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AN ACT Relating to funding of the archives division; amending RCW 40.14.025, 40.14.027, and 36.22.175; and adding new sections to chapter 40.14 RCW.

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

5 Sec. 1. RCW 40.14.025 and 1996 c 245 s 3 are each amended to read 6 as follows:

7 (1) The secretary of state and the director of financial management 8 shall jointly establish a procedure and formula for allocating the 9 costs of services provided by the division of archives and records 10 management to state agencies. The total amount allotted for services 11 to state agencies shall not exceed the appropriation to the archives 12 and records management account during any allotment period.

13 (([(2)])) <u>(2)</u> There is created the archives and records management 14 account in the state treasury which shall consist of all fees and 15 charges collected under this section((, RCW 36.22.175, and 40.14.027)). 16 The account shall be appropriated exclusively for the payment of costs and expenses incurred in the operation of the division of archives and
 records management as specified by law.

3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 40.14 RCW
4 to read as follows:

The imaging account is created in the custody of the state 5 6 treasurer. All receipts collected under RCW 40.14.020(8) for contract 7 imaging, micrographics, reproduction, and duplication services provided by the division of archives and records management must be deposited 8 into the account and expenditures from the account may be used only for 9 these purposes. Only the secretary of state or the secretary's 10 11 designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is 12 subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures. 13

14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 40.14 RCW 15 to read as follows:

The local government archives account is created in the custody of 16 the state treasurer. All receipts collected by the county auditors 17 under RCW 40.14.027 and 36.22.175 for local government services, such 18 as providing records scheduling, security microfilm inspection and 19 storage, archival preservation, cataloging, and indexing for local 20 government records and digital data and access to those records and 21 22 data through the regional branch archives of the division of archives 23 and records management, must be deposited into the account and expenditures from the account may be used only for these purposes. 24 25 Only the secretary of state or the secretary's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment 26 procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not 27 required for expenditures. However, all fees collected under RCW 28 29 36.22.175(3) may be spent only by appropriation.

30 **Sec. 4.** RCW 40.14.027 and 2001 c 146 s 4 are each amended to read 31 as follows:

32 State agencies shall collect a surcharge of twenty dollars from the 33 judgment debtor upon the satisfaction of a warrant filed in superior 34 court for unpaid taxes or liabilities. The surcharge is imposed on the 35 judgment debtor in the form of a penalty in addition to the filing fee

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1 provided in RCW 36.18.012(10). The surcharge revenue shall be 2 transmitted to the state treasurer for deposit in the archives and 3 records management account.

Surcharge revenue deposited in the local government archives ((and 4 records management)) account <u>under section 3 of this act</u> shall be 5 expended by the secretary of state exclusively for disaster recovery, б 7 essential records protection services, and records management training for local government agencies by the division of archives and records 8 9 management. The secretary of state shall, with local government 10 representatives, establish a committee to advise the state archivist on the local government archives and records management program. 11

12 Sec. 5. RCW 36.22.175 and 2001 2nd sp.s. c 13 s 1 are each amended 13 to read as follows:

(1) In addition to any other charge authorized by law, the county 14 auditor shall charge a surcharge of one dollar per instrument for each 15 16 document recorded. Revenue generated through this surcharge shall be 17 transmitted monthly to the state treasurer for deposit in the local government archives ((and records management)) account under section 3 18 of this act. These funds shall be used solely for providing records 19 20 scheduling, security microfilm inspection and storage, archival 21 preservation, cataloging, and indexing for local government records and 22 digital data and access to those records and data through the regional branch archives of the division of archives and records management. 23

The division of archives and records management within the office 24 of the secretary of state shall provide records management training for 25 26 local governments and shall establish a competitive grant program to 27 solicit and prioritize project proposals from local governments for potential funding to be paid for by funds from the auditor surcharge 28 and tax warrant surcharge revenues. Application for specific projects 29 may be made by local government agencies only. The state archivist in 30 31 consultation with the advisory committee established under RCW 40.14.027 shall adopt rules governing project eligibility, evaluation, 32 awarding of grants, and other criteria including requirements for 33 34 records management training for grant recipients.

35 (2) The advisory committee established under RCW 40.14.027 shall
 36 review grant proposals and establish a prioritized list of projects to
 37 be considered for funding by January 1st of each even-numbered year,

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beginning in 2002. The evaluation of proposals and development of the prioritized list must be developed through open public meetings. Funding for projects shall be granted according to the ranking of each application on the prioritized list and projects will be funded only to the extent that funds are available. A grant award may have an effective date other than the date the project is placed on the prioritized list.

(3) In addition to any other surcharge authorized by law, the 8 county auditor shall charge a surcharge of one dollar per instrument 9 10 for every document recorded after January 1, 2002. Revenue generated through this surcharge shall be transmitted to the state treasurer 11 12 monthly for deposit in the <u>local government</u> archives ((and records 13 management)) account <u>under section 3 of this act</u> to be used exclusively 14 for the construction and improvement of a specialized regional facility located in eastern Washington designed to serve the archives, records 15 16 management, and digital data management needs of local government.

To the extent the facilities are used for the storage and retrieval of state agency records and digital data, that portion of the construction of such facilities used for state government records and data shall be supported by other charges and fees paid by state agencies and shall not be supported by the surcharge authorized in this subsection.

At such time that all debt service from construction on such 23 24 facility has been paid, fifty percent of the surcharge authorized by 25 this subsection shall be reverted to the centennial document 26 preservation and modernization account as prescribed in RCW 36.22.170 27 and fifty percent of the surcharge authorized by this section shall be reverted to the state treasurer for deposit in the archives and records 28 management account to serve the archives, records management, and 29 30 digital data management needs of local government.

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