

**SB 6313** - H COMM AMD

By Committee on Capital Budget

**NOT CONSIDERED 03/12/2026**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that, as the  
4 Washington state capitol approaches its centennial in 2028, it  
5 remains a vital symbol of civic life and an architectural marvel  
6 featuring North America's tallest masonry dome. To honor this  
7 milestone, strategic public and private investments are essential to  
8 preserve its historic integrity while ensuring modern functionality.  
9 Funding will support improvements and enhancements that will enable  
10 more Washingtonians to access and enjoy this historic building. By  
11 supporting these efforts, public and private partners protect a  
12 shared heritage, ensuring this "People's House" continues to inspire  
13 and serve Washingtonians safely and effectively for another century  
14 of democracy and progress.

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 79.24.087 and 2005 c 330 s 7 are each amended to  
16 read as follows:

17 (1) All revenues received from leases and sales of lands, timber  
18 and other products on the surface or beneath the surface of the lands  
19 granted to the state of Washington by the United States pursuant to  
20 an act of Congress approved February 22, 1889, for capitol building  
21 purposes, shall be paid into the "capitol building construction  
22 account." Available revenues in this account shall first be pledged  
23 to state capitol public and historic facilities as defined under RCW  
24 79.24.710.

25 (2)(a) The state treasurer shall establish a capitol centennial  
26 stewardship subaccount within the capitol building construction  
27 account. Expenditures from the subaccount may only be used for  
28 remodeling and repairs to the state capitol public and historic  
29 facilities as defined in RCW 79.24.710; interpretive and educational  
30 activities; and improvements and activities to enhance public

1 participation in state government. All receipts from gifts, grants,  
2 donations, and other sources as provided in (c) of this subsection  
3 must be deposited into the subaccount. Moneys in the subaccount may  
4 be spent only after appropriation.

5 (b) The capitol centennial stewardship subaccount expires June  
6 30, 2033. Any residual balance of funds remaining in the capitol  
7 centennial stewardship subaccount upon expiration shall be  
8 transferred by the state treasurer to the capitol furnishings  
9 preservation committee account.

10 (c) Until June 30, 2033, members of the legislature and statewide  
11 elected officials may solicit gifts, grants, and donations from  
12 public or private sources for the purposes in (a) of this subsection.

13 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 42.52  
14 RCW to read as follows:

15 (1) When soliciting gifts, grants, or donations for the capitol  
16 centennial stewardship subaccount created in RCW 79.24.087(2),  
17 members of the legislature and statewide elected officials are  
18 presumed not to be in violation of the solicitation and receipt of  
19 gift provisions of this chapter.

20 (2) This section expires June 30, 2033.

21 **Sec. 4.** RCW 29B.45.020 and 2024 c 164 s 469 are each amended to  
22 read as follows:

23 (1) During the period beginning on the thirtieth day before the  
24 date a regular legislative session convenes and continuing through  
25 the date of final adjournment, and during the period beginning on the  
26 date a special legislative session convenes and continuing through  
27 the date that session adjourns, no state official or a person  
28 employed by or acting on behalf of a state official or state  
29 legislator may solicit or accept contributions to a public office  
30 fund, to a candidate or authorized committee, or to retire a campaign  
31 debt. Contributions received through the mail after the thirtieth day  
32 before a regular legislative session may be accepted if the  
33 contribution is postmarked prior to the thirtieth day before the  
34 session.

35 (2) This section does not apply to activities authorized in RCW  
36 43.07.370 and, until June 30, 2033, to soliciting or accepting gifts,  
37 grants, or donations to the capitol centennial stewardship subaccount  
38 created in RCW 79.24.087(2).

1       **Sec. 5.** RCW 42.52.150 and 2025 c 377 s 10 are each amended to  
2 read as follows:

3       (1)(a) Unless the context requires otherwise, the definition of  
4 "gift" in this subsection applies throughout this chapter.

5       (b) "Gift" means anything of economic value for which no  
6 consideration is given.

