

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT  
**ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5167**

Chapter 424, Laws of 2025  
(partial veto)

69th Legislature  
2025 Regular Session

OPERATING BUDGET

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 20, 2025—Except for section 940, which takes effect July 1, 2025.

Passed by the Senate April 27, 2025  
Yeas 28 Nays 19

DENNY HECK

**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House April 27, 2025  
Yeas 52 Nays 45

LAURIE JINKINS

**Speaker of the House of  
Representatives**

Approved May 20, 2025 3:40 PM with  
the exception of certain items that  
were vetoed (see veto message).

BOB FERGUSON

**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5167** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

SARAH BANNISTER

**Secretary**

FILED

May 20, 2025

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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**State of Washington**

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**By** Senate Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Robinson and Nobles; by request of Office of Financial Management)

READ FIRST TIME 03/28/25.

1       AN ACT Relating to fiscal matters; amending RCW 9.46.100,  
2 15.76.115, 18.04.105, 18.20.430, 18.43.150, 18.51.060, 18.85.061,  
3 19.28.351, 28B.76.525, 28B.99.030, 28C.04.535, 28C.10.082, 34.12.130,  
4 39.12.080, 40.14.024, 40.14.025, 40.14.026, 41.05.120, 41.06.280,  
5 41.06.285, 41.50.110, 41.50.150, 41.50.255, 41.80.010, 43.07.410,  
6 43.09.282, 43.09.475, 43.19.025, 43.24.150, 43.41.450, 43.79.567,  
7 43.101.200, 43.101.220, 43.216.828, 43.320.110, 43.330.184,  
8 43.330.250, 44.90.070, 46.09.510, 46.09.520, 46.66.080, 50.16.010,  
9 50.24.014, 51.44.190, 67.16.285, 67.70.044, 70.79.350, 70.128.160,  
10 70A.65.250, 70A.65.260, 70A.65.300, 70A.200.140, 70A.305.180,  
11 70A.305.190, 71.24.580, 74.31.060, 74.46.581, 76.04.511, 77.12.170,  
12 77.44.050, 77.105.150, 79.64.040, 80.01.080, 81.88.050, 82.86.050,  
13 86.26.007, 34.12.130, 38.40.200, 38.40.210, 38.40.220, 43.07.130,  
14 43.330.365, 46.66.080, 51.44.170, 53.20.090, 72.09.780, and  
15 80.01.080; amending 2024 c 376 ss 101, 102, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116,  
16 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 125, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 133, 138, 139,  
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22 606, 607, 608, 609, 612, 613, 702, 703, 704, 706, 707, 713, 717, 801,  
23 802, 803, and 804, 2023 c 475 ss 128, 712, and 738, 2023 sp.s. c 1 s

35, and 2024 c 328 s 204 (uncodified); reenacting and amending RCW 28B.93.060, 36.22.175, 41.26.450, 43.79.195, 43.83B.430, 43.155.050, 70A.65.030, 71.24.890, and 79.64.110; reenacting and amending 2023 c 475 s 912 and 2024 c 376 s 906 (uncodified); adding a new section to 2024 c 376 (uncodified); creating new sections; making appropriations; providing an effective date; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 1.**     (1) A budget is hereby adopted and, subject to the provisions set forth in the following sections, the several amounts specified in parts I through IX of this act, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, are hereby appropriated and authorized to be incurred for salaries, wages, and other expenses of the agencies and offices of the state and for other specified purposes for the fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, except as otherwise provided, out of the several funds of the state hereinafter named.

(2) Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this act.

(a) "Fiscal year 2026" or "FY 2026" means the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

(b) "Fiscal year 2027" or "FY 2027" means the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027.

(c) "FTE" means full time equivalent.

(d) "Lapse" or "revert" means the amount shall return to an unappropriated status.

(e) "Provided solely" means the specified amount may be spent only for the specified purpose. Unless otherwise specifically authorized in this act, any portion of an amount provided solely for a specified purpose which is not expended subject to the specified conditions and limitations to fulfill the specified purpose shall lapse.

**PART I**  
**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 101.   FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . \$61,985,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$65,250,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$127,235,000

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 102.    FOR THE SENATE**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$45,521,000  
General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$50,984,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$96,505,000

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 103.    FOR THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE AUDIT AND  
REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Performance Audits of Government Account—State  
Appropriation. . . . . \$13,910,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$13,910,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the joint legislative audit and review committee may adjust the due dates for projects included on the committee's 2025-2027 work plan as necessary to efficiently manage workload.

(2)(a) \$400,000 of the performance audits of government account—state appropriation is for the joint legislative audit and review committee to review the department of children, youth, and families juvenile rehabilitation programs as listed on the committee's approved work plan, including:

(i) Review the department of children, youth, and families juvenile rehabilitation program's existing processes and staffing methodology used for determining adequate staffing ratios to meet the confinement and rehabilitative needs of the juveniles and ensure public safety;

(ii) Review procedures and protocols for professional development, hiring and recruitment, and training for staff serving youth in juvenile rehabilitation institutions, with a focus on how staff are trained to implement rehabilitative practices;

(iii) Review youth access to programming, treatment, and services including, but not limited to, educational programming, treatment and services for youth experiencing substance use disorder, behavioral health treatment, available reentry services such as housing, job training, and other supports, access to technology services, family and community connections, and other programming and services offered

1 by the department to provide youth with rehabilitation and  
2 restorative interventions;

3 (iv) Review existing security and safety measures, including the  
4 use of disciplinary procedures for total isolation and room  
5 confinement, adopted by the department and their effectiveness in  
6 meeting the unique needs of the juvenile population in the custody of  
7 the department;

8 (v) Review how often and how many youth face new juvenile or  
9 adult criminal offense charges, convictions, or both while residing  
10 at juvenile rehabilitation institutions and potential future  
11 consequences that may occur as a result such as sentence extension,  
12 likelihood of recidivism, health impacts, and effects regarding  
13 criminal records;

14 (vi) Assess gender equity regarding education, employment, and  
15 career options for female youth;

16 (vii) Review how staffing impacts youth-on-youth conflict and  
17 safety;

18 (viii) Review best practices from other states regarding security  
19 and safety measures, programming opportunities, reentry supports,  
20 staff training and professional development, and staffing ratios, and  
21 identify options that may be feasible to adopt in Washington state to  
22 increase public safety and the security, programming options,  
23 treatment services, and rehabilitation mission of the department's  
24 juvenile rehabilitation institutions;

25 (ix) Review the department's existing processes for responding to  
26 critical incidents, including communication and cooperation with  
27 local law enforcement, and identify areas for improvement; and

28 (x) Review the impacts of changes in average daily population,  
29 longer lengths of stay, longer sentences, increases in maximum age of  
30 release, increases in more serious offense types and adult sentences,  
31 and related effects of chapter 322, Laws of 2019.

32 (b) The joint legislative audit and review committee shall report  
33 its findings and recommendations to the governor and the appropriate  
34 committees of the legislature by June 30, 2026. The report shall  
35 include recommendations on supporting the juvenile rehabilitation  
36 program's efforts to gradually move young people from carceral  
37 settings to least restrictive environments to improve positive  
38 reentry outcomes.

39 (3) \$400,000 of the performance audits of government account—  
40 state appropriation is for the joint legislative audit and review

committee to evaluate the ignition interlock device revolving account including the compliance and monitoring results associated with the device requirements, as listed on the committee's approved work plan. The evaluation must include but is not limited to the following:

(a) An assessment of the compliance rates for individuals with a legal requirement to have an ignition interlock device installed on their vehicle;

(b) A review of impediments of barriers to individual compliance with ignition interlock device installation and use requirements;

(c) An examination of state and local agency performance in monitoring and enforcing ignition interlock device requirements; and

(d) Prioritized recommendations of potential procedural, policy, or statutory changes, including additional fiscal resources to state or local agencies which will improve ignition interlock device compliance rates. The joint legislative and audit review committee must prioritize the evaluation of compliance and results associated with the state's ignition interlock device requirements in its work plan for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

(4) \$150,000 of the performance audits of government account—state appropriation is for the joint legislative audit and review committee to review the department of natural resources long-term forest health planning and sustainable harvest approach as listed on the committee's approved work plan.

(5) Within the amount appropriated in this section, the joint legislative audit and review committee shall conduct the audit required under Second Substitute House Bill No. 1715 (energy standard/comply cost).

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 104.      FOR THE LEGISLATIVE EVALUATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

Performance Audits of Government Account—State

Appropriation. . . . . \$5,607,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$5,607,000

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 105.      FOR THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE SYSTEMS COMMITTEE**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$23,263,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$22,084,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$45,347,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Within the amounts provided in this section, the joint legislative systems committee shall provide information technology support, including but not limited to internet service, for the district offices of members of the house of representatives and the senate.

(2) \$1,003,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for purchasing IT equipment for the Pritchard building.

**NEW SECTION.    Sec. 106.    FOR THE OFFICE OF STATE LEGISLATIVE LABOR RELATIONS**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$919,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$933,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$1,852,000 |

**NEW SECTION.    Sec. 107.    FOR THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ACTUARY**

|                                                     |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$404,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$422,000   |
| State Health Care Authority Administrative Account— |             |
| State Appropriation                                 | \$318,000   |
| Department of Retirement Systems Expense Account—   |             |
| State Appropriation                                 | \$7,684,000 |
| School Employees' Insurance Administrative Account— |             |
| State Appropriation                                 | \$265,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$9,093,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The select committee on pension policy shall study and report on the tax, legal, actuarial, pension policy, and administrative implications of merging the legacy pension systems as contemplated in Substitute Senate Bill No. 5085 (closed retirement plans) and terminating plan 1 of the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system as contemplated in Substitute House Bill No. 2034 (LEOFF 1 restatement). The department of retirement systems, the attorney general's office, the office of the state treasurer, the Washington state investment board, and the office of the state actuary shall provide the select committee on pension policy with assistance as requested. The select committee on pension

policy shall submit a report to include key findings to the fiscal committees of the legislature by January 9, 2026.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 108. FOR THE STATUTE LAW COMMITTEE**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$6,429,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$6,245,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$12,674,000 |

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 109. FOR THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$6,568,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$6,926,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$13,494,000 |

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 110. LEGISLATIVE AGENCIES**

In order to achieve operating efficiencies within the financial resources available to the legislative branch, the executive rules committee of the house of representatives and the facilities and operations committee of the senate by joint action may transfer funds among the house of representatives, senate, joint legislative audit and review committee, legislative evaluation and accountability program committee, joint transportation committee, office of the state actuary, joint legislative systems committee, statute law committee, office of state legislative labor relations, and office of legislative support services.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 111. FOR THE SUPREME COURT**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$15,979,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$16,247,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$32,226,000 |

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 112. FOR THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$2,935,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$2,863,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$5,798,000 |

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 113. FOR THE COURT OF APPEALS**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$27,987,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$28,640,000 |



TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$56,627,000

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 114. FOR THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE COURTS**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$108,147,000  
General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$109,947,000  
General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . . \$2,209,000  
General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . . \$681,000  
Judicial Stabilization Trust Account—State  
Appropriation. . . . . \$36,639,000  
Judicial Information Systems Account—State  
Appropriation. . . . . \$79,530,000  
Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State  
Appropriation. . . . . \$940,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$338,093,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The distributions made under this section and distributions from the county criminal justice assistance account made pursuant to section 801 of this act constitute appropriate reimbursement for costs for any new programs or increased level of service for purposes of RCW 43.135.060.

(2)(a) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for distribution to county juvenile court administrators for the costs associated with processing and case management of truancy, children in need of services, and at-risk youth referrals. The administrator for the courts, in conjunction with the juvenile court administrators, shall develop an equitable funding distribution formula. The formula must neither reward counties with higher than average per-petition/referral processing costs nor shall it penalize counties with lower than average per-petition/referral processing costs.

(b) Each fiscal year during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, each county shall report the number of petitions processed and the total actual costs of processing truancy, children in need of services, and at-risk youth petitions. Counties shall submit the reports to the administrator for the courts no later than 45 days after the end of the fiscal year. The administrator for the courts shall

1 electronically transmit this information to the chairs and ranking  
2 minority members of the house of representatives and senate fiscal  
3 committees no later than 60 days after a fiscal year ends. These  
4 reports are informational in nature and are not for the purpose of  
5 distributing funds.

6 (3) \$6,000,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state  
7 appropriation is provided solely for distribution to local courts for  
8 costs associated with the court-appointed attorney and visitor  
9 requirements set forth in the uniform guardianship act, chapter  
10 11.130 RCW. If the amount provided in this subsection is insufficient  
11 to fully fund the local court costs, distributions must be reduced on  
12 a proportional basis to ensure that expenditures remain within the  
13 available funds provided in this subsection.

14 (4) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the administrative office of  
17 the courts to use as matching funds to distribute to small municipal  
18 and county courts, located in a rural county as defined in RCW  
19 43.160.020, for the purpose of increasing security for court  
20 facilities. Grants must be used solely for security equipment and  
21 services for municipal, district, and superior courts and may not be  
22 used for staffing or administrative costs.

23 (5) \$5,937,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely to establish a direct refund process  
25 to individuals to refund legal financial obligations, collection  
26 costs, and document-verified costs paid to third parties previously  
27 paid by defendants whose convictions have been vacated by court order  
28 due to the *State v. Blake* ruling. Superior court clerks, district  
29 court administrators, and municipal court administrators must certify  
30 and send to the office the amount of any refund ordered by the court.  
31 The court order must either contain the amount of the refund or  
32 provide language for the clerk or court administrator to certify to  
33 the office the amount to be refunded to the individual.

34 (6) \$870,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2026 and \$870,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for activities of the office  
37 relating to the resentencing or vacating convictions of individuals  
38 and refund of legal financial obligations and costs associated with  
39 the *State v. Blake* ruling. In addition to contracting with cities and

counties for the disbursement of funds appropriated for resentencing costs, the office must:

(a) Collaborate with superior court clerks, district court administrators, and municipal court administrators to prepare comprehensive reports, based on available court records, of all cause numbers impacted by *State v. Blake* going back to 1971. Such reports must include the refund amount related to each cause number;

(b) In collaboration with the office of public defense and the office of civil legal aid, establish a process that can be used by individuals seeking a refund, provide individuals information regarding the application process necessary to claim a refund, and issue payments from the refund bureau to individuals certified in subsection (5) of this section; and

(c) Collaborate with counties and municipalities to adopt standard coding for application to *State v. Blake* convictions and to develop a standardized practice regarding vacated convictions.

(7) \$7,563,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state appropriation is provided solely to assist counties and cities with costs of complying with the *State v. Blake* decision that arise from their role in operating the state's criminal justice system, including resentencing, vacating prior convictions for simple drug possession, to include cannabis and possession of paraphernalia, and certifying refunds of legal financial obligations and collections costs. The office shall contract with counties and cities for judicial, clerk, defense, and prosecution expenses for these purposes if requested by a county or city. A county or city may designate the office to use available funding to administer a vacate process, or a portion of the vacate process, on behalf of the county or city. The office must collaborate with counties and cities to adopt standard coding for application to *Blake* convictions and to develop a standardized practice regarding vacated convictions.

(8) \$4,188,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state appropriation is provided solely for decision-making assistance pursuant to chapter 267, Laws of 2024 (2SSB 5825). During the fiscal biennium, in conformity with RCW 2.72.030, the administrative office of the courts shall collect uniform and consistent data on decision making assistance to include, but not limited to: The number of requests for decision making assistance received from hospitals, the number of guardianships and less restrictive alternatives to

guardianships provided, the support and housing provided, and any other data related to case monitoring and management.

(9) \$242,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1163 (firearms purchase). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(10) \$520,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state appropriation is provided solely for pilot self-help centers in two courthouses, one on each side of the state.

***(11) \$79,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed House Bill No. 1219 (interbranch advisory comm.). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.***

(12) \$249,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$133,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1391 (court alternatives/youth). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(13) \$1,094,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for the statewide fiscal impact on Thurston county courts. It is the intent of the legislature that this policy will be continued in subsequent fiscal biennia.

(14) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to address data quality issues across Washington state court management systems.

(15) \$12,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the administrative office of the courts for data management and research related to conducting statewide research on the proportionality of court charges in Washington state based on race and ethnicity.

***\*Sec. 114 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 115.    FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC DEFENSE**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$83,336,000

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$84,113,000  |
| Judicial Stabilization Trust Account—State |               |
| Appropriation                              | \$19,056,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$186,505,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the purpose of improving the quality of trial court public defense services as authorized by chapter 10.101 RCW. The office of public defense must allocate these amounts so that \$450,000 per fiscal year is distributed to counties, and \$450,000 per fiscal year is distributed to cities, for grants under chapter 10.101 RCW.

(2) \$2,632,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,812,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office of public defense to administer contracts for appellate attorneys to cover a backlog of case assignments and increasing workload associated with indigent appeals. The office shall provide training for contracted attorneys.

(3) (a) \$8,615,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state appropriation is provided solely to:

(i) Assist counties and cities with public defense services related to vacating the convictions of defendants and/or resentencing for defendants whose convictions or sentences are affected by the *State v. Blake* decision. The office of public defense will:

(A) Provide statewide attorney training, technical assistance, data analysis and reporting, and quality oversight, to administer financial assistance for public defense costs related to *State v. Blake* impacts;

(B) Maintain a triage team to provide statewide support to the management and flow of hearings for individuals impacted by the *State v. Blake* decision; and

(C) Assist counties and cities in providing counsel for defendants seeking to vacate a conviction and/or be resentenced under *State v. Blake*. Assistance shall be allocated to counties and cities based upon a formula established by the office of public defense. Counties may receive assistance by applying for grant funding and/or designating the office of public defense to contract directly with

1 counsel. The office of public defense shall contract directly with  
2 counsel to assist cities under this subsection; and

3 (ii) Administer statutory duties under RCW 2.70.200 through the  
4 simple possession advocacy and representation program.

5 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, the office of  
6 public defense may utilize up to \$5,000 for fiscal year 2026 and  
7 \$5,000 for fiscal year 2027 to address emergency needs for clients  
8 served by the simple possession advocacy and representation program.  
9 Temporary, limited assistance may be made available to address short  
10 term urgent needs that, if unaddressed, could cause clients to miss  
11 court dates or fail to engage in court-ordered services. The office  
12 of public defense shall establish eligibility criteria and an  
13 expedited process for reviewing financial assistance requests  
14 submitted by SPAR program contractors.

15 (4) \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2026 and \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office of public defense  
18 to address emergency safety assistance and other urgent needs for  
19 clients served by the parents representation program. Temporary,  
20 limited assistance may be made available for short-term housing,  
21 utilities, transportation, food assistance, and other urgent needs  
22 that, if unaddressed, could adversely impact dependency case outcomes  
23 and impede successful family reunification. The office of public  
24 defense shall utilize eligibility criteria and an expedited process  
25 for reviewing financial assistance requests submitted by parents  
26 representation program contractors.

27 (5) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the parents for parents  
30 program, as established by RCW 2.70.060 through 2.70.090. Funds must  
31 be used to maintain and improve the parents for parents service  
32 model, including host organizations and county coordinators.

33 (6) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026 is provided solely for the office of public defense to  
35 contract with a nonprofit organization in eastern Washington  
36 providing peer-led reentry services such as peer coaching, basic  
37 needs, housing resources, behavioral health treatment, family  
38 support, civic engagement, and voting education. The organization  
39 must have a history of collaboration with the department of

1 corrections to provide trainings on trauma to individuals reentering  
2 the community after incarceration. The organization shall provide  
3 comprehensive trainings, resources and referrals to individuals with  
4 a history of reentry from incarceration.

5 (7) \$13,600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2026 and \$13,600,000 of the general fund—state  
7 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office  
8 of public defense to administer funds to counties and cities pursuant  
9 to formulas established in RCW 10.101.050 through 10.101.080.

10 (8) \$1,808,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 293,  
12 Laws of 2024 (2SSB 5780).

13 (9) \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2026 and \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
16 Senate Bill No. 5149 (early childhood court prg.). If the bill is not  
17 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
18 shall lapse.

19 **NEW SECTION. Sec. 116. FOR THE OFFICE OF CIVIL LEGAL AID**

|    |                                                      |               |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 20 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . | \$66,083,000  |
| 21 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . . | \$64,483,000  |
| 22 | Judicial Stabilization Trust Account—State           |               |
| 23 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$1,464,000   |
| 24 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | \$132,030,000 |

25 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
26 conditions and limitations:

27 (1) \$8,611,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026 and \$8,611,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the appointed counsel  
30 program for children and youth in dependency cases under RCW  
31 13.34.212(3) in accordance with revised practice, caseload, and  
32 training standards adopted by the supreme court commission on  
33 children in foster care. The amounts provided in this subsection  
34 includes funding for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5761  
35 (dependency/attorney appt.).

36 (2) \$2,579,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$2,579,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the provision of civil legal

1 information, advice, and representation for tenants at risk of  
2 eviction but not yet eligible for appointed counsel services under  
3 RCW 59.18.640.

4 (3) \$19,612,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2026 and \$16,898,000 of the general fund—state  
6 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
7 appointed counsel program for tenants in unlawful detainer cases  
8 established in RCW 59.18.640. The office of civil legal aid shall  
9 assign priority to providing legal representation to indigent tenants  
10 in those counties in which the most evictions occur and to indigent  
11 tenants who are disproportionately at risk of eviction, as provided  
12 in RCW 59.18.640.

13 (4) An amount not to exceed \$40,000 of the general fund—state  
14 appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and an amount not to exceed  
15 \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027  
16 may be used to provide telephonic legal advice and assistance to  
17 otherwise eligible persons who are 60 years of age or older on  
18 matters authorized by RCW 2.53.030(2) (a) through (k) regardless of  
19 household income or asset level.

20 (5) \$604,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026 and \$607,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to the office of civil legal aid  
23 to maintain a kinship care legal advice phone line and support  
24 program. The program provides guidance and legal advice to kinship  
25 caregivers on topics including kinship care, guardianship, the child  
26 welfare system, and issues related to child custody.

27 (6) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office of civil legal  
30 aid to continue civil legal aid services for survivors of domestic  
31 violence, including legal services for protection order proceedings,  
32 family law cases, immigration assistance, and other civil legal  
33 issues arising from or related to the domestic violence they  
34 experienced.

35 (7) \$1,007,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$1,022,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office of civil legal  
38 aid to continue the statewide reentry legal aid project as  
39 established in section 115(12), chapter 357, Laws of 2020.



(8) \$204,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$204,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for implementation of chapter 328, Laws of 2024 (E2SSB 6109).

(9) \$783,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$783,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office of civil legal aid to establish a program for the provision of civil legal services to medicaid-eligible long-term care residents being discharged from a provider-owned setting.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 117. FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

|                                                      |              |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)           | \$23,479,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)           | \$23,590,000 |
| Economic Development Strategic Reserve Account—State |              |
| Appropriation                                        | \$2,215,000  |
| GOV Central Service Account—State Appropriation      | \$20,473,000 |
| Performance Audits of Government Account—State       |              |
| Appropriation                                        | \$854,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                  | \$70,611,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,146,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,146,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office of the education ombuds.

(2) \$20,473,000 of the GOV central service account—state appropriation is provided solely for the office of equity.

(3) \$1,187,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,187,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1272 (children in crisis program). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse. Within amounts provided in this subsection:

(a) \$1,136,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,137,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for flexible funding to support children in crisis. Uses of the flexible funding include, but are not limited to:

1 (i) Residential, housing, or wraparound supports that facilitate  
2 the safe discharge of children in crisis from hospitals;

3 (ii) Support for families and caregivers to mitigate the risk of  
4 a child going into or returning to a state of crisis;

5 (iii) Respite and relief services for families and caregivers  
6 that would assist in the safe discharge of a child in crisis from a  
7 hospital, or prevent or mitigate a child's future hospitalization due  
8 to crisis; or

9 (iv) Any support or service that would expedite a safe discharge  
10 of a child in crisis from an acute care hospital or that would  
11 prevent or mitigate a child's future hospitalization due to crisis.

12 (b) Flexible funding expenditures may not be used for  
13 administrative expenses.

14 (c) The project director in Substitute House Bill No. 1272  
15 (children in crisis program) must approve any expenditures of  
16 flexible funding.

17 (4) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
18 Washington state office of equity must cofacilitate the Washington  
19 digital equity forum with the statewide broadband office.

20 (5) \$328,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026 and \$318,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Senate  
23 Bill No. 5032 (juvenile rehab ombuds). If the bill is not enacted by  
24 June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

25 (6) \$7,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$7,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Senate  
28 Bill No. 5199 (DCYF oversight board comp.). If the bill is not  
29 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
30 shall lapse.

31 (7)(a) \$240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
33 for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the governor to invite  
34 federally recognized tribes, local governments, agricultural  
35 producers, commercial and recreational fisher organizations, business  
36 organizations, salmon recovery organizations, forestry and  
37 agricultural organizations, and environmental organizations to  
38 participate in a process facilitated by an independent entity to  
39 develop recommendations on proposed changes in policy and spending

priorities to improve riparian habitat to ensure salmon and steelhead recovery.

(i) The independent entity must develop recommendations on furthering riparian funding and policy including, but not limited to, strategies that can attract private investment in improving riparian habitat and developing a regulatory or compensation strategy if voluntary programs do not achieve concrete targets.

(ii) Preliminary recommendations shall be submitted to the legislature and governor by June 1, 2026, with a final report by November 15, 2026.

(b) The amounts provided in fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the task force to develop proposals to implement the recommendations submitted in (a) of this subsection. The independent entity must convene a group of interested members of the legislature to provide the task force with background information regarding the recommendations submitted to the legislature, and to support the development of the implementation proposals. A report outlining the implementation proposals is due to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by November 15, 2026.

(c) The office of the governor may contract for an independent facilitator. The contract is exempt from the competitive procurement requirements in chapter 39.26 RCW.

***(8) The appropriations in this section include sufficient funding to implement Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1131 (clemency and pardons board).***

***\*Sec. 117 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 118. FOR THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$1,356,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$1,416,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$90,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$2,862,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the office of the lieutenant governor shall conduct a review of retail or commercial properties with substantial potential for redevelopment as residential or mixed-use properties providing market rate and affordable housing supply, and identify state or local legislative actions that would reduce costs and accelerate delivery

of new housing supply. The office shall solicit letters of interest from the owners or developers of such properties to be received no later than September 1, 2025. By December 1, 2025, the office must review the letters of interest and submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature identifying state or local legislative actions including, but not limited to, regulatory and tax incentives, permit streamlining, infrastructure assistance, support for local development agreements, or other actions that would accelerate delivery and reduce costs of new housing supply.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 119. FOR THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

|                                              |              |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)   | \$4,501,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)   | \$5,851,000  |
| Public Disclosure Transparency Account—State |              |
| Appropriation                                | \$3,208,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                          | \$13,560,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) No moneys may be expended from the appropriations in this section to establish an electronic directory, archive, or other compilation of political advertising unless explicitly authorized by the legislature.

(2) \$2,170,000 of the public disclosure transparency account—state appropriation is provided solely for the public disclosure commission for the purpose of improving the ability of the public to access information about political campaigns, lobbying, and elected officials, and facilitating accurate and timely reporting by the regulated community. The commission must report to the office of financial management and fiscal committees of the legislature by October 31st of each year detailing information on the public disclosure transparency account. The report shall include, but is not limited to:

(a) An investment plan of how funds would be used to improve the ability of the public to access information about political campaigns, lobbying, and elected officials, and facilitate accurate and timely reporting by the regulated community;

(b) A list of active projects as of July 1st of the fiscal year. This must include a breakdown of expenditures by project and expense type for all current and ongoing projects;

(c) A list of projects that are planned in the current and following fiscal year and projects the commission would recommend for future funding. The commission must identify priorities, and develop accountability measures to ensure the projects meet intended purposes; and

(d) Any other metric or measure the commission deems appropriate to track the outcome of the use of the funds.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 120. FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE**

|                                                     |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$33,025,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$40,763,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$8,822,000   |
| Public Records Efficiency, Preservation, and Access |               |
| Account—State Appropriation                         | \$12,854,000  |
| Charitable Organization Education Account—State     |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$1,305,000   |
| Washington State Library Operations Account—State   |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$14,891,000  |
| Local Government Archives Account—State             |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$11,783,000  |
| Election Account—Federal Appropriation              | \$4,499,000   |
| Personnel Service Account—State Appropriation       | \$1,685,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$129,627,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$16,998,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$21,450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to reimburse counties for the state's share of primary and general election costs and the costs of conducting mandatory recounts on state measures. Counties shall be reimbursed only for those costs that the secretary of state validates as eligible for reimbursement.

(2) Any reductions to funding for the Washington talking book and Braille library may not exceed in proportion any reductions taken to the funding for the library as a whole.

(3) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for humanities Washington speaker's bureau community conversations.

1       (4) \$114,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$114,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for election reconciliation  
4 reporting. Funding provides for one staff to compile county  
5 reconciliation reports, analyze the data, and to complete an annual  
6 statewide election reconciliation report for every state primary and  
7 general election. The report must be submitted annually on July 31,  
8 to legislative policy and fiscal committees. The annual report must  
9 include statewide analysis and by county analysis on the reasons for  
10 ballot rejection and an analysis of the ways ballots are received,  
11 counted, rejected and cure data that can be used by policymakers to  
12 better understand election administration.

13       (5) \$870,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2026 and \$870,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for staff dedicated to the  
16 maintenance and operations of the voter registration and election  
17 management system. These staff will manage database upgrades,  
18 database maintenance, system training and support to counties, and  
19 triage and customer service to system users.

20       (6) \$8,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026 and \$8,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for:

23       (a) Funding the security operations center, including identified  
24 needs for expanded operations, systems, technology tools, training  
25 resources;

26       (b) Additional staff dedicated to the cyber and physical security  
27 of election operations at the office and county election offices;

28       (c) Expanding security assessments, threat monitoring, enhanced  
29 security training; and

30       (d) Providing grants to county partners to address identified  
31 threats and expand existing grants and contracts with other public  
32 and private organizations such as the Washington military department,  
33 national guard, private companies providing cyber security, and  
34 county election offices.

35       (7) \$580,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$580,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office's migration of  
38 its applications and systems to Azure cloud environments, and is

subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

(8) \$154,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$154,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Washington state library branch at Green Hill school.

(9) \$81,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$81,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for intrusion detection systems that prevent election security breaches.

(10) \$57,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for artifact preservation at Lakeland Village.

(11) \$237,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5077 (agency voter registration). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(12) \$2,226,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Senate Joint Resolution No. 8201 (investments/LTSS accounts). If the resolution is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 121.      FOR THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS**

|                                                |             |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)     | \$852,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)     | \$833,000   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation | \$506,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                            | \$2,191,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The office shall assist the department of enterprise services on providing the government-to-government training sessions for federal, state, local, and tribal government employees. The training sessions shall cover tribal historical perspectives, legal issues, tribal sovereignty, and tribal governments. Costs of the training sessions shall be recouped through a fee charged to the participants of each session. The department of enterprise services shall be

responsible for all of the administrative aspects of the training, including the billing and collection of the fees for the training.

(2) The office must report to and coordinate with the department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter 173-446B WAC.

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 122.     FOR THE COMMISSION ON ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN AFFAIRS**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$628,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$619,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$1,247,000 |

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 123.     FOR THE STATE TREASURER**

|                                         |              |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|
| State Treasurer's Service Account—State |              |
| Appropriation                           | \$24,224,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                     | \$24,224,000 |

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 124.     FOR THE STATE AUDITOR**

|                                                |              |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)     | \$723,000    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)     | \$737,000    |
| Auditing Services Revolving Account—State      |              |
| Appropriation                                  | \$18,024,000 |
| Performance Audits of Government Account—State |              |
| Appropriation                                  | \$81,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                            | \$19,565,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,870,000 of the performance audit of government account—state appropriation is provided solely for staff and related costs to verify the accuracy of reported school district data submitted for state funding purposes; conduct school district program audits of state-funded public school programs; establish the specific amount of state funding adjustments whenever audit exceptions occur and the amount is not firmly established in the course of regular public school audits; and to assist the state special education safety net committee when requested.

(2) \$730,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$730,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for



fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for law enforcement audits pursuant to RCW 43.101.460 and 43.101.465.

(3) \$825,000 of the auditing services revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for accountability and risk based audits.

(4) It is the intent of the legislature that savings assumed in this section from an underspend in audit services be one-time in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 125. FOR THE CITIZENS' COMMISSION ON SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS**

|                                            |           |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$278,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$318,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$596,000 |

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 126. FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

|                                                               |               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                    | \$40,286,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                    | \$34,616,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                            | \$29,506,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                      | \$104,000     |
| Public Service Revolving Account—State Appropriation          | \$6,568,000   |
| New Motor Vehicle Arbitration Account—State<br>Appropriation  | \$1,934,000   |
| Medicaid Fraud Penalty Account—State Appropriation            | \$8,735,000   |
| Child Rescue Fund—State Appropriation                         | \$200,000     |
| Legal Services Revolving Account—State Appropriation          | \$435,096,000 |
| Local Government Archives Account—State<br>Appropriation      | \$1,161,000   |
| Tobacco Prevention and Control Account—State<br>Appropriation | \$275,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                           | \$558,481,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The attorney general shall report each fiscal year on actual legal services expenditures and actual attorney staffing levels for each agency receiving legal services. The report shall be submitted to the office of financial management and the fiscal committees of the senate and house of representatives no later than ninety days after the end of each fiscal year. As part of its by agency report to

1 the legislative fiscal committees and the office of financial  
2 management, the office of the attorney general shall include  
3 information detailing the agency's expenditures for its agency-wide  
4 overhead and a breakdown by division of division administration  
5 expenses.

6 (2) Prior to entering into any negotiated settlement of a claim  
7 against the state that exceeds five million dollars, the attorney  
8 general shall notify the director of the office of financial  
9 management and the chairs and ranking members of the senate committee  
10 on ways and means and the house of representatives committee on  
11 appropriations.

12 (3) The attorney general shall annually report to the fiscal  
13 committees of the legislature all new cy pres awards and settlements  
14 and all new accounts, disclosing their intended uses, balances, the  
15 nature of the claim or account, proposals, and intended timeframes  
16 for the expenditure of each amount. The report shall be distributed  
17 electronically and posted on the attorney general's web site. The  
18 report shall not be printed on paper or distributed physically.

19 (4) \$1,981,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026 and \$1,981,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for multi-year arbitrations of  
22 the state's diligent enforcement of its obligations to receive  
23 amounts withheld from tobacco master settlement agreement payments.

24 (5) \$958,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$958,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of a program  
27 for receiving and responding to tips from the public regarding risks  
28 or potential risks to the safety or well-being of youth, called the  
29 YES tip line program. Risks to safety or well-being may include, but  
30 are not limited to, harm or threats of harm to self or others, sexual  
31 abuse, assault, rape, bullying or cyberbullying, substance use, and  
32 criminal acts. Any person contacting the YES tip line, whether for  
33 themselves or for another person, must receive timely assistance and  
34 not be turned away. The program must operate within the guidelines of  
35 this subsection.

36 (a) During the development and implementation of the YES tip line  
37 program the attorney general shall convene an advisory committee  
38 consisting of representatives from the Washington state patrol, the  
39 department of health, the health care authority, the office of the

1 superintendent of public instruction, the Washington student  
2 achievement council, the Washington association of educational  
3 service districts, and other participants the attorney general  
4 appoints.

5 (b) The attorney general shall develop and implement policies and  
6 processes for:

7 (i) Assessing tips based on the level of severity, urgency, and  
8 assistance needed using best triage practices including the YES tip  
9 line;

10 (ii) Risk assessment for referral of persons contacting the YES  
11 tip line to service providers;

12 (iii) Threat assessment that identifies circumstances requiring  
13 the YES tip line to alert law enforcement, mental health services, or  
14 other first responders immediately when immediate emergency response  
15 to a tip is warranted;

16 (iv) Referral and follow-up on tips to schools or postsecondary  
17 institution teams, local crisis services, law enforcement, and other  
18 entities;

19 (v) YES tip line information data retention and reporting  
20 requirements;

21 (vi) Ensuring the confidentiality of persons submitting a tip and  
22 to allow for disclosure when necessary to respond to a specific  
23 emergency threat to life; and

24 (vii) Systematic review, analysis, and reporting by the YES tip  
25 line program of YES tip line data including, but not limited to,  
26 reporting program utilization and evaluating whether the YES tip line  
27 is being implemented equitably across the state.

28 (c) The YES tip line shall be operated by a vendor selected by  
29 the attorney general through a competitive contracting process. The  
30 attorney general shall ensure that the YES tip line program vendor  
31 and its personnel are properly trained and resourced. The contract  
32 must require the vendor to be bound by confidentiality policies  
33 developed by the office. The contract must also provide that the  
34 state of Washington owns the data and information produced from the  
35 YES tip line and that vendor must comply with the state's data  
36 retention, use, and security requirements.

37 (d) The YES tip line program must develop and maintain a  
38 reference and best practices tool kit for law enforcement and mental  
39 health officials that identifies statewide and community mental  
40 health resources, services, and contacts, and provides best practices

1 and strategies for investigators to use in investigating cases and  
2 assisting youths and their parents and guardians.

3 (e) The YES tip line program must promote and market the program  
4 and YES tip line to youth, families, community members, schools, and  
5 others statewide to build awareness of the program's resources and  
6 the YES tip line. Youth perspectives must be included and consulted  
7 in tip line development and implementation including creating  
8 marketing campaigns and materials required for the YES tip line  
9 program. The insights of youth representing marginalized and minority  
10 communities must be prioritized for their invaluable insight. Youths  
11 are eligible for stipends and reasonable allowances for  
12 reimbursement, lodging, and travel expenses as provided in RCW  
13 43.03.220.

14 (6) \$7,000,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for additional legal services to  
16 address additional legal services necessary for dependency actions  
17 where the state and federal Indian child welfare act apply. The  
18 office must report to the fiscal committees of the legislature within  
19 90 days of the close of the fiscal year the following information for  
20 new cases initiated in the previous fiscal year to measure quantity  
21 and use of this funding:

22 (a) The number and proportion of cases where the state and  
23 federal Indian child welfare act (ICWA) applies as compared to non-  
24 ICWA new cases;

25 (b) The amount of time spent advising on, preparing for court,  
26 and litigating issues and elements related to ICWA's requirements as  
27 compared to the amount of time advising on, preparing for court, and  
28 litigating issues and elements that are not related to ICWA's  
29 requirements;

30 (c) The length of state and federal Indian child welfare act  
31 cases as compared to non-ICWA cases measured by time or number of  
32 court hearings; and

33 (d) Any other information or metric the office determines is  
34 appropriate to measure the quantity and use of the funding in this  
35 subsection.

36 (7) \$689,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$689,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for legal services related to

1 the defense of the state and its agencies in a federal environmental  
2 cleanup action involving the Quendall terminals superfund site.

3 (8) \$216,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$216,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for personnel and associated  
6 costs to implement and maintain functional operations such as  
7 support, records management and disclosure, victim liaisons, and  
8 information technology for the clemency and pardons board.

9 (9) \$905,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2026 and \$906,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
12 299, Laws of 2024 (hate crimes & bias incidents).

13 (10)(a) \$253,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the office of the attorney  
15 general, jointly with the department of health, to operate a task  
16 force to provide recommendations to establish a comprehensive public  
17 health and community-based framework to combat extremism and mass  
18 violence.

19 (b) The office of the attorney general must, in consultation with  
20 the department of health, appoint a minimum of 10 members to the task  
21 force representing different stakeholder groups including, but not  
22 limited to:

23 (i) Community organizations working to address the impacts of or  
24 to assist those who are affected by extremism and mass violence;

25 (ii) Law enforcement organizations that gather data about or work  
26 to combat extremism and mass violence; and

27 (iii) Public health and nonprofit organizations that work to  
28 address the impacts of extremism and mass violence.

29 (c) The office of the attorney general and the department of  
30 health may each have no more than one voting member on the task  
31 force.

32 (d) The office of the attorney general must provide staff support  
33 for the task force.

34 (e) Any reimbursement for nonlegislative members of the task  
35 force is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

36 (f) The task force must submit a final report to the governor and  
37 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2026. The  
38 final report must include legislative and policy recommendations for  
39 establishing the comprehensive framework.

1 (g) No aspect of this subsection should be construed as a  
2 directive to alter any aspect of criminal law, create new criminal  
3 penalties, or increase criminal law enforcement.

4 (11) \$107,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
6 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5291 (long-term services trust). If the  
7 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
8 subsection shall lapse.

9 (12) \$22,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
11 Senate Bill No. 5149 (early childhood court prg.). If the bill is not  
12 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
13 shall lapse.

14 (13) \$480,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill  
16 No. 5463 (industrial insurance/duties). If the bill is not enacted by  
17 June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

18 (14) \$34,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
19 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
20 Senate Bill No. 5501 (employee driving requirement). If the bill is  
21 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
22 shall lapse.

23 (15) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2026 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Washington state office  
26 of the attorney general to support the continuation of the Washington  
27 state missing and murdered indigenous women and people task force and  
28 truth and healing tribal advisory committee.

29 (16) \$553,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
31 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5217 (pregnancy accommodations). If  
32 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
33 subsection shall lapse.

34 (17) \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2026 is provided solely for the office to support the  
36 underground economy task force created in section 906, chapter 376,  
37 Laws of 2024.

38 (18) \$44,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
39 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second

1 Substitute House Bill No. 1409 (clean fuels program). If the bill is  
2 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
3 shall lapse.

4 (19) \$49,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2026, \$49,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2027, and \$58,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
7 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
8 Substitute House Bill No. 1359 (criminal insanity). If the bill is  
9 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
10 shall lapse.

11 **(20) \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
12 **year 2026 and \$94,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for**  
13 **fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed**  
14 **Substitute House Bill No. 1483 (digital electronics/repair). If the**  
15 **bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this**  
16 **subsection shall lapse.**

17 (21) \$545,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
19 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1163 (firearms purchase). If the  
20 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
21 subsection shall lapse.

22 (22) \$33,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
24 Substitute House Bill No. 1524 (isolated employees). If the bill is  
25 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
26 shall lapse.

27 (23) \$294,000 of the public service revolving account—state  
28 appropriation and \$40,000 of the legal services revolving account—  
29 state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
30 Substitute House Bill No. 1514 (low carbon thermal energy). If the  
31 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this  
32 subsection shall lapse.

33 (24) \$29,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
35 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1213 (paid family & medical leave).  
36 If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in  
37 this subsection shall lapse.

38 (25) \$94,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2026 and \$94,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1217 (residential tenants). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(26) \$394,000 of the public service revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1522 (utility wildfire mitigation). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(27) \$40,000 of the legal services revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1644 (working minors). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(28) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office of the attorney general to coordinate the receipt of agency reporting requirements pursuant to sections 201, 210, 219, 221, 230, 233, and 601 of this act.

