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By Representatives Morrell, Moeller, Kelley, Hurst, Miloscia, Hunt, Appleton, and Chase; by request of Washington Military Department

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1 AN ACT Relating to rental or lease of armories; and amending RCW 2 38.20.010.

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

4 Sec. 1. RCW 38.20.010 and 2005 c 252 s 3 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

6 Except as provided in this section, state-owned armories shall be 7 used strictly for military purposes.

8 (1) One room, together with the necessary furniture, heat, light, 9 and janitor service, may be set aside for the exclusive use of bona 10 fide veterans' organizations subject to the direction of the officer in 11 charge. Members of these veterans' organizations and their auxiliaries 12 shall have access to the room and its use at all times.

13 (2) A bona fide veterans' organization may use any state armory for 14 athletic and social events without payment of rent whenever the armory 15 is not being used by the organized militia. The adjutant general may 16 require the veterans' organization to pay the cost of heating, 17 lighting, or other miscellaneous expenses incidental to this use.

(3) The adjutant general may, during an emergency, permit transientlodging of service personnel in armories.

1 (4) The adjutant general may, upon the recommendation of the 2 executive head or governing body of a county, city or town, permit 3 transient lodging of anyone in armories. The adjutant general may 4 require the county, city or town to pay no more than the actual cost of 5 staffing, heating, lighting and other miscellaneous expenses incidental 6 to this use.

7 (5) Civilian rifle clubs affiliated with the National Rifle 8 Association of America are permitted to use small arms ranges in the 9 armories at least one night each week under regulations prescribed by 10 the adjutant general.

(6) State-owned armories shall be available, at the discretion of the adjutant general, for <u>public and private</u> use ((for casual civic <u>purposes</u>, and amateur and professional sports and theatricals)) upon payment of ((fixed)) rental charges and compliance with regulations of the state military department. Children attending primary and high schools have a preferential right to use these armories.

The adjutant general shall prepare a schedule of rental charges, including a cleaning deposit, and utility costs for each state-owned armory which may not be waived except for activities sponsored by the organized militia or activities provided for in subsection (4) of this section. The rental charges derived from armory rentals less the cleaning deposit shall be paid into the military department rental and lease account under RCW 38.40.210.

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