7       (c) "Gift" does not include the following:

8       (i) Items from family members or friends where it is clear beyond  
9 a reasonable doubt that the gift was not made as part of any design  
10 to gain or maintain influence in the agency of which the recipient is  
11 an officer or employee;

12       (ii) Items related to the outside business of the recipient that  
13 are customary and not related to the recipient's performance of  
14 official duties;

15       (iii) Items exchanged among officials and employees at a social  
16 event hosted or sponsored by a state officer or state employee for  
17 coworkers;

18       (iv) Payments by a governmental or nongovernmental entity of  
19 reasonable expenses incurred in connection with a speech,  
20 presentation, appearance, or trade mission made in an official  
21 capacity. As used in this subsection, "reasonable expenses" are  
22 limited to travel, lodging, and subsistence expenses incurred the day  
23 before through the day after the event;

24       (v) Items a state officer or state employee is authorized by law  
25 to accept;

26       (vi) Payment of enrollment and course fees and reasonable travel  
27 expenses attributable to attending seminars and educational programs  
28 sponsored by a bona fide governmental or nonprofit professional,  
29 educational, trade, or charitable association or institution. As used  
30 in this subsection, "reasonable expenses" are limited to travel,  
31 lodging, and subsistence expenses incurred the day before through the  
32 day after the event;

33       (vii) Items returned by the recipient to the donor within 30 days  
34 of receipt or donated to a charitable organization within 30 days of  
35 receipt;

36       (viii) Campaign contributions reported under Title 29B RCW;

37       (ix) Discounts available to an individual as a member of an  
38 employee group, occupation, or similar broad-based group;

39       (x) Awards, prizes, scholarships, or other items provided in  
40 recognition of academic or scientific achievement; and

1 (xi) Gift cards received by legislative employees in an amount of  
2 \$25 or less.

3 (2) No state officer or state employee may receive, accept, take,  
4 seek, or solicit, directly or indirectly, any thing of economic value  
5 as a gift, gratuity, or favor from a person if it could be reasonably  
6 expected that the gift, gratuity, or favor would influence the vote,  
7 action, or judgment of the officer or employee, or be considered as  
8 part of a reward for action or inaction.

9 (3) No state officer or state employee may accept gifts, other  
10 than those specified in subsections (4) and (7) of this section, with  
11 an aggregate value in excess of \$100 from a single source in a  
12 calendar year or a single gift from multiple sources with a value in  
13 excess of \$100. For purposes of this section, "single source" means  
14 any person, as defined in RCW 42.52.010, whether acting directly or  
15 through any agent or other intermediary, and "single gift" includes  
16 any event, item, or group of items used in conjunction with each  
17 other or any trip including transportation, lodging, and attendant  
18 costs, not excluded from the definition of gift under subsection  
19 (1)(c) of this section. The value of gifts given to an officer's or  
20 employee's family member or guest shall be attributed to the official  
21 or employee for the purpose of determining whether the limit has been  
22 exceeded, unless an independent business, family, or social  
23 relationship exists between the donor and the family member or guest.

24 (4) Except as provided in subsection (6) of this section, the  
25 following items are presumed not to influence under subsection (3) of  
26 this section, and may be accepted without regard to the limit  
27 established by subsection (3) of this section:

28 (a) Unsolicited flowers, plants, and floral arrangements;

29 (b) Unsolicited advertising or promotional items of nominal  
30 value, such as pens and note pads;

31 (c) Unsolicited tokens or awards of appreciation in the form of a  
32 plaque, trophy, desk item, wall memento, or similar item;

33 (d) Unsolicited items received by a state officer or state  
34 employee for the purpose of evaluation or review, if the officer or  
35 employee has no personal beneficial interest in the eventual use or  
36 acquisition of the item by the officer's or employee's agency;

37 (e) Informational material, publications, or subscriptions  
38 related to the recipient's performance of official duties;

1 (f) Food and beverages consumed at hosted receptions where  
2 attendance is related to the state officer's or state employee's  
3 official duties;