***\*Sec. 126 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 127. FOR THE CASELOAD FORECAST COUNCIL**

|                                              |             |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)   | \$2,395,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)   | \$2,369,000 |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State |             |
| Appropriation                                | \$367,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                          | \$5,131,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$367,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely to forecast the caseload for the Washington college grant program.

(2) Within existing resources, the caseload forecast council shall produce an unofficial forecast of the long-term caseload for juvenile rehabilitation as a courtesy.

(3) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the council must forecast the number of people eligible for the apple health expansion for Washington residents with incomes at or below 138



1 percent of the federal poverty level, regardless of immigration  
2 status.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 128. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

4 The appropriations in sections 129 through 134 of this act are  
5 subject to the following conditions and limitations:

6 (1) Repayments of outstanding mortgage and rental assistance  
7 program loans administered by the department under RCW 43.63A.640  
8 shall be remitted to the department, including any current revolving  
9 account balances. The department shall collect payments on  
10 outstanding loans, and deposit them into the state general fund.  
11 Repayments of funds owed under the program shall be remitted to the  
12 department according to the terms included in the original loan  
13 agreements.

14 (2) The department is authorized to suspend issuing any  
15 nonstatutorily required grants or contracts of an amount less than  
16 \$1,000,000 per year.

17 (3)(a) The appropriations to the department of commerce in this  
18 act must be expended for the programs and in the amounts specified in  
19 this act. However, after May 1, 2026, unless prohibited by this act,  
20 the department may transfer general fund—state appropriations for  
21 fiscal year 2026 among programs after approval by the director of the  
22 office of financial management. However, the department may not  
23 transfer state appropriations that are provided solely for a  
24 specified purpose, except that provisoed amounts may be transferred  
25 among programs if they are transferred in their entirety.

26 (b) Within 30 days after the close of fiscal year 2026, the  
27 department must provide the office of financial management and the  
28 fiscal committees of the legislature with an accounting of any  
29 transfers under this subsection. The accounting shall include a  
30 narrative explanation and justification of the changes, along with  
31 expenditures and allotments by budget unit and appropriation, both  
32 before and after any allotment modifications or transfers. The  
33 department must also provide recommendations for revisions to  
34 appropriations to better align funding with the new budget structure  
35 for the department in this act and to eliminate the need for transfer  
36 authority in future budgets.

37 (4) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
38 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment

act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter 173-446B WAC.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 129. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—  
COMMUNITY SERVICES**

|                                                                                                           |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                                                                | \$72,053,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                                                                | \$55,043,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                                        | \$143,496,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                                                  | \$5,396,000   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation                                                            | \$25,005,000  |
| Community Reinvestment Account—State Appropriation                                                        | \$60,000,000  |
| Domestic Violence Co-Responder Account—State<br>Appropriation                                             | \$8,326,000   |
| Financial Fraud and Identity Theft Crimes<br>Investigation and Prosecution Account—State<br>Appropriation | \$2,680,000   |
| Lead Paint Account—State Appropriation                                                                    | \$1,690,000   |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State<br>Appropriation                                                | \$200,000     |
| Prostitution Prevention and Intervention Account—<br>State Appropriation                                  | \$26,000      |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                                                       | \$373,915,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$9,975,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$9,975,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to resolution Washington to build statewide capacity for alternative dispute resolution centers and dispute resolution programs that guarantee that citizens have access to low-cost resolution as an alternative to litigation.

(2) Within existing resources, the department shall provide administrative and other indirect support to the developmental disabilities council.

(3) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Washington new Americans program. The department may require a cash match or in-kind contributions to be eligible for state funding.

1 (4) \$797,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$797,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to contract  
4 with a private, nonprofit organization to provide developmental  
5 disability ombuds services.

6 (5) \$557,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2026 and \$557,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to design and  
9 administer the achieving a better life experience program.

10 (6) \$9,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 and \$9,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to contract  
13 with organizations and attorneys to provide either legal  
14 representation or referral services for legal representation, or  
15 both, to indigent persons who are in need of legal services for  
16 matters related to their immigration status. Persons eligible for  
17 assistance under any contract entered into pursuant to this  
18 subsection must be determined to be indigent under standards  
19 developed under chapter 10.101 RCW.

20 (7) \$1,332,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026 and \$1,332,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the operations of the long-  
23 term care ombudsman program.

24 (8) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to contract  
27 with a nonprofit entity located in Seattle that focuses on poverty  
28 reduction and racial equity to convene and staff a poverty reduction  
29 workgroup steering committee comprised of individuals that have lived  
30 experience with poverty. Funding provided in this section may be used  
31 to reimburse steering committee members for travel, child care, and  
32 other costs associated with participation in the steering committee.

33 (9) \$8,618,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026 and \$8,618,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to continue  
36 the Washington state office of firearm safety and violence  
37 prevention, including the creation of a state and federal grant  
38 funding plan to direct resources to cities that are most impacted by  
39 community violence. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

1 (a) \$5,318,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$5,318,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to support existing  
4 programs and capacity building for new programs providing evidence-  
5 based violence prevention and intervention services to youth who are  
6 at high risk to perpetrate or be victims of firearm violence and who  
7 reside in areas with high rates of firearm violence as provided in  
8 RCW 43.330A.050.

9 (i) Priority shall be given to programs that partner with the  
10 University of Washington, school of medicine, department of  
11 psychiatry and behavioral sciences for training and support to  
12 deliver culturally relevant family integrated transition services  
13 through use of credible messenger advocates.

14 (ii) The office may enter into agreement with the University of  
15 Washington or another independent entity with expertise in evaluating  
16 community-based grant-funded programs to evaluate the grant program's  
17 effectiveness.

18 (iii) The office shall enter into agreement to provide funding to  
19 the University of Washington, school of medicine, department of  
20 psychiatry and behavioral sciences to directly deliver trainings and  
21 support to programs providing culturally relevant family integrated  
22 transition services through use of credible messenger and to train a  
23 third-party organization to similarly support those programs.

24 (iv) Of the amounts provided under (a) of this subsection,  
25 \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026  
26 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
27 2027 are provided solely for a certified credible messenger program  
28 that does work in at least three regions of Washington state to train  
29 and certify credible messengers to implement a culturally responsive,  
30 evidence-based credible messenger violence prevention and  
31 intervention services program.

32 (b) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided to support safe storage programs and  
35 suicide prevention outreach and education efforts across the state.

36 (10) \$1,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,250,000 of the general fund—state  
38 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
39 department to administer grants to diaper banks for the purchase of

1   diapers, wipes, and other essential baby products, for distribution  
2   to families in need. The department must give priority to providers  
3   serving or located in marginalized, low-income communities or  
4   communities of color; and providers that help support racial equity.  
5   Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$150,000 of the general  
6   fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for  
7   a grant to a Federal Way-based nonprofit diaper bank.

8       (11)(a) \$25,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
9   appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer  
10   grant funding through the existing network of federal low-income home  
11   energy assistance program grantees to provide low-income households  
12   with energy utility bill assistance.

13       (b) To qualify for assistance, a household must be below 80  
14   percent of the area median income and living in a community that  
15   experiences high environmental health disparities.

16       (c) Under the grant program, each household accessing energy bill  
17   assistance must be offered an energy assessment that includes  
18   determining the household's need for clean cooling and heating system  
19   upgrades that improve safety and efficiency while meeting  
20   Washington's climate goals. If beneficial, households may be offered  
21   grant funding to cover the replacement of inefficient, outdated, or  
22   unsafe home heating and cooling systems with more energy efficient  
23   electric heating and cooling technologies, such as heat pumps.

24       (d) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, no more than 60  
25   percent of the funding may be utilized by the department to target  
26   services to multifamily residential buildings across the state that  
27   experience high energy use, where a majority of the residents within  
28   the building are below 80 percent of the area median income and the  
29   community experiences high environmental health disparities.

30       (e) In serving low-income households who rent or lease a  
31   residence, the department must establish processes to ensure that the  
32   rent for the residence is not increased and the tenant is not evicted  
33   as a result of receiving assistance under the grant program.

34       (f) The department must incorporate data collected while  
35   implementing this program into future energy assistance reports as  
36   required under RCW 19.405.120. The department may publish information  
37   on its website on the number of furnace or heating and cooling system  
38   replacements, including replacements within multifamily housing  
39   units.

1 (g) The department may utilize a portion of the funding provided  
2 within this subsection to create an electronic application system.

3 (12) \$140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the developmental  
6 disabilities council.

7 (13) \$20,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for grants to crime victims  
9 service providers. The department must distribute the funding in a  
10 manner that is consistent with the office of crime victims advocacy's  
11 state plan.

12 (14) The department may submit the report required under section  
13 1115(50)(b) of this act by October 1, 2025.

14 (15) The department may submit the report required under section  
15 1115(124)(d) of this act by October 1, 2025.

16 **(16) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
17 **year 2026 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for**  
18 **fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit**  
19 **organization located in the city of Issaquah to provide cultural**  
20 **programs and navigational support for individuals and families who**  
21 **may face language or other cultural barriers when engaging with**  
22 **schools, public safety, health and human services, and local**  
23 **government agencies.**

24 (17) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to provide  
27 grants to nonprofit organizations including, but not limited to,  
28 religious nonprofits, "by and for" organizations, or cultural  
29 community centers, to fund the physical security or repair of such  
30 institutions. Grant recipients must substantiate that their site or  
31 sites have been subject to or at risk of physical attacks, threats,  
32 vandalism, or damages based on their mission, ideology, or beliefs  
33 and demonstrate a need for investments in physical security  
34 enhancements, construction or renovation, target hardening,  
35 preparedness planning, training, or exercises.

36 **(18) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
37 **year 2026 is provided solely for the office of crime victims advocacy**  
38 **to contract with a research university to continue conducting a**  
39 **randomized control trial comparing the strength at home program to**

1 *standard domestic violence intervention treatment methods used in*  
2 *Washington state. The research university must have completed a*  
3 *randomized control trial of domestic violence intervention treatment*  
4 *at joint base Lewis-McChord. The target population of the randomized*  
5 *control trial must be individuals in Washington state who have been*  
6 *referred to domestic violence intervention treatment via the criminal*  
7 *or civil legal systems. The research university must also continue*  
8 *research on the efficacy of the internal family systems intervention*  
9 *for perpetrators of domestic violence.*

10 (19) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
13 organization operating a teen center in the city of Issaquah to  
14 provide case management and counseling services and connections to  
15 housing supports for youth ages 12 to 19.

16 (20) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
19 community-based organization to provide youth mental and behavioral  
20 health education and support services. Services may include, but are  
21 not limited to, employment, mental health, counseling, tutoring, and  
22 mentoring. The grant recipient must be a community-based organization  
23 located in Granger operating a Spanish language public radio station  
24 with the mission of addressing the social, educational, and health  
25 needs of Spanish-speaking residents of central and eastern  
26 Washington.

27 (21) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
30 organization within the city of Tacoma that provides social services  
31 and educational programming to assist Latino and indigenous  
32 communities in honoring heritage and culture through the arts, and in  
33 overcoming barriers to social, political, economic, and cultural  
34 community development. Grant funding may be used for activities  
35 including, but not limited to, providing family support services for  
36 bilingual, bicultural clients.

37 (22) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit

1 organization to provide legal aid in subjects including, but not  
2 limited to, criminal law and civil rights cases for underserved  
3 populations focusing on Black gender-diverse communities. The grant  
4 recipient must be a nonprofit organization with offices in Seattle  
5 and Tacoma and with a mission to provide intersectional legal and  
6 social services for Black intersex and gender-diverse communities in  
7 Washington.

8 (23) \$60,000,000 of the community reinvestment account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for the department to distribute  
10 grants for economic development, civil and criminal legal assistance,  
11 community-based violence intervention and prevention services, and  
12 reentry services programs. In making distributions under this  
13 subsection, the department must award funds among these program areas  
14 in similar proportions to awards made during the 2023-2025 fiscal  
15 biennium for these purposes.

16 (24) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
19 organization to support the development of and outreach for  
20 community-led mental health support groups and classes serving  
21 individuals and families throughout Washington state, with special  
22 focus on Latino communities, rural areas, and tribes. The grant  
23 recipient must be a nonprofit organization that serves as the  
24 Washington state office of a national grassroots mental health  
25 organization dedicated to building better lives for individuals  
26 affected by mental health conditions.

27 (25) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department, in  
30 consultation with the state commission on African American affairs,  
31 to contract with a qualified research entity to conduct the Charles  
32 Mitchell and George Washington Bush study on reparative action for  
33 Washington state's descendants of victims of United States chattel  
34 slavery.

35 (a) The department shall verify and contract, in consultation  
36 with the commission on African American affairs, that the contracted  
37 research entity or research team possesses expertise in reparations,  
38 historical analysis, public policy development, and must have the  
39 following:



1 (i) A researcher who possesses a Ph.D. or equivalent advanced  
2 degree in history, African American studies, sociology, American  
3 studies, ethnic studies, law, economics, public policy, or a related  
4 field with a direct focus on reparations or United States chattel  
5 slavery;

6 (ii) Verifiable expertise in writing peer-reviewed academic  
7 studies, publications, or policy reports related to reparations,  
8 historical analysis, public policy development, or economic valuation  
9 for direct descendants of United States chattel slavery victims;

10 (iii) Expertise in calculating the present value of uncompensated  
11 slave labor for direct victims of United States chattel slavery;

12 (iv) Substantial knowledge of the history and doctrine of United  
13 States chattel slavery reparations and the ability to develop a  
14 process requiring Washington residents seeking reparations to  
15 demonstrate direct descent from individuals enslaved in the United  
16 States between 1776 and 1865;

17 (v) Demonstrated commitment to reviewing and recommending  
18 reparations public policy;

19 (vi) Professional expertise in the field of reparative justice;

20 (vii) A composition that, to the greatest extent possible,  
21 reflects the diversity of individuals with direct lived experience  
22 related to the subject matter of the study; and

23 (viii) An experienced genealogist on their research team.

24 (b) The department, in consultation with the state commission on  
25 African American affairs shall commission and oversee the Charles  
26 Mitchell and George Washington Bush study on reparative action for  
27 Washington state's descendants of victims of United States chattel  
28 slavery, which shall examine the historical injustices of United  
29 States chattel slavery and their enduring impact on direct  
30 descendants, particularly as they relate to Washington state laws and  
31 policies. The study must include, but is not limited to the  
32 following:

33 (i) Identification, compilation, and synthesization of historical  
34 records concerning the institution of United States chattel slavery  
35 (1619-1865), including its vestiges within the laws and economic and  
36 social practices of Oregon and Washington territories (1848-1889)  
37 against freed persons and their direct descendants;

38 (ii) An assessment of Washington territory and the state of  
39 Washington's historical and present role in perpetuating  
40 discriminatory practices through laws, policies, and economic

1 structures against direct descendants of the victims of United States  
2 chattel slavery, particularly in economic opportunity, education, and  
3 criminal justice;

4 (iii) Appropriate reparative remedies based on study findings,  
5 including, but not limited to:

6 (A) Identified highlights for contributions to federal  
7 discussions on reparations, including proposed frameworks for  
8 calculating and awarding reparations at the national level;

9 (B) The identification of existing Washington state laws and  
10 policies that continue to disproportionately harm direct descendants  
11 of United States enslaved persons and recommendations for their  
12 reform or repeal;

13 (C) Proposed methods for calculating, structuring, and awarding  
14 compensation, including both direct cash payments and alternative  
15 measures such as enacting appropriate recommended state-level  
16 investments in educational access, economic opportunity, and criminal  
17 justice reforms; and

18 (D) A cost-benefit analysis for Washington state on the impact of  
19 enacting appropriate, recommended reparative investments in  
20 education, economic opportunity, and criminal justice for the direct  
21 descendants of United States chattel slavery victims; and

22 (iv) Utilization of the social determinants of health framework,  
23 as outlined by the healthy people 2030 initiative under the United  
24 States department of health and human services, to assess economic,  
25 educational, and social disparities with the goal of informing  
26 Washington state-level policy recommendations.

27 (c) The department, in consultation with the state commission on  
28 African American affairs, shall transmit the selected research entity  
29 or research team's following reports:

30 (i) A preliminary report to the legislature by June 30, 2026,  
31 detailing researcher qualifications, study scope, methodology, and an  
32 outline plan for continued community engagement plan throughout the  
33 study;

34 (ii) An interim report by December 31, 2026, providing updates on  
35 the study's progress and any initial findings; and

36 (iii) A final report by June 30, 2027, presenting findings and  
37 recommendations to the legislature, the governor, and Washington  
38 state's federal delegation.

1 (d) The department may receive and utilize gifts, grants, or  
2 endowments from public, private, or philanthropic sources for the  
3 sole purpose of the study.

4 (26) \$1,169,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,169,000 of the general fund—state  
6 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
7 implementation of chapter 462, Laws of 2023 (domestic violence).

8 (27) \$54,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2026 and \$54,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of the  
11 existing structure tax incentive program.

12 **(28) \$200,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state**  
13 **appropriation is provided solely for a grant to a statewide**  
14 **association representing the full system of Washington public health,**  
15 **including public health professionals, public health students, and**  
16 **community-based health, to coordinate work related to opioid use**  
17 **prevention, harm reduction, and treatment statewide—at the state**  
18 **level, the local level, and within schools.**

19 (29) \$1,426,000 of the lead paint account—state appropriation is  
20 provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5494  
21 (lead-based paint). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the  
22 amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

23 **(30) \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
24 **year 2026 and \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for**  
25 **fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a women-led,**  
26 **community-driven organization that supports extremely vulnerable and**  
27 **low-income Afghan women and girls in Washington to provide**  
28 **neighborhood-based learning with instant translation in three**  
29 **languages.**

30 **(31) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
31 **year 2026 is provided solely for a grant to a Burien-based nonprofit**  
32 **to develop a program to provide telehealth services to Washington**  
33 **state farm workers. The partnering telehealth company must be based**  
34 **in Washington.**

35 **(32) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
36 **year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for**  
37 **fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a Seattle-based**  
38 **nonprofit that seeks to improve the status of girls in Washington**  
39 **state. Funding may be used to continue providing civic engagement**

1 *programming as well as to develop an online train-the-trainer program*  
2 *for adults working with youth to learn how to facilitate healthy*  
3 *relationship skill building girl groups.*

4 (33) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2026 is provided solely for a grant to a King county-based  
6 nonprofit that exclusively serves foreign-trained physicians to help  
7 foreign-trained physicians prepare for work in a United States  
8 clinical setting. Funds may be used to operate an educational  
9 outreach program to help medical providers and institutions  
10 understand the medical doctor: clinical experience program and for  
11 stipends for foreign-trained physicians to take medical exams and for  
12 other professional development.

13 (34) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2026 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a Seattle-based  
16 community-based organization that supports Spanish speakers by  
17 providing individuals with access to HIV treatment and testing and  
18 community support groups for people living with HIV. Funding may be  
19 used to assist with expansion to Snohomish county.

20 (35) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a Seattle-based  
23 nonprofit to expand a program that provides skating lessons to  
24 preschoolers from diverse and low-income families.

25 (36) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 is provided solely for a Redmond-based nonprofit serving  
27 Latino low-income, vulnerable, immigrant, and Spanish-speaking  
28 communities in King and Snohomish counties with bilingual, free  
29 community health services, programs, and outreach. Funds may be used  
30 to expand free programs including but not limited to health outreach,  
31 financial coaching, small business assistance, youth tech space,  
32 internships, and home buying support.

33 (37) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026 is provided solely for a grant to a Seattle-based community  
35 organization that works to advance health justice, culturally  
36 appropriate care, and integrative medicine. Funds may be used for a  
37 study to assess the effectiveness of the organization's health  
38 delivery model to refine and improve its service delivery approach.

(38) \$8,326,000 of the domestic violence co-responder account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1498 (domestic viol. co-responders). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

*\*Sec. 129 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 130. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—HOUSING**

|                                                      |                 |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)           | \$309,054,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)           | \$304,114,000   |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                   | \$65,412,000    |
| Home Security Fund Account—State Appropriation       | \$248,615,000   |
| Affordable Housing for All Account—State             |                 |
| Appropriation                                        | \$91,728,000    |
| Community and Economic Development Fee Account—State |                 |
| Appropriation                                        | \$3,448,000     |
| Apple Health and Homes Account—State Appropriation   | \$6,496,000     |
| Covenant Homeownership Account—State Appropriation   | \$200,000,000   |
| Washington Housing Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$11,295,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                  | \$1,240,162,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$2,000,000 of the Washington housing trust account—state appropriation are provided solely for services to homeless families and youth through the Washington youth and families fund.

(2) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$2,000,000 of the home security fund—state appropriation are provided solely for the administration of the grant program required in chapter 43.185C RCW, linking homeless students and their families with stable housing.

(3) \$11,252,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$11,252,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for housing assistance, including long-term rental subsidies, permanent

1 supportive housing, and low- and no-barrier housing beds, for  
2 unhoused individuals. Priority must be given to individuals with a  
3 mental health disorder, substance use disorder, or other complex  
4 conditions; individuals with a criminal history; and individuals  
5 transitioning from behavioral health treatment facilities or local  
6 jails.

7 (4) (a) \$12,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2026, \$12,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
9 for fiscal year 2027, and \$37,000,000 of the affordable housing for  
10 all account—state appropriation are provided solely for grants to  
11 support the building operation, maintenance, and service costs of  
12 permanent supportive housing projects or units within housing  
13 projects that have or will receive funding from the housing trust  
14 fund—state account or other public capital funding that:

15 (i) Is dedicated as permanent supportive housing units;

16 (ii) Is occupied by low-income households with incomes at or  
17 below 30 percent of the area median income; and

18 (iii) Requires a supplement to rent income to cover ongoing  
19 property operating, maintenance, and service expenses.

20 (b) Permanent supportive housing projects receiving federal  
21 operating subsidies that do not fully cover the operation,  
22 maintenance, and service costs of the projects are eligible to  
23 receive grants as described in this subsection.

24 (c) The department may use a reasonable amount of funding  
25 provided in this subsection to administer the grants.

26 (d) Within amounts provided in this subsection, the department  
27 must provide staff support for the permanent supportive housing  
28 operations, maintenance, and services forecast. The department must  
29 develop a model to estimate demand for operating, maintenance, and  
30 services costs for permanent supportive housing units that qualify  
31 for grant funding under (a) of this subsection. The model shall  
32 incorporate factors including the number of qualifying units  
33 currently in operation; the number of new qualifying units assumed to  
34 come online since the previous forecast and the timing of when those  
35 units will become operational; the impacts of enacted or proposed  
36 investments in the capital budget on the number of new potentially  
37 qualifying units; the number of units supported through a grant  
38 awarded under (a) of this subsection; the historical actual per unit  
39 average grant awards under (a) of this subsection; reported data from

1 housing providers on actual costs for operations, maintenance, and  
2 services; and other factors identified as appropriate for estimating  
3 the demand for maintenance, operations, and services for qualifying  
4 permanent supportive housing units. The forecast methodology,  
5 updates, and methodology changes must be conducted in coordination  
6 with staff from the department, the office of financial management,  
7 and the appropriate fiscal committees of the legislature. The  
8 forecast must be updated each February and November during the fiscal  
9 biennium and the department must submit a report to the legislature  
10 summarizing the updated forecast based on actual awards made under  
11 (a) of this subsection and the completed construction of new  
12 qualifying units.

13 (5) \$7,000,000 of the home security fund—state appropriation is  
14 provided solely for the office of homeless youth prevention and  
15 protection programs to:

16 (a) Expand outreach, services, and housing for homeless youth and  
17 young adults including but not limited to secure crisis residential  
18 centers, crisis residential centers, and HOPE beds, so that resources  
19 are equitably distributed across the state;

20 (b) Contract with other public agency partners to test innovative  
21 program models that prevent youth from exiting public systems into  
22 homelessness; and

23 (c) Support the development of an integrated services model,  
24 increase performance outcomes, and enable providers to have the  
25 necessary skills and expertise to effectively operate youth programs.

26 (6) \$3,800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2026 and \$3,800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office of homeless youth  
29 to build infrastructure and services to support a continuum of  
30 interventions, including but not limited to prevention, crisis  
31 response, and long-term housing, to reduce youth homelessness in  
32 communities identified as part of the anchor community initiative.

33 (7) \$1,913,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026 and \$1,912,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office of homeless youth  
36 to contract with one or more nonprofit organizations to provide youth  
37 services and young adult housing on a multi-acre youth campus located  
38 in the city of Tacoma. Youth services include, but are not limited  
39 to, HOPE beds and crisis residential centers to provide temporary

1 shelter and permanency planning for youth under the age of 18. Young  
2 adult housing includes, but is not limited to, rental assistance and  
3 case management for young adults ages 18 to 24. The department shall  
4 submit an annual report to the legislature on the use of the funds.  
5 The report is due annually on June 30th. The report shall include but  
6 is not limited to:

7 (a) A breakdown of expenditures by program and expense type,  
8 including the cost per bed;

9 (b) The number of youth and young adults helped by each program;

10 (c) The number of youth and young adults on the waiting list for  
11 programs, if any; and

12 (d) Any other metric or measure the department deems appropriate  
13 to evaluate the effectiveness of the use of the funds.

14 (8)(a) \$68,550,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2026 and \$68,550,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
17 essential needs and housing support program and related services.

18 (b) The department may use a portion of the funds provided in  
19 this subsection to continue the pilot program established in section  
20 127(106), chapter 357, Laws of 2020 (addressing the immediate housing  
21 needs of low or extremely low-income elderly or disabled adults in  
22 certain counties who receive social security disability or retirement  
23 income).

24 (c) The department must ensure the timely redistribution of the  
25 funding provided in this subsection among entities or counties to  
26 reflect actual caseload changes as required under RCW  
27 43.185C.220(5)(c).

28 (d) The department may use a portion of the funds provided in  
29 this subsection to provide housing supports for individuals enrolled  
30 in the foundational community supports initiative who are  
31 transitioning off of benefits under RCW 74.04.805 due to increased  
32 income or other changes in eligibility.

33 (9) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2027, and \$4,500,000 of the home security fund—state  
36 appropriation are provided solely for the consolidated homeless grant  
37 program. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

38 (a) \$4,500,000 of the home security fund—state appropriation is  
39 provided solely for permanent supportive housing targeted at those



1 families who are chronically homeless and where at least one member  
2 of the family has a disability. The department will also connect  
3 these families to medicaid supportive services.

4 (b) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for diversion services for those  
7 families and individuals who are at substantial risk of losing stable  
8 housing or who have recently become homeless and are determined to  
9 have a high probability of returning to stable housing.

10 (10) \$1,007,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,007,000 of the general fund—state  
12 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
13 department to administer a transitional housing program for  
14 nondependent homeless youth.

15 (11)(a) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state  
17 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office  
18 of homeless youth prevention and protection programs to administer  
19 flexible funding to serve eligible youth and young adults. The  
20 flexible funding administered under this subsection may be used for  
21 the immediate needs of eligible youth or young adults. An eligible  
22 youth or young adult may receive support under this subsection more  
23 than once.

24 (b) Flexible funding provided under this subsection may be used  
25 for purposes including but not limited to:

- 26 (i) Car repair or other transportation assistance;
- 27 (ii) Rental application fees, a security deposit, or short-term  
28 rental assistance;
- 29 (iii) Offsetting costs for first and last month's rent and  
30 security deposits;
- 31 (iv) Transportation costs to go to work;
- 32 (v) Assistance in obtaining photo identification or birth  
33 certificates; and
- 34 (vi) Other uses that will support the eligible youth or young  
35 adult's housing stability, education, or employment, or meet  
36 immediate basic needs.

37 (c) The flexible funding provided under this subsection may be  
38 provided to:

1 (i) Eligible youth and young adults. For the purposes of this  
2 subsection, an eligible youth or young adult is a person under age 25  
3 who is experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness,  
4 including but not limited to those who are unsheltered, doubled up or  
5 in unsafe living situations, exiting inpatient programs, or in  
6 school;

7 (ii) Community-based providers assisting eligible youth or young  
8 adults in attaining safe and stable housing; and

9 (iii) Individuals or entities, including landlords, providing  
10 safe housing or other support designed to lead to housing for  
11 eligible youth or young adults.

12 (12) \$607,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2026 and \$607,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to assist  
15 homeowners at risk of foreclosure pursuant to chapter 61.24 RCW.  
16 Funding provided in this section may be used for activities to  
17 prevent mortgage or tax lien foreclosure, housing counselors, a  
18 foreclosure prevention hotline, legal services for low-income  
19 individuals, mediation, and other activities that promote  
20 homeownership. The department may contract with other foreclosure  
21 fairness program state partners to carry out this work.

22 (13) \$1,400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,400,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office  
25 of homeless youth to administer a competitive grant process to award  
26 funding to licensed youth shelters, HOPE centers, and crisis  
27 residential centers to provide behavioral health support services for  
28 youth in crisis, and to increase funding for current grantees.

29 (14) \$55,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2026 and \$55,500,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
32 department to continue grant funding for emergency housing and  
33 shelter capacity and associated supports such as street outreach,  
34 diversion services, short-term rental assistance, hotel and motel  
35 vouchers, housing search and placement, and housing stability case  
36 management. Entities eligible for grant funding include local  
37 governments and nonprofit entities. The department may use existing  
38 programs, such as the consolidated homelessness grant program, to  
39 award funding under this subsection. Grants provided under this

1 subsection must be used to maintain or increase current emergency  
2 housing capacity, funded by the shelter program grant and other  
3 programs, as practicable due to increased costs of goods, services,  
4 and wages. Emergency housing includes transitional housing,  
5 congregate or noncongregate shelter, sanctioned encampments, or  
6 short-term hotel or motel stays.

7 (15)(a) \$45,050,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2026 and \$45,050,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a targeted  
10 grant program to transition persons residing in encampments to safer  
11 housing opportunities, with an emphasis on ensuring individuals  
12 living unsheltered reach permanent housing solutions. Eligible grant  
13 recipients include local governments and nonprofit organizations  
14 operating to provide housing or services. The department may provide  
15 funding to state agencies to ensure individuals accessing housing  
16 services are also able to access other wrap-around services that  
17 enable them to obtain housing such as food, personal identification,  
18 and other related services. Local government and nonprofit grant  
19 recipients may use grant funding to provide outreach, housing, case  
20 management, transportation, site monitoring, and other services  
21 needed to assist individuals residing in encampments and on public  
22 rights-of-way with moving into housing.

23 (b) When awarding grants under (a) of this subsection, the  
24 department must prioritize applicants that focus on ensuring an  
25 expeditious path to or remaining in sustainable permanent housing  
26 solutions, and that demonstrate an understanding of working with  
27 individuals to identify their optimal housing type and level of  
28 ongoing services through the effective use of outreach, engagement,  
29 and temporary lodging and permanent housing placement.

30 (c) Grant recipients under (a) of this subsection must enter into  
31 a memorandum of understanding with the department, and other state  
32 agencies if applicable, as a condition of receiving funds. Memoranda  
33 of understanding must specify the responsibilities of the grant  
34 recipients and the state agencies and must include specific  
35 measurable outcomes for each entity signing the memorandum. The  
36 department must publish all signed memoranda on the department's  
37 website and must publish updates on outcomes for each memorandum at  
38 least every 90 days, while taking steps to protect the privacy of  
39 individuals served by the program. At a minimum, outcomes must  
40 include:

1 (i) The number of people actually living in any encampment  
2 identified for intervention by the department or grantees;

3 (ii) The demographics of those living in any encampment  
4 identified for intervention by the department or grantees;

5 (iii) The duration of engagement with individuals living within  
6 encampments;

7 (iv) The types of housing options that were offered;

8 (v) The number of individuals who accepted offered housing;

9 (vi) Any reasons given for why individuals declined offered  
10 housing;

11 (vii) The types of assistance provided to move individuals into  
12 offered housing;

13 (viii) Any services and benefits in which an individual was  
14 successfully enrolled; and

15 (ix) The housing outcomes of individuals who were placed into  
16 housing every six months after placement.

17 (d) Grant recipients under (a) of this subsection may not  
18 transition individuals from encampments or close encampments unless  
19 they have provided extensive outreach and offered each individual  
20 temporary lodging or permanent housing that matches the actual  
21 situation and needs of each person, is noncongregate whenever  
22 possible, and takes into consideration individuals' immediate and  
23 long-term needs and abilities to achieve and maintain housing  
24 stability. Grant recipients who initially match an individual to  
25 temporary lodging must make efforts to transition the person to a  
26 permanent housing placement within six months except under unusual  
27 circumstances. The department must establish criteria regarding the  
28 safety, accessibility, and habitability of housing options to be  
29 offered by grant recipients to ensure that such options are private,  
30 sanitary, healthy, and dignified, and that grant recipients provide  
31 options that are well-matched to an individual's assessed needs.

32 (e) Funding granted to eligible recipients under (a) of this  
33 subsection may not be used to supplant or replace existing funding  
34 provided for housing or homeless services.

35 (16) \$200,000,000 of the covenant homeownership account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of the covenant  
37 homeownership program.

38 (17) Before awarding or entering into grants or contracts for the  
39 2025-2027 fiscal biennium for homeless housing and service programs  
40 that are funded from the home security fund account or the affordable

1 housing for all account, the department must first consult with local  
2 governments and eligible grantees to ensure that funding from these  
3 accounts is used to maintain the quantity and types of homeless  
4 housing and services funded in local communities as of February 28,  
5 2025. The department may take into consideration local document  
6 recording fee balances and individual county fluctuations in  
7 recording fee collections when allocating state funds. The department  
8 must redeploy funds to other nonprofit and county grantees if  
9 originally granted amounts are not expended or committed within a  
10 reasonable timeline. The department may then provide funding to  
11 eligible entities to undertake the activities described in RCW  
12 36.22.250(4)(b), such as funding for project-based vouchers and other  
13 assistance necessary to support permanent supportive housing as  
14 defined in RCW 36.70A.030 or as administered by the office of apple  
15 health and homes created in RCW 43.330.181.

16 (18) \$425,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 and \$425,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the continuation of existing  
19 contracts with a nonprofit organization to increase housing supply  
20 and equitable housing outcomes by advancing affordable housing  
21 options, including affordable homeownership or affordable rental  
22 housing, supportive housing, transitional housing, shelter, or  
23 housing funded through the apple health and homes program, that are  
24 co-located with community services such as education centers, health  
25 clinics, nonprofit organizations, social services, or community  
26 spaces or facilities, available to residents or the public, on  
27 underutilized or tax-exempt land. Contract funding may be used for  
28 costs including, but not limited to, identifying properties and  
29 implementing strategies to accelerate the development of affordable  
30 housing, conducting affordable housing site predevelopment  
31 activities, providing technical assistance on topics related to  
32 affordable housing development, facilitating collaboration and  
33 codevelopment between affordable housing and community partners, and  
34 conducting community engagement activities.

35 (19) \$58,802,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2026 and \$58,802,000 of the general fund—state  
37 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to  
38 counties, cities, and other entities receiving contracts pursuant to  
39 RCW 43.185C.080(3) for homeless housing programs and services

1 including, but not limited to, emergency housing and shelter,  
2 temporary housing, permanent supportive housing programs, and other  
3 homeless housing services and initiatives, including those funded  
4 through the document recording fee collected pursuant to RCW  
5 36.22.250. Grant funds must be prioritized for maintaining existing  
6 levels of service and preventing the closure of existing beds or  
7 programs.

8 (20) Within existing resources, the department must review  
9 current policies and practices regarding reimbursement documentation  
10 requirements for grant and contract recipients, with a focus on  
11 requirements for grants made under subsection (4) of this section and  
12 RCW 36.22.250(5), to improve the efficiency of the reimbursement  
13 process and streamline compliance processes for grants and contract  
14 recipients while continuing to manage risks related to financial  
15 controls and federal requirements. In reviewing policies and  
16 practices, the department may consider implementing process changes  
17 and other approaches, including but not limited to risk-based tiering  
18 of requirements for grant and contract recipients.

19 (21) Within existing resources, the department must consult with  
20 permanent supportive housing providers awarded grants under  
21 subsection (4) of this section or RCW 36.22.250(5) to provide  
22 awardees the opportunity to provide feedback and develop  
23 recommendations on topics including, but not limited to, allowable  
24 expenditures under these grant programs, statewide application  
25 benchmarks for operations and maintenance costs per unit and services  
26 costs per tenant, and opportunities to streamline grant  
27 administration.

28 (22) \$229,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 and \$229,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of the mobile  
31 home community sales program.

32 (23) \$107,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$55,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
35 Senate Bill No. 5298 (mobile home community sale). If the bill is not  
36 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
37 shall lapse.

38 (24) \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2026 and \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
2 Senate Bill No. 5587 (affordable housing dev.). If the bill is not  
3 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
4 shall lapse.

5 (25) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 is provided solely for a grant to a Pierce county-based  
7 nonprofit with emergency shelters in Pierce, King, Thurston, and  
8 Kitsap counties which provides a comprehensive approach to addressing  
9 the root causes of homelessness to sustain emergency shelters.

10 (26) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 is provided solely for a grant to a south King county-based  
12 nonprofit family center for families experiencing homelessness to  
13 maintain services, including emergency shelter beds.

14 (27) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 is provided solely for a grant to a King county-based  
16 nonprofit organization that runs at least two emergency shelters with  
17 at least 500 beds to help families stay housed while researchers  
18 study the effects of direct rental assistance on families.

19 **(28) \$74,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
20 **year 2026 and \$6,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for**  
21 **fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to study the**  
22 **prevalence of housing options for individuals 55 years of age or**  
23 **older that market themselves as "senior independent living" or**  
24 **similarly in Washington state. By July 1, 2026, the department shall**  
25 **provide recommendations to the legislature for the creation of a**  
26 **registration process for senior independent living that increases**  
27 **consumer protection for residents and prospective residents.**

28 (29) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
31 408, Laws of 2023 (ESSB 5599). The entirety of this amount is  
32 provided for the office of homeless youth for prevention and  
33 protection programs to provide supportive care grants to  
34 organizations to address the needs of youth seeking protected health  
35 care services.

36 (30) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
39 House Bill No. 1217 (residential tenants). If the bill is not enacted

by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

*\*Sec. 130 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 131. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

|                                                     |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$30,488,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$27,669,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$55,565,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation            | \$1,137,000   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation      | \$22,589,000  |
| Community Preservation and Development Authority    |               |
| Account—State Appropriation                         | \$1,016,000   |
| Growth Management Planning and Environmental Review |               |
| Fund—State Appropriation                            | \$5,681,000   |
| Liquor Excise Tax Account—State Appropriation       | \$1,402,000   |
| Liquor Revolving Account—State Appropriation        | \$6,850,000   |
| Model Toxics Control Stormwater Account—State       |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$100,000     |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State             |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$4,136,000   |
| Public Facilities Construction Loan Revolving       |               |
| Account—State Appropriation                         | \$1,596,000   |
| Public Works Assistance Account—State Appropriation | \$9,030,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$167,259,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The department shall administer its growth management act technical assistance and pass-through grants so that smaller cities and counties receive proportionately more assistance than larger cities or counties.

(2) \$6,827,000 of the liquor revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with the municipal research and services center of Washington.

(3) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to produce the biennial report identifying a list of projects to address



1 incompatible developments near military installations as provided in  
2 RCW 43.330.520.

3 (4) \$1,160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$1,159,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the statewide broadband  
6 office established in RCW 43.330.532.

7 (5) \$9,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2026 and \$9,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department for grants  
10 for updating and implementing comprehensive plans and development  
11 regulations in order to implement the requirements of the growth  
12 management act.

13 (a) In allocating grant funding to local jurisdictions, awards  
14 must be based on a formula, determined by the department, to ensure  
15 that grants are distributed equitably among cities and counties.  
16 Grants will be used primarily to fund the review and update  
17 requirements for counties and cities required by RCW 36.70A.130.  
18 Funding provided on this formula basis shall cover additional county  
19 and city costs, if applicable, to implement chapter 254, Laws of 2021  
20 (emergency shelters & housing) and to implement chapter 368, Laws of  
21 2023 (land use permitting/local).

22 (b) Within the amounts not utilized under (a) of this subsection,  
23 the department shall establish a competitive grant program to  
24 implement requirements of the growth management act.

25 (c) Up to \$500,000 per biennium may be allocated toward growth  
26 management policy research and development or to assess the ongoing  
27 effectiveness of existing growth management policy.

28 (d) The department must develop a process for consulting with  
29 local governments, affected stakeholders, and the appropriate  
30 committees of the legislature to establish emphasis areas for  
31 competitive grant distribution and for research priorities.

32 (e) \$149,000 of the amounts appropriated in this subsection for  
33 fiscal year 2026 is for the department to develop recommendations for  
34 the integration of special purpose districts into the state's growth  
35 management planning framework. The department must provide a final  
36 report with recommendations to the governor's office and the  
37 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2025.

38 (6) Within the amounts provided in this section, the department  
39 must publish on its website housing data needed to complete housing

needs assessments required by RCW 36.70A.070(2)(a). The data shall include:

(a) Housing profiles for each county and city in the state, including cost burden, vacancy, and income;

(b) Data to assess racially disparate impacts, exclusion, and displacement; and

(c) A dashboard to display data in an easily accessible format.

(7) \$847,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$847,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to increase middle housing.

(8) \$22,544,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for local government climate planning implementation.

(9) \$67,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$67,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the noise abatement program for qualifying port districts.

(10) \$2,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for a contract with a public or private entity for the purpose of public safety and security activities related to the 2026 world cup event. Funding may be provided for law enforcement and fire department resources, emergency management, traffic control, and security at official event venues, including fields and fan activation areas.

**(11) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for a grant to the city of Battle Ground for a document management system.**

**(12) \$53,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$35,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to the city of Issaquah to conduct a two-year pilot program of a biometric monitoring system.**

(13) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely as pass-through funding to Walla Walla Community College for its water and environmental center.

(14) \$500,000 of the community preservation and development authority account—state appropriation is provided solely for the Central district community preservation and development authority

1 established in RCW 43.167.070 to carry out the duties and  
2 responsibilities set forth in RCW 43.167.030.

3 (15) \$500,000 of the community preservation and development  
4 authority account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
5 Pioneer Square-International district community preservation and  
6 development authority established in RCW 43.167.060 to carry out the  
7 duties and responsibilities set forth in RCW 43.167.030.

8 **(16) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for**  
9 **fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state**  
10 **appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the**  
11 **department to provide grants to entities that provide digital**  
12 **navigator services, devices, and subscriptions. These services must**  
13 **include, but are not limited to, one-on-one assistance for people**  
14 **with limited access to services, including individuals seeking work,**  
15 **students seeking digital technical support, families supporting**  
16 **students, English language learners, medicaid clients, people**  
17 **experiencing poverty, and seniors.**

18 (17) \$1,809,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,008,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
21 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1096  
22 (lot splitting), Second Substitute House Bill No. 1183 (building  
23 codes), Third Substitute House Bill No. 1491 (transit-oriented  
24 housing dev), Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5148 (GMA  
25 housing element), Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5184 (minimum  
26 parking requirements), Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5471 (middle  
27 housing), Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5509 (child care  
28 center siting), Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5559 (UGA subdivision  
29 process), and Substitute Senate Bill No. 5587 (affordable housing  
30 dev).

