
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2993

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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Orr, Locke, Inslee, Spanel, Rayburn, Roland and Rasmussen)

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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing a rural health access account; and
2 adding a new section to chapter 43.70 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 The rural health access account is created in the custody of the
7 state treasurer. The account may receive moneys through gift, grant,
8 or donation to the state for the purposes of the account. Expenditures
9 from the account may be used only for rural health programs including,
10 but not limited to, those authorized in chapters 70.175 and 70.180 RCW,
11 the health professional and loan repayment programs authorized in
12 chapter 28B.115 RCW, and to make grants to small or rural hospitals, or
13 rural public hospital districts, for the purpose of developing viable,
14 integrated rural health systems. Only the secretary of health or the

1 secretary's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. No
2 appropriation is required for an expenditure from the account. Any
3 residue in the account shall accumulate in the account and shall not
4 revert to the general fund at the end of the biennium. Costs incurred
5 by the department in administering the account shall be paid from the
6 account.