38 billing codes identified in, or any equivalent, predecessor, or successor billing codes as may be determined by the authority 39

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pursuant to, section 2(2) of this act. The authority shall calculate 1 2 the projections required by this subsection based on the data submitted pursuant to section 3 of this act. The fee-for-service add-3 on shall be equal to the quotient of the available fee amount 4 projected by the authority on or before June 15, 2020, for the 2020-5 б 2021 state fiscal year, divided by the total medicaid ambulance 7 transports, utilizing the billing codes projected by the authority on or before June 15, 2020, for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year. The 8 9 resulting fee-for-service payment schedule amounts after the application of this section shall be equal to the sum of the medicaid 10 11 fee-for-service payment schedule amount for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year and the add-on increase. 12

13 (2) The increased payments required by this section shall be 14 funded solely from the following:

(a) The quality assurance fee set forth in section 4 of this act,
along with any interest or other investment income earned on those
funds; and

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(b) Federal reimbursement and any other related federal funds.

19 (3) The proceeds of the quality assurance fee set forth in 20 section 4 of this act, the matching amount provided by the federal 21 government, and any interest earned on those proceeds shall be used 22 to supplement, and not to supplant, existing funding for ambulance 23 transports provided by ambulance transport providers.

(4) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, the authority may seek federal approval to implement any add-on increase to the fee-for-service payment schedule pursuant to this section for any state fiscal year or years, as applicable, on a time-limited basis for a fixed program period, as determined by the authority.

(5) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, the add-on increase to the fee-for-service payment schedule pursuant to this section shall only be required and payable for state fiscal years for which a quality assurance fee payment obligation exists for ambulance transport providers.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. If there is a delay in the implementation of this chapter for any reason, including a delay in any required approval of the quality assurance fee and reimbursement methodology specified by the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services, both of the following shall apply:

1 (1) An ambulance transport provider subject to the fee may be assessed the amount the provider would be required to pay to the 2 authority if the add-on increase to the fee-for-service payment 3 schedule described in section 4 of this act were already approved, 4 but shall not be required to pay the fee until the add-on increase to 5 6 the fee-for-service payment schedule described in section 4 of this act is approved. The authority shall establish a schedule for payment 7 of retroactive fees pursuant to this subsection in consultation with 8 ambulance transport providers to minimize the disruption to the cash 9 flow of ambulance transport providers. 10

(2) The authority may retroactively implement the add-on increase to the fee-for-service payment schedule pursuant to section 4 of this act to the extent the authority determines that federal financial participation is available and is not otherwise jeopardized.

15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 8. The authority may adopt rules to implement 16 this chapter.

17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 9. (1)(a) The authority shall request any 18 approval from the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services 19 it deems necessary for the use of fees pursuant to this chapter and 20 for the purpose of receiving associated federal matching funds.

(b) In making that request, the authority may seek, as it deems necessary, a request for waiver of the broad-based requirement, waiver of the uniformity requirement, or both, pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Sec. 433.68(e)(1) and (2), or a request for waiver of any other provisions of federal law or regulation necessary to implement this chapter.

(c) This chapter shall be implemented only to the extent that any
 necessary federal approvals are obtained and federal financial
 participation is available and is not otherwise jeopardized.

30 The authority may modify or make adjustments to any (2) methodology, fee amount, or other provision specified in this chapter 31 to the extent necessary to meet the requirements of federal law or 32 regulations or to obtain federal approval. If the authority, after 33 consulting with affected ambulance transport providers, determines 34 that a modification is needed, the authority shall execute a 35 declaration stating that this determination has been made and that 36 37 the actual or projected available fee amount for a state fiscal year 38 remains approximately equal to the actual or projected aggregate fee

1 schedule amount for each applicable state fiscal year, as defined by 2 section 4(2)(d) of this act. The authority shall retain the 3 declaration and provide a copy, within ten working days of the 4 execution of the declaration, to the appropriate fiscal and policy 5 committees of the legislature.

