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Sponsor(s): Senators Rasmussen, Honeyford and Swecker

Brief Description: Authorizing the transfer and use of moneys in the fruit and vegetable inspection district fund for pest control purposes.

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Authorizes the district manager for district two as defined in WAC 16-458-075 to transfer four hundred fifty thousand dollars from the fruit and vegetable inspection district fund to the plant pest account within the agricultural local fund. The amount transferred is to be derived from fees collected for state inspections of tree fruits and is to be used solely to reimburse county horticultural pest and disease boards within district two for the cost of pest control activities, including tree removal, conducted under their existing authorities in chapters 15.08 and 15.09 RCW.

Declares that the transfer of funds shall occur by July 1, 2001. On June 30, 2003, any unexpended portion of the four hundred fifty thousand dollars shall be returned to the fruit and vegetable inspection district fund.