HOUSE BILL 1070

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to veteran lottery games; amending RCW 67.70.240;
- and adding a new section to chapter 67.70 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 67.70 RCW 5 to read as follows:
- 6 The lottery commission shall conduct at least two but not more than
- 7 four new scratch games each year to benefit veterans and their
- 8 families. The commission shall develop and promote the games as
- 9 veteran lottery games benefiting veterans and their families.
- 10 Sec. 2. RCW 67.70.240 and 2001 c 3 s 4 are each amended to read as
- 11 follows:
- The moneys in the state lottery account shall be used only:
- 13 (1) For the payment of prizes to the holders of winning lottery 14 tickets or shares;
- 15 (2) For purposes of making deposits into the reserve account
- 16 created by RCW 67.70.250 and into the lottery administrative account
- 17 created by RCW 67.70.260;

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(3) For purposes of making deposits into the education construction fund and student achievement fund created in RCW 43.135.045. For the transition period from July 1, 2001, until and including June 30, 2002, fifty percent of the moneys not otherwise obligated under this section shall be placed in the student achievement fund and fifty percent of these moneys shall be placed in the education construction fund. On and after July 1, 2002, until June 30, 2004, seventy-five percent of these moneys shall be placed in the student achievement fund and twenty-five percent shall be placed in the education construction fund. On and after July 1, 2004, all deposits not otherwise obligated under this section shall be placed in the education construction fund. Moneys in the state lottery account deposited in the education construction fund and the student achievement fund are included in "general state revenues" under RCW 39.42.070;

- (4) For distribution to a county for the purpose of paying the principal and interest payments on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball stadium, as defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary preconstruction costs. Three million dollars shall be distributed under this subsection during calendar year 1996. During subsequent years, such distributions shall equal the prior year's distributions increased by four percent. Distributions under this subsection shall cease when the bonds issued for the construction of the baseball stadium are retired, but not more than twenty years after the tax under RCW 82.14.0485 is first imposed;
- (5) For distribution to the stadium and exhibition center account, created in RCW 43.99N.060. Subject to the conditions of RCW 43.99N.070, six million dollars shall be distributed under this subsection during the calendar year 1998. During subsequent years, such distribution shall equal the prior year's distributions increased by four percent. No distribution may be made under this subsection after December 31, 1999, unless the conditions for issuance of the bonds under RCW 43.99N.020(2) are met. Distributions under this subsection shall cease when the bonds are retired, but not later than December 31, 2020;
- (6) For transfer to the veterans innovations program account. The net revenues received from the sale of the veteran lottery games conducted under section 1 of this act must be deposited into the veterans innovations program account created in RCW 43.60A.185 for

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purposes of serving veterans and their families. For purposes of this section, "net revenues" means all revenues received from the sale of veteran lottery games less the sum of the amount paid out in prizes and the actual administrative expenses of the lottery solely related to the veteran lottery games;

(7) For the purchase and promotion of lottery games and game-related services; and

 $((\frac{7}{1}))$ (8) For the payment of agent compensation.

The office of financial management shall require the allotment of all expenses paid from the account and shall report to the ways and means committees of the senate and house of representatives any changes in the allotments.

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