***\*Sec. 131 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

31 **\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 132. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—OFFICE**  
32 **OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

|    |                                                      |              |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 33 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . | \$15,018,000 |
| 34 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . . | \$15,522,000 |
| 35 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation . . . . .         | \$8,153,000  |
| 36 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation . . . . .   | \$1,269,000  |
| 37 | Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation       |              |

|    |                                                         |              |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1  | (FY 2026) . . . . .                                     | \$3,706,000  |
| 2  | Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation          |              |
| 3  | (FY 2027) . . . . .                                     | \$3,831,000  |
| 4  | Andy Hill Cancer Research Endowment Fund Match          |              |
| 5  | Transfer Account—State Appropriation. . . . .           | \$22,220,000 |
| 6  | Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$951,000    |
| 7  | Community and Economic Development Fee Account—State    |              |
| 8  | Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$765,000    |
| 9  | Economic Development Strategic Reserve Account—State    |              |
| 10 | Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$2,851,000  |
| 11 | Statewide Tourism Marketing Account—State               |              |
| 12 | Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$3,021,000  |
| 13 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                            | \$77,307,000 |

14 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
15 conditions and limitations:

16 (1) \$4,152,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 and \$4,152,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for associate development  
19 organizations. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the department  
20 shall consider an associate development organization's total  
21 resources when making contracting and fund allocation decisions, in  
22 addition to the schedule provided in RCW 43.330.086. The department  
23 may distribute the funding as follows:

24 (a) For associate development organizations serving urban  
25 counties, which are counties other than rural counties as defined in  
26 RCW 82.14.370, a locally matched allocation of up to \$1.00 per  
27 capita, totaling no more than \$300,000 per organization; and

28 (b) For associate development organizations in rural counties, as  
29 defined in RCW 82.14.370, a \$1.00 per capita allocation with a base  
30 allocation of \$50,000.

31 (2) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the northwest agriculture  
34 business center.

35 (3) \$1,335,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$1,335,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the small business export  
38 assistance program, for the department to establish representation in  
39 key international markets that will provide the greatest

1 opportunities for increased trade and investment for small businesses  
2 in the state of Washington, and for a grant to a business center that  
3 provides confidential, no-cost, one-on-one, client-centered  
4 assistance to small businesses to expand outreach in underserved  
5 communities, especially Black, indigenous, and people of color-owned  
6 businesses, providing targeted assistance where needed. Funding may  
7 also be used to collaborate with the department, the Washington  
8 economic development association, and others to develop a more  
9 effective and efficient service delivery system for Washington's  
10 women and minority-owned small businesses.

11 (4) \$60,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026 and \$60,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to submit the  
14 necessary Washington state membership dues for the Pacific Northwest  
15 economic region.

16 (5) \$1,219,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 and \$1,219,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to identify  
19 and invest in strategic growth areas, support key sectors, and align  
20 existing economic development programs and priorities. The department  
21 must consider Washington's position as the most trade-dependent state  
22 when identifying priority investments. The department must engage  
23 states and provinces in the northwest as well as associate  
24 development organizations, small business development centers,  
25 chambers of commerce, ports, and other partners to leverage the funds  
26 provided. Sector leads established by the department must include the  
27 industries of: (a) Aerospace; (b) clean technology and renewable and  
28 nonrenewable energy; (c) wood products and other natural resource  
29 industries; (d) information and communication technology; (e) life  
30 sciences and global health; (f) maritime; (g) military and defense;  
31 and (h) creative industries. The department may establish these  
32 sector leads by hiring new staff, expanding the duties of current  
33 staff, or working with partner organizations and or other agencies to  
34 serve in the role of sector lead.

35 (6) \$22,220,000 of the Andy Hill cancer research endowment fund  
36 match transfer account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
37 Andy Hill cancer research endowment program. Amounts provided in this  
38 subsection may be used for grants and administration costs.

(7) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to assist people with limited incomes in urban areas of the state start and sustain small businesses. The grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization involving a network of microenterprise organizations and professionals to support micro entrepreneurship and access to economic development resources.

(8) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a nonprofit organization whose sole purpose is to provide grants, capacity building, and technical assistance support to a network of microenterprise development organizations. The microenterprise development organizations will support rural and urban Black, indigenous and people of color owned businesses, veteran owned businesses, and limited resourced and other hard to serve businesses with five or fewer employees throughout the state with business training, technical assistance, and microloans.

(9) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to strengthen capacity of the keep Washington working act work group established in RCW 43.330.510.

**(10)(a) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the department to develop a state quantum computing strategy and help shape a regional quantum computing ecosystem. This includes, but is not limited to:**

**(i) Defining partnership approaches with regional quantum stakeholder groups;**

**(ii) Exploration of quantum application research in specific industry areas such as nuclear physics, energy and renewables, materials science, or chemistry;**

**(iii) Identifying and defining research and development opportunities with Washington-based research institutions including the University of Washington and Pacific Northwest national laboratory; and**

**(iv) Partnering with industry to develop plans to attract federal investment.**

1       **(b) The department may contract with a Washington state-based**  
2 **quantum computing manufacturing entity to assist with completing**  
3 **obligations under this subsection.**

4       (11) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2026 is provided solely for the city of Seattle to lease space  
6 for nonprofit and academic institutions to incubate technology  
7 business startups, especially those focusing on artificial  
8 intelligence and develop and teach curricula to skill up workers to  
9 use artificial intelligence as a business resource.

10       (12) \$500,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with  
12 a nonregulatory coalition located in Seattle that supports the  
13 strategic development and activation of Washington state's  
14 participation in the West Coast wide-floating offshore wind supply  
15 chain through a collaborative approach. The department and  
16 nonregulatory coalition shall identify economic, community, and  
17 workforce development opportunities resulting from Washington state's  
18 participation in the offshore wind supply chain through conducting  
19 convenings, workshops, and studies as appropriate.

20       (13) Sufficient amounts are provided in this section for the  
21 department to administer a grant program to cannabis licensees  
22 holding a license issued after July 1, 2024, who meet the social  
23 equity applicant criteria under RCW 69.50.335. The department must  
24 award grants primarily based on the strength of the social equity  
25 plans submitted by cannabis licensees but may also consider  
26 additional criteria if deemed necessary or appropriate by the  
27 department. Technical assistance activities eligible for funding  
28 include, but are not limited to:

29       (a) Assistance navigating the cannabis licensure process;

30       (b) Cannabis-business specific education and business plan  
31 development;

32       (c) Regulatory compliance training;

33       (d) Financial management training and assistance in seeking  
34 financing;

35       (e) Strengthening a social equity plan as defined in RCW  
36 69.50.101; and

37       (f) Connecting social equity applicants with established industry  
38 members and tribal cannabis enterprises and programs for mentoring  
39 and other forms of support.

**\*Sec. 132 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.**

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 133. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—ENERGY  
AND INNOVATION**

|                                                                                                      |               |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                                                           | \$3,601,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                                                           | \$3,522,000   |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                                   | \$39,799,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                                             | \$106,000     |
| Building Code Council Account—State Appropriation                                                    | \$19,000      |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation                                                       | \$54,112,000  |
| Community and Economic Development Fee Account—State<br>Appropriation                                | \$160,000     |
| Energy Efficiency Account—State Appropriation                                                        | \$20,000      |
| Low-Income Weatherization and Structural<br>Rehabilitation Assistance Account—State<br>Appropriation | \$1,416,000   |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State<br>Appropriation                                             | \$166,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                                                  | \$102,921,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The department is authorized to require an applicant to pay an application fee to cover the cost of reviewing the project and preparing an advisory opinion on whether a proposed electric generation project or conservation resource qualifies to meet mandatory conservation targets.

(2) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to build a mapping and forecasting tool that provides locations and information on charging and refueling infrastructure as required in chapter 300, Laws of 2021 (zero emissions transp.). The department shall collaborate with the interagency electric vehicle coordinating council established in chapter 182, Laws of 2022 (transportation resources) when developing the tool and must work to meet benchmarks established in chapter 182, Laws of 2022 (transportation resources).

(3) \$5,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for grants to support port districts, counties, cities, towns, special purpose districts, any other municipal corporations or quasi-municipal corporations, and tribes to support siting and permitting of clean energy projects in



1 the state. Eligible uses of grant funding provided in this section  
2 include supporting predevelopment work for sites intended for clean  
3 energy projects, land use studies, conducting or engaging in planning  
4 efforts such as planned actions and programmatic environmental impact  
5 statements, and staff to improve permit timeliness and certainty.

6 (4) (a) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the department to contract  
8 with one or more of the western national laboratories, or a similar  
9 independent research organization, in consultation with state and  
10 federal energy agencies, stakeholders, and relevant utilities, to  
11 conduct an analysis for new electricity generation, transmission,  
12 ancillary services, efficiency and storage sufficient to offset those  
13 presently provided by the lower Snake river dams. The analysis should  
14 include a list of requirements for a replacement portfolio that  
15 diversifies and improves the resilience and maintains the reliability  
16 and adequacy of the electric power system, is consistent with the  
17 state's statutory and regulatory requirements for clean electricity  
18 generation, and is supplementary to the resources that will be  
19 required to replace fossil fuels in the electrical generation,  
20 transportation, industry, and buildings sectors. The department and  
21 its contractor's assessment will include quantitative analysis based  
22 on available data as well as qualitative input gathered from tribal  
23 and other governments, the Northwest power and conservation council,  
24 relevant utilities, and other key stakeholders. The analysis must  
25 include the following:

26 (i) Expected trends for demand, and distinct scenarios that  
27 examine potential outcomes for electricity demand, generation, and  
28 storage technologies development, land use and land use constraints,  
29 and cost through 2050, as well as the most recent analysis of future  
30 resource adequacy and reliability;

31 (ii) A resource portfolio approach in which a combination of  
32 commercially available generating resources, energy efficiency,  
33 conservation, and demand response programs, transmission resources,  
34 and other programs and resources that would be necessary  
35 prerequisites to replace the power and grid reliability services  
36 otherwise provided by the lower Snake river dams and the time frame  
37 needed to put those resources into operation;

38 (iii) Identification of generation and transmission siting  
39 options consistent with the overall replacement resource portfolio,

1 in coordination with other state processes and requirements  
2 supporting the planning of clean energy and transmission siting;

3 (iv) An evaluation of alternatives for the development, ownership  
4 and operation of the replacement resource portfolio;

5 (v) Examination of possible impacts and opportunities that might  
6 result from the renewal of the Columbia river treaty, revisions of  
7 the Bonneville power administration preference contracts,  
8 implementation of the western resource adequacy program (WRAP), and  
9 other changes in operation and governance of the regional electric  
10 power system, consistent with statutory and regulatory requirements  
11 of the clean energy transformation act;

12 (vi) Identification of revenue and payment structures sufficient  
13 to maintain reliable and affordable electricity supplies for  
14 ratepayers, with emphasis on overburdened communities;

15 (vii) Development of distinct scenarios that examine different  
16 potential cost and timeline potentials for development and  
17 implementation of identified generation and transmission needs and  
18 options including planning, permitting, design, and construction,  
19 including relevant federal authorities, consistent with the statutory  
20 and regulatory requirements of the clean energy transformation act;

21 (viii) Quantification of impacts to greenhouse gas emissions  
22 including life-cycle emissions analysis associated with  
23 implementation of identified generation and transmission needs and  
24 options including (A) planning, permitting, design, and construction,  
25 and, if relevant, emissions associated with the acquisition of non-  
26 Washington state domestic or foreign sources of electricity, and (B)  
27 any additional operations of existing fossil-fueled generating  
28 resources; and

29 (ix) An inventory of electricity demand by state-owned or  
30 operated facilities and information needed to complete a request for  
31 proposals (RFP) to satisfy this demand through new nonhydro renewable  
32 energy generation and/or conservation.

33 (b) The department shall, to the extent determined practicable,  
34 consider related analyses undertaken by the federal government as  
35 part of the Columbia river system operation stay of litigation agreed  
36 to in *National Wildlife Federation et al. v. National Marine*  
37 *Fisheries Service et al.* in October 2021.

38 (c) The department shall provide a status update to the energy  
39 and environment committees of the legislature and governor's office  
40 by June 30, 2026.

1       (5)   \$13,088,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer a  
3 grant program to assist owners of public buildings in covering the  
4 costs of conducting an investment grade energy audit for those  
5 buildings. Public buildings include those owned by state and local  
6 governments, tribes, and school districts.

7       (6)   \$1,078,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely for the department to develop plans  
9 to test hydrogen combustion and resulting nitrogen oxides (NOx)  
10 emissions, technical assistance for strategic end uses of hydrogen, a  
11 feasibility assessment regarding underground storage of hydrogen in  
12 Washington, and an environmental justice toolkit for hydrogen  
13 projects.

14       (7)   \$1,678,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 344,  
16 Laws of 2024 (public building materials), including to develop and  
17 maintain a publicly accessible database for covered projects to  
18 submit environmental and working conditions data, to convene a  
19 technical work group, and to develop legislative reports.

20       (8)   \$2,500,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely for the department for activities  
22 that engage tribes or overburdened communities when siting renewable  
23 energy generation or electrical transmission facilities in Washington  
24 state. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

25       (a)   \$2,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for engagement of a tribal  
27 collaborative and participating tribes to identify areas with higher  
28 and lower potential for avoiding conflicts with tribes when siting  
29 renewable energy generation and electrical transmission facilities.  
30 The effort must consider tribal renewable energy and transmission  
31 needs, tribal sovereignty and rights, sensitive natural areas and  
32 working lands, and the goal to minimize harm while maximizing  
33 benefits to tribal communities. The department may contract for this  
34 purpose.

35       (b)   \$500,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for the department to engage with  
37 communities to create a framework and process to support early and  
38 ongoing overburdened community input for the planning and development  
39 of transmission corridors. This shall, to the extent feasible,

1 include identifying ways for overburdened communities to benefit from  
2 transmission corridor development as well as ways to reduce and avoid  
3 conflict with overburdened communities in the development of  
4 transmission corridors. Engagement activities may be coordinated with  
5 the tribal collaborative described in section 133 of this act and  
6 other relevant community engagement activities within the department.

7 (9) (a) \$200,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to continue the  
9 Washington just and rapid transition climate tech program. The grant  
10 will provide funding for the recruitment, development, business  
11 training, and support of underserved climate technology innovators,  
12 entrepreneurs, and organizations developing or deploying solutions in  
13 the areas of renewable energy, energy efficiency, sustainable  
14 transportation, and other technology solving for the environmental  
15 challenges facing overburdened communities in Washington.

16 (b) Activities may include supporting entrepreneurs in preparing  
17 for private investment; technical assistance for entrepreneurs  
18 receiving state directed federal equity and debt capital; assistance  
19 accessing or leveraging the use of federal funding; business coaching  
20 and mentoring; and connections to technical and business resources.

21 (c) The grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization that has  
22 been awarded, from the state of Washington, federal state small  
23 business credit initiative funds for investment in Washington climate  
24 tech entrepreneurs, and must also have experience managing investment  
25 funding and providing entrepreneurial support programs and federal  
26 funding assistance to early-stage climate start-ups and businesses  
27 based in Washington. The grant recipient should have experience  
28 providing services to individuals and companies led by individuals  
29 from underrepresented groups, including BIPOC, women, and individuals  
30 residing in rural communities and have working partnerships with  
31 state research universities, climate technology industry  
32 associations, and community-based organizations serving underserved  
33 communities.

34 (10) \$300,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
35 appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide  
36 assistance and develop financing recommendations to increase  
37 transmission capacity in Washington. The department must use the  
38 funding provided in this subsection to:

39 (a) Provide assistance to local and tribal governments regarding  
40 the permitting of electric transmission projects which includes, but

1 is not limited to, providing easily accessible information on  
2 advanced transmission technologies in Washington and identifying  
3 applicable codes and ordinances that support transmission facilities  
4 for the purpose of providing frameworks that local and tribal  
5 governments may consider or adopt;

6 (b) Provide technical assistance to transmission operators for  
7 increasing and enhancing transmission capacity with reconductoring  
8 and other advanced transmission technologies; and

9 (c) Identify the appropriate finance mechanisms needed to improve  
10 capacity to develop electric transmission in Washington. By November  
11 1, 2025, the department must submit a report that analyzes financing  
12 options for transmission projects and provides recommendations to the  
13 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature.

14 (11) \$163,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer a  
16 pilot program to provide grants and technical assistance to support  
17 planning, predevelopment, and installation of commercial, dual-use  
18 solar power demonstration projects. Eligible grant recipients may  
19 include, but are not limited to, nonprofit organizations, public  
20 entities, and federally recognized tribes.

21 (12)(a) \$10,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
22 appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer a  
23 program to assist community-based organizations, local governments,  
24 ports, tribes, and other entities to access federal tax incentives  
25 and grants. Eligible entities for the program include, but are not  
26 limited to, local governments in Washington, tribal governments and  
27 tribal entities, community-based organizations, housing authorities,  
28 ports, transit agencies, nonprofit organizations, and for-profit  
29 businesses. The department shall prioritize assistance that benefits  
30 vulnerable populations in overburdened communities, with a goal of  
31 directing at least 25 percent of funds to this purpose.

32 (b) Within the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, the  
33 department must contract with a nonprofit organization to provide the  
34 following services:

35 (i) Development of tax guidance resources for clean energy tax  
36 credits, including core legal documents to be used broadly across  
37 stakeholders;

38 (ii) Providing tailored marketing materials for these resources  
39 targeting underserved entities; and

1 (iii) Providing funds to subcontract with clean energy tax  
2 attorneys to pilot office hours style support available to eligible  
3 entities across the state.

4 (13) \$3,500,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide and  
6 facilitate access to energy assistance programs, including  
7 incentives, energy audits, and rebate programs to retrofit homes and  
8 small businesses.

9 (14) \$250,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with  
11 a nonprofit entity that represents the maritime industry to develop  
12 and publish a strategic framework regarding the production, supply,  
13 and use of sustainable maritime fuels and deployment of low and zero-  
14 emissions vessel technologies in Washington. Analyses will include  
15 relevant human and environmental health and equity considerations.  
16 Funding under this subsection may be used for activities including,  
17 but not limited to, convening stakeholders and building  
18 organizational capacity. Stakeholder engagement pursuant to this  
19 subsection shall include, at a minimum, engagement with federal and  
20 state agencies, ports, industry, labor, research institutions,  
21 nongovernmental organizations, and relevant federally recognized  
22 tribes.

23 (15) *\$456,000 of the climate commitment account—state*  
24 *appropriation is provided solely for the department to develop*  
25 *guidance documents regarding the different types of battery energy*  
26 *storage systems technologies. The guidance documents must address*  
27 *safety considerations, emergency response preparation and*  
28 *requirements, and siting and zoning. The department shall contract*  
29 *with a facilitator to convene a work group of staff and relevant*  
30 *stakeholders with expertise on the topic. The guidance documents*  
31 *shall be completed by June 30, 2027.*

32 (16) *\$719,000 of the climate commitment account—state*  
33 *appropriation is provided solely for the department to develop a*  
34 *guidebook to support local governments in integrating clean energy*  
35 *development into planning and zoning requirements, including dual-use*  
36 *clean energy technologies and colocation with agricultural uses. The*  
37 *guidebook shall be developed through a stakeholder engagement process*  
38 *that includes, but is not limited to, federally recognized tribes and*  
39 *local governments. The department shall offer direct technical*

**assistance to local governments, including methods and best practices for siting clean energy projects and colocation of energy facilities with agricultural operations, open space areas, and other land uses.**

(17) \$450,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with the Washington state academy of sciences to complete a study to determine the value of distributed solar and storage in Washington state. Including any factors that it finds relevant, the academy shall develop policy recommendations and options for a methodology or methodologies that utility regulators and governing bodies may use after the statutory four percent net metering threshold is met. The academy shall submit a final report to the department and the utilities and transportation commission by October 1, 2026.

(18) \$197,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the department to complete the final report of the electrical transmission workforce needs study pursuant to section 1117(40) of this act. The department must submit the final report of the study to the appropriate committees of the legislature by November 1, 2025.

***\*Sec. 133 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 134. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—PROGRAM SUPPORT**

|                                                     |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$6,539,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$5,692,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$7,902,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation            | \$2,075,000  |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation      |              |
| (FY 2026)                                           | \$2,000      |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation      | \$1,753,000  |
| Growth Management Planning and Environmental Review |              |
| Fund—State Appropriation                            | \$148,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$24,111,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$253,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to incorporate equity and environmental justice into agency grant programs with the goal of reducing programmatic barriers to vulnerable populations in

overburdened communities in accessing department funds. The department shall prioritize grant programs receiving funds from the accounts established under RCW 70A.65.240, 70A.65.250, 70A.65.260, 70A.65.270, and 70A.65.280.

(2) \$1,500,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to continue implementation of chapter 70A.02 RCW.

(3) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for language access activities, which may include translation services, interpretation services, and in-language material development.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 135. FOR THE ECONOMIC AND REVENUE FORECAST COUNCIL**

|                                                    |             |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)         | \$948,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)         | \$946,000   |
| Lottery Administrative Account—State Appropriation | \$50,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                | \$1,944,000 |

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 136. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

|                                                                                              |               |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                                                   | \$16,140,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                                                   | \$16,270,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                           | \$36,493,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                                     | \$539,000     |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation                                               | \$3,004,000   |
| Performance Audits of Government Account—State<br>Appropriation                              | \$2,000       |
| Personnel Service Account—State Appropriation                                                | \$24,571,000  |
| Higher Education Personnel Services Account—State<br>Appropriation                           | \$1,428,000   |
| Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line<br>Account—State Appropriation          | \$300,000     |
| Statewide Information Technology System Development<br>Revolving Account—State Appropriation | \$154,207,000 |
| Office of Financial Management Central Service<br>Account—State Appropriation                | \$34,140,000  |
| Labor Relations Service Nonappropriated Account—<br>State Appropriation                      | \$11,797,000  |



TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$298,891,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) The student achievement council and all institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.92.030 and eligible for state financial aid programs under chapters 28B.92 and 28B.118 RCW shall ensure that data needed to analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of state financial aid programs are promptly transmitted to the education data center so that it is available and easily accessible. The data to be reported must include but not be limited to:

(i) The number of Washington college grant and college bound recipients;

(ii) Persistence and completion rates of Washington college grant recipients and college bound recipients, disaggregated by institution of higher education;

(iii) Washington college grant recipients grade point averages; and

(iv) Washington college grant and college bound scholarship program costs.

(b) The student achievement council shall submit student unit record data for state financial aid program applicants and recipients to the education data center.

(2)(a) \$153,269,000 of the information technology system development revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for the one Washington enterprise resource planning statewide program phase 1A (agency financial reporting system replacement) and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

(b) Of the amount provided in this subsection:

(i) \$15,300,000 of the information technology system development revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for a technology pool in fiscal year 2026 to pay for phase 1A (agency financial reporting system replacement—core financials) state agency costs due to legacy system remediation work associated with impacted financial systems and interfaces. The office of financial management must manage the pool, authorize funds, track funds authorized and spent by agency by fiscal month, and report after each fiscal month close on the agency spending to Washington technology solutions so that the spending is included in the statewide dashboard actual

1 spending each fiscal month for phase 1A and included on the program  
2 dashboard for program actual spend;

3 (ii) \$27,563,000 of the information technology system development  
4 revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for an  
5 agency readiness pool in fiscal year 2026 to pay for phase 1A (agency  
6 financial reporting system replacement-core financials) state agency  
7 costs incurred in preparation for a successful transition to phase  
8 1A. The office of financial management must manage this pool,  
9 authorize funds, track funds authorized and spent by agency by fiscal  
10 month, and report after each fiscal month close on the agency  
11 spending to Washington technology solutions so that the spending is  
12 included in the statewide dashboard actual spending each fiscal month  
13 for phase 1A and included on the program dashboard program actual  
14 spend; and

15 (iii) \$988,000 of the information technology system development  
16 revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for an  
17 interagency agreement in fiscal year 2026 with Washington technology  
18 solutions for one dedicated information technology consultant and two  
19 dedicated system architect staff. These staff will work with state  
20 agencies to ensure preparation and timely decommission of information  
21 technology systems that will no longer be necessary post  
22 implementation of phase 1A (agency financial reporting system  
23 replacement-core financials).

24 (c) The one Washington solution and team must use an agile  
25 development model holding live demonstrations of functioning  
26 software, developed using incremental user research, held at the end  
27 of two-week sprints.

28 (d) The one Washington solution must be capable of being  
29 continually updated, as necessary.

30 (e) Beginning July 1, 2025, the office of financial management  
31 shall provide written quarterly reports, within 30 calendar days of  
32 the end of each fiscal quarter, to legislative fiscal committees and  
33 the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee to  
34 include how funding was spent compared to the budget spending plan  
35 for the prior quarter by fiscal month and what the ensuing quarter  
36 budget will be by fiscal month. All reporting must be separated by  
37 phase of one Washington subprojects. The written report must also  
38 include:

1 (i) A list of quantifiable deliverables scheduled for that  
2 quarter, including those accomplished and the amount spent associated  
3 with each deliverable, by fiscal month;

4 (ii) A report on the contract full-time equivalent charged  
5 compared to the budget spending plan by fiscal month for each  
6 contracted vendor, to include interagency agreements with other state  
7 agencies, and what the ensuing contract equivalent budget spending  
8 plan assumes by fiscal month;

9 (iii) A report identifying each state agency that applied for and  
10 received technology pool resources under (b)(i) of this subsection,  
11 the staffing equivalent used, and the actual spending by fiscal month  
12 by agency compared to the budget spending plan by fiscal month;

13 (iv) A report identifying each state agency that applied for and  
14 received agency readiness pool resources under (b)(ii) of this  
15 subsection, the staffing equivalent used, and the actual spending by  
16 fiscal month by agency compared to the budget spending plan by fiscal  
17 month;

18 (v) A report on budget spending plan by fiscal month by phase  
19 compared to actual spending by fiscal month, and the projected  
20 spending plan by fiscal month for the ensuing quarter;

21 (vi) A report on current financial office performance metrics  
22 that at least 10 state agencies use, to include the monthly  
23 performance data, that began July 1, 2021;

24 (vii) A report identifying each mandatory go-live phase 1A system  
25 by agency and system name, and the status on each system readiness  
26 compliance to meet the go-live date as of the start of the quarter  
27 and the percentage of compliance by the end of the quarter;

28 (viii) An accounting of each known risk to the project identified  
29 by Washington technology solutions, the assigned quality assurance  
30 vendor, or the program during the last quarter, and then how each of  
31 these risks were addressed during the last quarter, what date each of  
32 these risks are anticipated to be resolved, and if the risk will be  
33 unresolved in the ensuing quarter;

34 (ix) An accounting of any deliverables that were changed in the  
35 last quarter noting start and anticipated end dates before and after  
36 change, and any plans to change future deliverables to include what  
37 the deliverable was, what the new deliverable is, why the deliverable  
38 was or will be missed, what was done to mitigate this delay, and what  
39 the revised deliverable date is; and

1 (x) The project roll-out schedule by phase to include the date  
2 each phase will go live compared to the last known go-live date. If  
3 the go-live date changed since the last quarterly report, the report  
4 must reference the last go-live date compared to the new one and  
5 include detail on why the schedule will be missed, how the project  
6 mitigated additional delays, and what the additional time in the  
7 schedule is anticipated to cost by fiscal year.

8 (f) Prior to the expenditure of the amounts provided in this  
9 subsection, the director of the office of financial management must  
10 review and approve the spending in writing.

11 (g) The legislature intends to provide additional funding for  
12 fiscal year 2027 costs for phase 1A (agency financial reporting  
13 system replacement) to be completed.

14 (3) \$250,000 of the office of financial management central  
15 services account—state appropriation is provided solely for a  
16 dedicated information technology budget staff for the work associated  
17 with statewide information technology projects that at least are  
18 subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of  
19 section 701 of this act and are under the oversight of Washington  
20 technology solutions. The staff will be responsible for providing a  
21 monthly financial report after each fiscal month close to fiscal  
22 staff of the senate ways and means and house appropriations  
23 committees to reflect at least:

24 (a) Fund balance of the information technology pool account after  
25 each fiscal month close;

26 (b) Amount by information technology project, differentiated if  
27 in the technology pool or the agency budget, of what funding has been  
28 approved to date and for the last fiscal month;

29 (c) Amount by agency of what funding has been approved to date  
30 and for the last fiscal month;

31 (d) Total amount approved to date, differentiated if in the  
32 technology pool or the agency budget, and for the last fiscal month;

33 (e) A projection for the information technology pool account by  
34 fiscal month through the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium close, and a  
35 calculation spent to date as a percentage of the total appropriation;

36 (f) A projection of each information technology project spending  
37 compared to budget spending plan by fiscal month through the  
38 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, and a calculation of amount spent to date  
39 as a percentage of total project cost; and

1 (g) A list of agencies and projects that have not yet applied for  
2 nor been approved for funding by the office of financial management.

3 (4) Within existing resources, the labor relations section shall  
4 produce a report annually on workforce data and trends for the  
5 previous fiscal year. At a minimum, the report must include a  
6 workforce profile; information on employee compensation, including  
7 salaries and cost of overtime; and information on retention,  
8 including average length of service and workforce turnover.

9 (5) The office of financial management must report to and  
10 coordinate with the department of ecology to track expenditures from  
11 climate commitment act accounts, as defined and described in RCW  
12 70A.65.300 and chapter 173-446B WAC.

13 (6) Within existing resources, the office will maintain a data  
14 portal to track state agency expenditures from climate commitment act  
15 accounts as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
16 173-446B WAC. The data portal must be coordinated with the department  
17 of ecology.

18 (7) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2026 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
21 245, Laws of 2022 (state boards, etc./stipends).

22 (8)(a) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the office of financial  
24 management to complete a study of the future long-term uses of the  
25 Olympic heritage behavioral health campus. The study must assess the  
26 options for maximizing the facility's ability to receive federal  
27 matching funds for services provided while contributing to the health  
28 of the entire state behavioral health system based on community  
29 needs. The study must examine Washington behavioral health system  
30 trends, including demand and capacity for voluntary and involuntary  
31 behavioral health in-patient treatment, forecasted bed need and  
32 current and planned statewide capacity for civil and forensic state  
33 hospital populations, short-term civil commitment capacity trends,  
34 and trends in prosecutorial forensic referrals. The study must also  
35 consider area provider admittance and refusal rates. The study must  
36 include:

37 (i) An analysis on the types of services which could be provided  
38 at the property, including but not limited to:

1 (A) Voluntary behavioral health treatment services, including  
2 diversion, prediversion, and specialty services for people with co-  
3 occurring conditions including substance use disorders, intellectual  
4 or developmental disabilities, traumatic brain disorders, or  
5 dementia;

6 (B) Services for patients that are deemed not guilty by reason of  
7 insanity;

8 (C) Integrated service approaches that address medical, housing,  
9 vocational, and other needs of behaviorally disabled individuals with  
10 criminal legal involvement or likelihood of criminal legal  
11 involvement;

12 (D) Long-term involuntary treatment services for specialized  
13 populations such as those with developmental disabilities or  
14 dementia;

15 (E) Short-term involuntary treatment services;

16 (F) Long-term involuntary treatment services for civil conversion  
17 patients;

18 (G) Out-patient intensive behavioral health treatment including  
19 partial hospitalization and intensive outpatient care;

20 (H) Crisis response services; and

21 (I) Other services that will increase the state's ability to  
22 comply with requirements for providing timely admission of competency  
23 restoration patients into treatment beds;

24 (ii) Review of potential for additional capacity or services on  
25 the entirety of the property, including any capital improvements  
26 needed to expand services under the options described in (a)(i) of  
27 this subsection;

28 (iii) Identification and evaluation of strategies to obtain  
29 federal matching funding opportunities, specifically focusing on  
30 innovative medicaid framework adjustments and the consideration of  
31 necessary state plan amendments;

32 (iv) Estimated costs, required staffing and workforce  
33 availability for each of the recommended types of services if  
34 available; and

35 (v) Consideration of options for providers that can provide the  
36 different services recommended at the facility and an analysis on the  
37 cost differential and potential federal reimbursement for the  
38 different providers. The office of financial management may consider  
39 a variety of provider types or partners, including, but not limited  
40 to:

- (A) Tribal or local governments;  
(B) Acute care hospitals already providing similar care;  
(C) Providers contracted by the health care authority; and  
(D) State-operated options.

(b) The office of financial management shall consult with the University of Washington school of medicine, the health care authority, and the department of social and health services in developing and conducting the study.

(c) The office of financial management shall submit a final report with its findings and recommendations to the governor and the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by December 1, 2025.

(d) The office of financial management may contract with one or more third parties and consult with other state entities to conduct the study. The contract is exempt from the competitive procurement requirements in chapter 39.26 RCW.

(9) \$352,000 of the labor relations service nonappropriated account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5653 (fish and wildlife officers). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 137.      FOR THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

Administrative Hearings Revolving Account—State

Appropriation. . . . . \$72,878,000

Administrative Hearings Revolving Account—Local

Appropriation. . . . . \$12,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$72,890,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$809,000 of the administrative hearings revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5291 (long-term services trust). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(2) \$24,000 of the administrative hearings revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5217 (pregnancy

accommodations). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(3) \$56,000 of the administrative hearings revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1213 (paid family and medical leave protections). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(4) \$39,000 of the administrative hearings revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1644 (working minors). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 138. FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE LOTTERY**

|                                                           |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Lottery Administrative Account—State Appropriation. . . . | \$31,618,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | \$31,618,000 |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) No portion of this appropriation may be used for acquisition of gaming system capabilities that violate state law.

(2) Pursuant to RCW 67.70.040, the commission shall take such action necessary to reduce retail commissions to an average of 5.1 percent of sales.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 139. FOR THE COMMISSION ON HISPANIC AFFAIRS**

|                                                     |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . | \$1,173,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . | \$1,199,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | \$2,372,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$105,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$105,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to gang youth intervention specialists for a pilot program within high schools in Washington. Grants may be provided without using a competitive selection process.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 140. FOR THE COMMISSION ON AFRICAN-AMERICAN AFFAIRS**

|                                                     |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . | \$559,000 |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------|



General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$541,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$1,100,000

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 141. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS  
—OPERATIONS**

Department of Retirement Systems Expense Account—  
State Appropriation. . . . . \$124,988,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$124,988,000

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$45,493,000 of the department of retirement systems expense account—state appropriation is provided solely for pension system modernization, and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

(2) \$20,000 of the department of retirement systems expense account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5306 (pension credit for leave). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 142. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$431,882,000  
General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$448,347,000  
Timber Tax Distribution Account—State Appropriation. . . . \$8,187,000  
Business License Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$20,025,000  
Waste Reduction, Recycling, and Litter Control  
Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$184,000  
Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State  
Appropriation. . . . . \$128,000  
Financial Services Regulation Nonappropriated Fund—  
State Appropriation. . . . . \$5,000,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$913,753,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,661,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,661,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the implementation of chapter 196, Laws of 2021 (capital gains tax).

(2) \$253,005,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$273,103,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 195, Laws of 2021 (working families tax exempt.). Of the total amounts provided in this subsection:

(a) \$14,005,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$14,103,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for administration of the working families tax exemption program; and

(b) \$239,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$259,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for remittances under the working families tax exemption program.

(3) \$6,976,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$4,510,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to implement 2025 revenue legislation. Within the amounts provided in this section, funding is sufficient for the department to implement Substitute Senate Bill No. 5314 (capital gains tax) and Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2061 (duty-free sales enterprises).

(4) \$181,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely to support the underground economy task force created in section 906, chapter 376, Laws of 2024.

(5) Within existing resources, during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the department of revenue shall implement an expanded voluntary disclosure program for all entities engaged in investment activities that are not a banking, lending, or security business, as defined in RCW 82.04.4281. Unless an audit has been commenced by the department as of July 1, 2025, all such entities may participate in the expanded voluntary disclosure program. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the department shall waive all penalties and interest for participating entities of the expanded voluntary disclosure program for the purpose of registering and collecting revenue due from businesses.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 143. FOR THE BOARD OF TAX APPEALS**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$2,810,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$2,847,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$5,657,000 |

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 144.    FOR THE OFFICE OF MINORITY AND WOMEN'S  
BUSINESS ENTERPRISES**

|                                                    |              |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)         | \$3,611,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)         | \$3,677,000  |
| Minority and Women's Business Enterprises Account— |              |
| State Appropriation                                | \$8,350,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                | \$15,638,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The office of minority and women's business enterprises shall consult with the Washington state office of equity on the Washington state toolkit for equity in public spending.

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 145.    FOR THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER**

|                                                   |               |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)        | \$300,000     |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)        | \$800,000     |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                | \$6,780,000   |
| Insurance Commissioner's Regulatory Account—State |               |
| Appropriation                                     | \$95,465,000  |
| Insurance Commissioner's Fraud Account—State      |               |
| Appropriation                                     | \$4,851,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                               | \$108,196,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,244,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner to continue its work on behavioral health parity compliance, enforcement, and provider network oversight. The commissioner may use internal staff and contracted experts to oversee provider directories and evaluate consumer access to services for mental health and substance use disorders in state-regulated individual, small group, and large group health plans.

(2) \$350,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner to study the feasibility of using a joint underwriting association to provide property and liability insurance coverage for child care centers, group foster homes, family child care homes, child and youth serving organizations, and child placement services. The commissioner must

1 provide a report of findings to the appropriate policy committees of  
2 the legislature by December 31, 2025.

3 (a) The commissioner shall collect information from entities  
4 transacting insurance in the state and other sources to evaluate  
5 feasibility, limitations, and options. Any authorized insurers,  
6 unauthorized insurers, and risk retention groups contacted for  
7 purposes of this study are required to provide the requested  
8 information to the commissioner. The commissioner may confer with  
9 government entities, insurers, and stakeholders as needed for the  
10 feasibility study and report of findings.

11 (b) The commissioner may contract with actuaries and other  
12 consultants, as needed, to analyze data gathered, evaluate  
13 feasibility, assess limitations, develop options and recommendations,  
14 and prepare the report.

15 (c) The study shall evaluate, at a minimum:

16 (i) Concerns with the cost or availability of property and  
17 liability coverage for child care centers, group foster homes, family  
18 child care homes, child and youth serving organizations, and child  
19 placement services;

20 (ii) Barriers that child care centers, group foster homes, family  
21 child care homes, child and youth serving organizations, and child  
22 placement services experience in accessing adequate property and  
23 liability coverage;

24 (iii) Whether and how a joint underwriting association might suit  
25 the property and liability coverage needs of child care centers,  
26 group foster homes, family child care homes, child and youth serving  
27 organizations, and child placement services, and any limitations of a  
28 joint underwriting association in meeting the need; and

29 (iv) Statutory or implementation considerations relevant to  
30 legislative deliberations regarding feasibility.

31 (3) \$3,297,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account  
32 —state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner to  
33 enhance consumer education, outreach, counseling, and complaint  
34 resolution for elders and persons with disabilities related to  
35 medicare program enrollment and access to care through the senior  
36 health insurance benefit advisor program. Activities under this  
37 subsection may include but are not limited to: Contracts with  
38 community-based organizations with language skills and relationships  
39 with medicare beneficiaries; permanent or part-time staffing;  
40 volunteer recruitment; and outreach activities.

1 (4) \$187,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
3 Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5721 (automobile insurance). If the bill is  
4 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
5 shall lapse.

6 (5) \$290,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
7 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
8 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5351 (dental insurance practices). If the  
9 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
10 subsection shall lapse.

11 (6) \$528,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
12 state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the  
13 commissioner to study insurers' use of credit history, credit-based  
14 insurance scores, other rate factors that may have disparate impacts  
15 on Washington residents, and alternatives to their use, in  
16 determining personal insurance premiums, rates, or eligibility for  
17 coverage, and the associated impacts to consumer costs and the  
18 availability of insurance. The commissioner must provide a report of  
19 findings to the appropriate policy committees of the legislature by  
20 November 1, 2026.

21 (a) In conducting the study, the commissioner shall:

22 (i) Collect information from entities transacting personal  
23 insurance as defined in RCW 48.19.035(1)(e), and any identified  
24 authorized insurers are required to provide the requested information  
25 to the commissioner;

26 (ii) Investigate and obtain any other relevant information that  
27 may assist the commissioner with analyzing insurers' use of credit  
28 history, credit-based insurance scoring models, other rate factors  
29 that may disparately impact Washington residents, and alternatives to  
30 their use, in determining personal insurance premiums, rates,  
31 eligibility for coverage, and evaluating the associated impacts to  
32 consumer costs and the availability of insurance;

33 (iii) Contract with actuarial and other consultants, as needed,  
34 to:

35 (A) Analyze insurers' use of credit history, credit-based  
36 insurance scoring models, or other rate factors that may disparately  
37 impact Washington residents, in determining premiums, rates, and  
38 eligibility for coverage for people of various races, ethnicities,  
39 sexes, socioeconomic status, and national origins;

1 (B) Identify and analyze alternate rate factors that could be  
2 used to determine premiums, rates, and eligibility for coverage that  
3 neither rely on credit history or credit-based insurance scoring  
4 models, nor disparately impact Washington residents of various races,  
5 ethnicities, sexes, socioeconomic status, or national origins; and

6 (C) Analyze the likely impact of insurers' uses under (a)(iii)(A)  
7 of this subsection and alternative rate factors identified under  
8 (a)(iii)(B) of this subsection, on consumer costs, rates, premiums  
9 eligibility for coverage, and availability of insurance for people of  
10 various races, ethnicities, sexes, socioeconomic status, and national  
11 origins; and

12 (iv) Develop for legislative consideration, policy options and  
13 their likely impacts on consumer costs, premiums, rates, eligibility  
14 for coverage, and the availability of personal insurance, of use of  
15 rate plans that include and exclude credit history, credit-based  
16 insurance scoring models, or other rate factors that may have a  
17 disparate impact on Washington residents.

18 (b) Consistent with RCW 43.01.036, the commissioner shall submit  
19 a final report by November 1, 2026, with review findings, policy  
20 options, and recommendations regarding allowance, prohibition, or  
21 contingent use, of credit history, credit-based insurance scoring  
22 models, other disparately impactful rating factors, and alternatives  
23 to their use, for personal insurance, and the associated impacts on  
24 consumer costs, premiums, rates, eligibility for coverage, and  
25 availability of insurance for people of various races, ethnicities,  
26 sexes, socioeconomic status, and national origins.