6 (3) The authority may add categories of exempt ambulance 7 transport providers or apply a nonuniform fee per transport to 8 ambulance transport providers that are subject to the fee in order to 9 meet requirements of federal law or regulations. The authority may 10 exempt categories of ambulance transport providers from the fee if 11 necessary to obtain federal approval.

12 (4) If, before June 1st preceding the start of an applicable state fiscal year, the authority finds that the implementation of 13 14 this chapter is likely no longer a benefit to the general fund for the applicable state fiscal year, the authority may decide to not 15 16 implement this chapter for that state fiscal year. The authority 17 shall notify the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the legislature, and ambulance transport providers via the authority's 18 internet web site, of its finding pursuant to this subsection. 19

20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 10. (1) This chapter shall be implemented by 21 the authority only if, as long as, and to the extent that, all of the 22 following conditions are met:

(a) The federal centers for medicare and medicaid services does
 not determine that the quality assurance fee revenues may not be used
 for the purposes set forth in this chapter.

(b) The authority obtains any necessary federal approvals for the collection of the quality assurance fee pursuant to this chapter and the add-on increase to the fee-for-service payment schedule described in section 4 of this act.

30 (c) The state continues its maintenance of effort for the level 31 of state funding not derived from the quality assurance fee of 32 ambulance transports reimbursement for the 2020-2021 rate year, and 33 for each applicable rate year thereafter, in an amount not less than 34 the amount that the state would have paid for the same number of 35 ambulance transports under the rate methodology that was in effect on 36 July 31, 2018.

37 (d) Federal financial participation is available, and is not38 otherwise jeopardized.

1 (2) This chapter shall cease to be operative on the first day of 2 the state fiscal year beginning on or after the date one or more of 3 the following conditions is satisfied:

4 (a) The federal centers for medicare and medicaid services no
5 longer allows the collection or use of the ambulance transport
6 provider assessment provided in this chapter;

7 (b) The increase to the medicaid payments described in section 6 8 of this act no longer remains in effect;

9 (c) The quality assurance fee assessed and collected pursuant to 10 this chapter is no longer available for the purposes specified in 11 this chapter;

(d) The authority determines that a change in federal law or federal medicaid policy results or is likely to result in a reduction of associated federal financial participation for the state medicaid program such that the authority determines the continued implementation of this chapter is no longer a benefit to the general fund;

(e) A final judicial determination made by any state or federal court that is not appealed, or by a court of appellate jurisdiction that is not further appealed, in any action by any party, or a final determination by the administrator of the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services that is not appealed, that federal financial participation is not available with respect to any payment made under the methodology implemented pursuant to this chapter;

(f) The state does not continue its maintenance of effort for the level of state funding of ambulance transports reimbursement for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year, or for any subsequent state fiscal year, in an amount not less than the amount that the state would have paid for the same number of ambulance transports under the rate methodology in effect on July 31, 2018.

In the event one or more of the conditions listed in 31 (3) 32 subsection (2) of this section is satisfied, the authority shall notify, in writing and as soon as practicable, the secretary of 33 state, the secretary of the senate, the chief clerk of the house of 34 representatives, the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the 35 legislature, and the code reviser's office of the condition and the 36 approximate date or dates that it occurred. The authority shall post 37 the notice on the authority's internet web site. 38

39 (4)(a) Notwithstanding any other law, in the event this chapter40 becomes inoperative pursuant to subsection (2) of this section, the

1 authority shall be authorized to conduct all appropriate close-out activities and implement applicable provisions of this chapter for 2 prior state fiscal years during which this chapter was operative 3 including, but not limited to, the collection of outstanding quality 4 assurance fees pursuant to section 4 of this act and payments 5 6 associated with any add-on increase to the medicaid fee-for-service payment schedule pursuant to section 6 of this act. In implementing 7 these close-out activities, the authority shall ensure that the 8 actual or projected available fee amount for each applicable state 9 fiscal year remains approximately equal to the aggregate fee schedule 10 amount for the state fiscal year, as defined by section 4(2)(d) of 11 12 this act. During this close-out period, the full amount of the quality assurance fee assessed and collected remains available only 13 14 for the purposes specified in this chapter.

