
SENATE BILL 5755

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By Senators Roach, Stevens, Rossi and Heavey

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1 AN ACT Relating to emergency medical care and emergency medical
2 services; and adding a new section to chapter 43.79 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 43.79 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The emergency medical services assistance account is created in
7 the state treasury. Into this account shall be placed all moneys
8 received by the state under the settlement of the state's legal action
9 against tobacco product manufacturers, exclusive of costs and
10 attorneys' fees. On the first day of the months of January, April,
11 July, and October of each year, the state treasurer shall distribute
12 the funds in the emergency medical services assistance account to the
13 counties ratably on the basis of population as last determined by the
14 office of financial management.

15 (2) Funds distributed from the emergency medical services
16 assistance account under this section shall be used only for the
17 provision of emergency medical care or emergency medical services,
18 including related personnel costs, training for such personnel, and
19 related equipment, supplies, vehicles, and structures needed for the

1 provision of emergency medical care or emergency medical services, or
2 for distribution by the county to emergency medical service districts,
3 cities or towns, public hospital districts, urban emergency medical
4 service districts, or fire protection districts within the county for
5 the provision of emergency medical care or emergency medical services.

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