27 (c) Data requested by, or provided to, the commissioner and the  
28 commissioner's contracted consultants for the purpose of complying  
29 with the study and reporting requirements in this subsection is  
30 confidential by law and privileged and is not subject to public  
31 disclosure under chapter 48.02.065(8) RCW. Nothing in this subsection  
32 prohibits the commissioner from preparing and publishing reports,  
33 analyses, or other documents using the data received under this  
34 subsection so long as the data is in aggregate form and does not  
35 permit the identification of information related to individual  
36 companies. Data in the aggregate form is deemed public records  
37 available for public inspection. Nothing in this subsection affects,  
38 limits, or amends the commissioner's authority under chapter 48.37  
39 RCW.

1 (7) \$737,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
3 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5291 (long-term services trust).  
4 If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in  
5 this subsection shall lapse.

6 (8) \$284,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
7 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
8 Substitute House Bill No. 1669 (prosthetic limb coverage). If the  
9 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
10 subsection shall lapse.

11 (9) \$56,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
12 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
13 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5419 (reports of fire losses). If the bill  
14 is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
15 subsection shall lapse.

16 (10) \$157,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
17 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate  
18 Bill No. 5108 (service contracts). If the bill is not enacted by June  
19 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

20 (11)(a) \$250,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory  
21 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner,  
22 in consultation with the health care authority, to complete an  
23 analysis of the cost to implement an obesity treatment benefit as  
24 described in Senate Bill No. 5353 (diabetes and obesity).

25 (b) The commissioner must contract with one or more consultants  
26 to obtain utilization and cost data from the Washington state all  
27 payer claims database and, if needed, Washington state health  
28 carriers, as defined in RCW 48.43.005, necessary to provide an  
29 estimate of the fiscal impact of including an obesity treatment  
30 benefit in the commercial health plan market.

31 (c) The analysis must include, but is not limited to, a  
32 utilization and cost analysis of each of the following services:

33 (i) Intensive health, behavioral, and lifestyle treatment;

34 (ii) Metabolic and bariatric surgery; and

35 (iii) Food and drug administration-approved obesity medication.

36 (d) The report should include projected costs in the individual,  
37 small group and large group markets, separate and in the aggregate,  
38 expressed both as total annual costs and per member per month costs  
39 for plan years 2028 through 2029.

1 (e) The commissioner must report the findings of the analysis to  
2 the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature by  
3 September 30, 2026.

4 (12) \$350,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner to review  
6 and evaluate the efficacy of current property protection class rating  
7 methodologies and to study the feasibility of modernizing community  
8 property classification rating schedules to more accurately reflect  
9 the fire protection risk and available mitigations for a specific  
10 property by December 31, 2025.

11 (13) \$491,000 of the insurance commissioner's fraud account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner to collaborate  
13 with the Pierce county prosecuting attorney's office regarding the  
14 criminal prosecution of matters investigated by the limited authority  
15 peace officers employed by the commissioner.

16 (14) \$100,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
17 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
18 Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1686 (health care entity  
19 registry). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount  
20 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

21 (15) \$1,287,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory  
22 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
23 Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1432 (mental health  
24 services). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount  
25 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

26 (16) \$14,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
27 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
28 Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1971 (prescription hormone  
29 therapy). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount  
30 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

31 (17) \$250,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
32 state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner to enter  
33 into an interagency agreement with the health care authority to  
34 support economic, actuarial, or other modeling related to design of a  
35 universal health care system, as directed in RCW 41.05.840.

36 (18) \$116,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
37 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
38 Substitute House Bill No. 1392 (medicaid access program). If the bill



is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(19) \$273,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5579 (health/contract terminations). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(20) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to the office of the insurance commissioner to defray costs during plan year 2026 incurred by carriers for coverage in qualified health plans of state-mandated health benefits included in the state essential health benefits benchmark plan as approved by the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services on October 7, 2024, that are not permitted to be treated as an essential health benefit under federal law or regulation.

(21) \$368,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1516 (insurance/affordable units). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 146. FOR THE STATE INVESTMENT BOARD**

State Investment Board Expense Account—State

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Appropriation. . . . .       | \$90,325,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | \$90,325,000 |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$170,000 of the state investment board expense account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Joint Resolution No. 8201 (investment/LTSS accounts). If the resolution is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 147. FOR THE LIQUOR AND CANNABIS BOARD**

|                                                     |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . | \$620,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . | \$638,000   |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .         | \$3,210,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .   | \$75,000    |

1 Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation  
2 (FY 2026). . . . . \$14,486,000  
3 Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation  
4 (FY 2027). . . . . \$14,966,000  
5 Liquor Revolving Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$105,057,000  
6 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$139,052,000

7 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
8 conditions and limitations:

9 (1) The liquor and cannabis board may require electronic payment  
10 of the cannabis excise tax levied by RCW 69.50.535. The liquor and  
11 cannabis board may allow a waiver to the electronic payment  
12 requirement for good cause as provided by rule.

13 (2) \$8,208,000 of the liquor revolving account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for the tax and fee systems  
15 replacement and are subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
16 review requirements of section 701 of this act.

17 (3) \$117,000 of the liquor revolving account—state appropriation  
18 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Senate Bill No.  
19 5206 (cannabis advertising). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
20 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

21 (4) \$165,000 of the liquor revolving account—state appropriation  
22 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate  
23 Bill No. 5786 (liquor license fees). If the bill is not enacted by  
24 June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

25 (5) \$1,367,000 of the liquor revolving account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
27 Substitute House Bill No. 1515 (alcohol service in public). If the  
28 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
29 subsection shall lapse.

30 (6) \$28,000 of the liquor revolving account—state appropriation  
31 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed House Bill No.  
32 1602 (liquor food service options). If the bill is not enacted by  
33 June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

34 (7) Within existing resources appropriated in this section, by  
35 December 1, 2025, the liquor and cannabis board, in consultation with  
36 the department of commerce when specified in this subsection, shall  
37 evaluate the cannabis social equity program as provided in this  
38 subsection and submit a report to the governor and appropriate  
39 committees of the legislature with findings and policy options. In

1 conducting the evaluation, the board shall provide opportunities for  
2 public comment on the cannabis social equity program from communities  
3 throughout Washington. The evaluation must include the following  
4 components:

5 (a) A review of feedback received by the board in public comments  
6 from individuals that the program is intended to benefit, the public,  
7 and the cannabis industry;

8 (b) An examination of the issuance and reissuance of cannabis  
9 retailer licenses that began before January 1, 2025, under the  
10 provisions of chapter 236, Laws of 2020, including a comparative  
11 analysis of the applicants who successfully secured a location and  
12 were issued a cannabis retailer license relative to applicants whose  
13 status remains pending but were issued a preliminary letter of  
14 approval by the board;

15 (c) An examination, in consultation with the department of  
16 commerce, of grants awarded and the mentorships provided under RCW  
17 43.330.540 and opportunities for the alignment of the board's  
18 implementation of the cannabis social equity program with the  
19 department of commerce's implementation of RCW 43.330.540;

20 (d) The demographic information about owners of licensed cannabis  
21 businesses who became licensed under the cannabis social equity  
22 program, to the extent such information is available or obtainable by  
23 the board;

24 (e) The identification of any provisions of law or rule and any  
25 economic, market, or practical factors that effectively prevent or  
26 hinder the successful opening, operation, and business success of  
27 cannabis businesses licensed under the cannabis social equity  
28 program; and

29 (f) An examination of the impact of provisions in laws and rules  
30 on cannabis licensees in the cannabis social equity program with  
31 respect to: (i) Permissible locations for the siting of licensed  
32 cannabis businesses, including distance restrictions in RCW  
33 69.50.331(8), zoning or other location restrictions in local  
34 government ordinances, and local written objections under RCW  
35 69.50.331(11); (ii) the mobility of cannabis licenses to or between  
36 jurisdictions; (iii) the ability of persons holding an existing  
37 cannabis retailer license or title certificate for a cannabis  
38 retailer business to apply for a cannabis license under a cannabis  
39 social equity program, when the license or certificate holder is  
40 located in a local jurisdiction that is subject to a ban or

1 moratorium on cannabis retail businesses; (iv) prioritizing license  
2 applications through use of a third-party contractor, using a scoring  
3 rubric developed by the board; (v) restrictions on the transfer or  
4 assumption of a cannabis license issued through the cannabis social  
5 equity program, other than to individuals or groups of individuals  
6 who comply with the requirements for initial licensure as a social  
7 equity applicant for a period of at least five years from the date of  
8 initial licensure; and (vi) the definition of a "social equity  
9 applicant."

10 NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 148.     FOR THE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION**  
11 **COMMISSION**

|    |                                                           |              |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 12 | Public Service Revolving Account—State Appropriation. . . | \$72,453,000 |
| 13 | Public Service Revolving Account—Federal                  |              |
| 14 | Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$100,000    |
| 15 | Pipeline Safety Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | \$3,759,000  |
| 16 | Pipeline Safety Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .    | \$3,473,000  |
| 17 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | \$79,785,000 |

18     The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
19 conditions and limitations:

20     (1) Up to \$800,000 of the public service revolving account—state  
21 appropriation in this section is for the utilities and transportation  
22 commission to supplement funds committed by a telecommunications  
23 company to expand rural broadband service on behalf of an eligible  
24 governmental entity. The amount in this subsection represents  
25 payments collected by the utilities and transportation commission  
26 pursuant to the Qwest performance assurance plan.

27     (2) \$617,000 of the public service revolving account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
29 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5284 (solid waste management). If  
30 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
31 subsection shall lapse.

32     (3) \$239,000 of the public service revolving account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
34 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5445 (local energy resilience). If the  
35 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
36 subsection shall lapse.

37     (4) \$39,000 of the public service revolving account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second

Substitute House Bill No. 1990 (utility disaster costs). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(5) \$71,000 of the public service revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1522 (utility wildfire mitigation). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(6) \$202,000 of the public service revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1514 (low carbon thermal energy). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 149. FOR THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT**

|                                                                          |               |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                               | \$16,219,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                               | \$15,961,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                       | \$148,158,000 |
| 911 Account—State Appropriation                                          | \$55,114,000  |
| Disaster Response Account—State Appropriation                            | \$52,763,000  |
| Disaster Response Account—Federal Appropriation                          | \$702,432,000 |
| Military Department Rent and Lease Account—State<br>Appropriation        | \$1,409,000   |
| Military Department Active State Service Account—<br>State Appropriation | \$400,000     |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State<br>Appropriation                 | \$55,000      |
| Oil Spill Prevention Account—State Appropriation                         | \$855,000     |
| Worker and Community Right to Know Fund—State<br>Appropriation           | \$2,243,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                      | \$995,609,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The military department shall submit a report to the office of financial management and the legislative fiscal committees by February 1st and October 31st of each year detailing information on the disaster response account, including: (a) The amount and type of deposits into the account; (b) the current available fund balance as of the reporting date; and (c) the projected fund balance at the end

1 of the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium based on current revenue and  
2 expenditure patterns.

3 (2) \$40,000,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
4 provided solely for homeland security, subject to the following  
5 conditions: Any communications equipment purchased by local  
6 jurisdictions or state agencies shall be consistent with standards  
7 set by the Washington state interoperability executive committee.

8 (3) \$11,000,000 of the 911 account—state appropriation is  
9 provided solely for financial assistance to counties.

10 (4) \$784,000 of the disaster response account—state appropriation  
11 is provided solely for fire suppression training, equipment, and  
12 supporting costs to national guard soldiers and airmen.

13 (5) \$876,000 of the disaster response account—state appropriation  
14 is provided solely for a dedicated access and functional needs  
15 program manager, access and functional need services, and a dedicated  
16 tribal liaison to assist with disaster preparedness and response.

17 (6) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
18 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
19 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
20 173-446B WAC.

21 (7)(a) \$355,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the department to conduct a  
23 study regarding statewide building code and construction standards  
24 pertaining to earthquake and tsunami resilience as well as  
25 recommendations for functional recovery of buildings and critical  
26 infrastructure directly following an earthquake. In conducting the  
27 study, the department must request input from the state building code  
28 council and representatives of appropriate public and private sector  
29 entities. The department may contract for all or a portion of the  
30 study. The study must, at a minimum, include an assessment of:

31 (i) Functional recovery building code standards that are being  
32 developed at the federal level, have been proposed or adopted in  
33 other countries, states, or local jurisdictions with a high risk of  
34 earthquakes, or are developed by public or private organizations with  
35 expertise in earthquake performance standards and safety;

36 (ii) The levels of functional recovery supported by current state  
37 and local building and construction codes;

38 (iii) The objectives, feasibility, necessary measures, and  
39 estimated costs of adopting and implementing statewide functional

recovery building code standards, and how this assessment is impacted by whether the standards:

(A) Are mandatory or voluntary;

(B) Apply to only certain types of structures and infrastructure or prioritize certain types of structures and infrastructure;

(C) Apply to existing structures and infrastructure in addition to new construction;

(D) Are intended to apply to only specific seismic hazard levels; or

(E) Include nonstructural components as well as structural systems;

(iv) How statewide standards for functional recovery would fit into an all hazards approach for state emergency response and recovery;

(v) Funding opportunities that provide for the coordination of state and federal funds for the purposes of improving the state's preparedness for functional recovery following a significant earthquake or tsunami; and

(vi) Equity considerations for the development of statewide building code standards for functional recovery.

(b) The department must submit a final report summarizing the study's findings and including policy recommendations relating to statewide building code standards for functional recovery to the appropriate committees of the legislature by May 1, 2026.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 150.      FOR THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION**

|                                                                          |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . .                     | \$2,765,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . .                     | \$2,740,000  |
| Personnel Service Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                   | \$4,872,000  |
| Higher Education Personnel Services Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$1,613,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                             | \$11,990,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$61,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$41,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5503 (public employee bargaining). If the bill is not

enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(2) \$119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$99,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1141 (ag. cannabis workers). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 151.     FOR THE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY**

Certified Public Accountants' Account—State

Appropriation. . . . . \$4,802,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$4,802,000

\*NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 152.     FOR THE BOARD FOR VOLUNTEER  
FIREFIGHTERS**

Volunteer Firefighters' and Reserve Officers'

Administrative Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$1,563,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$1,563,000

*The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$50,000 of the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' administrative account—state appropriation is provided solely for the board to contract with the department of commerce to conduct a study on the extension of duty-related occupational disease presumptions to participants in the volunteer firefighters' relief and pension system. The study must examine the presumption in RCW 51.32.185, and report to the fiscal committees of the legislature by June 30, 2026, on the prevalence of these conditions among volunteer firefighters, and the fiscal impact of extending additional relief and pension benefits to participants.*

*\*Sec. 152 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 153.     FOR THE FORENSIC INVESTIGATION COUNCIL**

Death Investigations Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$841,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$841,000

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) \$250,000 of the death investigations account—state appropriation is provided solely for providing financial assistance



to local jurisdictions in multiple death investigations. The forensic investigation council shall develop criteria for awarding these funds for multiple death investigations involving an unanticipated, extraordinary, and catastrophic event or those involving multiple jurisdictions.

(b) Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$30,000 of the death investigations account—state appropriation is provided solely for the Adams county crime lab to investigate a double homicide that occurred in fiscal year 2021.

(2) \$210,000 of the death investigations account—state appropriation is provided solely for providing financial assistance to local jurisdictions in identifying human remains.

(3) The forensic investigation council must collaborate and work with the Washington state patrol for the patrol to provide services related to public records requests, to include responding to, or assisting the council in responding to, public disclosure requests received by the council.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 154.      FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE SERVICES**

|                                                             |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . .         | \$18,229,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . .         | \$17,985,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .           | \$102,000    |
| Building Code Council Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | \$2,266,000  |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$1,308,000  |
| Prescribed Fire Claims Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$2,000,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                | \$41,890,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$6,672,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$6,725,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the payment of facilities and services charges to include campus rent, parking, security, contracts, public and historic facilities, financial cost recovery, and capital projects surcharges allocable to the senate, house of representatives, statute law committee, legislative support services, and joint legislative systems committee. The department shall allocate charges attributable to these agencies among the affected revolving funds. The department shall maintain an interagency

1 agreement with these agencies to establish performance standards,  
2 prioritization of preservation and capital improvement projects, and  
3 quality assurance provisions for the delivery of services under this  
4 subsection. The legislative agencies named in this subsection shall  
5 continue to have all of the same rights of occupancy and space use on  
6 the capitol campus as historically established.

7 (2) Before any agency may purchase a passenger motor vehicle as  
8 defined in RCW 43.19.560, the agency must have approval from the  
9 director of the department of enterprise services. Agencies that are  
10 exempted from the requirement are the Washington state patrol,  
11 Washington state department of transportation, and the department of  
12 natural resources.

13 (3) From the fee charged to master contract vendors, the  
14 department shall transfer to the office of minority and women's  
15 business enterprises in equal monthly installments \$1,500,000 in  
16 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,300,000 in fiscal year 2027.

17 (4) Within existing resources, the department, in collaboration  
18 with Washington technology solutions, must provide a report to the  
19 governor and fiscal committees of the legislative by October 31 of  
20 each calendar year that reflects information technology contract  
21 information based on a contract snapshot from June 30 of that same  
22 calendar year, and must also include any contract that was active  
23 since July 1 of the previous calendar year. The department will  
24 coordinate to receive contract information for all contracts to  
25 include those where the department has delegated authority so that  
26 the report includes statewide contract information. The report must  
27 contain a list of all information technology contracts to include the  
28 agency name, contract number, vendor name, contract term start and  
29 end dates, contract dollar amount in total, and contract dollar  
30 amounts by state fiscal year. The report must also include, by  
31 contract, the contract spending projections by state fiscal year for  
32 each ensuing state fiscal year through the contract term, and note  
33 the type of service delivered. The list of contracts must be provided  
34 electronically in Excel and be sortable by all field requirements.  
35 The report must also include trend analytics on information  
36 technology contracts, and recommendations for reducing costs where  
37 possible.

38 (5) \$654,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2026 and \$654,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
40 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department, in

1 collaboration with the state efficiency and environmental performance  
2 program, to implement the zero emission vehicle strategy.

3 (6) \$1,501,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for zero emission electric  
6 vehicle supply equipment infrastructure at facilities to accommodate  
7 charging station installation. The electric vehicle charging  
8 equipment must allow for the collection of usage data and must be  
9 coordinated with the state efficiency and environmental performance  
10 program. The department must prioritize locations based on state  
11 efficiency and environmental performance location priorities, and at  
12 least where zero emission fleet vehicles are or are scheduled to be  
13 purchased. The department must report when and where the equipment  
14 was installed, usage data at each charging station, and the state  
15 agencies and facilities that benefit from the installation of the  
16 charging station to the fiscal committees of the legislature by June  
17 30. The department shall collaborate with the interagency electric  
18 vehicle coordinating council to implement this subsection and must  
19 work to meet benchmarks established in chapter 182, Laws of 2022  
20 (transportation resources).

21 (7)(a) \$6,052,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2026 and \$6,052,000 of the general fund—state  
23 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
24 contracting with a nonprofit organization to produce gavel-to-gavel  
25 television coverage of state government deliberations and other  
26 events statewide. The funding level for each year of the contract  
27 shall be based on the amount provided in this subsection. The  
28 nonprofit organization shall be required to raise contributions or  
29 commitments to make contributions, in cash or in kind, in an amount  
30 equal to 40 percent of the state contribution. The department may  
31 make full or partial payment once all criteria in this subsection  
32 have been satisfactorily documented.

33 (b) The legislature finds that the commitment of on-going funding  
34 is necessary to ensure continuous, autonomous, and independent  
35 coverage of public affairs. For that purpose, the department shall  
36 enter into a contract with the nonprofit organization to provide  
37 public affairs coverage.

38 (c) The nonprofit organization shall prepare an annual  
39 independent audit, an annual financial statement, and an annual

report, including benchmarks that measure the success of the nonprofit organization in meeting the intent of the program.

(d) No portion of any amounts disbursed pursuant to this subsection may be used, directly or indirectly, for any of the following purposes:

(i) Attempting to influence the passage or defeat of any legislation by the legislature of the state of Washington, by any county, city, town, or other political subdivision of the state of Washington, or by the congress, or the adoption or rejection of any rule, standard, rate, or other legislative enactment of any state agency;

(ii) Making contributions reportable under chapter 42.17A RCW; or

(iii) Providing any: (A) Gift; (B) honoraria; or (C) travel, lodging, meals, or entertainment to a public officer or employee.

(8) \$15,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5655 (child care centers/buildings). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(9) \$112,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5552 (kit homes/building codes). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(10) \$2,000,000 of the prescribed fire claims account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1563 (prescribed fire claims). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 155. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

|                                                |              |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)     | \$4,040,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)     | \$3,973,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation             | \$2,559,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation       | \$14,000     |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation | \$617,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                            | \$11,203,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Washington main street program.

(2) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the implementation of the black historic sites survey project.

(3) The department must report to and coordinate with the department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter 173-446B WAC.

***(4) \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to participate in and contribute to a multiagency permitting team for the purpose of streamlining the review of environmental restoration projects that directly benefit fish or fish habitat. Projects for review by the multiagency permitting team must be submitted under a joint aquatic resources permit application and have had a project review completed by the department of archaeology and historic preservation regarding cultural resources protection requirements, including the requirements of executive order 21-02. In general, the multiagency permitting team is comprised of state agencies with jurisdictional responsibility for the project proposal, local governments in whose geographical jurisdiction the project would be located, and any other expertise that may be needed in review of the project. State agencies are responsible for carrying out their own permit review and approval process.***

***\*Sec. 155 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 156. FOR THE WASHINGTON TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS AGENCY**

|                                                    |               |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)         | \$188,000     |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)         | \$188,000     |
| Washington Technology Solutions Revolving Account— |               |
| State Appropriation                                | \$140,085,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                | \$140,461,000 |

1       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3       (1) \$2,000,000 of the Washington technology solutions revolving  
4 account—state appropriation is provided solely for experienced  
5 information technology project managers to provide critical support  
6 to agency IT projects that are under oversight from Washington  
7 technology solutions. The staff or vendors will:

8       (a) Provide master level project management guidance to agency IT  
9 stakeholders;

10       (b) Consider statewide best practices from the public and private  
11 sectors, independent review and analysis, vendor management, budget  
12 and timing quality assurance and other support of current or past IT  
13 projects in at least Washington state and share these with agency IT  
14 stakeholders and legislative fiscal staff at least twice annually and  
15 post these to the statewide IT dashboard; and

16       (c) Provide independent recommendations to legislative fiscal  
17 committees by December of each calendar year on oversight of IT  
18 projects to include opportunities for accountability and performance  
19 metrics.

20       (2) \$2,226,000 of the Washington technology solutions revolving  
21 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the enterprise  
22 data management pilot project, and is subject to the conditions,  
23 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

24       (3) \$16,655,000 of the Washington technology solutions revolving  
25 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the office of  
26 cyber security.

27       (4) \$2,692,000 of the Washington technology solutions revolving  
28 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the office of  
29 privacy and data protection.

30       (5) Washington technology solutions shall work with customer  
31 agencies using the Washington state electronic records vault (WASERV)  
32 to identify opportunities to:

33       (a) Reduce storage volumes and costs associated with vault  
34 records stored beyond the agencies' record retention schedules; and

35       (b) Assess a customized service charge as defined in chapter 304,  
36 Laws of 2017 for costs of using WASERV to prepare data compilations  
37 in response to public records requests.

38       (6) (a) In conjunction with Washington technology solutions'  
39 prioritization of proposed information technology expenditures,

1 agency budget requests for proposed information technology  
2 expenditures must include the following:

3 (i) The agency's priority ranking of each information technology  
4 request;

5 (ii) The estimated cost by fiscal year and by fund for the  
6 current biennium;

7 (iii) The estimated cost by fiscal year and by fund for the  
8 ensuing biennium;

9 (iv) The estimated total cost for the current and ensuing  
10 biennium;

11 (v) The total cost by fiscal year, by fund, and in total, of the  
12 information technology project since it began;

13 (vi) The estimated cost by fiscal year and by fund over all  
14 biennia through implementation and close out and into maintenance and  
15 operations;

16 (vii) The estimated cost by fiscal year and by fund for service  
17 level agreements once the project is implemented;

18 (viii) The estimated cost by fiscal year and by fund for agency  
19 staffing for maintenance and operations once the project is  
20 implemented; and

21 (ix) The expected fiscal year when the agency expects to complete  
22 the request.

23 (b) Washington technology solutions and the office of financial  
24 management may request agencies to include additional information on  
25 proposed information technology expenditure requests.

26 (7) Washington technology solutions must not increase fees  
27 charged for existing services without prior approval by the office of  
28 financial management. The agency may develop fees to recover the  
29 actual cost of new infrastructure to support increased use of cloud  
30 technologies.

31 (8) Within existing resources, the agency must provide oversight  
32 of state procurement and contracting for information technology goods  
33 and services by the department of enterprise services.

34 (9) Within existing resources, the agency must host, administer,  
35 and support the state employee directory in an online format to  
36 provide public employee contact information.

37 (10) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the  
38 department of social and health services, the department of health,  
39 the department of corrections, and the department of children, youth,  
40 and families shall work together within existing resources to

1 establish the health and human services enterprise coalition (the  
2 coalition). The coalition, led by the health care authority, must be  
3 a multi-organization collaborative that provides strategic direction  
4 and federal funding guidance for projects that have cross-  
5 organizational or enterprise impact, including information technology  
6 projects that affect organizations within the coalition. Washington  
7 technology solutions shall maintain a statewide perspective when  
8 collaborating with the coalition to ensure that the development of  
9 projects identified in this report are planned for in a manner that  
10 ensures the efficient use of state resources and maximizes federal  
11 financial participation. The work of the coalition and any project  
12 identified as a coalition project is subject to the conditions,  
13 limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this act.

14 (11) \$9,101,000 of the Washington technology solutions revolving  
15 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the creation and  
16 ongoing delivery of information technology services tailored to the  
17 needs of small agencies. The scope of services must include, at a  
18 minimum, full-service desktop support, service assistance, security,  
19 and consultation.

20 (12) \$86,566,000 of the Washington technology solutions revolving  
21 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the procurement  
22 and distribution of Microsoft 365 licenses which must include  
23 advanced security features and cloud-based private branch exchange  
24 capabilities for state agencies. The office must report annually to  
25 fiscal committees of the legislature each December 31, on the count  
26 and type of licenses distributed by Washington technology solutions  
27 to each state agency. The report must also separately report on the  
28 count and type of Microsoft 365 licenses that state agencies have in  
29 addition to those that are distributed by Washington technology  
30 solutions so that the total count, type of license, and cost is known  
31 for statewide Microsoft 365 licenses.

32 (13) Washington technology solutions shall maintain an  
33 information technology project dashboard that, at minimum, provides  
34 updated information each fiscal month on the projects subject to  
35 section 701 of this act.

36 (a) The statewide information technology dashboard must include,  
37 at a minimum, the:

38 (i) Start date of the project;

39 (ii) End date of the project, when the project will close out and  
40 implementation will commence;



1 (iii) Term of the project in state fiscal years across all  
2 biennia to reflect the start of the project through the end of the  
3 project;

4 (iv) Total project cost from start date through the end date of  
5 the project in total dollars, and a subtotal of near general fund  
6 outlook;

7 (v) Near general fund outlook budget and actual spending in total  
8 dollars and by fiscal month for central service agencies that bill  
9 out project costs;

10 (vi) Start date of maintenance and operations;

11 (vii) Estimated annual state fiscal year cost of maintenance and  
12 operations after implementation and close out;

13 (viii) Actual spending by state fiscal year and in total for  
14 state fiscal years that have closed;

15 (ix) Date a feasibility study was completed or note if none has  
16 been completed to date;

17 (x) Monthly project status assessments on scope, schedule,  
18 budget, and overall by the:

19 (A) Washington technology solutions;

20 (B) Quality assurance vendor, if applicable; and

21 (C) Agency project team;

22 (xi) Monthly quality assurance reports, if applicable;

23 (xii) Monthly Washington technology solutions status reports on  
24 budget, scope, schedule, and overall project status; and

25 (xiii) Historical project budget and expenditures through fiscal  
26 year 2025.

27 (b) The statewide dashboard must retain a roll up of the entire  
28 project cost, including all subprojects, that can display subproject  
29 detail. This includes coalition projects that are active. For  
30 projects that include multiple agencies or subprojects and roll up,  
31 the dashboard must display:

32 (i) A separate technology budget and investment plan for each  
33 impacted agency. If the impacted agency has funding appropriated to  
34 another agency, as is done with the statewide electronic health  
35 records solution where the federal funding is appropriated to the  
36 health care authority and not at the department of corrections, then  
37 the technology budget must be compiled in the lead agency technology  
38 budget only, referencing any differences in appropriation index, as  
39 described in section 701(4)(b)(iii)(B) of this act; and

1 (ii) A statewide project technology budget roll up that includes  
2 each affected agency at the subproject level.

3 (c) Washington technology solutions may recommend additional  
4 elements to include but must have agreement with legislative fiscal  
5 committees and the office of financial management prior to including  
6 additional elements.

7 (d) The agency must ensure timely posting of project data on the  
8 statewide information technology dashboard for at least each project  
9 funded in the budget and those projects subject to the conditions,  
10 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act to  
11 include, at a minimum, posting on the dashboard:

12 (i) The budget funded level by project for each project under  
13 oversight within 30 calendar days of the budget being signed into  
14 law;

15 (ii) The project historical expenditures through completed fiscal  
16 years by December 31; and

17 (iii) Whether each project has completed a feasibility study.

18 (e) Washington technology solutions must post to the statewide  
19 dashboard a list of funding received by fiscal year by enacted  
20 session law, and how much was received citing chapter law as a list  
21 of funding provided by fiscal year.

22 (14) Within existing resources, Washington technology solutions  
23 must collaborate with the department of enterprise services on the  
24 annual contract report that provides information technology contract  
25 information. Washington technology solutions will:

26 (a) Provide data to the department of enterprise services  
27 annually by September 1 of each year; and

28 (b) Provide analysis on contract information for all agencies  
29 comparing spending across state fiscal years by, at least, the  
30 contract spending towers.

31 (15) \$8,666,000 of the Washington technology solutions revolving  
32 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
33 the enterprise cloud computing program as outlined in the December  
34 2020 Washington state cloud readiness report. Funding provided  
35 includes, but is not limited to, cloud service broker resources,  
36 cloud center of excellence, cloud management tools, a network  
37 assessment, cybersecurity governance, and a cloud security roadmap.

38 (16) \$3,498,000 of the Washington technology solutions revolving  
39 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the implementation

1 of the recommendations of the cloud transition task force report to  
2 include:

3 (a) A cloud readiness program to help agencies plan and prepare  
4 for transitioning to cloud computing;

5 (b) A cloud retraining program to provide a coordinated approach  
6 to skills development and retraining; and

7 (c) Staffing to define career pathways and core competencies for  
8 the state's information technology workforce.

9 (17) Washington technology solutions must collaborate with the  
10 office of the secretary of state in the evaluation of the office of  
11 the secretary of state's information technology infrastructure and  
12 applications in determining the appropriate candidates for the  
13 location of data and the systems that could be exempt from Washington  
14 technology solutions oversight.

15 (18)(a) Washington technology solutions must include the  
16 enterprise statewide electronic health records program on the  
17 statewide information technology program dashboard for those agencies  
18 appropriated funding for the statewide electronic health records  
19 solution. The program dashboard must ensure the program detail will  
20 roll up the below required subprojects:

21 (i) Enterprise foundational statewide electronic health records  
22 system, appropriated to the health care authority;

23 (ii) Department of corrections statewide electronic health  
24 records, appropriated to the department of corrections;

25 (iii) Department of social and health services statewide  
26 electronic health records, appropriated to the department of social  
27 and health services; and

28 (iv) Health care authority statewide electronic health records,  
29 appropriated to the health care authority.

30 (b) The Washington technology solutions must report to the  
31 technology services board by December 31, 2025, on the status of the  
32 following statewide electronic health records solution go-live dates:

33 (i) August 15, 2027, for the department of corrections;

34 (ii) August 15, 2027, for the department of social and health  
35 services; and

36 (iii) August 15, 2027, for the health care authority;

37 The update must include any changes to the scheduled go-live  
38 dates by agency, reporting on all risks to the schedule for the above  
39 milestone go-live dates by agency, include detail on why the schedule  
40 will be missed by agency, how the project mitigated additional

delays, and what the additional time in the schedule is anticipated to cost by fiscal year by fund source by agency, and in total.

(c) Washington technology solutions must:

(i) Require that vendors for the statewide electronic health records solution must use an agile development model holding live demonstrations of functioning software, be developed using incremental user research, and held at the end of two-week sprints;

(ii) Require the solutions be capable of being continually updated, as necessary; and

(iii) Ensure development of the statewide electronic health records solution shall include consideration of national interoperability standards, such as United States core data for interoperability or the trusted exchange framework and common agreement.

(19) In collaboration with the department of health and the health care authority:

(a) Washington technology solutions must actively consult and provide oversight over:

(i) The department of health 988 technology platform that must provide interoperability capabilities between the 988-related system and the health care authority's 988-related system;

(ii) The health care authority 988 technology platform that must provide interoperability capabilities between the 988-related system and the department of health's 988 call center platform;

(iii) How the platforms in (a)(i) and (ii) of this subsection will meet the statutory requirements for technology platform functionality and implementation dates as established in chapter 364, Laws of 2024, and must report on the progress of both platforms' budget, scope, schedule, and milestone accomplishments at a technology services board meeting by October 31, 2025. The update must include any changes to the scheduled October 1, 2025, request for proposal issuance and the January 1, 2028, go-live date by agency, reporting on all risks to the schedule for the milestone dates by agency, include detail on why the schedule will be missed by agency, how the project mitigated additional delays, and what the additional time in the schedule is anticipated to cost by fiscal year by fund source by agency, and in total; and

(b) Washington technology solutions must:

(i) Require that vendors for the 988 technology platforms must use an agile development model holding live demonstrations of

functioning software, be developed using incremental user research,  
and held at the end of two-week sprints; and  
(ii) Require the solutions be capable of being continually  
updated, as necessary.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 157.      FOR THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS**

|                                                            |             |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Professional Engineers' Account—State Appropriation. . . . | \$5,018,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                               | \$5,018,000 |

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 158.      FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE LEADERSHIP  
BOARD**

|                                                 |             |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Washington State Leadership Board Account—State |             |
| Appropriation. . . . .                          | \$1,696,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                    | \$1,696,000 |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
conditions and limitations:

(1) \$374,000 of the Washington state leadership board account—  
state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
96, Laws of 2022 (WA state leadership board).

(2) \$1,200,000 of the Washington state leadership board account—  
state appropriation is provided solely for implementing programming  
in RCW 43.388.010, and specifically the Washington world fellows  
program, sports mentoring program/boundless Washington, compassion  
scholars, and the Washington state leadership awards.

(End of part)

PART II  
HUMAN SERVICES

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 201.    FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**

(1) The appropriations to the department of social and health services in this act shall be expended for the programs and in the amounts specified in this act. Appropriations made in this act to the department of social and health services shall initially be allotted as required by this act. Subsequent allotment modifications shall not include transfers of moneys between sections of this act except as expressly provided in this act, nor shall allotment modifications permit moneys that are provided solely for a specified purpose to be used for other than that purpose.

(2) The department of social and health services shall not initiate any services that require expenditure of state general fund moneys unless expressly authorized in this act or other law. The department may seek, receive, and spend, under RCW 43.79.260 through 43.79.282, federal moneys not anticipated in this act as long as the federal funding does not require expenditure of state moneys for the program in excess of amounts anticipated in this act. If the department receives unanticipated unrestricted federal moneys, those moneys shall be spent for services authorized in this act or in any other legislation providing appropriation authority, and an equal amount of appropriated state general fund moneys shall lapse. Upon the lapsing of any moneys under this subsection, the office of financial management shall notify the legislative fiscal committees. As used in this subsection, "unrestricted federal moneys" includes block grants and other funds that federal law does not require to be spent on specifically defined projects or matched on a formula basis by state funds.

(3) The legislature finds that medicaid payment rates, as calculated by the department pursuant to the appropriations in this act, bear a reasonable relationship to the costs incurred by efficiently and economically operated facilities for providing quality services and will be sufficient to enlist enough providers so that care and services are available to the extent that such care and services are available to the general population in the geographic area. The legislature finds that cost reports, payment data from the federal government, historical utilization, economic data, and

1 clinical input constitute reliable data upon which to determine the  
2 payment rates.

3 (4) The department shall to the maximum extent practicable use  
4 the same system for delivery of spoken-language interpreter services  
5 for social services appointments as the one established for medical  
6 appointments in the health care authority. When contracting directly  
7 with an individual to deliver spoken language interpreter services,  
8 the department shall only contract with language access providers who  
9 are working at a location in the state and who are state-certified or  
10 state-authorized, except that when such a provider is not available,  
11 the department may use a language access provider who meets other  
12 certifications or standards deemed to meet state standards, including  
13 interpreters in other states.

14 (5) Information technology projects or investments and proposed  
15 projects or investments impacting time capture, payroll and payment  
16 processes and systems, eligibility, case management, and  
17 authorization systems within the department of social and health  
18 services are subject to technical oversight by Washington technology  
19 solutions.

20 (6)(a) The department shall facilitate enrollment under the  
21 medicaid expansion for clients applying for or receiving state funded  
22 services from the department and its contractors. Prior to open  
23 enrollment, the department shall coordinate with the health care  
24 authority to provide referrals to the Washington health benefit  
25 exchange for clients that will be ineligible for medicaid.

26 (b) To facilitate a single point of entry across public and  
27 medical assistance programs, and to maximize the use of federal  
28 funding, the health care authority, the department of social and  
29 health services, and the health benefit exchange will coordinate  
30 efforts to expand HealthPlanfinder access to public assistance and  
31 medical eligibility staff. The department shall complete medicaid  
32 applications in the HealthPlanfinder for households receiving or  
33 applying for public assistance benefits.

34 (7) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the  
35 department of social and health services, the department of health,  
36 the department of corrections, and the department of children, youth,  
37 and families shall work together within existing resources to  
38 establish the health and human services enterprise coalition (the  
39 coalition). The coalition, led by the health care authority, must be  
40 a multi-organization collaborative that provides strategic direction

1 and federal funding guidance for projects that have cross-  
2 organizational or enterprise impact, including information technology  
3 projects that affect organizations within the coalition. Washington  
4 technology solutions shall maintain a statewide perspective when  
5 collaborating with the coalition to ensure that projects are planned  
6 for in a manner that ensures the efficient use of state resources,  
7 support the adoption of a cohesive technology and data architecture,  
8 and maximize federal financial participation. The work of the  
9 coalition is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review  
10 provided in section 701 of this act.

11 (8) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
12 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
13 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
14 173-446B WAC.

15 (9) The department shall promptly notify the office of the  
16 attorney general upon the receipt of a request from or on behalf of a  
17 federal agency or a federal, state, or local law enforcement  
18 authority for health care information, as defined in RCW 70.02.010,  
19 program eligibility information for individuals, information that may  
20 identify a health care provider's or facility's delivery of health  
21 care services to noncitizens, or the delivery of protected health  
22 care services as defined in RCW 7.115.010 where the request may  
23 impact expenditures for such services. The department shall require  
24 contracted entities to notify the department promptly upon receipt of  
25 a request from a federal agency or law enforcement authority as  
26 described in this subsection.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 202. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH**  
28 **SERVICES—MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM**

|    |                                                      |                 |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 29 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . | \$703,408,000   |
| 30 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . . | \$729,030,000   |
| 31 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .          | \$204,706,000   |
| 32 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .    | \$15,151,000    |
| 33 | Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal       |                 |
| 34 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$7,575,000     |
| 35 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State         |                 |
| 36 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$680,000       |
| 37 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | \$1,660,550,000 |



1       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3       (1) The state psychiatric hospitals and residential treatment  
4 facilities may use funds appropriated in this subsection to purchase  
5 goods, services, and supplies through hospital group purchasing  
6 organizations when it is cost-effective to do so.

7       (2) \$320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2026 and \$320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a community partnership  
10 between western state hospital and the city of Lakewood to support  
11 community policing efforts in the Lakewood community surrounding  
12 western state hospital. The amounts provided in this subsection are  
13 for the salaries, benefits, supplies, and equipment for the city of  
14 Lakewood to produce incident and police response reports, investigate  
15 potential criminal conduct, assist with charging consultations,  
16 liaison between staff and prosecutors, provide staff training on  
17 criminal justice procedures, assist with parking enforcement, and  
18 attend meetings with hospital staff.

19       (3) \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026 and \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for payment to the city of  
22 Lakewood for police services provided by the city at western state  
23 hospital and adjacent areas.

24       (4) \$320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the salaries, benefits,  
27 supplies, and equipment for one full-time investigator, one full-time  
28 police officer, and one full-time community services officer for  
29 policing efforts at eastern state hospital. The department must  
30 collect data from the city of Medical Lake on the use of the funds  
31 and the number of calls responded to by the community policing  
32 program and submit a report with this information to the office of  
33 financial management and the appropriate fiscal committees of the  
34 legislature each December of the fiscal biennium.

35       (5) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for payment to the city of  
38 Medical Lake for police services provided by the city at eastern  
39 state hospital and adjacent areas.

1 (6) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department, in  
4 collaboration with the health care authority, to develop and  
5 implement a predictive modeling tool which identifies clients who are  
6 at high risk of future involvement with the criminal justice system  
7 and for developing a model to estimate demand for civil and forensic  
8 state hospital bed needs pursuant to the following requirements.

9 (a) By the first day of each December during the fiscal biennium,  
10 the department, in coordination with the health care authority, must  
11 submit a report to the office of financial management and the  
12 appropriate committees of the legislature that summarizes how the  
13 predictive modeling tool has been implemented and includes the  
14 following: (i) The number of individuals identified by the tool as  
15 having a high risk of future criminal justice involvement; (ii) the  
16 method and frequency for which the department is providing lists of  
17 high-risk clients to contracted managed care organizations and  
18 behavioral health administrative services organizations; (iii) a  
19 summary of how the managed care organizations and behavioral health  
20 administrative services organizations are utilizing the data to  
21 improve the coordination of care for the identified individuals; and  
22 (iv) a summary of the administrative data to identify whether  
23 implementation of the tool is resulting in increased access and  
24 service levels and lower recidivism rates for high-risk clients at  
25 the state and regional level.