(b) Upon a determination by the authority that all appropriate 15 16 close-out and implementation activities pursuant to (a) of this 17 subsection have been completed, the authority shall notify, in writing, the secretary of state, the secretary of the senate, the 18 19 chief clerk of the house of representatives, the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the legislature, and the code reviser's 20 21 office of that determination. This chapter shall expire as of the 22 effective date of the notification issued by the authority pursuant 23 to this subsection.

24 **Sec. 11.** RCW 43.84.092 and 2017 3rd sp.s. c 25 s 50, 2017 3rd 25 sp.s. c 12 s 12, and 2017 c 290 s 8 are each reenacted and amended to 26 read as follows:

(1) All earnings of investments of surplus balances in the state
 treasury shall be deposited to the treasury income account, which
 account is hereby established in the state treasury.

(2) The treasury income account shall be utilized to pay or 30 31 receive funds associated with federal programs as required by the federal cash management improvement act of 1990. The treasury income 32 account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no 33 appropriation is required for refunds or allocations of interest 34 35 earnings required by the cash management improvement act. Refunds of interest to the federal treasury required under the cash management 36 improvement act fall under RCW 43.88.180 and shall not require 37 38 appropriation. The office of financial management shall determine the 39 amounts due to or from the federal government pursuant to the cash

1 management improvement act. The office of financial management may 2 direct transfers of funds between accounts as deemed necessary to 3 implement the provisions of the cash management improvement act, and 4 this subsection. Refunds or allocations shall occur prior to the 5 distributions of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this 6 section.

(3) Except for the provisions of RCW 43.84.160, the treasury 7 income account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking 8 services on behalf of treasury funds including, but not limited to, 9 depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state 10 treasury and affected state agencies. The treasury income account is 11 12 subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for payments to financial institutions. Payments shall occur 13 14 prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this 15 section.

16 (4) Monthly, the state treasurer shall distribute the earnings 17 credited to the treasury income account. The state treasurer shall 18 credit the general fund with all the earnings credited to the 19 treasury income account except:

The following accounts and funds shall receive their 20 (a) 21 proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's and fund's average daily balance for the period: The aeronautics account, the 22 aircraft search and rescue account, the Alaskan Way viaduct 23 24 replacement project account, the ambulance transport fund, the 25 brownfield redevelopment trust fund account, the budget stabilization 26 account, the capital vessel replacement account, the capitol building construction account, the Cedar River channel construction and 27 28 operation account, the Central Washington University capital projects 29 account, the charitable, educational, penal and reformatory institutions account, the Chehalis basin account, the cleanup 30 31 settlement account, the Columbia river basin water supply development 32 account, the Columbia river basin taxable bond water supply development account, the Columbia river basin water supply revenue 33 recovery account, the common school construction fund, the community 34 forest trust account, the connecting Washington account, the county 35 36 arterial preservation account, the county criminal justice assistance deferred compensation administrative account, the 37 account, the deferred compensation principal account, the department of licensing 38 39 services account, the department of retirement systems expense 40 account, the developmental disabilities community trust account, the

