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**SENATE BILL 6177**

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**By** Senator Gildon

1 AN ACT Relating to improving budget transparency by providing  
2 additional data on the legislative evaluation and accountability  
3 program website; and reenacting and amending RCW 44.48.150.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 44.48.150 and 2013 c 327 s 2 and 2013 c 63 s 2 are  
6 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

7 (1) (~~By January 1, 2009, in~~) In collaboration with the office  
8 of financial management, using existing databases and structures  
9 currently shared, the office of the legislative evaluation and  
10 accountability program committee shall establish and make available  
11 to the public a searchable state expenditure information website. The  
12 state expenditure information website shall provide access to current  
13 budget data, access to current accounting data for budgeted  
14 expenditures and staff, and access to historical data. At a minimum,  
15 the website will provide access or links to the following information  
16 as data are available:

17 (a) State expenditures by fund or account;

18 (b) State expenditures by agency, program within each agency, and  
19 subprogram within each program;

20 (c) State revenues by major source;

21 (d) State expenditures by object and subobject;

1 (e) State agency workloads, caseloads, and performance measures,  
2 and recent performance audits;

3 (f) State agency budget data, including carryforward level data,  
4 by activity; (~~and~~)

5 (g) Balances of each state fund or account; and

6 (h) The inventory of state agency fees required by RCW 43.88.585.

7 (2) "State agency," as used in this section, includes every state  
8 agency, office, board, commission, or institution of the executive,  
9 legislative, or judicial branches, including institutions of higher  
10 education.

11 (3) The state expenditure information website shall be updated  
12 periodically as subsequent fiscal year data become available, and the  
13 prior year expenditure data shall be maintained by the legislative  
14 evaluation and accountability program committee as part of its ten-  
15 year historical budget data.

16 (4) By January 1, 2014, current and future capital project and  
17 transportation project investments must be coded with the geographic  
18 information sufficient to permit the public to search and identify  
19 appropriation and expenditure data at the parent and subproject level  
20 to the extent available by:

21 (a) State legislative district;

22 (b) County; and

23 (c) Agency project identifier.

24 (5) The office of the legislative evaluation and accountability  
25 program committee must, within existing resources, update the state  
26 expenditure information website to allow the public to search for  
27 capital budget and transportation projects by selecting from an  
28 online geographical map. The map must allow an in-depth examination  
29 of financial and other data associated with such projects. Data  
30 elements must include:

31 (a) Project title;

32 (b) Total appropriation;

33 (c) Project description;

34 (d) Expenditure data; and

35 (e) Administering agency.

36 (6) The website must be easy to use, contain current and readily  
37 available data, and allow for review and analysis by the public. The  
38 legislative evaluation and accountability program committee must test

1 the website with potential users to ensure that it is easy to  
2 navigate and comprehend.

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