26 (b) The department must provide staff support for the forensic  
27 and long-term civil commitment bed forecast which must be conducted  
28 under the direction of the office of financial management. The  
29 forecast methodology, updates, and methodology changes must be  
30 conducted in coordination with staff from the department, the health  
31 care authority, the office of financial management, and the  
32 appropriate fiscal committees of the state legislature. The model  
33 shall incorporate factors for capacity in state hospitals as well as  
34 contracted facilities, which provide similar levels of care, referral  
35 patterns, wait lists, lengths of stay, and other factors identified  
36 as appropriate for estimating the number of beds needed to meet the  
37 demand for civil and forensic state hospital services. Factors should  
38 include identification of need for the services and analysis of the  
39 effect of community investments in behavioral health services and  
40 other types of beds that may reduce the need for long-term civil

1 commitment needs. The forecast must be updated each February, June,  
2 and November during the fiscal biennium and the department must  
3 submit a report to the legislature and the appropriate committees of  
4 the legislature summarizing the updated forecast based on the  
5 caseload forecast council's schedule for entitlement program  
6 forecasts.

7 (7) \$9,119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2026 and \$9,145,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the settlement agreement  
10 under *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health Services,*  
11 *et al.*, United States District Court for the Western District of  
12 Washington, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP. The department, in  
13 collaboration with the health care authority and the criminal justice  
14 training commission, must implement the provisions of the settlement  
15 agreement pursuant to the timeline and implementation plan provided  
16 for under the settlement agreement. This includes implementing  
17 provisions related to competency evaluations, competency restoration,  
18 forensic navigators, crisis diversion and supports, education and  
19 training, and workforce development.

20 (8) \$7,147,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026 and \$7,147,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to maintain implementation of  
23 efforts to improve the timeliness of competency evaluation services  
24 for individuals who are in local jails pursuant to chapter 5, Laws of  
25 2015 (timeliness of competency treatment and evaluation services).  
26 This funding must be used solely to maintain increases in the number  
27 of competency evaluators that began in fiscal year 2016 pursuant to  
28 the settlement agreement under *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of*  
29 *Social and Health Services, et al.*, United States District Court for  
30 the Western District of Washington, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP.

31 (9) \$71,690,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2026 and \$77,825,000 of the general fund—state  
33 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
34 implementation of efforts to improve the timeliness of competency  
35 restoration services pursuant to chapter 5, Laws of 2015 (timeliness  
36 of competency treatment and evaluation services) and the settlement  
37 agreement under *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health*  
38 *Services, et al.*, United States District Court for the Western  
39 District of Washington, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP. These amounts must

1 be used to maintain increases that were implemented between fiscal  
2 year 2016 and fiscal year 2025. Pursuant to chapter 7, Laws of 2015  
3 1st sp. sess. (timeliness of competency treatment and evaluation  
4 services), the department may contract some of these amounts for  
5 services at alternative locations if the secretary determines that  
6 there is a need.

7 (10) \$84,565,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2026, \$77,343,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
9 for fiscal year 2027, and \$960,000 of the general fund—federal  
10 appropriation are provided solely for the department to continue to  
11 implement an acuity based staffing tool at western state hospital and  
12 eastern state hospital in collaboration with the hospital staffing  
13 committees. The staffing tool must be used to identify, on a daily  
14 basis, the clinical acuity on each patient ward and determine the  
15 minimum level of direct care staff by profession to be deployed to  
16 meet the needs of the patients on each ward. The department must  
17 evaluate interrater reliability of the tool within each hospital and  
18 between the two hospitals. The department must also continue to  
19 update, in collaboration with the office of financial management's  
20 labor relations office, the staffing committees, and state labor  
21 unions, an overall state hospital staffing plan that looks at all  
22 positions and functions of the facilities.

23 (a) Within the amounts provided in this section, the department  
24 must establish, monitor, track, and report monthly staffing and  
25 expenditures at the state hospitals, including overtime and use of  
26 locums, to the functional categories identified in the recommended  
27 staffing plan. The allotments and tracking of staffing and  
28 expenditures must include all areas of the state hospitals, must be  
29 done at the ward level, and must include contracted facilities  
30 providing forensic restoration services as well as the office of  
31 forensic mental health services.

32 (b) By December 1st of each fiscal year of the biennium, the  
33 department must submit reports to the office of financial management  
34 and the appropriate committees of the legislature that provide a  
35 comparison of monthly spending, staffing levels, overtime, and use of  
36 locums for the prior year compared to allotments and to the  
37 recommended state hospital staffing model. The format for these  
38 reports must be developed in consultation with staff from the office  
39 of financial management and the appropriate committees of the

1 legislature. The reports must include a summary of the results of the  
2 evaluation of the interrater reliability in use of the staffing  
3 acuity tool and an update from the hospital staffing committees.

4 (c) Monthly staffing levels and related expenditures at the state  
5 hospitals must not exceed official allotments without prior written  
6 approval from the director of the office of financial management. In  
7 the event the director of the office of financial management approves  
8 an increase in monthly staffing levels and expenditures beyond what  
9 is budgeted, notice must be provided to the appropriate committees of  
10 the legislature within 30 days of such approval. The notice must  
11 identify the reason for the authorization to exceed budgeted staffing  
12 levels and the time frame for the authorization. Extensions of  
13 authorizations under this subsection must also be submitted to the  
14 director of the office of financial management for written approval  
15 in advance of the expiration of an authorization. The office of  
16 financial management must notify the appropriate committees of the  
17 legislature of any extensions of authorizations granted under this  
18 subsection within 30 days of granting such authorizations and  
19 identify the reason and time frame for the extension.

20 (11) \$8,611,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2026, \$8,611,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
22 for fiscal year 2027, and \$924,000 of the general fund—federal  
23 appropriation are provided solely for a violence reduction team at  
24 western state hospital to improve patient and staff safety at eastern  
25 and western state hospitals. A report must be submitted by December  
26 1st of each fiscal year of the biennium, which includes a description  
27 of the violence reduction or safety strategy, a profile of the types  
28 of patients being served, the staffing model being used, and outcomes  
29 associated with each strategy. The outcomes section should include  
30 tracking data on facility-wide metrics related to patient and staff  
31 safety as well as individual outcomes related to the patients served.

32 (12) \$2,593,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,593,000 of the general fund—state  
34 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for services  
35 to patients found not guilty by reason of insanity under the *Ross v.*  
36 *Lashway* settlement agreement.

37 (13) Within the amounts provided in this subsection, the  
38 department must develop and submit an annual state hospital  
39 performance report for eastern and western state hospitals. Each

measure included in the performance report must include baseline performance data, agency performance targets, and performance for the most recent fiscal year. The performance report must include a one page dashboard as well as charts for each fiscal year and quality of care measure broken out by hospital and including but not limited to: (a) Monthly FTE expenditures compared to allotments; (b) monthly dollar expenditures compared to allotments; (c) monthly FTE expenditures per thousand patient bed days; (d) monthly dollar expenditures per thousand patient bed days; (e) percentage of FTE expenditures for overtime; (f) average length of stay by category of patient; (g) average monthly civil wait list; (h) average monthly forensic wait list; (i) rate of staff assaults per thousand patient bed days; (j) rate of patient assaults per thousand patient bed days; (k) average number of days to release after a patient has been determined to be clinically ready for discharge; and (l) average monthly vacancy rates for key clinical positions. The department must submit the state hospital performance report to the office of financial management and the appropriate committees of the legislature by the first day of each December of the biennium.

(14) \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to maintain an on-site safety compliance officer, stationed at western state hospital, to provide oversight and accountability of the hospital's response to safety concerns regarding the hospital's work environment.

(15) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to track compliance with the requirements of RCW 71.05.365 for transition of state hospital patients into community settings within 14 days of the determination that they no longer require active psychiatric treatment at an inpatient level of care. The department must use these amounts to track the following elements related to this requirement: (a) The date on which an individual is determined to no longer require active psychiatric treatment at an inpatient level of care; (b) the date on which the behavioral health entities and other organizations responsible for resource management services for the person is notified of this determination; and (c) the date on which

1 either the individual is transitioned to the community or has been  
2 reevaluated and determined to again require active psychiatric  
3 treatment at an inpatient level of care. The department must provide  
4 this information in regular intervals to behavioral health entities  
5 and other organizations responsible for resource management services.  
6 The department must summarize the information and provide a report to  
7 the office of financial management and the appropriate committees of  
8 the legislature on progress toward meeting the 14 day standard by  
9 December 1st of each year of the biennium.

10 (16) \$298,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 and \$297,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for maintenance of the facility,  
13 property, and assets at the Brockmann campus located in Clark county.

14 (17) \$77,102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2026 and \$81,301,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
17 department to operate the maple lane campus as described in (a) and  
18 (b) of this subsection.

19 (a) The department shall operate the Oak, Columbia, and Cascade  
20 cottages to provide:

21 (i) Treatment services to individuals committed to a state  
22 hospital under chapter 71.05 RCW pursuant to the dismissal of  
23 criminal charges and a civil evaluation ordered under RCW 10.77.086  
24 or 10.77.088; and

25 (ii) Treatment services to individuals acquitted of a crime by  
26 reason of insanity and subsequently ordered to receive treatment  
27 services under RCW 10.77.120.

28 (b) The department shall open and operate the Baker and Chelan  
29 cottages to provide treatment services to individuals committed to a  
30 state hospital under chapter 71.05 RCW pursuant to the dismissal of  
31 criminal charges and a civil evaluation ordered under RCW 10.77.086  
32 or 10.77.088.

33 (c) In considering placements at the maple lane campus, the  
34 department must maximize forensic bed capacity at the state hospitals  
35 for individuals in jails awaiting admission that are class members of  
36 *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health Services, et*  
37 *al.*, United States district court for the western district of  
38 Washington, cause no. 14-cv-01178-MJP.

1 (18) \$1,412,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,412,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
4 relocation, storage, and other costs associated with building  
5 demolition on the western state hospital campus.

6 (19) Within the amounts provided in this section, the department  
7 is provided funding to operate civil long-term inpatient beds at the  
8 state hospitals as follows:

9 (a) Funding is sufficient for the department to operate 162 civil  
10 beds at eastern state hospital in both fiscal year 2026 and fiscal  
11 year 2027.

12 (b) Funding is sufficient for the department to operate 287 civil  
13 beds at western state hospital in both fiscal year 2026 and fiscal  
14 year 2027.

15 (c) The department shall fully operate funded civil capacity at  
16 eastern state hospital, including reopening and operating civil beds  
17 that are not needed for eastern Washington residents to provide  
18 services for western Washington residents.

19 (d) The department shall coordinate with the health care  
20 authority toward increasing community capacity for long-term  
21 inpatient services required under section 214(30) of this act.

22 (20)(a) \$59,650,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2026 and \$59,650,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
25 department to operate 74 beds in three wards in the Olympic heritage  
26 behavioral health facility.

27 (b) The department may not use the remaining 38 beds at the  
28 facility for any purpose and must permit the contractor selected by  
29 the health care authority to utilize the beds pursuant to and upon  
30 completion of the contracted process outlined in section 214 of this  
31 act.

32 (21) \$61,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$29,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
35 Substitute House Bill No. 1359 (criminal insanity). If the bill is  
36 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
37 shall lapse.

38 (22) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2026 and \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for



fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1162 (health care work violence). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(23) \$3,278,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$4,345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 453, Laws of 2023 (competency evaluations).

(24) \$4,118,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$4,118,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$396,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the department to address delays in patient discharge as provided in this subsection.

(a) The department shall hire staff dedicated to discharge reviews, including psychologists to complete reviews and staff for additional discharge review work, including, but not limited to, scheduling, planning, and providing transportation; and establish and implement a sex offense and problematic behavior program as part of the sex offense review and referral team program.

(b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$504,000 per year shall be used for bed fees for patients who are not guilty by reason of insanity.

(c) The department shall track data as it relates to this subsection and, where available, compare it to historical data.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 203. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROGRAM**

**(1) COMMUNITY SERVICES**

|                                               |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)    | \$1,328,114,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)    | \$1,390,855,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation            | \$2,781,638,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation      | \$4,486,000     |
| Developmental Disabilities Community Services |                 |
| Account—State Appropriation                   | \$2,020,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                           | \$5,507,113,000 |

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) Individuals who receive supplemental security income (SSI) state supplemental payments shall not become eligible for medical

1 assistance under RCW 74.09.510 solely on the basis of receiving those  
2 payments.

3 (b) In accordance with RCW 18.51.050, 18.20.050, 70.128.060, and  
4 43.135.055, the department is authorized to increase nursing  
5 facility, assisted living facility, and adult family home fees as  
6 necessary to fully support the actual costs of conducting the  
7 licensure, inspection, and regulatory programs. The license fees may  
8 not exceed the department's annual licensing and oversight activity  
9 costs and shall include the department's cost of paying providers for  
10 the amount of the license fee attributed to medicaid clients.

11 (i) The current annual license renewal fee for adult family homes  
12 is \$450 per bed. A nonrefundable processing fee of \$2,750 shall be  
13 charged for the initial licensing of each adult family home. In  
14 addition, a processing fee of \$700 shall be imposed on providers  
15 submitting an application for a change of ownership.

16 (ii) The current annual license renewal fee for assisted living  
17 facilities is \$383 per bed in fiscal year 2026 and \$381 in fiscal  
18 year 2027.

19 (iii) The current annual license renewal fee for nursing  
20 facilities is \$814 per bed in fiscal year 2026 and \$834 per bed in  
21 fiscal year 2027.

22 (c) \$14,742,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2026, \$35,028,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
24 for fiscal year 2027, and \$62,704,000 of the general fund—federal  
25 appropriation are provided solely for the rate increase for the new  
26 consumer-directed employer contracted individual providers as set by  
27 the consumer-directed employer rate setting board in accordance with  
28 RCW 74.39A.530.

29 (d) \$1,146,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2026, \$2,755,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2027, and \$4,914,000 of the general fund—federal  
32 appropriation are provided solely for the homecare agency parity  
33 consistent with the rate set by the consumer-directed employer rate  
34 setting board in accordance with RCW 74.39A.530.

35 (e) \$1,027,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026, \$1,862,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027, and \$3,639,000 of the general fund—federal  
38 appropriation are provided solely for administrative costs of the

1 consumer-directed employer as set by the consumer-directed employer  
2 rate setting board in accordance with RCW 74.39A.530.

3 (f) \$228,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026, \$420,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027, and \$817,000 of the general fund—federal  
6 appropriation are provided solely to increase the administrative rate  
7 for home care agencies by 30 cents per hour effective July 1, 2025,  
8 and an additional 23 cents per hour effective July 1, 2026.

9 (g) \$6,953,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2026, \$7,815,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2027, and \$18,212,000 of the general fund—federal  
12 appropriation are provided solely for the implementation of an  
13 agreement reached between the governor and the adult family home  
14 council under the provisions of chapter 41.56 RCW for the 2025-2027  
15 fiscal biennium, as provided in section 907 of this act.

16 (h) The department may authorize a one-time waiver of all or any  
17 portion of the licensing and processing fees required under RCW  
18 70.128.060 in any case in which the department determines that an  
19 adult family home is being relicensed because of exceptional  
20 circumstances, such as death or incapacity of a provider, and that to  
21 require the full payment of the licensing and processing fees would  
22 present a hardship to the applicant. In these situations the  
23 department is also granted the authority to waive the required  
24 residential administrator training for a period of 120 days if  
25 necessary to ensure continuity of care during the relicensing  
26 process.

27 (i) (i) \$10,722,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2026, \$10,722,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
29 for fiscal year 2027, and \$21,190,000 of the general fund—federal  
30 appropriation are provided solely to increase rates by two percent,  
31 effective July 1, 2025, for community residential service providers.  
32 This includes supported living, group home, group training home,  
33 licensed staff residential services, community protection, and  
34 children's out-of-home services to individuals with developmental  
35 disabilities. The full amount must be used for compensation increases  
36 for direct support professionals and other direct care workers in  
37 these settings.

38 (ii) Contracted agency providers must include staffing  
39 information in their community residential cost reports. This

1 includes wages, health insurance, number of positions, and turnover.  
2 The data must be broken out specifically for direct support  
3 professionals and published on the department's residential programs  
4 reimbursement website.

5 (j) Community residential cost reports that are submitted by or  
6 on behalf of contracted agency providers are required to include  
7 information about agency staffing including health insurance, wages,  
8 number of positions, and turnover.

9 (k) Sufficient appropriations are provided to continue community  
10 alternative placement beds that prioritize the transition of clients  
11 who are ready for discharge from the state psychiatric hospitals, but  
12 who have additional long-term care or developmental disability needs.

13 (i) Community alternative placement beds include enhanced service  
14 facility beds, adult family home beds, skilled nursing facility beds,  
15 shared supportive housing beds, state operated living alternative  
16 beds, and assisted living facility beds.

17 (ii) Each client must receive an individualized assessment prior  
18 to leaving one of the state psychiatric hospitals. The individualized  
19 assessment must identify and authorize personal care, nursing care,  
20 behavioral health stabilization, physical therapy, or other necessary  
21 services to meet the unique needs of each client. It is the  
22 expectation that, in most cases, staffing ratios in all community  
23 alternative placement options described in (i)(i) of this subsection  
24 will need to increase to meet the needs of clients leaving the state  
25 psychiatric hospitals. If specialized training is necessary to meet  
26 the needs of a client before he or she enters a community placement,  
27 then the person centered service plan must also identify and  
28 authorize this training.

29 (iii) When reviewing placement options, the department must  
30 consider the safety of other residents, as well as the safety of  
31 staff, in a facility. An initial evaluation of each placement,  
32 including any documented safety concerns, must occur within thirty  
33 days of a client leaving one of the state psychiatric hospitals and  
34 entering one of the community placement options described in (i)(i)  
35 of this subsection. At a minimum, the department must perform two  
36 additional evaluations of each placement during the first year that a  
37 client has lived in the facility.

38 (iv) In developing bed capacity, the department shall consider  
39 the complex needs of individuals waiting for discharge from the state  
40 psychiatric hospitals.

1       (l) Sufficient appropriations are provided for discharge case  
2 managers stationed at the state psychiatric hospitals. Discharge case  
3 managers will transition clients ready for hospital discharge into  
4 less restrictive alternative community placements. The transition of  
5 clients ready for discharge will free up bed capacity at the state  
6 psychiatric hospitals.

7       (m) The annual certification renewal fee for community  
8 residential service businesses is \$859 per client in fiscal year 2026  
9 and \$859 per client in fiscal year 2027. The annual certification  
10 renewal fee may not exceed the department's annual licensing and  
11 oversight activity costs.

12       (n) \$3,042,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2026, \$3,115,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2027, and \$2,695,000 of the general fund—federal  
15 appropriation are provided for enhanced respite beds across the state  
16 for children. These services are intended to provide families and  
17 caregivers with a break in caregiving, the opportunity for behavioral  
18 stabilization of the child, and the ability to partner with the state  
19 in the development of an individualized service plan that allows the  
20 child to remain in his or her home. The department must provide the  
21 legislature with a respite utilization report in January of each year  
22 that provides information about the number of children who have used  
23 enhanced respite in the preceding year, as well as the location and  
24 number of days per month that each respite bed was occupied.

25       (o) \$2,553,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$2,621,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided for 13 community respite beds across  
28 the state for adults. These services are intended to provide families  
29 and caregivers with a break in caregiving and the opportunity for  
30 stabilization of the individual in a community-based setting as an  
31 alternative to using a residential habilitation center to provide  
32 planned or emergent respite. The department must provide the  
33 legislature with a respite utilization report by January of each year  
34 that provides information about the number of individuals who have  
35 used community respite in the preceding year, as well as the location  
36 and number of days per month that each respite bed was occupied.

37       (p) \$204,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2026, \$204,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2027, and \$512,000 of the general fund—federal

1 appropriation are provided solely for a one-time bridge rate for  
2 assisted living facilities, enhanced adult residential centers, and  
3 adult residential centers, with high medicaid occupancy. The bridge  
4 rate does not replace or substitute the capital add-on rate found in  
5 RCW 74.39A.320 and the same methodology from RCW 74.39A.320 shall be  
6 used to determine each facility's medicaid occupancy percentage for  
7 the purposes of this one-time bridge rate add-on. Facilities with a  
8 medicaid occupancy level 75 percent or more shall receive a \$20.99  
9 add-on per resident day effective July 1, 2025.

10 (q) A nonrefundable fee of \$485 shall be charged for each  
11 application to increase bed capacity at an adult family home to seven  
12 or eight beds.

13 (r) The appropriations in this section include sufficient funding  
14 to provide access to the individual and family services waiver and  
15 the basic plus waiver to those individuals on the service request  
16 list as forecasted by the caseload forecast council. For subsequent  
17 policy level budgets, the department shall submit a request for  
18 funding associated with individuals requesting to receive the  
19 individual and family services waiver and the basic plus waiver in  
20 accordance with the courtesy forecasts provided by the caseload  
21 forecast council.

22 (s) \$332,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2026, \$740,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2027, and \$1,074,000 of the general fund—federal  
25 appropriation are provided solely for supported employment and  
26 community inclusion services for those individuals with intellectual  
27 or developmental disabilities who are transitioning from high school  
28 in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium and are anticipated to utilize these  
29 services. Within amounts appropriated in this section, the department  
30 shall, no later than September 1, 2025, and September 1, 2026, submit  
31 to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature a  
32 forecast of: (i) The total caseload of individuals anticipated to  
33 utilize supported employment and community inclusion services; and  
34 (ii) the caseload of individuals transitioning from high school  
35 anticipated to utilize supported employment and community inclusion  
36 services. These forecasts shall be utilized to inform the governor's  
37 operating maintenance and policy level budgets during the 2025-2027  
38 fiscal biennium and shall include data that begins with fiscal year  
39 2018, incorporates actual entries and exits, and delineates the

1 community inclusion caseload from the supported employment caseload  
2 for both the total supported employment and community inclusion  
3 caseload forecasts and the separate caseload forecasts of those  
4 individuals transitioning from high school.

5 (t) \$3,345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 and \$3,345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to provide  
8 personal care services for up to 33 clients who are not United States  
9 citizens and who are ineligible for medicaid upon their discharge  
10 from an acute care hospital. The department must prioritize the  
11 funding provided in this subsection for such clients in acute care  
12 hospitals who are also on the department's wait list for services.

13 (u)(i) \$9,346,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2026, \$9,376,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
15 for fiscal year 2027, and \$15,292,000 of the general fund—federal  
16 appropriation are provided solely for the department to operate a  
17 transitional facility specializing in treatment for youth aged 13-17  
18 who have intellectual and developmental disabilities, or autism  
19 spectrum disorder, and a severe psychiatric diagnosis requiring 24/7  
20 care under the direction of a physician. Youth admitted to the  
21 facility require health services wherein treatment modalities and  
22 interventions are adapted to specifically provide youth with I/DD  
23 benefits from the level of care provided. Services must be provided  
24 at a leased property in Burien, serve no more than 12 youth at one  
25 time, and be implemented in a way that prioritizes transition to less  
26 restrictive community-based settings. Youth shall be voluntarily  
27 admitted to the facility by their own consent or the consent of their  
28 guardian or legal representative. The department shall collaborate  
29 with the department of children, youth, and families to identify  
30 youth for placement in this setting and regarding appropriate  
31 discharge options with a focus on less restrictive community-based  
32 settings.

33 (ii) The department and the health care authority shall  
34 collaborate in the identification and evaluation of strategies to  
35 obtain federal matching funding opportunities, specifically focusing  
36 on innovative medicaid framework adjustments and the consideration of  
37 necessary state plan amendments. This collaborative effort aims not  
38 only to enhance the funding available for the operation of the  
39 facility but also to maintain adherence to its fundamental objective

1 of offering voluntary, transitional services. These services are  
2 designed to facilitate the transition of youth to community-based  
3 settings that are less restrictive, aligning with the facility's  
4 commitment to supporting youth with complex needs in a manner that  
5 encourages their movement toward independence.

6 (v) \$118,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2026, \$118,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2027, and \$204,000 of the general fund—federal  
9 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
10 House Bill No. 1272 (children in crisis program). If the bill is not  
11 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
12 shall lapse.

13 (w) \$486,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
14 \$420,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation are provided  
15 solely for a rate add-on for adult family homes in the amount  
16 necessary to reimburse for the annual license renewal fee increase  
17 included in (b)(i) of this subsection that is paid on medicaid beds.

18 (x) \$21,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and \$18,000  
19 of the general fund—private/local appropriation are provided solely  
20 for a rate add-on for assisted living facilities in the amount  
21 necessary to reimburse for the annual license renewal fee increase  
22 included in (b)(ii) of this subsection that is paid on medicaid beds.

23 (y) \$12,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2026 and \$12,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Senate  
26 Bill No. 5079 (DSHS overpayments). If the bill is not enacted by June  
27 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

28 (z) \$1,326,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026, \$5,015,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027, and \$5,850,000 of the general fund—federal  
31 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
32 Senate Bill No. 5393 (Yakima & Rainier schools). If the bill is not  
33 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
34 shall lapse.

35 (2) INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES

|    |                                                      |               |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 36 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . | \$156,314,000 |
| 37 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . . | \$151,860,000 |
| 38 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation . . . . .         | \$256,720,000 |
| 39 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation . . . . .   | \$19,501,000  |



TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$584,395,000

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) Individuals receiving services as supplemental security income (SSI) state supplemental payments may not become eligible for medical assistance under RCW 74.09.510 due solely to the receipt of SSI state supplemental payments.

(b) The residential habilitation centers may use funds appropriated in this subsection to purchase goods, services, and supplies through hospital group purchasing organizations when it is cost-effective to do so.

(c) Sufficient appropriations are provided for the department to support the transition of individuals residing at Rainier School or the three other residential habilitation centers, into appropriate alternative residential settings, should those facilities be closed. The department shall ensure that each affected individual is offered a meaningful choice of alternative placements, including other residential habilitation centers, supported living arrangements, state operated living alternatives, adult family homes, skilled nursing facilities, or other community-based settings. When transitioning individuals, the department shall prioritize client choice, autonomy, individual preferences, medical and behavioral health care needs, and opportunities for community integration. The department shall develop individualized transition plans in collaboration with each resident, their family or legal guardian, caregivers, and support providers. The department shall coordinate closely with other state agencies, local entities, health care providers, and community stakeholders to ensure seamless transitions. The funding provided shall cover all costs associated with assessments, planning, relocation expenses, necessary housing modifications, staff training, crisis support, and related transition activities. Additionally, the department shall implement robust oversight and accountability measures, regularly monitoring transition outcomes, individual well-being and satisfaction.

**(d) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the department, in consultation with Pierce county, the city of Buckley, interested stakeholder groups, the department of enterprise services, and the office of financial management, to conduct a review of, and provide recommendations on,**

1 the conversion of the Rainier School property and facilities to an  
2 alternate use or transferring ownership and operations to a third  
3 party capable of continuing services for this population. No later  
4 than June 30, 2026, the department shall submit to the governor and  
5 the appropriate committees of the legislature a report of its  
6 findings and a prioritized list of recommendations that includes:

7 (i) In coordination with the city of Buckley and other  
8 appropriate stakeholders, identification of the recommended solution  
9 for ongoing maintenance and operations of the water treatment  
10 facility on the Rainier School campus; and

11 (ii) In consultation with appropriate stakeholders:

12 (A) With consideration of recommendations included in the 2023  
13 Rainier School footprint reduction report to the legislature,  
14 identification of alternate uses of the Rainier School property and  
15 facilities, a recommendation of the highest and best future use of  
16 the Rainier School property and facilities that includes  
17 consideration of transferring ownership and operations to a qualified  
18 third party capable of continuing services for this population, and a  
19 detailed plan for achieving the recommendation; and

20 (B) Identification of any current revenue sources from the sale  
21 or lease of the property or facilities, the associated value of those  
22 sales or leases, the account into which those sales or leases are  
23 deposited, an explanation of the rationale for any sale or lease  
24 revenue that is not deposited into the developmental disabilities  
25 community services account referenced in RCW 71A.20.170, and a  
26 recommendation of whether any existing leases should be discontinued  
27 upon closure or transfer of ownership of the Rainier School.

28 (3) PROGRAM SUPPORT

|    |                                                      |              |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 29 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . | \$3,714,000  |
| 30 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . . | \$3,774,000  |
| 31 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation . . . . .         | \$4,267,000  |
| 32 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION . . . . .                        | \$11,755,000 |

33 (4) SPECIAL PROJECTS

|    |                                                      |             |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 34 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . | \$68,000    |
| 35 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . . | \$71,000    |
| 36 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation . . . . .         | \$1,094,000 |
| 37 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION . . . . .                        | \$1,233,000 |

*\*Sec. 203 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

\*NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 204.    FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—AGING AND ADULT SERVICES PROGRAM**

|                                                     |                  |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$2,688,279,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$2,884,087,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$6,839,614,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation            | \$122,541,000    |
| Traumatic Brain Injury Account—State Appropriation  | \$7,204,000      |
| Skilled Nursing Facility Safety Net Trust Account—  |                  |
| State Appropriation                                 | \$133,360,000    |
| Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Account—State |                  |
| Appropriation                                       | \$214,874,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$12,889,959,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) For purposes of implementing chapter 74.46 RCW, the weighted average nursing facility payment rate may not exceed \$376.54 for fiscal year 2026 and may not exceed \$394.32 for fiscal year 2027. Appropriations provided in this section are sufficient to partially implement the case mix adjustment methodology to adjust rates of individual facilities for case mix changes as specified in RCW 74.46.485 and stay within the specific budget dials. The weighted average nursing facility payment rates in this subsection (1) include the following: \$35,436,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$39,028,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for a facility-specific add-on to help mitigate for the removal of one-time rate increases provided in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium in an amount that does not exceed the fiscal year 2026 weighted average nursing facility payment rate referenced in this subsection.

(b) The department shall provide a medicaid rate add-on to reimburse the medicaid share of the skilled nursing facility safety net assessment as a medicaid allowable cost. The nursing facility safety net rate add-on may not be included in the calculation of the annual statewide weighted average nursing facility payment rate.

(2) In accordance with RCW 18.51.050, 18.20.050, 70.128.060, and 43.135.055, the department is authorized to increase nursing facility, assisted living facility, and adult family home fees as necessary to fully support the actual costs of conducting the licensure, inspection, and regulatory programs. The license fees may

1 not exceed the department's annual licensing and oversight activity  
2 costs and shall include the department's cost of paying providers for  
3 the amount of the license fee attributed to medicaid clients.

4 (a) The current annual license renewal fee for adult family homes  
5 is \$450 per bed. A nonrefundable processing fee of \$2,750 shall be  
6 charged for the initial licensing of each adult family home. In  
7 addition, a processing fee of \$700 shall be imposed on providers  
8 submitting an application for a change of ownership.

9 (b) The current annual license renewal fee for assisted living  
10 facilities is \$383 per bed in fiscal year 2026 and \$381 in fiscal  
11 year 2027.

12 (c) The current annual license renewal fee for nursing facilities  
13 is \$814 per bed in fiscal year 2026 and \$834 per bed in fiscal year  
14 2027.

15 (3) The department is authorized to place long-term care clients  
16 residing in nursing homes and paid for with state-only funds into  
17 less restrictive community care settings while continuing to meet the  
18 client's care needs.

19 (4) \$33,412,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2026, \$80,128,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
21 for fiscal year 2027, and \$143,047,000 of the general fund—federal  
22 appropriation are provided solely for the rate increase for the new  
23 consumer-directed employer contracted individual providers as set by  
24 the consumer-directed rate setting board in accordance with RCW  
25 74.39A.530.

26 (5) \$10,012,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2026, \$23,830,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
28 for fiscal year 2027, and \$42,637,000 of the general fund—federal  
29 appropriation are provided solely for the homecare agency parity  
30 consistent with the rate set by the consumer-directed employer rate  
31 setting board in accordance with RCW 74.39A.530.

32 (6) \$2,327,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026, \$4,259,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027, and \$8,297,000 of the general fund—federal  
35 appropriation are provided solely for administrative costs of the  
36 consumer-directed employer as set by the consumer-directed employer  
37 rate setting board in accordance with RCW 74.39A.530.

38 (7) \$1,991,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2026, \$3,637,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2027, and \$7,090,000 of the general fund—federal  
2 appropriation are provided solely to increase the administrative rate  
3 for home care agencies by 30 cents per hour effective July 1, 2025,  
4 and an additional 23 cents per hour effective July 1, 2026.

5 (8) The department may authorize a one-time waiver of all or any  
6 portion of the licensing and processing fees required under RCW  
7 70.128.060 in any case in which the department determines that an  
8 adult family home is being relicensed because of exceptional  
9 circumstances, such as death or incapacity of a provider, and that to  
10 require the full payment of the licensing and processing fees would  
11 present a hardship to the applicant. In these situations the  
12 department is also granted the authority to waive the required  
13 residential administrator training for a period of 120 days if  
14 necessary to ensure continuity of care during the relicensing  
15 process.

16 (9) In accordance with RCW 18.390.030, the biennial registration  
17 fee for continuing care retirement communities shall be \$900 for each  
18 facility.

19 (10) Appropriations in this section are sufficient to fund  
20 discharge case managers stationed at the state psychiatric hospitals.  
21 Discharge case managers will transition clients ready for hospital  
22 discharge into less restrictive alternative community placements. The  
23 transition of clients ready for discharge will free up bed capacity  
24 at the state psychiatric hospitals.

25 (11) Appropriations in this section are sufficient to fund  
26 financial service specialists stationed at the state psychiatric  
27 hospitals. Financial service specialists will help to transition  
28 clients ready for hospital discharge into alternative community  
29 placements. The transition of clients ready for discharge will free  
30 up bed capacity at the state hospitals.

31 (12) The department shall continue to administer tailored support  
32 for older adults, medicaid alternative care, presumptive eligibility,  
33 and housing supports, as described in initiative 2 of the 1115  
34 demonstration waiver. This initiative will be funded by the health  
35 care authority through the medicaid quality improvement program. The  
36 secretary in collaboration with the director of the health care  
37 authority shall report to the office of financial management all  
38 expenditures of this subsection and shall provide such fiscal data in  
39 the time, manner, and form requested. The department shall not  
40 increase general fund—state expenditures on this initiative.

1       (13) \$54,119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2       fiscal year 2026, \$64,390,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
3       for fiscal year 2027, and \$147,644,000 of the general fund—federal  
4       appropriation are provided solely for the implementation of an  
5       agreement reached between the governor and the adult family home  
6       council under the provisions of chapter 41.56 RCW for the 2025-2027  
7       fiscal biennium, as provided in section 908 of this act.

8       (14) Appropriations provided in this section are sufficient to  
9       continue community alternative placement beds that prioritize the  
10      transition of clients who are ready for discharge from the state  
11      psychiatric hospitals, but who have additional long-term care or  
12      developmental disability needs.

13      (a) Community alternative placement beds include enhanced service  
14      facility beds, adult family home beds, skilled nursing facility beds,  
15      shared supportive housing beds, state operated living alternative  
16      beds, assisted living facility beds, adult residential care beds, and  
17      specialized dementia beds.

18      (b) Each client must receive an individualized assessment prior  
19      to leaving one of the state psychiatric hospitals. The individualized  
20      assessment must identify and authorize personal care, nursing care,  
21      behavioral health stabilization, physical therapy, or other necessary  
22      services to meet the unique needs of each client. It is the  
23      expectation that, in most cases, staffing ratios in all community  
24      alternative placement options described in (a) of this subsection  
25      will need to increase to meet the needs of clients leaving the state  
26      psychiatric hospitals. If specialized training is necessary to meet  
27      the needs of a client before he or she enters a community placement,  
28      then the person centered service plan must also identify and  
29      authorize this training.

30      (c) When reviewing placement options, the department must  
31      consider the safety of other residents, as well as the safety of  
32      staff, in a facility. An initial evaluation of each placement,  
33      including any documented safety concerns, must occur within thirty  
34      days of a client leaving one of the state psychiatric hospitals and  
35      entering one of the community placement options described in (a) of  
36      this subsection. At a minimum, the department must perform two  
37      additional evaluations of each placement during the first year that a  
38      client has lived in the facility.

1 (d) In developing bed capacity, the department shall consider the  
2 complex needs of individuals waiting for discharge from the state  
3 psychiatric hospitals.

4 (15) The annual certification renewal fee for community  
5 residential service businesses is \$859 per client in fiscal year 2026  
6 and \$859 per client in fiscal year 2027. The annual certification  
7 renewal fee may not exceed the department's annual licensing and  
8 oversight activity costs.

9 (16) \$5,245,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2026 and \$5,245,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for services  
12 and support to individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or deaf-  
13 blind.

14 (17) \$8,747,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2026, \$8,747,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
16 for fiscal year 2027, and \$19,878,000 of the general fund—federal  
17 appropriation are provided solely for a one-time bridge rate for  
18 assisted living facilities, enhanced adult residential centers, and  
19 adult residential centers, with high medicaid occupancy. The bridge  
20 rate does not replace or substitute the capital add-on rate found in  
21 RCW 74.39A.320 and the same methodology from RCW 74.39A.320 shall be  
22 used to determine each facility's medicaid occupancy percentage for  
23 the purposes of this one-time bridge rate add-on. Facilities with a  
24 medicaid occupancy level 75 percent or more shall receive a \$20.99  
25 add-on per resident day effective July 1, 2025.

26 (18) A nonrefundable fee of \$485 shall be charged for each  
27 application to increase bed capacity at an adult family home to seven  
28 or eight beds.

29 (19) \$1,858,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,857,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for operation  
32 of the volunteer services program. Funding must be prioritized  
33 towards serving populations traditionally served by long-term care  
34 services to include senior citizens and persons with disabilities.

35 (20) \$989,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$989,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the kinship navigator  
38 program in the Colville Indian reservation, Yakama Nation, and other  
39 tribal areas.

1 (21) The traumatic brain injury council shall collaborate with  
2 other state agencies in their efforts to address traumatic brain  
3 injuries to ensure that efforts are complimentary and continue to  
4 support the state's broader efforts to address this issue.

5 (22) \$2,807,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2026, \$2,811,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
7 for fiscal year 2027, and \$70,000 of the general fund—federal  
8 appropriation are provided solely for the kinship care support  
9 program. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

10 (a) \$863,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 and \$867,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the kinship care support  
13 program.

14 (b) \$1,726,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026, \$1,734,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027, and \$70,000 of the general fund—federal  
17 appropriation are provided solely for kinship navigators, including  
18 an increase in the number of kinship navigators so that each area  
19 agency on aging has one kinship navigator and King county has two  
20 kinship navigators.

21 (23) \$2,574,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,567,000 of the general fund—state  
23 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
24 department to provide personal care services for up to 40 clients who  
25 are not United States citizens and who are ineligible for medicaid  
26 upon their discharge from an acute care hospital. The department must  
27 prioritize the funding provided in this subsection for such clients  
28 in acute care hospitals who are also on the department's wait list  
29 for services.

30 (24) \$24,848,000 of the long-term services and supports trust  
31 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the information  
32 technology project for the long-term services and supports trust  
33 program, and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review  
34 requirements of section 701 of this act.

35 (25) \$13,982,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2026 and \$13,982,000 of the general fund—state  
37 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the area  
38 agencies on aging to maintain senior nutrition services. This



1 includes, but is not limited to, meals at sites, through pantries,  
2 and home-delivery.

3 (26) \$3,831,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2026, \$7,859,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
5 for fiscal year 2027, and \$7,187,000 of the general fund—federal  
6 appropriation are provided solely for the nursing home to community  
7 program to increase the rental subsidy base to \$1,400 and expand the  
8 program by 200 slots.

9 **(27) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
10 **year 2026 is provided solely for the department to contract with an**  
11 **organization to enhance direct services, outreach, and case**  
12 **management services for seniors residing in at least four senior**  
13 **housing communities located within a city adjacent to a major**  
14 **international airport in King county. These funds must be used to**  
15 **connect seniors to health, housing, and social resources to support**  
16 **their ability to live independently and safely in their homes.**

17 (28) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2026 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for community-based dementia  
20 education and support activities in three areas of the state,  
21 including dementia resource catalyst staff and direct services for  
22 people with dementia and their caregivers.

23 (29)(a) \$20,662,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2026, \$22,745,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
25 for fiscal year 2027, and \$43,416,000 of the general fund—federal  
26 appropriation are provided solely for the operating costs associated  
27 with enhanced service facilities.

28 (b) The department shall broaden the current discharge and  
29 referral case management practices for difficult to discharge  
30 hospital patients waiting in acute care hospitals to include  
31 referrals to all long-term care behavioral health settings, including  
32 enhanced services facilities, enhanced adult residential care, and  
33 enhanced adult residential care with community stability supports  
34 contracts or community behavioral health support services, including  
35 supportive supervision and oversight and skills development and  
36 restoration. These home and community-based providers are contracted  
37 to provide various levels of personal care, nursing, and behavior  
38 supports for difficult to discharge hospital patients with  
39 significant behavior support needs.

1 (c) Patients ready to discharge from acute care hospitals with  
2 diagnosed behaviors or behavior history, and a likelihood of  
3 unsuccessful placement in other licensed long-term care facilities, a  
4 history of rejected applications for admissions, or a history of  
5 unsuccessful placements shall be fully eligible for referral to  
6 available beds in enhanced services facilities or enhanced adult  
7 residential care with contracts that adequately meet the patient's  
8 long-term care needs.

9 (d) Previous or current detainment under the involuntary  
10 treatment act shall not be a requirement for individuals in acute  
11 care hospitals to be eligible for these specialized settings. The  
12 department shall develop a standard process for acute care hospitals  
13 to refer patients to the department for placement in enhanced  
14 services facilities and enhanced adult residential care with  
15 contracts to provide behavior support.

16 (30) \$1,761,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2026, \$1,761,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
18 for fiscal year 2027, and \$4,162,000 of the general fund—federal  
19 appropriation are provided solely for case managers at the area  
20 agencies on aging to coordinate care for medicaid clients with mental  
21 illness who are living in their own homes. Work shall be accomplished  
22 within existing standards for case management and no requirements  
23 will be added or modified unless by mutual agreement between the  
24 department of social and health services and area agencies on aging.

25 (31) \$14,447,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2026, \$14,510,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
27 for fiscal year 2027, and \$28,959,000 of the general fund—federal  
28 appropriation are provided solely for nursing home services and  
29 emergent building costs at the transitional care center of Seattle.

30 (32) \$3,800,000 of the traumatic brain injury account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
32 House Bill No. 1848 (traumatic brain injuries). If the bill is not  
33 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
34 shall lapse.

35 (33) \$3,681,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
36 \$3,179,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation are  
37 provided solely for a rate add-on for adult family homes in the  
38 amount necessary to reimburse for the annual license renewal fee

1 increase included in subsection (2)(a) of this section that is paid  
2 on medicaid beds.

3 (34) \$2,216,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
4 \$1,974,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation are  
5 provided solely for a rate add-on for assisted living facilities in  
6 the amount necessary to reimburse for the annual license renewal fee  
7 increase included in subsection (2)(b) of this section that is paid  
8 on medicaid beds.

9 (35) \$3,944,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
10 \$3,580,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation are  
11 provided solely for a rate add-on for nursing facilities in the  
12 amount necessary to reimburse for the annual license renewal fee  
13 increase included in subsection (2)(c) of this section that is paid  
14 on medicaid beds.