4 (g) Gifts, grants, conveyances, bequests, and devises of real or  
5 personal property, or both, in trust or otherwise accepted and  
6 solicited for deposit in the legislative international trade account  
7 created in RCW 43.15.050;

8 (h) Gifts, grants, conveyances, bequests, and devises of real or  
9 personal property, or both, solicited on behalf of a national or  
10 regional legislative association as defined in RCW 42.52.822(2), the  
11 2006 official conference of the national lieutenant governors'  
12 association, the annual conference of the national association of  
13 state treasurers, or a host committee, for the purpose of hosting an  
14 official conference under the circumstances specified in RCW  
15 42.52.820, section 2, chapter 5, Laws of 2006, RCW 42.52.821, or RCW  
16 42.52.822. Anything solicited or accepted may only be received by the  
17 national association or host committee and may not be commingled with  
18 any funds or accounts that are the property of any person;

19 (i) Admission to, and the cost of food and beverages consumed at,  
20 events sponsored by or in conjunction with a civic, charitable,  
21 governmental, or community organization;

22 (j) Unsolicited gifts from dignitaries from another state or a  
23 foreign country that are intended to be personal in nature;

24 (k) Gifts, grants, donations, sponsorships, or contributions from  
25 any agency or federal or local government agency or program or  
26 private source for the purposes of chapter 28B.156 RCW; (~~and~~)

27 (l) Unsolicited gifts received by legislative employees from a  
28 legislator; and

29 (m) Until June 30, 2033, gifts, grants, or donations from public  
30 or private sources to the capitol centennial stewardship subaccount  
31 created in RCW 79.24.087(2).

32 (5) The presumption in subsection (4) of this section is  
33 rebuttable and may be overcome based on the circumstances surrounding  
34 the giving and acceptance of the item.

35 (6) Notwithstanding subsections (4) and (7) of this section, a  
36 state officer or state employee of a regulatory agency or of an  
37 agency that seeks to acquire goods or services who participates in  
38 those regulatory or contractual matters may receive, accept, take, or  
39 seek, directly or indirectly, only the following items from a person

1 regulated by the agency or from a person who seeks to provide goods  
2 or services to the agency:

3 (a) Unsolicited advertising or promotional items of nominal  
4 value, such as pens and note pads;

5 (b) Unsolicited tokens or awards of appreciation in the form of a  
6 plaque, trophy, desk item, wall memento, or similar item;

7 (c) Unsolicited items received by a state officer or state  
8 employee for the purpose of evaluation or review, if the officer or  
9 employee has no personal interest in the eventual use or acquisition  
10 of the item by the officer's or employee's agency;

11 (d) Informational material, publications, or subscriptions  
12 related to the recipient's performance of official duties;

13 (e) Food and beverages consumed at hosted receptions where  
14 attendance is related to the state officer's or state employee's  
15 official duties;

16 (f) Admission to, and the cost of food and beverages consumed at,  
17 events sponsored by or in conjunction with a civic, charitable,  
18 governmental, or community organization; and

19 (g) Those items excluded from the definition of gift in  
20 subsection (1)(c) of this section except:

21 (i) Payments by a governmental or nongovernmental entity of  
22 reasonable expenses incurred in connection with a speech,  
23 presentation, appearance, or trade mission made in an official  
24 capacity;

25 (ii) Payments for seminars and educational programs sponsored by  
26 a bona fide governmental or nonprofit professional, educational,  
27 trade, or charitable association or institution; and

28 (iii) Flowers, plants, and floral arrangements.

29 (7) A state officer or state employee may accept gifts in the  
30 form of food and beverage on infrequent occasions in the ordinary  
31 course of meals where attendance by the officer or employee is  
32 related to the performance of official duties. Gifts in the form of  
33 food and beverage that exceed \$100 on a single occasion shall be  
34 reported as provided in Title 29B RCW."

35 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Creates a capitol centennial stewardship subaccount within the existing capitol building construction account.

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