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1 diesel idle reduction account, the drinking water assistance account, the drinking water assistance administrative account, the early 2 learning facilities development account, the 3 early learning facilities revolving account, the Eastern Washington University 4 capital projects account, the Interstate 405 express toll lanes 5 6 operations account, the education construction fund, the education legacy trust account, the election account, the electric vehicle 7 charging infrastructure account, the energy freedom account, the 8 energy recovery act account, the essential rail assistance account, 9 The Evergreen State College capital projects account, the federal 10 11 forest revolving account, the ferry bond retirement fund, the freight 12 mobility investment account, the freight mobility multimodal account, the grade crossing protective fund, the public health services 13 14 account, ((the high capacity transportation account,)) the state higher education construction account, the 15 higher education 16 construction account, the highway bond retirement fund, the highway 17 infrastructure account, the highway safety fund, the high occupancy 18 toll lanes operations account, the hospital safety net assessment 19 fund, the industrial insurance premium refund account, the judges' retirement account, the judicial retirement administrative account, 20 21 the judicial retirement principal account, the local leasehold excise 22 tax account, the local real estate excise tax account, the local sales and use tax account, the marine resources stewardship trust 23 account, the medical aid account, the mobile home park relocation 24 25 fund, the money-purchase retirement savings administrative account, 26 the money-purchase retirement savings principal account, the motor vehicle fund, the motorcycle safety education account, the multimodal 27 28 transportation account, the multiuse roadway safety account, the municipal criminal justice assistance account, the natural resources 29 deposit account, the oyster reserve land account, the pension funding 30 31 stabilization account, the perpetual surveillance and maintenance 32 account, the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account, the public employees' retirement system plan 33 1 account, the public employees' retirement system combined plan 2 34 and plan 3 account, the public facilities construction loan revolving 35 account beginning July 1, 2004, the public health supplemental 36 account, the public works assistance account, the Puget Sound capital 37 construction account, the Puget Sound ferry operations account, the 38 estate 39 Puget Sound taxpayer accountability account, the real 40 appraiser commission account, the recreational vehicle account, the

regional mobility grant program account, the resource management cost 1 account, the rural arterial trust account, the rural mobility grant 2 3 program account, the rural Washington loan fund, the sexual assault prevention and response account, the site closure account, the 4 5 skilled nursing facility safety net trust fund, the small city 6 pavement and sidewalk account, the special category C account, the 7 special wildlife account, the state employees' insurance account, the state employees' insurance reserve account, the state investment 8 board expense account, the state investment board commingled trust 9 fund accounts, the state patrol highway account, the state route 10 11 number 520 civil penalties account, the state route number 520 12 corridor account, the state wildlife account, the supplemental pension account, the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account, the 13 teachers' retirement system plan 1 account, the teachers' retirement 14 system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, the tobacco prevention and 15 16 control account, the tobacco settlement account, the toll facility 17 bond retirement account, the transportation 2003 account (nickel 18 account), the transportation equipment fund, the transportation 19 future funding program account, the transportation improvement 20 account, the transportation improvement board bond retirement account, the 21 transportation infrastructure account, the 22 transportation partnership account, the traumatic brain injury account, the tuition recovery trust fund, the University of 23 fund, the University of Washington 24 Washington bond retirement 25 building account, the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' relief and pension principal fund, the volunteer firefighters' and 26 reserve officers' administrative fund, the Washington judicial 27 28 retirement system account, the Washington law enforcement officers' 29 and firefighters' system plan 1 retirement account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' system plan 2 retirement 30 31 account, the Washington public safety employees' plan 2 retirement 32 account, the Washington school employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and 3 account, the Washington state health insurance pool 33 34 account, the Washington state patrol retirement account, the Washington State University building account, the Washington State 35 36 University bond retirement fund, the water pollution control revolving administration account, the 37 water pollution control revolving fund, the Western Washington University capital projects 38 39 account, the Yakima integrated plan implementation account, the 40 Yakima integrated plan implementation revenue recovery account, and

1 the Yakima integrated plan implementation taxable bond account. 2 Earnings derived from investing balances of the agricultural 3 permanent fund, the normal school permanent fund, the permanent 4 common school fund, the scientific permanent fund, the state 5 university permanent fund, and the state reclamation revolving 6 account shall be allocated to their respective beneficiary accounts.

7 (b) Any state agency that has independent authority over accounts 8 or funds not statutorily required to be held in the state treasury 9 that deposits funds into a fund or account in the state treasury 10 pursuant to an agreement with the office of the state treasurer shall 11 receive its proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's 12 or fund's average daily balance for the period.

(5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state
 Constitution, no treasury accounts or funds shall be allocated
 earnings without the specific affirmative directive of this section.

16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 12.** Sections 1 through 10 of this act 17 constitute a new chapter in Title 74 RCW.

18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 13. This act is necessary for the immediate 19 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of 20 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes 21 effect immediately.

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