15 (36) \$438,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation is  
16 provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute  
17 Senate Bill No. 5337 (memory care services). If the bill is not  
18 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
19 shall lapse.

20 (37) \$4,722,000 of the long-term services and supports trust  
21 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
22 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5291 (long-term services trust).  
23 If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in  
24 this subsection shall lapse.

25 (38) \$38,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$38,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Senate  
28 Bill No. 5079 (DSHS overpayments). If the bill is not enacted by June  
29 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

*\*Sec. 204 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

30 NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 205.    FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH**  
31 **SERVICES—ECONOMIC SERVICES PROGRAM**

|    |                                                     |                 |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 32 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . | \$761,681,000   |
| 33 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . | \$710,910,000   |
| 34 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .         | \$1,910,479,000 |
| 35 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .   | \$5,002,000     |
| 36 | Administrative Contingency Account—State            |                 |
| 37 | Appropriation. . . . .                              | \$4,000,000     |

Domestic Violence Prevention Account—State

Appropriation. . . . . \$2,404,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$3,394,476,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) \$201,111,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$183,932,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, \$868,255,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation, and \$4,000,000 of the administrative contingency account—state appropriation are provided solely for all components of the WorkFirst program. Within the amounts provided for the WorkFirst program, the department may provide assistance using state-only funds for families eligible for temporary assistance for needy families. The budget structure must include budget units for the following: Cash assistance, child care, WorkFirst activities, and administration of the program. Within these budget units, the department must develop program index codes for specific activities and develop allotments and track expenditures using these codes. The department shall report to the office of financial management and the relevant fiscal and policy committees of the legislature prior to adopting a structure change.

(b) \$530,530,000 of the amounts in (a) of this subsection is for assistance to clients, including grants, diversion cash assistance, and additional diversion emergency assistance including but not limited to assistance authorized under RCW 74.08A.210. The department may use state funds to provide support to working families that are eligible for temporary assistance for needy families but otherwise not receiving cash assistance.

(c)(i) \$167,934,000 of the amounts in (a) of this subsection is for WorkFirst job search, education and training activities, barrier removal services, limited English proficiency services, and tribal assistance under RCW 74.08A.040. The department must allocate this funding based on client outcomes and cost effectiveness measures. Within amounts provided in this subsection (1)(c), the department shall implement the working family support program.

(ii) \$2,474,000 of the amounts provided in (c)(i) of this subsection is for enhanced transportation assistance. The department must prioritize the use of these funds for the recipients most in need of financial assistance to facilitate their return to work. The

1 department must not utilize these funds to supplant repayment  
2 arrangements that are currently in place to facilitate the  
3 reinstatement of drivers' licenses.

4 (d) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, \$353,402,000 of the  
5 general fund—federal appropriation is for the working connections  
6 child care program under RCW 43.216.020 within the department of  
7 children, youth, and families. The department is the lead agency for  
8 and recipient of the federal temporary assistance for needy families  
9 grant. A portion of this grant must be used to fund child care  
10 subsidies expenditures at the department of children, youth, and  
11 families.

12 (i) The department of social and health services shall work in  
13 collaboration with the department of children, youth, and families to  
14 determine the appropriate amount of state expenditures for the  
15 working connections child care program to claim towards the state's  
16 maintenance of effort for the temporary assistance for needy families  
17 program. The departments will also collaborate to track the average  
18 monthly child care subsidy caseload and expenditures by fund type,  
19 including child care development fund, general fund—state  
20 appropriation, and temporary assistance for needy families for the  
21 purpose of estimating the annual temporary assistance for needy  
22 families reimbursement from the department of social and health  
23 services to the department of children, youth, and families.

24 (ii) On December 1st of each year of the biennium the department  
25 of children, youth, and families must report to the governor and the  
26 appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the legislature the total  
27 state contribution for the working connections child care program  
28 claimed the previous fiscal year towards the state's maintenance of  
29 effort for the temporary assistance for needy families program and  
30 the total temporary assistance for needy families reimbursement from  
31 the department of social and health services for the previous fiscal  
32 year.

33 (e) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, \$68,496,000 of the  
34 general fund—federal appropriation is for child welfare services  
35 within the department of children, youth, and families.

36 (f) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, \$136,939,000 is for  
37 WorkFirst administration and overhead.

38 (g)(i) The department shall submit quarterly expenditure reports  
39 to the governor, the fiscal committees of the legislature, and the

1 legislative WorkFirst poverty reduction oversight task force under  
2 RCW 74.08A.341. In addition to these requirements, the department  
3 must detail any fund transfers across budget units identified in (a)  
4 through (e) of this subsection. The department shall not initiate any  
5 services that require expenditure of state general fund moneys that  
6 are not consistent with policies established by the legislature.

7 (ii) The department may transfer up to 10 percent of funding  
8 between budget units identified in (b) through (f) of this  
9 subsection. The department shall provide notification prior to any  
10 transfer to the office of financial management and to the appropriate  
11 legislative committees and the legislative-executive WorkFirst  
12 poverty reduction oversight task force. The approval of the director  
13 of financial management is required prior to any transfer under this  
14 subsection.

15 (h) On January 2nd and July 1st of each year, the department  
16 shall provide a maintenance of effort and participation rate tracking  
17 report for temporary assistance for needy families to the office of  
18 financial management, the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of  
19 the legislature, and the legislative-executive WorkFirst poverty  
20 reduction oversight task force. The report must detail the following  
21 information for temporary assistance for needy families:

22 (i) An overview of federal rules related to maintenance of  
23 effort, excess maintenance of effort, participation rates for  
24 temporary assistance for needy families, and the child care  
25 development fund as it pertains to maintenance of effort and  
26 participation rates;

27 (ii) Countable maintenance of effort and excess maintenance of  
28 effort, by source, provided for the previous federal fiscal year;

29 (iii) Countable maintenance of effort and excess maintenance of  
30 effort, by source, for the current fiscal year, including changes in  
31 countable maintenance of effort from the previous year;

32 (iv) The status of reportable federal participation rate  
33 requirements, including any impact of excess maintenance of effort on  
34 participation targets;

35 (v) Potential new sources of maintenance of effort and progress  
36 to obtain additional maintenance of effort;

37 (vi) A two-year projection for meeting federal block grant and  
38 contingency fund maintenance of effort, participation targets, and  
39 future reportable federal participation rate requirements; and

1 (vii) Proposed and enacted federal law changes affecting  
2 maintenance of effort or the participation rate, what impact these  
3 changes have on Washington's temporary assistance for needy families  
4 program, and the department's plan to comply with these changes.

5 (i) In the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, it is the intent of the  
6 legislature to provide appropriations from the state general fund for  
7 the purposes of (a) of this subsection if the department does not  
8 receive additional federal temporary assistance for needy families  
9 contingency funds in each fiscal year as assumed in the budget  
10 outlook.

11 (2) \$3,545,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026 and \$3,545,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for naturalization services.

14 (3) \$2,366,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 is provided solely for employment services for refugees and  
16 immigrants, of which \$1,774,000 is provided solely for the department  
17 to pass through to statewide refugee and immigrant assistance  
18 organizations for limited English proficiency pathway services; and  
19 \$2,366,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
20 2027 is provided solely for employment services for refugees and  
21 immigrants, of which \$1,774,000 is provided solely for the department  
22 to pass through to statewide refugee and immigrant assistance  
23 organizations for limited English proficiency pathway services.

24 (4) On January 1st of each year, the department must report to  
25 the governor and the legislature on all sources of funding available  
26 for both refugee and immigrant services and naturalization services  
27 during the current fiscal year and the amounts expended to date by  
28 service type and funding source. The report must also include the  
29 number of clients served and outcome data for the clients.

30 (5) To ensure expenditures remain within available funds  
31 appropriated in this section, the legislature establishes the benefit  
32 under the state food assistance program, pursuant to RCW 74.08A.120,  
33 to be 100 percent of the federal supplemental nutrition assistance  
34 program benefit amount.

35 (6) The department shall review clients receiving services  
36 through the aged, blind, or disabled assistance program, to determine  
37 whether they would benefit from assistance in becoming naturalized  
38 citizens, and thus be eligible to receive federal supplemental

1 security income benefits. Those cases shall be given high priority  
2 for naturalization funding through the department.

3 (7) The department shall continue the interagency agreement with  
4 the department of veterans' affairs to establish a process for  
5 referral of veterans who may be eligible for veterans' services. This  
6 agreement must include out-stationing department of veterans' affairs  
7 staff in selected community service office locations in King and  
8 Pierce counties to facilitate applications for veterans' services.

9 (8) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for operational support of the  
12 Washington information network 211 organization.

13 (9) \$560,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2026 and \$560,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a state-funded employment  
16 and training program for recipients of the state's food assistance  
17 program.

18 (10) \$4,984,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2026, \$4,406,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
20 for fiscal year 2027, and \$17,548,000 of the general fund—federal  
21 appropriation are provided solely for the alignment of eligibility  
22 rules in accordance with federal center for medicare and medicaid  
23 services' regulations in 42 C.F.R. Sec. 433.112(b) and in  
24 coordination with the health benefit exchange. Funding is subject to  
25 the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701  
26 of this act.

27 (11) Within existing resources, a revised integrated eligibility  
28 and enrollment roadmap and schedule will be created to accommodate  
29 eligibility rule updates that are necessary to meet the federal  
30 center for medicare and medicaid services' regulations.

31 (12) \$1,067,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2026, \$1,067,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
33 for fiscal year 2027, and \$4,980,000 of the general fund—federal  
34 appropriation are provided solely for the integrated eligibility and  
35 enrollment modernization project office.

36 (13)(a) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for sponsorship stabilization  
38 funds for eligible unaccompanied children and their sponsors.



1 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$350,000  
2 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is  
3 provided solely for sponsorship stabilization funds for eligible  
4 unaccompanied children and their sponsors in order to address  
5 financial hardship and support household well-being. Stabilization  
6 funds can be used to support the sponsorship household with costs of  
7 housing, childcare, transportation, internet and data services,  
8 household goods, and other unmet needs. The funds may be provided on  
9 behalf of an unaccompanied child when the following eligibility  
10 criteria are met:

11 (i) The unaccompanied child is between the ages of 0-17, has been  
12 placed in Washington under the care of a nonparental sponsor  
13 following release from the United States office of refugee  
14 resettlement custody, and has not been reunified with a parent; and

15 (ii) The sponsorship household demonstrates financial need and  
16 has an income below 250 percent of the federal poverty level. A  
17 sponsorship household receiving stabilization funds on behalf of a  
18 child who turns 18 may continue to receive funds for an additional 60  
19 days after the child reaches 18 years of age.

20 (c) The department may work with community-based organizations to  
21 administer sponsorship stabilization supports. Up to 10 percent of  
22 the amounts provided in (b) of this subsection may be used by the  
23 community-based organizations to cover administrative expenses  
24 associated with the distribution of these supports.

25 (d) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, up to  
26 \$150,000 is provided solely to cover the administrative resources  
27 necessary for the department to administer the sponsorship  
28 stabilization program.

29 (14) \$185,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2026 is provided solely for the department to meet the terms of  
31 its settlement agreement with the United States department of  
32 agriculture (USDA), specifically to fund employment and training  
33 program services and activities targeted to able-bodied adults  
34 without dependents receiving food benefits from the USDA supplemental  
35 nutrition assistance program, but open to all basic food employment  
36 and training participants including participants who are not able-  
37 bodied adults without dependents.

38 (15) \$1,140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,141,000 of the general fund—federal

1 appropriation are provided solely to fully integrate the asset  
2 verification system into the automated client eligibility system  
3 (ACES).

4 (16)(a) \$6,911,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2026, \$4,924,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
6 for fiscal year 2027, and \$11,837,000 of the general fund—federal  
7 appropriation are provided solely for the implementation of the  
8 summer electronic benefit transfer program for the summer break  
9 months following the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years. The program  
10 implementation must align with the federal summer electronic benefit  
11 program requirements defined in the consolidated appropriations act,  
12 2023 (136 Stat. 4459). The department may use a third-party entity to  
13 administer the program through March of 2027.

14 (b) Within existing resources, the department must submit a  
15 report by September 12, 2025, to the appropriate policy and fiscal  
16 committees of the legislature and the governor that includes detailed  
17 estimates of the cost and timeline to administer the summer  
18 electronic benefit transfer program within the community services  
19 division. The report shall also include a comparison of the potential  
20 benefits and risks of administering the program within the division  
21 or through using a vendor and any recommendations the department may  
22 have.

23 (17)(a) \$25,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely to the office of refugee and  
25 immigrant assistance to expand support services for individuals newly  
26 arriving to the United States and Washington who do not qualify for  
27 federal refugee resettlement program services. Support services  
28 include, but are not limited to, housing assistance, food,  
29 transportation, childhood education services, education and  
30 employment supports, connection to legal services, and social  
31 services navigation.

32 (b) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, up to \$810,000 for  
33 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for staffing at the office of  
34 refugee and immigrant assistance to cover the administrative expenses  
35 of implementing this subsection.

36 (18) By June 30th of each fiscal year, the department must submit  
37 a report to the governor and the legislature that shows the prior  
38 fiscal year's call and lobby wait times by month and queue, number of  
39 customer contacts by month and queue, processing times for the

1 various queues for the three most recent fiscal years along with an  
2 explanation for any changes to the most recent year's processing  
3 times, number of filled public benefit specialists 3 positions and  
4 vacancies by month, any available wait time impacts associated with  
5 the individual technology solution enhancements, any telephonic  
6 savings experienced due to fewer customers waiting on hold, and  
7 recommendations to continue reducing customer wait times.

8 (19) Within existing resources, the department shall assess the  
9 ongoing feasibility of continuing services with a third-party  
10 employment verification vendor. A report shall be submitted to the  
11 legislature and governor by September 12, 2025, that includes the  
12 following:

13 (a) A detailed overview of the current employment verification  
14 process, including the general instances in which employment  
15 verification is deemed necessary, when the third-party vendor is used  
16 to complete this task and who completes the verification;

17 (b) Current cost of the third-party vendor along with projected  
18 rate increases;

19 (c) Available options to reduce the ongoing cost of using a  
20 third-party vendor for employment verification services, including  
21 but not limited to an inventory of available vendors and their rates  
22 and ways to streamline employment verification costs by reducing  
23 duplicative or unnecessary searches;

24 (d) Costs and risks associated with using in-house services to  
25 verify employment instead of using a third-party vendor; and

26 (e) Recommendations of cost-effective and sustainable employment  
27 verification options.

28 (20) \$154,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 and \$154,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Senate  
31 Bill No. 5079 (DSHS overpayments). If this bill is not enacted by  
32 June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

33 (21) \$192,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026, \$163,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2027, and \$465,000 of the general fund—federal  
36 appropriation are provided solely to support the expansion of the  
37 federal supplemental nutrition assistance program tribal eligibility  
38 determination project to an additional five tribes.

\*NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 206.    FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM**

|                                                     |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . | \$25,410,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . | \$25,958,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .         | \$121,507,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | \$172,875,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$550,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$550,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to federally recognized tribes of Washington to support culturally appropriate vocational rehabilitation services and adaptive technologies for tribal members with disabilities who are seeking employment.

***(2) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the department to contract with community-based nonprofit organizations that collaborate statewide to provide services in counties west of the Cascade mountains, in central Washington, and counties in the most eastern part of the state. The entities must specialize in fostering independent living core services, community integration, and accessibility for individuals with developmental disabilities. These nonprofit organizations must have knowledge, demonstrate effectiveness, and specialize in fostering independent living, community integration, and accessibility for individuals with developmental disabilities. These funds must be used to support efforts to enhance inclusive community spaces, assist individuals transitioning from institutional settings to independent living, and strengthen capacity for more inclusive emergency preparedness.***

(3) \$3,208,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5253 (special education services) to extend client services to students through the school year students turn 22. If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

*\*Sec. 206 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 207.    FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—SPECIAL COMMITMENT PROGRAM**

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$80,354,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$80,835,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$161,189,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The special commitment center may use funds appropriated in this subsection to purchase goods, services, and supplies through hospital group purchasing organizations when it is cost-effective to do so.

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 208.     FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORTING SERVICES PROGRAM**

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$124,811,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$125,044,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$152,146,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$402,001,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the department shall provide to the department of health, where available, the following data for all nutrition assistance programs funded by the United States department of agriculture and administered by the department. The department must provide the report for the preceding federal fiscal year by February 1, 2026, and February 1, 2027. The report must provide:

(a) The number of people in Washington who are eligible for the program;

(b) The number of people in Washington who participated in the program;

(c) The average annual participation rate in the program;

(d) Participation rates by geographic distribution; and

(e) The annual federal funding of the program in Washington.

(2) \$399,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$467,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$508,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the implementation of an agreement reached between the governor and the Washington federation of state employees for the language access providers under the provisions of chapter 41.56 RCW for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium as provided in section 907 of this act.

(3) \$138,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$138,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$161,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1272 (children in crisis program). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(4)(a) \$931,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$9,839,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the statewide electronic health records solution and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

(b) The statewide electronic health records solution must use an agile development model holding live demonstrations of functioning software, developed using incremental user research, held at the end of two-week sprints.

(c) The statewide electronic health records solution must be capable of being continually updated, as necessary.

(d)(i) The department must collaborate with the department of corrections and the health care authority and, as a team, must work to successfully meet budget, scope, and schedule for the statewide electronic health records solution.

(ii) Beginning July 1, 2025, the department of social and health services agency project team shall provide necessary updates to the health care authority foundational project team for the statewide electronic health records solution within 15 calendar days of the end of each fiscal quarter.

(iii) The information provided to the authority shall include how funding was spent compared to the budget spending plan for the prior quarter by fiscal month and what the next quarter budget will be by fiscal month.

(iv) The requirements of the quarterly report are provided in section 211(58) of this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 209. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—PAYMENTS TO OTHER AGENCIES PROGRAM**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$82,964,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$68,511,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$67,585,000 |

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$219,060,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the department must extend master property insurance to all buildings owned by the department valued over \$250,000 and to all locations leased by the department with contents valued over \$250,000.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 210. FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**

(1)(a) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the health care authority shall provide support and data as required by the office of the state actuary in providing the legislature with health care actuarial analysis, including providing any information in the possession of the health care authority or available to the health care authority through contracts with providers, plans, insurers, consultants, or any other entities contracting with the health care authority.

(b) Information technology projects or investments and proposed projects or investments impacting time capture, payroll and payment processes and systems, eligibility, case management, and authorization systems within the health care authority are subject to technical oversight by Washington technology solutions.

(2) The health care authority shall not initiate any services that require expenditure of state general fund moneys unless expressly authorized in this act or other law. The health care authority may seek, receive, and spend, under RCW 43.79.260 through 43.79.282, federal moneys not anticipated in this act as long as the federal funding does not require expenditure of state moneys for the program in excess of amounts anticipated in this act. If the health care authority receives unanticipated unrestricted federal moneys, those moneys shall be spent for services authorized in this act or in any other legislation providing appropriation authority, and an equal amount of appropriated state general fund moneys shall lapse. Upon the lapsing of any moneys under this subsection, the office of financial management shall notify the legislative fiscal committees. As used in this subsection, "unrestricted federal moneys" includes block grants and other funds that federal law does not require to be spent on specifically defined projects or matched on a formula basis by state funds.

1 (3)(a) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange,  
2 the department of social and health services, the department of  
3 health, the department of corrections, and the department of  
4 children, youth, and families shall work together within existing  
5 resources to establish the health and human services enterprise  
6 coalition (the coalition). The coalition, led by the health care  
7 authority, must be a multi-organization collaborative that provides  
8 strategic direction and federal funding guidance for projects that  
9 have cross-organizational or enterprise impact, including information  
10 technology projects that affect organizations within the coalition.  
11 Washington technology solutions shall maintain a statewide  
12 perspective when collaborating with the coalition to ensure that  
13 projects are planned for in a manner that ensures the efficient use  
14 of state resources, supports the adoption of a cohesive technology  
15 and data architecture, and maximizes federal financial participation.  
16 The work of the coalition and any project identified as a coalition  
17 project is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review  
18 provided in section 701 of this act.

19 (b) The health care authority must submit a report on November  
20 1st of each fiscal year to the fiscal committees of the legislature.  
21 The report must include, at a minimum:

22 (i) A list of active coalition projects as of July 1st of the  
23 fiscal year. This must include all current and ongoing coalition  
24 projects, which coalition agencies are involved in these projects,  
25 and the funding being expended on each project, including in-kind  
26 funding. For each project, the report must include which federal  
27 requirements each coalition project is working to satisfy, and when  
28 each project is anticipated to satisfy those requirements; and

29 (ii) A list of coalition projects that are planned in the current  
30 and following fiscal year. This must include which coalition agencies  
31 are involved in these projects, including the anticipated in-kind  
32 funding by agency, and if a budget request will be submitted for  
33 funding. This must reflect all funding required by fiscal year and by  
34 fund source and include the budget outlook period.

35 (4) The health care authority shall promptly notify the office of  
36 the attorney general upon the receipt of a request from or on behalf  
37 of a federal agency or a federal, state, or local law enforcement  
38 authority for health care information, as defined in RCW 70.02.010,  
39 program eligibility information for individuals, information that may  
40 identify a health care provider's or facility's delivery of health



care services to noncitizens, or the delivery of protected health care services as defined in RCW 7.115.010 where the request may impact expenditures for such services. The authority shall require contracted entities to notify the authority promptly upon receipt of a request from a federal agency or law enforcement authority as described in this subsection.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 211. FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY—  
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**

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| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                                              | \$3,297,488,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                                              | \$3,238,506,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                      | \$20,698,162,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                                | \$1,799,623,000  |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2026)                             | \$19,780,000     |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2027)                             | \$20,850,000     |
| Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care Systems<br>Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$15,086,000     |
| Hospital Safety Net Assessment Account—State<br>Appropriation                           | \$1,811,036,000  |
| Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Account—State<br>Appropriation                    | \$10,142,000     |
| Medicaid Access Program Account—State Appropriation                                     | \$35,000,000     |
| Medical Aid Account—State Appropriation                                                 | \$540,000        |
| Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line<br>Account—State Appropriation     | \$1,610,000      |
| Telebehavioral Health Access Account—State<br>Appropriation                             | \$7,608,000      |
| Ambulance Transport Fund—State Appropriation                                            | \$12,368,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                                     | \$30,967,799,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The authority may not accept or expend any federal funds received under an 1115 demonstration waiver except as described in this section unless the legislature has appropriated the federal funding. To ensure compliance with legislative requirements and terms and conditions of the waiver, the authority shall implement the renewal of the 1115 demonstration waiver and reporting requirements

1 with oversight from the office of financial management. The  
2 legislature finds that appropriate management of the renewal of the  
3 1115 demonstration waiver as set forth in subsections (2), (3), and  
4 (4) of this section requires sound, consistent, timely, and  
5 transparent oversight and analytic review in addition to lack of  
6 redundancy with other established measures. The patient must be  
7 considered first and foremost in the implementation and execution of  
8 the demonstration waiver. To accomplish these goals, the authority  
9 shall develop consistent performance measures that focus on  
10 population health and health outcomes. The authority shall limit the  
11 number of projects that accountable communities of health may  
12 participate in under initiative 1 to a maximum of six and shall seek  
13 to develop common performance measures when possible. The joint  
14 select committee on health care oversight will evaluate the measures  
15 chosen: (a) For effectiveness and appropriateness; and (b) to provide  
16 patients and health care providers with significant input into the  
17 implementation of the demonstration waiver to promote improved  
18 population health and patient health outcomes. In cooperation with  
19 the department of social and health services, the authority shall  
20 consult with and provide notification of work on applications for  
21 federal waivers, including details on waiver duration, financial  
22 implications, and potential future impacts on the state budget to the  
23 joint select committee on health care oversight prior to submitting  
24 these waivers for federal approval. Prior to final approval or  
25 acceptance of funds by the authority, the authority shall submit the  
26 special terms and conditions as submitted to the centers for medicare  
27 and medicaid services and the anticipated budget for the duration of  
28 the renewed waiver to the governor, the joint select committee on  
29 health care, and the fiscal committees of the legislature. By federal  
30 standard any programs created or funded by this waiver do not create  
31 an entitlement. The demonstration period for the waiver as described  
32 in subsections (2), (3), and (4) of this section began July 1, 2023.

33 (2) (a) \$657,598,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
34 \$207,273,000 of the general fund—local appropriation are provided  
35 solely for accountable communities of health described in initiative  
36 1 of the 1115 demonstration waiver and this is the maximum amount  
37 that may be expended for this purpose. In renewing this initiative,  
38 the authority shall consider local input regarding community needs  
39 and shall limit total local projects to no more than six. To provide  
40 transparency to the appropriate fiscal committees of the legislature,

1 the authority shall provide fiscal staff of the legislature query  
2 ability into any database of the fiscal intermediary that authority  
3 staff would be authorized to access. The authority shall not  
4 supplement the amounts provided in this subsection with any general  
5 fund—state moneys appropriated in this section or any moneys that may  
6 be transferred pursuant to subsection (1) of this section. The  
7 director shall report to the fiscal committees of the legislature all  
8 expenditures under this subsection and provide such fiscal data in  
9 the time, manner, and form requested by the legislative fiscal  
10 committees.

11 (b) \$557,333,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
12 \$227,643,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation are  
13 provided solely for the medicaid quality improvement program and this  
14 is the maximum amount that may be expended for this purpose. Medicaid  
15 quality improvement program payments do not count against the 1115  
16 demonstration waiver spending limits and are excluded from the  
17 waiver's budget neutrality calculation. The authority may provide  
18 medicaid quality improvement program payments to apple health managed  
19 care organizations and their partnering providers as they meet  
20 designated milestones. Partnering providers and apple health managed  
21 care organizations must work together to achieve medicaid quality  
22 improvement program goals according to the performance period  
23 timelines and reporting deadlines as set forth by the authority. The  
24 authority may only use the medicaid quality improvement program to  
25 support initiatives 1, 2, and 3 as described in the 1115  
26 demonstration waiver and may not pursue its use for other purposes.  
27 Any programs created or funded by the medicaid quality improvement  
28 program do not constitute an entitlement for clients or providers.  
29 The authority shall not supplement the amounts provided in this  
30 subsection with any general fund—state, general fund—federal, or  
31 general fund—local moneys appropriated in this section or any moneys  
32 that may be transferred pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.  
33 The director shall report to the joint select committee on health  
34 care oversight not less than quarterly on financial and health  
35 outcomes. The director shall report to the fiscal committees of the  
36 legislature all expenditures under this subsection and shall provide  
37 such fiscal data in the time, manner, and form requested by the  
38 legislative fiscal committees.

1 (c) In collaboration with the accountable communities of health,  
2 the authority will submit a report to the governor and the joint  
3 select committee on health care oversight describing how each of the  
4 accountable community of health's work aligns with the community  
5 needs assessment no later than December 1, 2026.

6 (d) Performance measures and payments for accountable communities  
7 of health shall reflect accountability measures that demonstrate  
8 progress toward transparent, measurable, and meaningful goals that  
9 have an impact on improved population health and improved health  
10 outcomes, including a path to financial sustainability. While these  
11 goals may have variation to account for unique community  
12 demographics, measures should be standardized when possible.

13 (3) \$146,275,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
14 \$146,290,000 of the general fund—local appropriation are provided  
15 solely for long-term support services as described in initiative 2 of  
16 the 1115 demonstration waiver as well as administrative expenses for  
17 initiative 3 and this is the maximum amount that may be expended for  
18 this purpose. The authority shall contract with and provide funding  
19 to the department of social and health services to administer  
20 initiative 2. The director in cooperation with the secretary of the  
21 department of social and health services shall report to the office  
22 of financial management all of the expenditures of this section and  
23 shall provide such fiscal data in the time, manner, and form  
24 requested. The authority shall not supplement the amounts provided in  
25 this subsection with any general fund—state moneys appropriated in  
26 this section or any moneys that may be transferred pursuant to  
27 subsection (1) of this section.

28 (4) (a) \$131,704,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
29 \$58,916,000 of the general fund—local appropriation are provided  
30 solely for supported housing and employment services described in  
31 initiative 3a and 3b of the 1115 demonstration waiver and this is the  
32 maximum amount that may be expended for this purpose. Under this  
33 initiative, the authority and the department of social and health  
34 services shall ensure that allowable and necessary services are  
35 provided to eligible clients as identified by the department or its  
36 third-party administrator. The authority and the department, in  
37 consultation with the medical assistance expenditure forecast work  
38 group, shall ensure that reasonable reimbursements are established  
39 for services deemed necessary within an identified limit per

1 individual. The authority shall not supplement the amounts provided  
2 in this subsection with any general fund—state moneys appropriated in  
3 this section or any moneys that may be transferred pursuant to  
4 subsection (1) of this section. The director shall report to the  
5 joint select committee on health care oversight no less than  
6 quarterly on financial and health outcomes. The director shall also  
7 report to the fiscal committees of the legislature all of the  
8 expenditures of this subsection and shall provide such fiscal data in  
9 the time, manner, and form requested by the legislative fiscal  
10 committees.

11 (b) \$62,475,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
12 \$44,275,000 of the general fund—local appropriation are provided  
13 solely for additional housing supports described in the 1115  
14 demonstration waiver and this is the maximum amount that may be  
15 expended for this purpose. The authority shall not supplement the  
16 amounts provided in this subsection with any general fund—state  
17 moneys appropriated in this section or any moneys that may be  
18 transferred pursuant to subsection (1) of this section. The director  
19 shall report to the joint select committee on health care oversight  
20 no less than quarterly on financial and health outcomes. The director  
21 shall also report to the fiscal committees of the legislature all of  
22 the expenditures of this subsection and shall provide such fiscal  
23 data in the time, manner, and form requested by the legislative  
24 fiscal committees.

25 (c) The director shall report to the joint select committee on  
26 health care oversight no less than quarterly on utilization and  
27 caseload statistics for both supportive housing and employment  
28 services and its progress toward increasing uptake and availability  
29 for these services.

30 (5)(a) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
32 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for supported  
33 employment services and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
34 appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund  
35 —state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
36 supported housing services, similar to the services described in  
37 initiatives 3a and 3b of the 1115 demonstration waiver to individuals  
38 who are ineligible for medicaid. Under these initiatives, the  
39 authority and the department of social and health services shall

1 ensure that allowable and necessary services are provided to eligible  
2 clients as identified by the authority or its third-party  
3 administrator. Before authorizing services, eligibility for  
4 initiative 3a or 3b of the 1115 demonstration waiver must first be  
5 determined.

6 (b) The director shall report to the fiscal committees of the  
7 legislature no less than quarterly on expenditures and utilization  
8 data for both supportive housing and employment services under this  
9 subsection.

10 (6) (a) \$4,534,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2026, \$6,370,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
12 for fiscal year 2027, \$157,866,000 of the general fund—federal  
13 appropriation, and \$91,178,000 of the general fund—private/local  
14 appropriation are provided solely for prerelease services including,  
15 but not limited to, case management, clinical consultations,  
16 medication assisted therapy, community health worker services, 30-day  
17 supply of medications, durable medical equipment, medications,  
18 laboratory services, and radiology services.

19 (b) The authority shall coordinate with the department of  
20 corrections for prison reentry implementation pursuant to the waiver  
21 terms. The authority will coordinate with tribes, other state  
22 agencies, and jail administrations as necessary to achieve the terms  
23 of the section 1115 medicaid transformation waiver. The authority  
24 shall use its statutory reentry advisory work group and subgroups as  
25 necessary to coordinate with partners to achieve these goals.

26 (7) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this subsection to  
27 implement the medicaid expansion as defined in the social security  
28 act, section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII).

29 (8) The legislature finds that medicaid payment rates, as  
30 calculated by the health care authority pursuant to the  
31 appropriations in this act, bear a reasonable relationship to the  
32 costs incurred by efficiently and economically operated facilities  
33 for providing quality services and will be sufficient to enlist  
34 enough providers so that care and services are available to the  
35 extent that such care and services are available to the general  
36 population in the geographic area. The legislature finds that the  
37 cost reports, payment data from the federal government, historical  
38 utilization, economic data, and clinical input constitute reliable  
39 data upon which to determine the payment rates.

1       (9) Based on quarterly expenditure reports and caseload  
2 forecasts, if the health care authority estimates that expenditures  
3 for the medical assistance program will exceed the appropriations,  
4 the health care authority shall take steps including but not limited  
5 to reduction of rates or elimination of optional services to reduce  
6 expenditures so that total program costs do not exceed the annual  
7 appropriation authority.

8       (10) In determining financial eligibility for medicaid-funded  
9 services, the health care authority is authorized to disregard  
10 recoveries by Holocaust survivors of insurance proceeds or other  
11 assets, as defined in RCW 48.104.030.

12       (11) The legislature affirms that it is in the state's interest  
13 for Harborview medical center to remain an economically viable  
14 component of the state's health care system.

15       (12) When a person is ineligible for medicaid solely by reason of  
16 residence in an institution for mental diseases, the health care  
17 authority shall provide the person with the same benefits as he or  
18 she would receive if eligible for medicaid, using state-only funds to  
19 the extent necessary.

20       (13) \$4,261,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2026, \$4,261,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
22 for fiscal year 2027, and \$8,522,000 of the general fund—federal  
23 appropriation are provided solely for low-income disproportionate  
24 share hospital payments.

25       (14) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the health  
26 care authority shall provide disproportionate share hospital payments  
27 to hospitals that provide services to children in the children's  
28 health program who are not eligible for services under Title XIX or  
29 XXI of the federal social security act due to their citizenship  
30 status.

31       (15) \$7,000,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
32 provided solely for supplemental payments to nursing homes operated  
33 by public hospital districts. The public hospital district shall be  
34 responsible for providing the required nonfederal match for the  
35 supplemental payment, and the payments shall not exceed the maximum  
36 allowable under federal rules. It is the legislature's intent that  
37 the payments shall be supplemental to and shall not in any way offset  
38 or reduce the payments calculated and provided in accordance with  
39 part E of chapter 74.46 RCW. It is the legislature's further intent

1 that costs otherwise allowable for rate-setting and settlement  
2 against payments under chapter 74.46 RCW shall not be disallowed  
3 solely because such costs have been paid by revenues retained by the  
4 nursing home from these supplemental payments. The supplemental  
5 payments are subject to retrospective interim and final cost  
6 settlements based on the nursing homes' as-filed and final medicare  
7 cost reports. The timing of the interim and final cost settlements  
8 shall be at the health care authority's discretion. During either the  
9 interim cost settlement or the final cost settlement, the health care  
10 authority shall recoup from the public hospital districts the  
11 supplemental payments that exceed the medicaid cost limit and/or the  
12 medicare upper payment limit. The health care authority shall apply  
13 federal rules for identifying the eligible incurred medicaid costs  
14 and the medicare upper payment limit.

15 (16) The health care authority shall continue the inpatient  
16 hospital certified public expenditures program for the 2025-2027  
17 fiscal biennium. The program shall apply to all public hospitals,  
18 including those owned or operated by the state, except those  
19 classified as critical access hospitals or state psychiatric  
20 institutions. The health care authority shall submit reports to the  
21 governor and legislature by November 1st of each fiscal year that  
22 evaluate whether savings continue to exceed costs for this program.  
23 If the certified public expenditures (CPE) program in its current  
24 form is no longer cost-effective to maintain, the health care  
25 authority shall submit a report to the governor and legislature  
26 detailing cost-effective alternative uses of local, state, and  
27 federal resources as a replacement for this program. During fiscal  
28 year 2026 and fiscal year 2027, hospitals in the program shall be  
29 paid and shall retain 100 percent of the federal portion of the  
30 allowable hospital cost for each medicaid inpatient fee-for-service  
31 claim payable by medical assistance and 100 percent of the federal  
32 portion of the maximum disproportionate share hospital payment  
33 allowable under federal regulations. For the purpose of determining  
34 the amount of any state grant under this subsection, payments will  
35 include the federal portion of medicaid program supplemental payments  
36 received by the hospitals. Inpatient medicaid payments shall be  
37 established using an allowable methodology that approximates the cost  
38 of claims submitted by the hospitals. Payments made to each hospital  
39 in the program in each fiscal year of the biennium shall be compared  
40 to a baseline amount. The baseline amount will be determined by the



total of (a) the inpatient claim payment amounts that would have been paid during the fiscal year had the hospital not been in the CPE program based on the reimbursement rates developed, implemented, and consistent with policies approved in the 2025-2027 biennial operating appropriations act and in effect on July 1, 2015, (b) one-half of the indigent assistance disproportionate share hospital payment amounts paid to and retained by each hospital during fiscal year 2005, and (c) all of the other disproportionate share hospital payment amounts paid to and retained by each hospital during fiscal year 2005 to the extent the same disproportionate share hospital programs exist in the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium. If payments during the fiscal year exceed the hospital's baseline amount, no additional payments will be made to the hospital except the federal portion of allowable disproportionate share hospital payments for which the hospital can certify allowable match. If payments during the fiscal year are less than the baseline amount, the hospital will be paid a state grant equal to the difference between payments during the fiscal year and the applicable baseline amount. Payment of the state grant shall be made in the applicable fiscal year and distributed in monthly payments. The grants will be recalculated and redistributed as the baseline is updated during the fiscal year. The grant payments are subject to an interim settlement within 11 months after the end of the fiscal year. A final settlement shall be performed. To the extent that either settlement determines that a hospital has received funds in excess of what it would have received as described in this subsection, the hospital must repay the excess amounts to the state when requested.

(17) The health care authority shall seek public-private partnerships and federal funds that are or may become available to provide ongoing support for outreach and education efforts under the federal children's health insurance program reauthorization act of 2009.

(18) The health care authority shall target funding for maternity support services towards pregnant women with factors that lead to higher rates of poor birth outcomes, including hypertension, a preterm or low birth weight birth in the most recent previous birth, a cognitive deficit or developmental disability, substance abuse, severe mental illness, unhealthy weight or failure to gain weight, tobacco use, or African American or Native American race. The health care authority shall prioritize evidence-based practices for delivery

1 of maternity support services. To the extent practicable, the health  
2 care authority shall develop a mechanism to increase federal funding  
3 for maternity support services by leveraging local public funding for  
4 those services.

5 (19) The authority shall submit a report to the governor and the  
6 legislature by September 15, 2026, that delineates the number of  
7 individuals in medicaid managed care, by carrier, age, gender, and  
8 eligibility category, receiving preventative services and  
9 vaccinations. The report should include baseline and benchmark  
10 information from the previous two fiscal years and should be  
11 inclusive of, but not limited to, services recommended under the  
12 United States preventative services task force, advisory committee on  
13 immunization practices, early and periodic screening, diagnostic, and  
14 treatment (EPSDT) guidelines, and other relevant preventative and  
15 vaccination medicaid guidelines and requirements.

16 (20) Managed care contracts must incorporate accountability  
17 measures that monitor patient health and improved health outcomes,  
18 and shall include an expectation that each patient receive a wellness  
19 examination that documents the baseline health status and allows for  
20 monitoring of health improvements and outcome measures.

21 (21) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section for the  
22 authority to provide an adult dental benefit.

23 (22) The health care authority shall coordinate with the  
24 department of social and health services to provide referrals to the  
25 Washington health benefit exchange for clients that will be  
26 ineligible for medicaid.

27 (23) To facilitate a single point of entry across public and  
28 medical assistance programs, and to maximize the use of federal  
29 funding, the health care authority, the department of social and  
30 health services, and the health benefit exchange will coordinate  
31 efforts to expand HealthPlanfinder access to public assistance and  
32 medical eligibility staff. The health care authority shall complete  
33 medicaid applications in the HealthPlanfinder for households  
34 receiving or applying for medical assistance benefits.

35 (24) \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026, \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2027, and \$180,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
38 provided solely to continue operation by a nonprofit organization of

1 a toll-free hotline that assists families to learn about and enroll  
2 in the apple health for kids program.

3 (25) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
4 authority shall reimburse for primary care services provided by  
5 naturopathic physicians.

6 (26) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
7 authority shall continue to provide coverage for pregnant teens that  
8 qualify under existing pregnancy medical programs, but whose  
9 eligibility for pregnancy related services would otherwise end due to  
10 the application of the new modified adjusted gross income eligibility  
11 standard.

12 (27) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section to  
13 remove the mental health visit limit and to provide the shingles  
14 vaccine and screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment  
15 benefits that are available in the medicaid alternative benefit plan  
16 in the classic medicaid benefit plan.

17 (28) The authority shall use revenue appropriated from the  
18 dedicated cannabis account for contracts with community health  
19 centers under RCW 69.50.540 in lieu of general fund—state payments to  
20 community health centers for services provided to medical assistance  
21 clients, and it is the intent of the legislature that this policy  
22 will be continued in subsequent fiscal biennia.

23 (29) For any service eligible under the medicaid state plan for  
24 encounter payments, managed care organizations at the request of a  
25 rural health clinic shall pay the full published encounter rate  
26 directly to the clinic. At no time will a managed care organization  
27 be at risk for or have any right to the supplemental portion of the  
28 claim. Payments will be reconciled on at least an annual basis  
29 between the managed care organization and the authority, with final  
30 review and approval by the authority.

31 (30) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section for the  
32 authority to provide a medicaid equivalent adult dental benefit to  
33 clients enrolled in the medical care service program.

34 (31) Sufficient amounts are provided in this section for the  
35 authority to provide services identical to those services covered by  
36 the Washington state family planning waiver program as of August 2018  
37 to individuals who:

38 (a) Are 19 years of age;

39 (b) Are at or below 260 percent of the federal poverty level as  
40 established in WAC 182-505-0100;

1 (c) Are not covered by other public or private insurance; and

2 (d) Need family planning services and are not currently covered  
3 by or eligible for another medical assistance program for family  
4 planning.

5 (32) The authority shall ensure that appropriate resources are  
6 dedicated to implementing the recommendations of the centers for  
7 medicare and medicaid services center for program integrity as  
8 provided to the authority in the January 2019 Washington focused  
9 program integrity review final report. Additionally, the authority  
10 shall:

11 (a) Work to ensure the efficient operations of the managed care  
12 plans, including but not limited to, a deconflicting process for  
13 audits with and among the managed care plans and the medicaid fraud  
14 division at the attorney general's office, to ensure the authority  
15 staff perform central audits of cases that appear across multiple  
16 managed care plans, versus the audits performed by the individual  
17 managed care plans or the fraud division;

18 (b) Remain accountable for operating in an effective and  
19 efficient manner, including performing program integrity activities  
20 that ensure high value in the medical assistance program in general  
21 and in medicaid managed care specifically;

22 (c) Work with its contracted actuary and the medical assistance  
23 expenditure forecast work group to develop methods and metrics  
24 related to managed care program integrity activity that shall be  
25 incorporated into annual rate setting; and

26 (d) Work with the medical assistance expenditure forecast work  
27 group to ensure the results of program integrity activity are  
28 incorporated into the rate setting process in a transparent, timely,  
29 measurable, quantifiable manner.

30 (33)(a) The authority shall not enter into any future value-based  
31 arrangements with federally qualified health centers or rural health  
32 clinics prior to receiving approval from the office of financial  
33 management and the appropriate committees of the legislature.

34 (b) The authority shall not modify the reconciliation process  
35 with federally qualified health centers or rural health clinics  
36 without notification to and the opportunity to comment from the  
37 office of financial management.

38 (c) The authority shall require all managed care organizations to  
39 provide information to the authority to account for all payments to  
40 rural health clinics and federally qualified health centers to

1 include how payments are made, including any additional payments and  
2 whether there is a sub-capitation arrangement or value-based  
3 purchasing arrangement.

4 (d) For each fiscal year, the authority shall reconcile on an  
5 annual basis with rural health clinics and federally qualified health  
6 centers.

7 (e) For each fiscal year, the authority shall properly accrue for  
8 any anticipated reconciliations with rural health clinics and  
9 federally qualified health centers during the fiscal year close  
10 process following generally accepted accounting practices.

11 (34) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
12 authority is to include allergen control bed and pillow covers as  
13 part of the durable medical equipment benefit for children with an  
14 asthma diagnosis enrolled in medical assistance programs.

15 (35)(a) Sufficient funds are provided in this section for the  
16 authority for the reimbursement of services provided by doulas for  
17 apple health clients.

18 (b) The authority shall continue to collaborate with an external  
19 organization for participatory and equity-focused engagement with  
20 doulas and doula partners across the state of Washington. This  
21 organization must work in collaboration with community partners who  
22 advance equitable access to improve perinatal outcomes and care  
23 through holistic services for multiracial communities.

24 (c) The external organization will be responsible for  
25 implementing a statewide doula hub and referral system consistent  
26 with the recommendations for the design of a statewide doula hub and  
27 referral system report done in partnership with the authority.

28 (d) The authority and the external organization will continue to  
29 collaborate on how to:

30 (i) Provide statewide professional and workforce development and  
31 sustainability support for birth doulas;

32 (ii) Increase statewide access to doula services for apple health  
33 birthing people;

34 (iii) Assist doulas with department of health credentialing  
35 requirements;

36 (iv) Assist doulas with the medicaid provider enrollment process  
37 including, but not limited to, support with:

38 (A) Provider enrollment with the authority;

39 (B) Contracting with medicaid managed care organizations;

40 (C) Provider billing and claims submission processes;

1 (D) Provider payment requirements; and

2 (E) Eligibility within ProviderOne; and

3 (v) Establish communications with birthing people, families,  
4 birth workers, and health care providers who are seeking to connect  
5 with state-certified and medicaid-enrolled birth doulas through a  
6 statewide directory or referral system.

7 (36) Sufficient funds are provided in this section for the  
8 authority to extend continuous eligibility for apple health to  
9 children ages zero to six with income at or below 215 percent of the  
10 federal poverty level. The centers for medicare and medicaid services  
11 must approve the 1115 medicaid waiver prior to the implementation of  
12 this policy.

13 (37) Sufficient funds are provided to continue reimbursing dental  
14 health aid therapists for services performed in tribal facilities for  
15 medicaid clients. The authority must leverage any federal funding  
16 that may become available as a result of appeal decisions from the  
17 centers for medicare and medicaid services or the United States court  
18 of appeals for the ninth circuit.

19 (38) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the perinatal support warm  
22 line to provide peer support, resources, and referrals to new and  
23 expectant parents and people in the emotional transition to  
24 parenthood experiencing, or at risk of, postpartum depression or  
25 other mental health issues.

26 (39) Sufficient funding is provided to remove the asset test from  
27 the medicare savings program review process.

28 (40) Sufficient funding is provided to eliminate the mid-  
29 certification review process for the aged, blind, or disabled and  
30 housing and essential needs referral programs.

31 (41) \$2,545,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2026, \$2,545,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
33 for fiscal year 2027, and \$9,280,000 of the general fund—federal  
34 appropriation are provided solely for reimbursement for community  
35 health worker services.

36 (42) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section for the  
37 authority to provide coverage for all federal food and drug  
38 administration-approved HIV antiviral drugs without prior

1 authorization. This coverage must be provided to apple health clients  
2 enrolled in both fee-for-service and managed care programs.

3 (43) Sufficient funds are provided in this section to maintain  
4 access for primary care services for medicaid-enrolled patients  
5 through increased provider rates.

6 (44) Sufficient funds are provided in this section for work  
7 required of the authority as specified in RCW 41.05.840.

8 (45)(a) Sufficient funds are provided in this section for an  
9 outpatient directed payment program.

10 (b) The authority shall:

11 (i) Maintain the program to support the state's access and other  
12 quality of care goals and to not increase general fund—state  
13 expenditures;

14 (ii) Direct managed care organizations to make payments to  
15 eligible providers at levels required to ensure enrollees have timely  
16 access to critical high-quality care as allowed under 42 C.F.R.  
17 438.6(c); and

18 (iii) Increase medicaid payments for hospital outpatient services  
19 provided by UW Medicine hospitals and, at their option, UW Medicine  
20 affiliated hospitals to the average payment received from commercial  
21 payers.

22 (c) Any incremental costs incurred by the authority in the  
23 development, implementation, and maintenance of this program shall be  
24 the responsibility of the participating hospitals.

25 (d) Participating hospitals shall retain the full amount of  
26 payments provided under this program.

27 (46)(a) Sufficient funds are provided in this section for an  
28 inpatient directed payment program.

29 (b) The authority shall:

30 (i) Design the program to support the state's access and other  
31 quality of care goals and to not increase general fund—state  
32 expenditures;

33 (ii) Upon approval, direct managed care organizations to make  
34 payments to eligible providers at levels required to ensure enrollees  
35 have timely access to critical high-quality care as allowed under 42  
36 C.F.R. 438.6(c); and

37 (iii) Increase medicaid payments for hospital inpatient services  
38 provided by UW Medicine and, at their option, UW Medicine affiliated  
39 hospitals to the average payment received from commercial payers.

1 (c) Any incremental costs incurred by the authority in the  
2 development, implementation, and maintenance of this program shall be  
3 the responsibility of the participating hospitals.

4 (d) Participating hospitals shall retain the full amount of  
5 payments provided under this program.

6 (e) Participating hospitals will provide the local funds to fund  
7 the required nonfederal contribution.

8 (f) This program shall be effective as soon as administratively  
9 possible.

10 (47) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
11 authority shall maintain and increase access for family planning  
12 services for patients seeking services through department of health  
13 sexual and reproductive health program family planning providers  
14 based on the rates in effect as of July 1, 2022.

15 (48)(a) \$11,838,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
16 \$11,838,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation are  
17 provided solely for the authority, in consultation with the health  
18 and human services enterprise coalition, community-based  
19 organizations, health plans, accountable communities of health, and  
20 safety net providers, shall determine the cost and implementation  
21 impacts of a statewide community information exchange (CIE). A CIE  
22 platform must serve as a tool for addressing the social determinants  
23 of health, defined as nonclinical community and social factors such  
24 as housing, food security, transportation, financial strain, and  
25 interpersonal safety, that affect health, functioning, and quality-  
26 of-life outcomes.

27 (b) Prior to issuing a request for proposals or beginning this  
28 project, the authority must work with stakeholders in (a) of this  
29 subsection to determine which platforms already exist within the  
30 Washington public and private health care system to determine  
31 interoperability needs and fiscal impacts to both the state and  
32 impacted providers and organizations that will be using a single  
33 statewide community information exchange platform.

34 (c) The authority shall provide the office of financial  
35 management and fiscal committees of the legislature a proposal to  
36 leverage medicaid enterprise financing or other federal funds prior  
37 to beginning this project and shall not expend funds under a 1115  
38 waiver or any other waiver without legislative authorization.

39 (d) Sufficient funds are provided in this section for the  
40 authority to implement the community information exchange program.



1 The technology solution chosen by the health care authority should be  
2 capable of interoperating with other state funded systems in  
3 Washington and should be able to electronically refer individuals to  
4 services using a closed-loop referral process. Funding for the  
5 community information exchange program is subject to the conditions,  
6 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

7 (49) Sufficient funds in this section are provided for staff  
8 dedicated to data review, analysis, and management, and policy  
9 analysis in support of the health care cost transparency board as  
10 described in chapter 70.390 RCW.

11 (50)(a) \$1,610,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis  
12 response line account—state appropriation and \$1,572,000 of the  
13 general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the  
14 planning phase of the 988 technology platform implementation project.

15 (b) The authority must actively collaborate with Washington  
16 technology solutions and the department of health so that the  
17 statewide 988 technology solutions will be coordinated and  
18 interoperable.

19 (c) By October 1, 2025, the authority must provide an update to  
20 legislative fiscal committees with the following details:

21 (i) An identified technology solution, with a list of  
22 functionalities and the statutory requirement met by each  
23 functionality;

24 (ii) Software, processes, and methods currently used by call  
25 centers and designated 988 contact hubs that the proposed technology  
26 platform would replace;

27 (iii) The number of call centers and designated 988 contact hubs  
28 planning to transition all work processes to the proposed technology  
29 platform; and

30 (iv) Identified risks and changes to the schedule and scope of  
31 the project.

32 (d) The amounts in (a) of this subsection are subject to the  
33 conditions, limitations, and review requirements provided in section  
34 701 of this act.

35 **(51) \$1,034,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is**  
36 **provided solely for the department of health's statewide 988**  
37 **technology solution and is subject to the conditions, limitations,**  
38 **and review requirements of section 701 of this act. The state match**  
39 **is appropriated to the department of health, see section 226(21) of**

1 **this act, and the authority must use the same program index as the**  
2 **department of health and the appropriation index assigned to the**  
3 **authority for this proviso when allotting and recording expenditures.**  
4 **This federal funding must be reflected in the department of health's**  
5 **technology budget, which will show both the federal funding from the**  
6 **authority and the state funding from the department of health.**

7 (52)(a) \$71,376,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2026 and \$70,976,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
10 authority to implement a program with coverage comparable to the  
11 amount, duration, and scope of care provided in the categorically  
12 needy medicaid program for adult individuals who:

13 (i) Have an immigration status making them ineligible for federal  
14 medicaid or federal subsidies through the health benefit exchange;

15 (ii) Are age 19 and older, including over age 65, and have  
16 countable income of up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level;  
17 and

18 (iii) Are not eligible for another full scope federally funded  
19 medical assistance program, including any expansion of medicaid  
20 coverage for deferred action for childhood arrivals recipients.

21 (b) Within the amounts provided in this subsection, the authority  
22 shall use the same eligibility, enrollment, redetermination and  
23 renewal, and appeals procedures as categorically needy medicaid,  
24 except where flexibility is necessary to maintain privacy or minimize  
25 burden to applicants or enrollees.

26 (c) The authority in collaboration with the health benefit  
27 exchange, the department of social and health services, and community  
28 organizations must develop and implement an outreach and education  
29 campaign.

30 (d) The authority must provide the following information to the  
31 governor's office and appropriate committees of the legislature by  
32 February 1st and November 1st of each year:

33 (i) Actual and forecasted expenditures;

34 (ii) Actual and forecasted data from the caseload forecast  
35 council; and

36 (iii) The availability and impact of any federal program or  
37 proposed rule that expands access to health care for the population  
38 described in this subsection, such as the expansion of medicaid  
39 coverage for deferred action for childhood arrivals recipients.

(e) The amount provided in this subsection is the maximum amount allowable for the purposes of this program.

(53) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the authority shall make administrative and system changes in anticipation of receiving federal authority to provide continuous eligibility for children ages zero to six covered through the apple health children's health insurance program. The centers for medicare and medicaid services must approve the section 1115 medicaid waiver prior to the implementation of this policy.

(54) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Bree collaborative to support collaborative learning and targeted technical assistance for quality improvement initiatives.

(55)(a) The authority shall collaborate with the University of Washington on a supplemental payment program for the family medicine residency network as a supplement to the family medical education funding with additional federal funding.

(b) The authority shall provide a recommendation and report to the governor's office and fiscal committees of the legislature no later than September 30, 2025. The recommendation shall include how the supplemental payment program can improve the following:

- (i) Fiscal support for graduate medical education training;
- (ii) Access to quality health care services;
- (iii) The state's ability to ensure that medicaid graduate medical education funding supports the state's workforce development goals; and
- (iv) Health care access for underserved populations and regions.

(56) \$165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$165,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority, in consultation with tribes, as required under 42 C.F.R. Sec. 431.408(b), to apply for a section 1115 waiver no later than December 31, 2025, to provide coverage of traditional health care practices.

(57) \$7,407,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$7,628,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$26,468,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to continue the health homes program from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

1 (58)(a) \$25,158,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2026 and \$101,647,000 of the general fund—federal  
3 appropriation are provided solely for the statewide electronic health  
4 records solution and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
5 review requirements of section 701 of this act.

6 (b) The statewide electronic health records solution must use an  
7 agile development model holding live demonstrations of functioning  
8 software, developed using incremental user research, held at the end  
9 of two-week sprints.

10 (c) The statewide electronic health records solution must be  
11 capable of being continually updated, as necessary.

12 (d) The authority must ensure the development of the statewide  
13 electronic health records solution includes consideration of national  
14 interoperability standards, such as United States core data for  
15 interoperability or the trusted exchange framework and common  
16 agreement.

17 (e) The authority must work collaboratively with the department  
18 of corrections agency project team, the department of social and  
19 health services agency project team, and the health care authority  
20 agency project team who are the state agencies included in the  
21 statewide electronic health records solution project and, as a team,  
22 must work to successfully meet budget, scope, and schedule for this  
23 project.

24 (f) Beginning July 1, 2025, the authority shall provide written  
25 quarterly reports, within 30 calendar days of the end of each fiscal  
26 quarter, to legislative fiscal committees to include how funding was  
27 spent compared to the budget spending plan for the prior quarter by  
28 fiscal month and what the ensuing quarter budget will be by fiscal  
29 month. The written report must also include detail summarized for the  
30 entire statewide electronic health records solution, and also  
31 delineated by each separate component technology budget, which are:  
32 Enterprise foundational system, department of corrections, department  
33 of social and health services, and the health care authority. The  
34 written report must also include:

35 (i) A list of quantifiable deliverables scheduled for that  
36 quarter, including those accomplished and the amount spent associated  
37 with each deliverable, by fiscal month and fund source;

38 (ii) The contract full-time equivalent charged compared to the  
39 budget spending plan by month for each contracted vendor, to include  
40 interagency agreements with other state agencies, and what the next

1 contract equivalent budget spending plan assumes by fiscal month and  
2 fund source;

3 (iii) The budget spending plan compared to actual spending by  
4 fiscal month and fund source, and the projected spending plan by  
5 fiscal month and fund source for the next quarter; and

6 (iv) An accounting of any deliverables that were changed in the  
7 last quarter, and any plans to change future deliverables, to include  
8 what the deliverable was, what the new deliverable is, why it was or  
9 will be missed, and what the revised deliverable date is.

10 (59)(a) \$379,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,258,000 of the general fund—federal  
12 appropriation are provided solely for the statewide electronic health  
13 records solution and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
14 review requirements of section 701 of this act.

15 (b) The statewide electronic health records solution must use an  
16 agile development model holding live demonstrations of functioning  
17 software, developed using incremental user research, held at the end  
18 of two-week sprints.

19 (c) The statewide electronic health records solution must be  
20 capable of being continually updated, as necessary.

21 (d)(i) The authority must collaborate with the department of  
22 corrections and the department of social and health services and, as  
23 a team, must work to successfully meet budget, scope, and schedule  
24 for the statewide electronic health records solution.

25 (ii) Beginning July 1, 2025, the health care authority agency  
26 project team shall provide necessary updates to the health care  
27 authority foundational project team for the statewide electronic  
28 health records solution within 15 calendar days of the end of each  
29 fiscal quarter.

30 (iii) The information provided to the authority shall include how  
31 funding was spent compared to the budget spending plan for the prior  
32 quarter by fiscal month and what the next quarter budget will be by  
33 fiscal month.

34 (iv) The requirements of the quarterly report are listed in  
35 subsection (58) of this section.

36 **(60) \$927,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is**  
37 **provided solely for the department of corrections' statewide**  
38 **electronic health records solution and is subject to the conditions,**  
39 **limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act. The**

1 *state match is appropriated to the department of corrections, see*  
2 *section 230(7)(h) of this act, and the authority must use the same*  
3 *program index as the department of corrections and the appropriation*  
4 *index assigned to the authority for this proviso when allotting and*  
5 *recording expenditures. This federal funding must be reflected in the*  
6 *department of corrections' technology budget, which will show both*  
7 *the federal funding from the authority and the state funding from the*  
8 *department of corrections.*

9 (61) \$330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2026, \$330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2027, and \$786,000 of the general fund—federal  
12 appropriation are provided solely to comply with federal eligibility  
13 rule changes required by the centers for medicare and medicaid  
14 services and funding is subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
15 review requirements of section 701 of this act.

16 (62) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 is provided solely for the authority to continue a public-  
18 private partnership with a state-based oral health foundation to  
19 connect medicaid patients to dental services and reduce barriers to  
20 accessing care.

21 (63)(a) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2026 and \$50,000 of the general fund—federal  
23 appropriation are provided solely for the authority, no later than  
24 October 1, 2025, to convene negotiations with representatives of  
25 primary care providers to develop budget-neutral, value-based  
26 prospective payment methodologies for primary care services provided  
27 to apple health enrollees, with the goal of entering into  
28 arrangements appropriate to each primary care delivery system no  
29 later than calendar year 2027. The authority shall prioritize the  
30 development of methodologies that grow capacity to provide  
31 comprehensive, whole person care. This includes, but is not limited  
32 to, promoting workforce stability, team-based delivery models,  
33 accountability for quality outcomes, equity-based care, and  
34 improvements in population health.

35 (b) The authority shall, at a minimum, convene negotiations with  
36 representatives of the statewide associations representing the  
37 following categories of providers to develop budget-neutral payment  
38 methodologies that maximize access and quality for medicaid patients

1 and are appropriate to their respective primary care delivery  
2 systems:

- 3 (i) Family physicians;
- 4 (ii) Pediatricians; and
- 5 (iii) Federally qualified health centers.

6 (64) \$48,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2027 and \$43,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
8 provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5124  
9 (SNF & rehab network adequacy). If the bill is not enacted by June  
10 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

11 (65) \$1,724,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2026, \$4,345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
13 for fiscal year 2027, and \$6,068,000 of the general fund—federal  
14 appropriation are provided solely for the authority in coordination  
15 with the department of social and health services to develop and  
16 implement a Katie Beckett section 1115 demonstration waiver. The  
17 authority shall limit enrollment to 1,000 clients during the waiver  
18 period. Based upon the experience developed during the waiver period,  
19 the authority shall make recommendations to the legislature for a  
20 future tax equity and fiscal responsibility act state plan option.

21 (66) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 is provided solely for the authority to contract with a  
23 managed care organization for an enhanced case management pilot  
24 program to expand resources for patients with post-acute care  
25 transitions. The managed care organization must cover the largest  
26 number of apple health clients in the state and implement the pilot  
27 program with a hospital in Columbia county. The pilot program must  
28 provide continuous support for 31 days post-discharge including, but  
29 not limited to:

- 30 (a) Transportation;
- 31 (b) Transitional housing assistance;
- 32 (c) Rehabilitation referrals and coordination;
- 33 (d) Safety net program navigation and enrollment;
- 34 (e) Transitional primary care; and
- 35 (f) 24-hour clinic phone support.

36 (67) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
39 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1686 (health care entity registry).

1 If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in  
2 this subsection shall lapse.

3 (68)(a) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for one-time bridge grants to  
5 hospitals in financial distress or at risk of limiting access to  
6 labor and delivery services due to a low-volume of deliveries at the  
7 hospital.

8 (b) To qualify for these grants, a hospital must:

9 (i) Be located in Washington and not be part of a system of three  
10 or more hospitals;

11 (ii) Serve individuals enrolled in state and federal medical  
12 assistance programs;

13 (iii) Continue to maintain a medicaid population at similar  
14 utilization levels as the most current complete calendar year data;

15 (iv) Be necessary for an adequate provider network for the  
16 medicaid program;

17 (v) Demonstrate a plan for long-term financial sustainability;  
18 and

19 (vi) Be at risk of limiting access to labor and delivery services  
20 due to:

21 (A) A low-volume of deliveries at the hospital described in  
22 (c)(i) of this subsection; or

23 (B) Serving a high percentage of individuals covered by public  
24 payers as described in (c)(ii) of this subsection.

25 (c) The grants must be distributed in amounts not to exceed  
26 \$150,000 per hospital to:

27 (i) A hospital that had fewer than 200 births funded by medicaid  
28 in the hospital's labor and delivery unit in the previous calendar  
29 year according to health care authority records and is located in a  
30 municipality with a population between 9,000 and 12,000; and

31 (ii) A public district hospital that had fewer than 250 births  
32 funded by public payers, including medicaid, tricare, and medicare,  
33 in the hospital's labor and delivery unit in the previous calendar  
34 year and is located on an island in Skagit county.

35 (69) \$111,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026, \$63,385,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation, and  
37 \$35,000,000 of the medicaid access program account—state  
38 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
39 House Bill No. 1392 (medicaid access program). If the bill is not



enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(70) The amounts appropriated in this section are not sufficient to include coverage of prescription drugs for the treatment of obesity or weight loss under state or federally funded medical assistance programs. The authority shall not add coverage of prescription drugs for the treatment of obesity or weight loss without a specific appropriation from the legislature.

*\*Sec. 211 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 212. FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY—  
EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE BENEFITS PROGRAM**

State Health Care Authority Administrative Account—

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| State Appropriation. . . . . | \$46,618,000 |
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School Employees' Insurance Administrative Account—

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| State Appropriation. . . . . | \$34,500,000 |
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| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | \$81,118,000 |
|------------------------------|--------------|

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Any savings from reduced claims costs must be reserved for funding benefits during future fiscal biennia and may not be used for administrative expenses. The health care authority shall deposit any moneys received on behalf of the uniform medical plan resulting from rebates on prescription drugs, audits of hospitals, subrogation payments, or any other moneys received as a result of prior uniform medical plan claims payments, in the appropriate account to be used for insurance benefits.

(2) Any changes to benefits must be approved by the applicable program board. Neither board shall make any changes to benefits without considering a comprehensive analysis of the cost of those changes, and shall not increase benefits unless offsetting cost reductions from other benefit revisions are sufficient to fund the changes. The public employees' benefits board shall not make any change in retiree eligibility criteria that reestablishes eligibility for enrollment in retiree benefits.

(3) Each board shall collect a surcharge payment of \$25 per month from members who use tobacco products, and a surcharge payment of not less than \$50 per month from members who cover a spouse or domestic partner where the spouse or domestic partner has chosen not to enroll

in another employer-based group health insurance that has benefits and premiums with an actuarial value of not less than 95 percent of the actuarial value of the public employees' benefits board plan with the largest enrollment. The surcharge payments shall be collected in addition to the member premium payment.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 213. FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY—  
HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE**

|                                                                |               |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                     | \$8,766,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                     | \$8,609,000   |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                             | \$87,363,000  |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation             | \$350,000     |
| Health Benefit Exchange Account—State Appropriation            | \$86,030,000  |
| State Health Care Affordability Account—State<br>Appropriation | \$85,000,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                            | \$276,118,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The receipt and use of medicaid funds provided to the health benefit exchange from the health care authority are subject to compliance with state and federal regulations and policies governing the Washington apple health programs, including timely and proper application, eligibility, and enrollment procedures.

(2) (a) By July 15th, October 15th, and January 15th of each year, the authority shall make a payment of 30 percent of the general fund—state appropriation, 30 percent of the health benefit exchange account—state appropriation, and 30 percent of the health care affordability account—state appropriation to the exchange. By April 15th of each year, the authority shall make a payment of 10 percent of the general fund—state appropriation, 10 percent of the health benefit exchange account—state appropriation, and 10 percent of the health care affordability account—state appropriation to the exchange.

(b) The exchange shall monitor actual to projected revenues and make necessary adjustments in expenditures or carrier assessments to ensure expenditures do not exceed actual revenues.

(c) Payments made from general fund—state appropriation and health benefit exchange account—state appropriation shall be available for expenditure for no longer than the period of the

1 appropriation from which it was made. When the actual cost of  
2 materials and services have been fully determined, and in no event  
3 later than the lapsing of the appropriation, any unexpended balance  
4 of the payment shall be returned to the authority for credit to the  
5 fund or account from which it was made, and under no condition shall  
6 expenditures exceed actual revenue.

7 (3) \$75,000,000 of the state health care affordability account—  
8 state appropriation is provided solely for the exchange to administer  
9 a premium assistance program, as established in RCW 43.71.110. An  
10 individual is eligible for the premium assistance provided if the  
11 individual: (a) Has income up to 250 percent of the federal poverty  
12 level; and (b) meets other eligibility criteria as established in RCW  
13 43.71.110(4)(a).

14 (4)(a) \$10,000,000 of the state health care affordability account  
15 —state appropriation is provided solely to provide premium assistance  
16 for customers ineligible for federal premium tax credits who meet the  
17 eligibility criteria established in subsection (3)(a) and (b) of this  
18 section, and is contingent upon continued approval of the applicable  
19 waiver described in RCW 43.71.120.

20 (b) In the event the applicable waiver described in RCW 43.71.120  
21 is suspended, terminated, or otherwise ended, \$10,000,000 of the  
22 state health care affordability account—state appropriation is  
23 provided solely to:

24 (i) Implement a state program with coverage comparable to  
25 individual market plans, for customers who would have been eligible  
26 under the waiver; and

27 (ii) Provide state premium assistance to state program customers  
28 who meet the eligibility criteria established in subsection (3) of  
29 this section.

30 (c) The exchange may establish or designate a separate entity to  
31 administer the state program. Administration of the state program  
32 must include, but is not limited to, establishing requirements for  
33 eligibility, continued participation, and carrier payments.

34 (d) Moneys collected for premiums written on qualified health  
35 benefit plans and qualified dental plans offered through the state  
36 program must be deposited in the state health care affordability  
37 account under RCW 43.71.130, through a procedure established by the  
38 exchange that aligns with the requirements of RCW 48.14.0201(5)(b),  
39 48.14.020(2), and 43.71.080.

(e) The exchange, and any entity involved in implementing this program, is subject to RCW 43.17.425.

(5) \$1,117,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$1,182,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, \$12,510,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation, and \$809,000 of the health benefit exchange account—state appropriation are provided solely to make improvements to healthplanfinder to comply with federal eligibility rule changes required by the centers for medicare and medicaid services and funding is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

(6) \$1,000,000 of the health benefit exchange account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for the exchange, in collaboration with stakeholders, to begin development starting January 1, 2027, of an automated solution to ensure continuous health care coverage through qualified health plans for medicaid beneficiaries losing medicaid coverage through Washington healthplanfinder and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 214. FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY—  
COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAM**

|                                                                                     |                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                                          | \$1,185,242,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                                          | \$1,185,284,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                  | \$3,320,820,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                            | \$39,200,000    |
| Criminal Justice Treatment Account—State<br>Appropriation                           | \$27,541,000    |
| Problem Gambling Account—State Appropriation                                        | \$3,249,000     |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2026)                         | \$28,515,000    |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2027)                         | \$28,517,000    |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State<br>Appropriation                          | \$77,463,000    |
| Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line<br>Account—State Appropriation | \$74,034,000    |
| Tribal Opioid Prevention and Treatment Account—State<br>Appropriation               | \$16,814,000    |

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$5,986,679,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) For the purposes of this section, "behavioral health entities" means managed care organizations and behavioral health administrative services organizations that reimburse providers for behavioral health services.

(2) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, funding is provided for implementation of the settlement agreement under *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health Services, et al.*, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP. In addition to amounts provided solely for implementation of the settlement agreement, class members must have access to supports and services funded throughout this section for which they meet eligibility and medical necessity requirements. The authority must include language in contracts that requires regional behavioral health entities to develop and implement plans for improving access to timely and appropriate treatment for individuals with behavioral health needs and current or prior criminal justice involvement who are eligible for services under these contracts.

(3) \$57,910,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$63,090,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$15,804,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to continue the phase-in of the settlement agreement under *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health Services, et al.*, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP. The authority, in collaboration with the department of social and health services and the criminal justice training commission, must implement the provisions of the settlement agreement pursuant to the timeline and implementation plan provided for under the settlement agreement. This includes implementing provisions related to competency evaluations, competency restoration, crisis diversion and supports, education and training, and workforce development.

(4) \$7,200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$7,200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to continue diversion grant programs funded through contempt fines pursuant to *Trueblood, et al.*

1 *v. Department of Social and Health Services, et al.*, United States  
2 District Court for the Western District of Washington, Cause No. 14-  
3 cv-01178-MJP. The authority must consult with the plaintiffs and  
4 court monitor to determine, within the amounts provided, which of the  
5 programs will continue to receive funding through this appropriation.  
6 The programs shall use this funding to provide assessments, mental  
7 health treatment, substance use disorder treatment, case management,  
8 employment, and other social services.

9 (5) \$18,891,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2026, \$18,561,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
11 for fiscal year 2027, and \$41,062,000 of the general fund—federal  
12 appropriation are provided solely for the authority and behavioral  
13 health entities to continue to contract for implementation of high-  
14 intensity programs for assertive community treatment (PACT) teams. In  
15 determining the proportion of medicaid and nonmedicaid funding  
16 provided to behavioral health entities with PACT teams, the authority  
17 shall consider the differences between behavioral health entities in  
18 the percentages of services and other costs associated with the teams  
19 that are not reimbursable under medicaid. The authority may allow  
20 behavioral health entities which have nonmedicaid reimbursable costs  
21 that are higher than the nonmedicaid allocation they receive under  
22 this section to supplement these funds with local dollars or funds  
23 received under subsection (7) of this section. The authority and  
24 behavioral health entities shall maintain consistency with all  
25 essential elements of the PACT evidence-based practice model in  
26 programs funded under this section.

27 (6) \$1,668,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026, \$1,668,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2027, and \$3,040,000 of the general fund—federal  
30 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to maintain a  
31 pilot project to incorporate peer bridging staff into behavioral  
32 health regional teams that provide transitional services to  
33 individuals returning to their communities.

34 (7) \$147,449,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2026 and \$147,449,000 of the general fund—state  
36 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for persons  
37 and services not covered by the medicaid program. To the extent  
38 possible, levels of behavioral health entity spending must be  
39 maintained in the following priority order: Crisis and commitment

1 services; community inpatient services; and residential care  
2 services, including personal care and emergency housing assistance.  
3 These amounts must be distributed to behavioral health entities as  
4 follows:

5 (a) \$132,924,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2026 and \$132,924,000 of the general fund—state  
7 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
8 authority to contract with behavioral health administrative service  
9 organizations for behavioral health treatment services not covered  
10 under the medicaid program. Within these amounts, behavioral health  
11 administrative service organizations must continue a 15 percent rate  
12 increase to providers receiving state funds for nonmedicaid services  
13 under this section that was originally effective January 1, 2024.

14 (b) \$14,524,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2026 and \$14,525,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
17 authority to contract with medicaid managed care organizations for  
18 wraparound services to medicaid enrolled individuals that are not  
19 covered under the medicaid program.

20 (8) The authority is authorized to continue to contract directly,  
21 rather than through contracts with behavioral health entities for  
22 children's long-term inpatient facility services.

23 (9) \$2,990,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2026 and \$3,029,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to reimburse counties for the  
26 cost of conducting involuntary act judicial proceedings as follows:

27 (a) \$1,025,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026 and \$1,025,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to reimburse Pierce county for  
30 the cost of conducting 180-day commitment hearings at the state  
31 psychiatric hospitals.

32 (b) \$504,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$504,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to reimburse Spokane county for  
35 the cost of conducting 180-day commitment hearings at the state  
36 psychiatric hospitals.

37 (c) \$171,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2026 and \$210,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to reimburse Thurston county for

1 the cost of conducting 180-day commitment hearings at the Maple Lane  
2 facility.

3 (d) \$1,290,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$1,290,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to reimburse either King county  
6 or other legal services organizations, or both, for the cost of  
7 conducting involuntary treatment act commitment hearings at  
8 facilities operating within King county. These amounts must be  
9 prioritized for the cost of conducting 180-day commitment hearings at  
10 state-operated facilities including facilities operated by the  
11 department of social and health services and the University of  
12 Washington center for behavioral health and learning. Any remaining  
13 amounts may be used to reimburse either King county or other legal  
14 services organizations for the cost of other involuntary treatment  
15 act commitment hearings provided in other facilities within King  
16 county.

17 (10) Behavioral health entities may use local funds to earn  
18 additional federal medicaid match, provided the locally matched rate  
19 does not exceed the upper-bound of their federally allowable rate  
20 range, and provided that the enhanced funding is used only to provide  
21 medicaid state plan or waiver services to medicaid clients.  
22 Additionally, behavioral health entities may use a portion of the  
23 state funds allocated in accordance with subsection (7) of this  
24 section to earn additional medicaid match, but only to the extent  
25 that the application of such funds to medicaid services does not  
26 diminish the level of crisis and commitment, community inpatient,  
27 residential care, and outpatient services presently available to  
28 persons not eligible for medicaid.

29 (11) \$2,062,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,062,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for mental  
32 health services for mentally ill offenders while confined in a county  
33 or city jail and for facilitating access to programs that offer  
34 mental health services upon release from confinement. The authority  
35 must collect information from the behavioral health entities on their  
36 plan for using these funds, the numbers of individuals served, and  
37 the types of services provided.

38 (12) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, funding is  
39 provided for the authority to develop and phase in intensive mental



1 health services for high needs youth consistent with the settlement  
2 agreement in *T.R. v. Dreyfus and Porter*.

3 (13)(a) The authority must establish minimum and maximum funding  
4 levels for all reserves allowed under behavioral health  
5 administrative service organization contracts and include contract  
6 language that clearly states the requirements and limitations. The  
7 reserve levels must be informed by the types of risk carried by  
8 behavioral health administrative service organizations for mandatory  
9 services and also consider reasonable levels of operating reserves.  
10 The authority must monitor and ensure that behavioral health  
11 administrative service organization reserves do not exceed maximum  
12 levels. The authority must monitor revenue and expenditure reports  
13 and must require a behavioral health administrative service  
14 organization to submit a corrective action plan on how it will spend  
15 its excess reserves within a reasonable period of time, when its  
16 reported reserves exceed maximum levels established under the  
17 contract. The authority must review and approve such plans and  
18 monitor to ensure compliance. If the authority determines that a  
19 behavioral health administrative service organization has failed to  
20 provide an adequate excess reserve corrective action plan or is not  
21 complying with an approved plan, the authority must reduce payments  
22 to the entity in accordance with remedial actions provisions included  
23 in the contract. These reductions in payments must continue until the  
24 authority determines that the entity has come into substantial  
25 compliance with an approved excess reserve corrective action plan.  
26 The authority must submit to the office of financial management and  
27 the appropriate committees of the legislature, each December of the  
28 biennium, the minimum and maximum reserve levels established in  
29 contract for each of the behavioral health administrative service  
30 organizations for the prior fiscal year and the actual reserve levels  
31 reported at the end of the fiscal year.

32 (b) In contracts effective during the fiscal biennium, the  
33 authority must allow behavioral health administrative services  
34 organizations flexibility in utilizing reserve funding received  
35 pursuant to a specific legislative proviso in a prior contract  
36 period. Funding repurposed under this subsection must be used to  
37 support the duties of the administrative services organization under  
38 RCW 71.24.045 through programs serving individuals with severe and  
39 persistent behavioral health conditions and behavioral health  
40 services that promote stability and recovery within their regional

1 service area. Repurposed funds shall prioritize the core mandated  
2 functions that behavioral health administrative services  
3 organizations must provide for all residents who need the service or,  
4 for residents who are not medicaid enrollees, as described in the  
5 authority's model contract for behavioral health administrative  
6 services organizations. A behavioral health administrative services  
7 organization that wishes to repurpose reserve funding must notify the  
8 authority in advance and the authority may require modification of  
9 the plan if it determines that the behavioral health administrative  
10 services organization has not made a good faith effort to implement  
11 prior funding for the purpose for which it was originally provided.  
12 The authority must capture information related to behavioral health  
13 administrative services organization repurposing of funds under this  
14 subsection, including identification of which specific legislative  
15 provisos it repurposed funding under this subsection and for what  
16 purpose those funds were used, through the revenue and expenditure  
17 reporting process. These reports shall describe by how much the  
18 state's appropriated funding for core mandated functions fell short  
19 of need as determined by the behavioral health administrative  
20 services organization. The authority must update the revenue and  
21 expenditure reporting template and reporting instructions to  
22 behavioral health administrative service organizations by September  
23 1, 2025.

24 (14) Within the amounts provided in this section, behavioral  
25 health entities must provide outpatient chemical dependency treatment  
26 for offenders enrolled in the medicaid program who are supervised by  
27 the department of corrections pursuant to a term of community  
28 supervision. Contracts with behavioral health entities must require  
29 that behavioral health entities include in their provider network  
30 specialized expertise in the provision of manualized, evidence-based  
31 chemical dependency treatment services for offenders. The department  
32 of corrections and the authority must develop a memorandum of  
33 understanding for department of corrections offenders on active  
34 supervision who are medicaid eligible and meet medical necessity for  
35 outpatient substance use disorder treatment. The agreement will  
36 ensure that treatment services provided are coordinated, do not  
37 result in duplication of services, and maintain access and quality of  
38 care for the individuals being served. The authority must provide all  
39 necessary data, access, and reports to the department of corrections

1 for all department of corrections offenders that receive medicaid  
2 paid services.

3 (15) The criminal justice treatment account—state appropriation  
4 is provided solely for treatment and treatment support services for  
5 offenders with a substance use disorder pursuant to RCW 71.24.580.  
6 The authority must offer counties the option to administer their  
7 share of the distributions provided for under RCW 71.24.580(5)(a). If  
8 a county is not interested in administering the funds, the authority  
9 shall contract with behavioral health entities to administer these  
10 funds consistent with the plans approved by local panels pursuant to  
11 RCW 71.24.580(5)(b).

12 (16)(a) \$11,590,000 of the dedicated cannabis account—state  
13 appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$11,590,000 of the dedicated  
14 cannabis account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are  
15 provided solely for:

16 (i) A memorandum of understanding with the department of  
17 children, youth, and families to provide substance abuse treatment  
18 programs;

19 (ii) A contract with the Washington state institute for public  
20 policy to conduct a cost-benefit evaluation of the implementations of  
21 chapter 3, Laws of 2013 (Initiative Measure No. 502);

22 (iii) Designing and administering the Washington state healthy  
23 youth survey and the Washington state young adult behavioral health  
24 survey;

25 (iv) Maintaining increased services to pregnant and parenting  
26 women provided through the parent child assistance program;

27 (v) Maintaining increased prevention and treatment service  
28 provided by tribes and federally recognized American Indian  
29 organization to children and youth;

30 (vi) Maintaining increased residential treatment services for  
31 children and youth;

32 (vii) Training and technical assistance for the implementation of  
33 evidence-based, research based, and promising programs which prevent  
34 or reduce substance use disorder;

35 (viii) Expenditures into the home visiting services account; and

36 (ix) Grants to community-based programs that provide prevention  
37 services or activities to youth.

1 (b) The authority must allocate the amounts provided in (a) of  
2 this subsection amongst the specific activities proportionate to the  
3 fiscal year 2021 allocation.

4 (17)(a) \$1,125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,125,000 of the general fund—state  
6 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for Spokane  
7 behavioral health entities to implement services to reduce  
8 utilization and the census at eastern state hospital. Such services  
9 must include:

10 (i) High intensity treatment team for persons who are high  
11 utilizers of psychiatric inpatient services, including those with co-  
12 occurring disorders and other special needs;

13 (ii) Crisis outreach and diversion services to stabilize in the  
14 community individuals in crisis who are at risk of requiring  
15 inpatient care or jail services;

16 (iii) Mental health services provided in nursing facilities to  
17 individuals with dementia, and consultation to facility staff  
18 treating those individuals; and

19 (iv) Services at the 16-bed evaluation and treatment facility.

20 (b) At least annually, the Spokane county behavioral health  
21 entities shall assess the effectiveness of these services in reducing  
22 utilization at eastern state hospital, identify services that are not  
23 optimally effective, and modify those services to improve their  
24 effectiveness.

25 (18) \$1,850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2026, \$1,850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
27 for fiscal year 2027, and \$13,312,000 of the general fund—federal  
28 appropriation are provided solely for substance use disorder peer  
29 support services included in behavioral health capitation rates in  
30 accordance with section 213(5)(ss), chapter 299, Laws of 2018. The  
31 authority shall require managed care organizations to provide access  
32 to peer support services for individuals with substance use disorders  
33 transitioning from emergency departments, inpatient facilities, or  
34 receiving treatment as part of hub and spoke networks.

35 (19) \$23,900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2026, \$23,900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2027, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—federal  
38 appropriation, and \$8,100,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
39 account—state appropriation are provided solely to maintain

activities to improve outcomes for individuals with behavioral health issues interacting with law enforcement. Of these amounts:

(a) \$850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation, and \$3,600,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state appropriation are provided solely for the authority to maintain a memorandum of understanding with the criminal justice training commission to provide funding for community grants pursuant to RCW 36.28A.450.

(b) \$19,600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$19,600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to contract with behavioral health administrative service organizations to implement the statewide recovery navigator program established in chapter 311, Laws of 2021 (ESB 5476) and for related technical assistance to support this implementation. This includes funding for recovery navigator teams to provide community-based outreach and case management services based on the law enforcement assisted diversion model and for technical assistance support from the law enforcement assisted diversion national support bureau. The authority and technical assistance contractor must encourage recovery navigator programs to provide educational information and outreach regarding recovery navigator program services to local retailers that have high levels of retail theft. Of the amounts provided in this subsection (19) (b):

(i) \$1,600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 must be allocated to maintain recovery navigator services in King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties. These amounts must be in addition to the proportion of the allocation of the remaining funds in this subsection the regional behavioral health administrative services organizations serving those counties were allocated pursuant to section 22(1), chapter 311, Laws of 2021.

(ii) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for expanding recovery navigator program services in regions where fiscal year 2026 projected expenditures will exceed revenues provided under this

subsection. In allocating these amounts, the authority must prioritize regions where the combined fiscal year recovery navigator program allocations and recovery navigator program reserve balances are inadequate to cover estimated fiscal year expenditures.

(c) \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for behavioral health administrative service organizations to develop regional recovery navigator program plans pursuant to chapter 311, Laws of 2021 (ESB 5476), and to establish positions focusing on regional planning to improve access to and quality of regional behavioral health services with a focus on integrated care.

(d) \$2,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$2,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$4,500,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state appropriation are provided solely for the authority to maintain funding for ongoing grants to law enforcement assisted diversion programs under RCW 71.24.589.

(e) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to contract with the University of Washington addictions, drug, and alcohol institute. This funding must be used for advanced, evidence-based training for law enforcement to improve interactions with individuals who use drugs. The training must be developed so it can be adapted and used statewide to decrease stigmatizing beliefs among law enforcement through positive contact with people who use drugs and improve officer well-being and effectiveness by providing skills and techniques to address the drug overdose epidemic. The institute must develop and refine this training, leveraging prior work, and in partnership with a steering committee that includes people with lived or living experience of substance use disorder and criminal legal involvement, researchers, clinicians, law enforcement officers, and others. The training must complement, but not duplicate, existing curricula already provided by the criminal justice training commission. The institute must pilot the advanced training in a subset of regional law enforcement agencies and evaluate its acceptability and feasibility through participant interviews and pretraining and posttraining ratings of stigmatizing beliefs. The

1 institute must incorporate feedback from the pilot training sessions  
2 into a final training program that it must make available to law  
3 enforcement agencies across the state.

4 (20) \$1,875,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2026, \$1,875,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
6 for fiscal year 2027, \$350,000 of the general fund—federal  
7 appropriation, and \$5,400,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
8 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
9 continue to provide support for recovery residences. Of these  
10 amounts:

11 (a) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026, \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2027, and \$350,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
14 provided solely to contract with a nationally recognized recovery  
15 residence organization and to provide technical assistance to  
16 operators of recovery residences seeking certification in accordance  
17 with chapter 264, Laws of 2019 (2SHB 1528).

18 (b) \$1,800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2026, \$1,800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2027, and \$5,400,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
21 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
22 provide grants for the operational costs of new staffed recovery  
23 residences which serve individuals with substance use disorders who  
24 require more support than a level 1 recovery residence.

25 (21) \$6,510,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2026, \$6,510,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
27 for fiscal year 2027, \$21,602,000 of the general fund—federal  
28 appropriation, and \$3,500,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
29 account—state appropriation are provided solely for support of  
30 clubhouse programs across the state. The authority shall work with  
31 the centers for medicare and medicaid services to review  
32 opportunities to include clubhouse services as an optional "in lieu  
33 of" service in managed care organization contracts in order to  
34 maximize federal participation.

35 (22) \$708,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026, \$708,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027, and \$1,598,000 of the general fund—federal  
38 appropriation are provided solely for implementing mental health peer  
39 respite centers and a pilot project to implement a mental health

1 drop-in center in accordance with chapter 324, Laws of 2019 (2SHB  
2 1394).

3 (23) \$446,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026, \$446,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027, and \$178,000 of the general fund—federal  
6 appropriation are provided solely for the University of Washington's  
7 evidence-based practice institute which supports the identification,  
8 evaluation, and implementation of evidence-based or promising  
9 practices. The institute must work with the authority to develop a  
10 plan to seek private, federal, or other grant funding in order to  
11 reduce the need for state general funds.

12 (24) As an element of contractual network adequacy requirements  
13 and reporting, the authority shall direct managed care organizations  
14 to make all reasonable efforts to develop or maintain contracts with  
15 provider networks that leverage local, federal, or philanthropic  
16 funding to enhance effectiveness of medicaid-funded integrated care  
17 services. These networks must promote medicaid clients' access to a  
18 system of services that addresses additional social support services  
19 and social determinants of health as defined in RCW 43.20.025 in a  
20 manner that is integrated with the delivery of behavioral health and  
21 medical treatment services.

22 (25) In establishing, re-basing, enhancing, or otherwise updating  
23 medicaid rates for behavioral health services, the authority and  
24 contracted actuaries shall use a transparent process that provides an  
25 opportunity for medicaid managed care organizations, behavioral  
26 health administrative service organizations, and behavioral health  
27 provider agencies, and their representatives, to review and provide  
28 data and feedback on proposed rate changes within their region or  
29 regions of service operation. The authority and contracted actuaries  
30 shall transparently incorporate the information gained from this  
31 process and make adjustments allowable under federal law when  
32 appropriate.

33 (26) The authority shall seek input from representatives of the  
34 managed care organizations (MCOs), licensed community behavioral  
35 health agencies, and behavioral health administrative service  
36 organizations to develop specific metrics related to behavioral  
37 health outcomes under integrated managed care. These metrics must  
38 include, but are not limited to: (a) Revenues and expenditures for  
39 community behavioral health programs, including medicaid and



1 nonmedicaid funding; (b) access to services, service denials, and  
2 utilization by state plan modality; (c) claims denials and record of  
3 timely payment to providers; (d) client demographics; and (e) social  
4 and recovery measures and managed care organization performance  
5 measures. The authority must work with managed care organizations and  
6 behavioral health administrative service organizations to integrate  
7 these metrics into an annual reporting structure designed to evaluate  
8 the performance of the behavioral health system in the state over  
9 time. The authority must submit a report to the office of financial  
10 management and the appropriate committees of the legislature, before  
11 December 30th of each year during the fiscal biennium, that details  
12 the implemented metrics and relevant performance outcomes for the  
13 prior calendar year.

14 (27) The authority must pursue opportunities for shifting state  
15 costs to the state's unused allocation of federal institutions for  
16 mental disease disproportionate share hospital funding.

17 (28) \$1,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,250,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
20 authority to contract with the King county behavioral health  
21 administrative services organization to maintain children's crisis  
22 outreach response system services that were previously funded through  
23 the department of children, youth, and families. The authority, in  
24 consultation with the behavioral health administrative services  
25 organization, medicaid managed care organizations, and the actuaries  
26 responsible for developing medicaid managed care rates, must work to  
27 maximize federal funding provided for the children's crisis outreach  
28 response system program.

29 (29) \$12,435,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2026, \$13,015,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
31 for fiscal year 2027, and \$25,450,000 of the general fund—federal  
32 appropriation are provided solely for the community children's long-  
33 term inpatient program. The number of beds is increased on a phased  
34 in basis to 62 beds by the end of fiscal year 2026 at a bed day rate  
35 of \$1,121 per day.

36 (30) \$51,103,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2026, \$52,933,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
38 for fiscal year 2027, and \$90,434,000 of the general fund—federal  
39 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract with

1 community hospitals or freestanding evaluation and treatment centers  
2 to provide long-term inpatient care beds as defined in RCW 71.24.025.  
3 Within these amounts, the authority must meet the requirements for  
4 reimbursing counties for the judicial services for patients being  
5 served in these settings in accordance with RCW 71.05.730. The  
6 authority must coordinate with the department of social and health  
7 services in developing the contract requirements, selecting  
8 contractors, and establishing processes for identifying patients that  
9 will be admitted to these facilities. Of the amounts in this  
10 subsection, sufficient amounts are provided for the authority to  
11 reimburse community hospitals and nonhospital residential treatment  
12 centers serving clients in long-term inpatient care beds as defined  
13 in RCW 71.24.025 as follows:

14 (a) For a hospital licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW that requires  
15 a hospital specific medicaid inpatient psychiatric per diem payment  
16 rate for long-term civil commitment patients because the hospital has  
17 completed a medicare cost report, the authority shall analyze the  
18 most recent medicare cost report of the hospital after a minimum of  
19 200 medicaid inpatient psychiatric days. The authority shall  
20 establish the inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate for long-  
21 term civil commitment patients for the hospital at 100 percent of the  
22 allowable cost of care, based on the most recent medicare cost report  
23 of the hospital.

24 (b) For a hospital licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW that has not  
25 completed a medicare cost report with more than 200 medicaid  
26 inpatient psychiatric days, the authority shall establish the  
27 medicaid inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate for long-term  
28 civil commitment patients for the hospital at the higher of the  
29 hospital's current medicaid inpatient psychiatric rate; or the  
30 annually updated statewide average of the medicaid inpatient  
31 psychiatric per diem payment rate of all acute care hospitals  
32 licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW providing long-term civil commitment  
33 services.

34 (c) For a hospital licensed under chapter 71.12 RCW and currently  
35 providing long-term civil commitment services, the authority shall  
36 establish the medicaid inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate at  
37 \$1,250 plus adjustments that may be needed to capture costs  
38 associated with long-term psychiatric patients that are not allowable  
39 on the medicare cost report or reimbursed separately. The hospital  
40 may provide the authority with supplemental data to be considered and

1 used to make appropriate adjustments to the medicaid inpatient  
2 psychiatric per diem payment rate of the hospital. Adjustment of  
3 costs may include:

4 (i) Costs associated with professional services and fees not  
5 accounted for in the hospital's medicare cost report or reimbursed  
6 separately;

7 (ii) Costs associated with the hospital providing the long-term  
8 psychiatric patient access to involuntary treatment court services  
9 that are not reimbursed separately; and

10 (iii) Other costs associated with caring for long-term  
11 psychiatric patients that are not reimbursed separately.

12 (d) For a hospital licensed under chapter 71.12 RCW that requires  
13 an initial medicaid inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate for  
14 long-term civil commitment services because it has not yet completed  
15 a medicare cost report, the authority shall establish the medicaid  
16 inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate at the higher of:

17 (i) The hospital's current medicaid inpatient psychiatric rate;  
18 or

19 (ii) The annually updated statewide average of the medicaid long-  
20 term inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate of all freestanding  
21 psychiatric hospitals licensed under chapter 71.12 RCW providing  
22 long-term civil commitment services.

23 (e) For nonhospital residential treatment centers certified to  
24 provide long-term inpatient care beds as defined in RCW 71.24.025,  
25 the authority shall establish the medicaid psychiatric per diem  
26 payment rate at \$1,250 per bed.

27 (f) The authority shall pay a rate enhancement of \$500 per day  
28 for patients committed pursuant to the dismissal of criminal charges  
29 and a civil evaluation ordered under RCW 10.77.086 or 10.77.088. The  
30 enhancement shall be available to all hospital and nonhospital  
31 facilities providing services under this subsection except those  
32 whose rates are set at 100 percent of their most recent medicare cost  
33 report.

34 (g) The authority may pay a rate enhancement of \$500 per day for  
35 individuals with complex medical needs, challenging behaviors often  
36 diagnosed with co-occurring intellectual or developmental disability,  
37 traumatic brain injury, dementia, or significant medical issues  
38 requiring personal care. The rate enhancement shall be available to  
39 providers contracting directly with the authority.

1 (h) Provider payments for vacant bed days shall not exceed six  
2 percent of their annual contracted bed days.

3 (31) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a one-time grant to Island  
6 county to maintain support for a pilot program to improve behavioral  
7 health outcomes for young people in rural communities. In  
8 administering the pilot program, Island county shall coordinate with  
9 school districts, community groups, and health care providers to  
10 increase access to behavioral health programs for children and youth  
11 aged birth to 24 years of age. The grant funds shall be used to  
12 coordinate and expand behavioral health services. The grant funding  
13 must not be used to supplant funding from existing programs. No more  
14 than 10 percent of the funds may be used for administrative costs  
15 incurred by Island county in administering the program. Services that  
16 may be provided with the grant funding include, but are not limited  
17 to:

18 (a) Support for children and youth with significant behavioral  
19 health needs to address learning loss caused by COVID-19 and remote  
20 learning;

21 (b) School based behavioral health education, assessment, and  
22 brief treatment;

23 (c) Screening and referral of children and youth to long-term  
24 treatment services;

25 (d) Behavioral health supports provided by community agencies  
26 serving youth year-round;

27 (e) Expansion of mental health first aid, a program designed to  
28 prepare adults who regularly interact with youth for how to help  
29 people in both crisis and noncrisis mental health situations;

30 (f) Peer support services; and

31 (g) Compensation for the incurred costs of clinical supervisors  
32 and internships.

33 (32) \$494,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026, \$494,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2027, and \$988,000 of the general fund—federal  
36 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract with  
37 the University of Washington's project extension for community health  
38 outcomes (ECHO) and the systemic, therapeutic, assessment, resources,

1 and treatment (START) programs for specialized training and  
2 consultation for physicians and professionals to support:

3 (a) Children with developmental disabilities and behavioral  
4 health needs;

5 (b) Applied behavior analysis provider training, education, and  
6 consultation; and

7 (c) The screening and diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder.

8 (33) \$2,366,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
9 \$2,366,000 of the general fund—local appropriation are provided  
10 solely for supported housing and employment services described in  
11 initiative 3a and 3b of the 1115 demonstration waiver and this is the  
12 maximum amount that may be expended for this purpose. Within these  
13 amounts, funding is provided for the authority to support community  
14 discharge efforts for patients at the state hospitals. Under this  
15 initiative, the authority and the department of social and health  
16 services shall ensure that allowable and necessary services are  
17 provided to eligible clients as identified by the authority or its  
18 providers or third party administrator. The department and the  
19 authority in consultation with the medicaid forecast work group,  
20 shall ensure that reasonable reimbursements are established for  
21 services deemed necessary within an identified limit per individual.  
22 The authority shall not increase general fund—state expenditures  
23 above appropriated levels for this specific purpose. The secretary in  
24 collaboration with the director of the authority shall report to the  
25 joint select committee on health care oversight no less than  
26 quarterly on financial and health outcomes. The secretary in  
27 cooperation with the director shall also report to the fiscal  
28 committees of the legislature the expenditures of this subsection and  
29 shall provide such fiscal data in the time, manner, and form  
30 requested by the legislative fiscal committees.

31 (34) Within the amounts provided in this section, sufficient  
32 funding is provided for the authority to maintain and increase the  
33 capabilities of a tool to track medication assisted treatment  
34 provider capacity.

35 (35) \$4,087,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2026, \$4,087,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2027, and \$3,000,000 of the general fund—federal  
38 appropriation are provided solely for alternative response and  
39 coresponse services. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

1 (a) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
2 provided solely for grants to law enforcement and other first  
3 responders to include a mental health professional on the team of  
4 personnel responding to emergencies.

5 (b) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026, \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2027, and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—federal  
8 appropriation are provided solely to support the provision of  
9 behavioral health coresponder services on nonlaw enforcement  
10 emergency medical response teams.

11 (c) \$2,587,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026 and \$2,587,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to support  
14 efforts by counties and cities to implement local response teams. Of  
15 these amounts:

16 (i) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to provide a  
19 grant to the association of Washington cities to assist cities with  
20 the costs of implementing alternative response teams. This funding  
21 must be used to reimburse cities for documented costs associated with  
22 creating coresponder teams within different alternative diversion  
23 models including law enforcement assisted diversion programs,  
24 community assistance referral and education programs, and as part of  
25 mobile crisis teams. Cities are encouraged to partner with each other  
26 to create a regional response model. In awarding these funds, the  
27 association must prioritize applicants with demonstrated capacity for  
28 facility-based crisis triage and stabilization services. The  
29 association and authority must collect information regarding the  
30 number of facility-based crisis stabilization and triage beds  
31 available in the locations receiving funding through this subsection.

32 (ii) \$587,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$587,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to support the Whatcom county  
35 alternative response team.

36 (36) \$2,404,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2026, \$2,637,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
38 for fiscal year 2027, and \$6,815,000 of the general fund—federal  
39 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract for

1 long-term involuntary treatment services in a 16-bed residential  
2 treatment facility developed by the Tulalip tribe in Stanwood.

3 (37) \$956,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$956,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for wraparound with intensive  
6 services for youth ineligible for medicaid as outlined in the  
7 settlement agreement under *AGC v. Washington State Health Care*  
8 *Authority*, Thurston county superior court no. 21-2-00479-34.

9 (38) \$16,004,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2026 and \$16,004,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for claims for  
12 services rendered to medicaid eligible clients admitted to  
13 institutions of mental disease that were determined to be unallowable  
14 for federal reimbursement due to medicaid's institutions for mental  
15 disease exclusion rules.

16 (39) \$6,010,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2026, \$6,010,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
18 for fiscal year 2027, and \$1,980,000 of the general fund—federal  
19 appropriation are provided solely for the authority, in coordination  
20 with the department of health, to deploy an opioid awareness campaign  
21 and to contract with syringe service programs and other service  
22 settings assisting people with substance use disorders to: Prevent  
23 and respond to overdoses; provide other harm reduction services and  
24 supplies, including but not limited to distributing naloxone;  
25 fentanyl testing and other drug testing supplies; and for expanding  
26 contingency management services. The authority is encouraged to use  
27 these funds to leverage federal funding for this purpose to expand  
28 buying power when possible. The authority should prioritize funds for  
29 naloxone in coordination with the department of health, to expand the  
30 distribution of naloxone through the department's overdose education  
31 and naloxone distribution program. Funding must be prioritized to  
32 fill naloxone access gaps in community behavioral health and other  
33 community settings, including providing naloxone for agency staff in  
34 organizations such as syringe service programs, housing providers,  
35 and street outreach programs. Of the amounts provided in this  
36 subsection, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
38 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the

1 authority to deploy an opioid awareness campaign targeted at youth to  
2 increase the awareness of the dangers of fentanyl.

3 (40) \$2,148,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,148,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to support  
6 individuals enrolled in the foundational community supports  
7 initiative who are transitioning from benefits under RCW 74.04.805  
8 due to increased income or other changes in eligibility. The  
9 authority, department of social and health services, and department  
10 of commerce shall collaborate on this effort.

11 (41) \$24,684,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2026, \$24,559,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
13 for fiscal year 2027, \$4,464,000 of the general fund—federal  
14 appropriation, \$3,500,000 of the criminal justice treatment account—  
15 state appropriation, and \$4,000,000 of the opioid abatement  
16 settlement account—state appropriation are provided solely to support  
17 the housing needs of individuals with behavioral health disorders. Of  
18 the amounts provided in this subsection:

19 (a) \$998,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026, \$998,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2027, and \$618,000 of the general fund—federal  
22 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract for  
23 three regional behavioral health mobile crisis response teams focused  
24 on supported housing to prevent individuals with behavioral health  
25 conditions at high risk of losing housing from becoming homeless,  
26 identify and prioritize serving the most vulnerable people  
27 experiencing homelessness, and increase alternative housing options  
28 to include short-term alternatives which may temporarily deescalate  
29 situations where there is high risk of a household from becoming  
30 homeless.

31 (b) \$5,623,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026, \$5,623,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2027, and \$3,748,000 of the general fund—federal  
34 appropriation are provided solely to maintain and expand access to no  
35 barrier, and low-barrier programs using a housing first model  
36 designed to assist and stabilize housing supports for adults with  
37 behavioral health conditions. Housing supports and services shall be  
38 made available with no requirement for treatment for their behavioral  
39 health condition and must be individualized to the needs of the



1 individual. The authority and department of commerce shall  
2 collaborate on this effort.

3 (c) \$337,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$337,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a rental voucher and bridge  
6 program and to implement strategies to reduce instances where an  
7 individual leaves a state operated behavioral or private behavioral  
8 health facility directly into homelessness. The authority must  
9 prioritize this funding for individuals being discharged from state  
10 operated behavioral health facilities.

11 (d) \$2,487,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026 and \$2,487,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for short-term rental subsidies  
14 for individuals with mental health or substance use disorders. This  
15 funding may be used for individuals enrolled in the foundational  
16 community support program while waiting for a longer term resource  
17 for rental support or for individuals transitioning from behavioral  
18 health treatment facilities or local jails. Individuals who would  
19 otherwise be eligible for the foundational community support program  
20 but are not eligible because of their citizenship status may also be  
21 served. Each December of the fiscal biennium, the authority must  
22 submit a report identifying the expenditures and number of  
23 individuals receiving short-term rental supports through the agency  
24 budget during the prior fiscal year broken out by region, treatment  
25 need, and the demographics of those served, including but not limited  
26 to age, country of origin within racial/ethnic categories, gender,  
27 and immigration status.

28 (e) \$4,211,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 and \$4,211,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a targeted grant program to  
31 three behavioral health administrative services organizations to  
32 transition persons who are either being diverted from criminal  
33 prosecution to behavioral health treatment services or are in need of  
34 housing upon discharge from crisis stabilization services.

35 (f) \$1,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026, \$1,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027, \$3,500,000 of the criminal justice treatment  
38 account—state appropriation, and \$4,000,000 of the opioid abatement  
39 settlement account—state appropriation are provided solely for the

1 authority to provide short-term housing vouchers for individuals with  
2 substance use disorders.

3 (g) \$7,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$7,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to implement  
6 homeless outreach stabilization teams pursuant to chapter 311, Laws  
7 of 2021 (ESB 5476).

8 (h) \$2,278,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2026, \$2,153,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2027, and \$98,000 of the general fund—federal  
11 appropriation are provided solely for implementing a postinpatient  
12 housing program designed for young adults in accordance with the  
13 provisions of chapter 175, Laws of 2024 (2SHB 1929). Contracts with  
14 the postinpatient housing providers are exempt from the competitive  
15 procurement requirements in chapter 39.26 RCW.

16 (42) \$361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026, \$361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027, and \$482,000 of the general fund—federal  
19 appropriation are provided solely for the authority, in collaboration  
20 with the department of social and health services research and data  
21 analysis division, to implement community behavioral health service  
22 data into the existing executive management information system. Of  
23 these amounts, \$288,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2026, \$288,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
25 for fiscal year 2027, and \$384,000 of the general fund—federal  
26 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to reimburse the  
27 research and data analysis division for staff costs associated with  
28 this project. The data elements shall be incorporated into the  
29 monthly executive management information system reports on a phased-  
30 in basis, allowing for elements which are readily available to be  
31 incorporated in the initial phase, and elements which require further  
32 definition and data collection changes to be incorporated in a later  
33 phase. The authority must collaborate with the research and data  
34 analysis division to ensure data elements are clearly defined and  
35 must include requirements in medicaid managed care organization and  
36 behavioral health administrative services organization contracts to  
37 provide the data in a consistent and timely manner for inclusion into  
38 the system. The community behavioral health executive management  
39 system information data elements must include, but are not limited

1 to: Psychiatric inpatient bed days; evaluation and treatment center  
2 bed days; long-term involuntary community psychiatric inpatient bed  
3 days; children's long-term inpatient bed days; substance use disorder  
4 inpatient, residential, withdrawal evaluation and management, and  
5 secure withdrawal evaluation and management bed days; crisis triage  
6 and stabilization services bed days; mental health residential bed  
7 days; mental health and substance use disorder outpatient treatment  
8 services; opioid substitution and medication assisted treatment  
9 services; program of assertive treatment team services; wraparound  
10 with intensive services; mobile outreach crisis services; recovery  
11 navigator team services; foundational community supports housing and  
12 employment services; projects for assistance in transition from  
13 homelessness services; housing and recovery through peer services;  
14 other housing services administered by the authority; mental health  
15 and substance use disorder peer services; designated crisis responder  
16 investigations and outcomes; involuntary commitment hearings and  
17 outcomes; pregnant and parenting women case management services; and  
18 single bed certifications and no available bed reports. Wherever  
19 possible and practical, the data must include historical monthly  
20 counts and shall be broken out to distinguish services to medicaid  
21 and nonmedicaid individuals and children and adults. The authority  
22 and the research and data analysis division must consult with the  
23 office of financial management and staff from the fiscal committees  
24 of the legislature on the development and implementation of the  
25 community behavioral health data elements.

26 (43) \$178,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2026, \$58,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2027, and \$650,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
29 provided solely for the authority to continue development and  
30 implementation of the certified community behavioral health clinic  
31 model for comprehensive behavioral health services. Funding must be  
32 used to secure actuarial expertise, conduct research into national  
33 data and other state models, including obtaining resources and  
34 expertise from the national council for mental well-being certified  
35 community behavioral health clinic success center; and engage  
36 stakeholders, including representatives of licensed community  
37 behavioral health agencies and medicaid managed care organizations,  
38 in the process. The authority must conduct a study built on the

preliminary report submitted to the legislature in December 2024 that includes:

(a) Overviews of options and considerations for implementing the certified community behavioral health clinic model within Washington state, including participation as a certified community behavioral health clinic demonstration state or for independent statewide implementation;

(b) An analysis of the impact of expanding the certified community behavioral health clinic model on the state's behavioral health systems;

(c) Relevant federal regulations and options to implement the certified community behavioral health clinic model under those regulations;

(d) Options for implementing a prospective payment system methodology;

(e) An analysis of the benefits and potential challenges for integrating the certified community behavioral health clinic reimbursement model within an integrated care environment;

(f) Actuarial analysis on the costs for implementing the certified community behavioral health clinic model, including opportunities for leveraging federal funding; and

(g) Recommendations to the legislature on a pathway for statewide implementation including a plan for implementation no later than fiscal year 2027 that must include the following:

(i) Implementation of the certified community behavioral health clinic model with clinics that adhere to the program standards under the federal substance abuse and mental health services administration demonstration program established under section 223 of the federal protecting access to medicare act of 2014 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1396a note), as amended by the bipartisan safer communities act (P.L. 117-159);

(ii) Incorporation in the planned funding model of at least one of the prospective payment system methodologies approved by the centers for medicare and medicaid services;

(iii) The plan may allow for the certified community behavioral health clinic funding model to be implemented either by applying for and joining the federal demonstration program referenced in (g)(i) of this subsection, applying to the centers for medicare and medicaid services for a medicaid state plan waiver or amendment, or both;

1 (iv) Continued consultation with the national council for mental  
2 wellbeing's certified community behavioral health clinic success  
3 center for technical assistance and meaningful opportunities for  
4 community behavioral health agencies to participate and offer  
5 feedback throughout the implementation process; and

6 (v) Inclusion of services to children, youth, and families  
7 through the certified community behavioral health clinic funding  
8 model through providers that serve individuals of all ages as well as  
9 specialty providers that serve children, youth, and families.

10 (44) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to renew a  
13 contract with a Seattle based nonprofit organization with experience  
14 matching voluntary specialty care providers with patients in need of  
15 care to continue established pro bono counseling and behavioral  
16 health services to uninsured and underinsured individuals with  
17 incomes below 300 percent of the federal poverty line. The authority  
18 must provide the funding pursuant to a contract for documented  
19 capacity-building to continue pro bono counseling and behavioral  
20 health services. The agreement may require the contracted  
21 organization to seek, document, and report to the authority on  
22 efforts to leverage local, federal, or philanthropic funding to  
23 provide sustained operational support for the program.

24 (45) \$219,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$219,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to continue to support the  
27 children and youth behavioral health work group to consider and  
28 develop longer term strategies and recommendations regarding the  
29 delivery of behavioral health services for children, transitioning  
30 youth, and their caregivers pursuant to chapter 76, Laws of 2022  
31 (2SHB 1890).

32 (46) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to continue a  
35 contract to provide information and support related to safe housing  
36 and support services for youth exiting inpatient mental health and/or  
37 substance use disorder facilities to stakeholders, inpatient  
38 treatment facilities, young people, and other community providers  
39 that serve unaccompanied youth and young adults.

(47) \$3,322,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$3,322,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, \$1,814,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation, and \$5,248,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract with opioid treatment providers to operate mobile methadone units to address treatment gaps statewide. Within the amounts provided, the authority must provide service support subsidies to all mobile methadone units including those that began operations prior to fiscal year 2024. The authority must work with the actuaries responsible for setting medicaid managed care rates to explore options for creating a specific rate for mobile medication units that reflects the unique costs of these programs.

(48)(a) \$5,753,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$5,753,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to continue a program with coverage comparable to the amount, duration, and scope of care provided in the categorically needy medicaid program for adult individuals who:

(i) Have an immigration status making them ineligible for federal medicaid or federal subsidies through the health benefit exchange;

(ii) Are age 19 and older, including over age 65, and have countable income of up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level; and

(iii) Are not eligible for another full scope federally funded medical assistance program, including any expansion of medicaid coverage for deferred action for childhood arrivals recipients.

(b) Within the amount provided in this subsection, the authority shall use the same eligibility, enrollment, redetermination and renewal, and appeals procedures as categorically needy medicaid, except where flexibility is necessary to maintain privacy or minimize burden to applicants or enrollees.

(c) The authority in collaboration with the health benefit exchange, the department of social and health services, and community organizations must develop and implement an outreach and education campaign.

(d) The authority must provide the following information to the governor's office and appropriate committees of the legislature by February 1st and November 1st of each year:

1 (i) Actual and forecasted expenditures;  
2 (ii) Actual and forecasted data from the caseload forecast  
3 council; and  
4 (iii) The availability and impact of any federal program or  
5 proposed rule that expands access to health care for the population  
6 described in this subsection, such as the expansion of medicaid  
7 coverage for deferred action for childhood arrivals recipients.

8 (e) The amount provided in this subsection is the maximum amount  
9 that may be expended for the purposes of this program.

10 (49)(a) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2026 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
12 for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to  
13 reimburse the department of social and health services for staffing  
14 costs related to tracking behavioral health community capacity  
15 through the community behavioral health executive management  
16 information system and providing annual reports on the implementation  
17 of new behavioral health community capacity.

18 (b) The department of commerce, the department of health, and the  
19 authority must cooperate with the department of social and health  
20 services in collecting and providing the data necessary to  
21 incorporate tracking of behavioral health beds into the behavioral  
22 health executive management information system and to prepare the  
23 required reports. The agencies must work to ensure they are using  
24 consistent definitions in classifying behavioral health bed types for  
25 the purpose of reporting capacity and utilization.

26 (c) The authority and the department of social and health  
27 services must continue tracking behavioral health bed utilization for  
28 medicaid and state funded clients by type of bed in the executive  
29 management information system. The department of commerce shall  
30 identify to the department of social and health services all  
31 providers that have received funding through their capital grant  
32 program since the 2013-2015 fiscal biennium. The department of social  
33 and health services must incorporate tracking of services by provider  
34 including an element to identify providers that have received funding  
35 through the capital budget so that reports can be provided related to  
36 the average daily client counts for medicaid and state funded clients  
37 being served by provider and by facility type.

38 (d) The department of social and health services, in coordination  
39 with the department of commerce, the department of health, and the  
40 authority, must submit an annual report each November of the fiscal

1 biennium to the office of financial management and the appropriate  
2 committees of the legislature that provides the following information  
3 for each facility that has received funding through the capital  
4 budget: (i) The amount received by the state and the total project  
5 cost; (ii) the facility address; (iii) the number of new beds or  
6 additional bed capacity by the service type being provided; (iv) the  
7 utilization of the additional beds by medicaid or state funded  
8 clients by service type; and (v) a comparison of capacity to demand  
9 by service type by geographical region of the state.

10 (50) \$3,045,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2026, \$83,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2027, \$172,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation,  
13 \$2,000,000 of the criminal justice treatment account—state  
14 appropriation, and \$5,041,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
15 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
16 expand efforts to provide opioid use disorder and alcohol use  
17 disorder medication in city, county, regional, and tribal jails.

18 (51) \$55,988,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
19 provided solely for the authority to contract with the University of  
20 Washington behavioral health teaching facility to provide long-term  
21 inpatient care beds as defined in RCW 71.24.025. The authority must  
22 coordinate with the department of social and health services and the  
23 University of Washington to evaluate and determine criteria for the  
24 current population of state hospital patients, committed pursuant to  
25 the dismissal of criminal charges and a civil evaluation ordered  
26 under RCW 10.77.086 or 10.77.088, who can be effectively treated at  
27 the University of Washington behavioral health teaching facility.

28 (52) \$95,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026, \$95,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2027, and \$264,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
31 provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1272  
32 (children in crisis program). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
33 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

34 (53) \$36,306,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis  
35 response line account—state appropriation and \$21,410,000 of the  
36 general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the  
37 authority to continue to implement the provisions of chapter 454,  
38 Laws of 2023 (E2SHB 1134). Within these amounts, sufficient funding  
39 is provided for the authority to:



1 (a) Provide grants to new or existing mobile rapid response teams  
2 and to community-based crisis teams to support efforts for meeting  
3 the standards and criteria for receiving an endorsement pursuant to  
4 provisions of the bill. In awarding grants under this subsection, the  
5 authority must prioritize funding for proposals that demonstrate  
6 experience and strategies that prioritize culturally relevant  
7 services to community members with the least access to behavioral  
8 health services;

9 (b) Expand and enhance regional crisis services provided by  
10 mobile crisis teams and community-based crisis teams either endorsed  
11 or seeking endorsement pursuant to standards adopted by the  
12 authority; and

13 (c) Provide performance payments to mobile rapid response teams  
14 and community-based crisis teams that receive endorsements pursuant  
15 to chapter 454, Laws of 2023 (E2SHB 1134).

16 (54) \$500,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
17 appropriation is provided solely for Spanish language opioid  
18 prevention services.

19 (55) \$16,814,000 of the tribal opioid prevention and treatment  
20 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the authority to  
21 pass through to tribes and urban Indian health programs for opioid  
22 and overdose response activities. The funding must be used for  
23 prevention, outreach, treatment, recovery support services, and other  
24 strategies to address and mitigate the effects of the misuse and  
25 abuse of opioid related products. The authority must provide the  
26 tribes and urban Indian health programs the latitude to use the  
27 funding as they see fit to benefit their communities, provided the  
28 activities are allowable under the terms of the opioid settlement  
29 agreements.

30 (56) Within existing resources, the authority shall collaborate  
31 with the department of social and health services to develop a new  
32 program for individuals admitted to a state hospital for purposes of  
33 civil commitment under RCW 10.77.086. The program must prioritize the  
34 use of assisted outpatient treatment resources for eligible  
35 individuals and draw upon existing programs, including the program of  
36 assertive community treatment and the governor's opportunity for  
37 supportive housing program to provide wraparound services for  
38 individuals who may be ready to quickly return to the community  
39 following an admission.

1 (57) \$6,700,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
2 appropriation and \$700,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation  
3 are provided solely for the authority to contract for the support of  
4 an opioid recovery and care access center in Seattle. The contractor  
5 must be an established Seattle based behavioral health provider that  
6 has developed a partnership for the project and has leveraged  
7 additional operations and research funding from other sources. The  
8 contract is exempt from the competitive procurement requirements in  
9 chapter 39.26 RCW.

10 (58) \$2,000,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for the authority to increase access  
12 to long-acting injectable buprenorphine products. The authority must  
13 use these funds to cover the cost and administration of the drug for  
14 uninsured individuals that do not qualify for other state or federal  
15 health insurance programs.

16 (59) \$4,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for bridge funding grants to  
18 community behavioral health agencies participating in federal  
19 certified community behavioral health clinic expansion grant programs  
20 to sustain their continued level of operations following expiration  
21 of federal grant funding during the planning process for adoption of  
22 the certified community behavioral health clinic model statewide.

23 (60) \$3,066,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2026, \$5,446,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
25 for fiscal year 2027, and \$3,457,000 of the general fund—federal  
26 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract for  
27 community behavioral health services to be provided at the Olympic  
28 heritage behavioral health facility.

29 (61) \$15,398,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis  
30 response line account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
31 startup, implementation, and operational funding for three crisis  
32 relief centers. The authority must undergo a competitive solicitation  
33 process for this funding that takes into account geographic needs,  
34 regional capacity, and operational readiness, and must prioritize  
35 providers with limited access to other funding sources and who are  
36 projected to have the shortest timelines to utilize funding and begin  
37 operations. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

1 (a) \$8,536,000 is provided solely for startup grants for hiring,  
2 facility improvements, and other costs necessary to begin providing  
3 services to clients.

4 (b) \$4,925,000 is provided solely for six-month operational  
5 subsidies for crisis centers that have begun operations as a bridge  
6 to providing services at full capacity.

7 (c) \$1,937,000 is provided for reimbursement for crisis relief  
8 center services provided to individuals not covered by the state  
9 medicaid program.

10 **(d) The authority must ensure that managed care organizations**  
11 **adhere to contract provisions regarding required services and**  
12 **behavioral health network adequacy standards. The authority must**  
13 **submit a report to the office of financial management and the**  
14 **appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2025, with a**  
15 **plan and recommendations for a sustainable funding model for these**  
16 **services that collects appropriate amounts from medicaid managed care**  
17 **organizations and other insurance carriers and identifies the need**  
18 **for ongoing behavioral health administrative services organization**  
19 **funding needed for individuals who do not have medicaid or other**  
20 **insurance coverage.**

21 (62) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a one-time grant to a  
24 nonprofit organization for start-up costs and to provide services to  
25 medicaid clients and uninsured clients in a crisis stabilization  
26 facility located in Skagit county.

27 (63) \$9,500,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for health engagement hub pilot  
29 program sites in accordance with the provisions of chapter 1, Laws of  
30 2023 sp. sess. (2E2SSB 5536). The authority may use funding within  
31 this subsection to contract for technical assistance and evaluation  
32 activities associated with the pilot program.

33 (64) \$328,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026, \$328,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2027, and \$656,000 of the general fund—federal  
36 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to implement  
37 chapter 360, Laws of 2024 (2SHB 2320).

38 (65) \$2,650,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,650,000 of the general fund—state

1 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
2 authority to continue contracts with King county, Kitsap county,  
3 Tacoma, Everett, and Spokane for street medicine teams that rapidly  
4 assess and address the acute and chronic physical and behavioral  
5 health needs of homeless people. The teams must offer integrated,  
6 team-based medical, mental health, substance use, and infectious  
7 disease treatment and prevention, and navigation and case management  
8 services.

9 (66)(a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2026, \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
11 for fiscal year 2027, and \$500,000 of the general fund—federal  
12 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to continue work  
13 on the behavioral health comparison rate project, including:

14 (i) Developing phase 3 comparison rates for all major medicaid  
15 managed care behavioral health services not addressed in phase 1 or  
16 phase 2 of the behavioral health comparison rates project or through  
17 other work streams; and

18 (ii) Preparing to implement a minimum fee schedule for behavioral  
19 health services, including developing solutions to resolve any  
20 current data and systems limitations.

21 (b) By October 1, 2025, the authority must provide a final report  
22 to the office of financial management and appropriate committees of  
23 the legislature that:

24 (i) Summarizes the new comparison rates developed as part of  
25 phase 3;

26 (ii) Updates comparison rates developed in phase 1 and phase 2  
27 for new salary and wage information based on most current bureau of  
28 labor statistics data;

29 (iii) Estimates the cost and other impacts to fee-for-service and  
30 managed care of incorporating additional behavioral health services  
31 developed as part of phase 3 of the behavioral health comparison  
32 rates project into a minimum fee schedule effective January 1, 2027;

33 (iv) Identifies planned actions and funding needs, if any, to  
34 resolve any remaining limitations to implement the phase 3 minimum  
35 fee schedule by January 1, 2027;

36 (v) Provides additional analysis of variation between the  
37 comparison rates developed as part of phase 3 and current payment  
38 levels at a service and regional level; and

1 (vi) Describes how the authority plans to propose to the  
2 legislature implementation of the phase 3 minimum fee schedule by  
3 January 1, 2027, to better match medicaid payments to the cost of  
4 care.

5 (67) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 is provided solely for the authority to fund the second  
7 year of workforce grants to behavioral health agencies contracted  
8 with the authority to establish occupational therapy services for  
9 behavioral health clients. This funding must be used for establishing  
10 and integrating occupational therapy into behavioral health agency  
11 programs and operations. Funding may be used for occupational  
12 therapist and occupational therapy assistant services, recruitment,  
13 training, technical assistance, fieldwork opportunities, and for  
14 other approved activities targeted to increase access to occupational  
15 therapy services within behavioral health agency settings. The  
16 authority must submit a final report to the legislature on the number  
17 of patients receiving occupational therapy through this initiative,  
18 the programs in which services were provided, and the number and type  
19 of fieldwork students trained in each participating behavioral health  
20 agency program by January 1, 2027.

21 (68)(a) \$81,542,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2026, \$81,729,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
23 for fiscal year 2027, and \$167,792,000 of the general fund—federal  
24 appropriation are provided solely for supportive supervision and  
25 oversight services pursuant to a 1915(i) state plan amendment. For  
26 medicaid clients enrolled in managed care, the authority must  
27 contract for these services through managed care organizations  
28 utilizing an actuarially sound rate structure as established by the  
29 authority and approved by the centers for medicare and medicaid  
30 services. The authority may not implement a skills development and  
31 restoration benefit until funding is provided for that specific  
32 purpose. Within these amounts, funding is provided for:

33 (i) Implementing supportive supervision and oversight services in  
34 adult family home settings in accordance with and contingent upon  
35 execution of the collective bargaining agreement negotiated between  
36 the state and the adult family homes and referenced in part IX of  
37 this act;

38 (ii) Implementing supportive supervision and oversight services  
39 in assisted living and enhanced services facilities settings;

1 (iii) Providing reimbursement for the state share of exceptional  
2 behavioral health personal care services for individuals who have not  
3 transitioned into the new 1915(i) state plan services; and

4 (iv) Administrative costs associated with implementation of the  
5 new 1915(i) state plan.

6 (b) Within the amounts provided in this subsection, the authority  
7 must assure that managed care organizations reimburse the department  
8 of social and health services aging and long term support  
9 administration for the general fund—state cost of exceptional  
10 behavioral health personal care services for medicaid enrolled  
11 individuals who require these services because of a psychiatric  
12 disability.

13 ***(c) (i) Within the amounts provided in this subsection, the***  
14 ***authority will convene a task force composed of representatives from***  
15 ***the authority, the department of social and health services, and the***  
16 ***office of financial management; representatives of adult family home,***  
17 ***assisted living, and enhanced services facility providers that serve***  
18 ***individuals through the community behavioral health support program;***  
19 ***behavioral health advocates; and other key stakeholders. The task***  
20 ***force will conduct a comprehensive review of services offered through***  
21 ***the community behavioral health support program and the residential***  
22 ***services waiver program with the goal of improving system-wide***  
23 ***efficiencies, data driven outcomes, and cost effectiveness. The***  
24 ***review shall include but not be limited to:***

25 ***(A) Exploration of opportunities for aligning requirements***  
26 ***between the community behavioral health support program and the***  
27 ***residential service waiver programs to reduce provider administrative***  
28 ***burden and conflicting requirements with specific attention provided***  
29 ***to value-based patient-centered purchasing models;***

30 ***(B) Establishment of uniform oversight and clear expectations***  
31 ***when community behavioral health support program and residential***  
32 ***service waiver program services overlap;***

33 ***(C) Creation of a centralized framework for matching participants***  
34 ***with complex behavioral health conditions to the most appropriate***  
35 ***setting or level of care;***

36 ***(D) Development of outcome metrics and a practical process for***  
37 ***gathering outcomes data such as reductions in hospital readmissions,***  
38 ***improved quality of life, and other metrics reflective of community***  
39 ***stability;***

1       (E) Identification of opportunities for streamlining or  
2 consolidation of programs to reduce overlap, ensure simpler referral  
3 pathways, and deliver more consistent services across the state's  
4 behavioral health continuum; and

5       (F) Cost estimates for options developed by the task force which  
6 examine potential costs impacts for both the authority and the  
7 department of social and health services and include identification  
8 of cost savings and offsets associated with the options presented.

9       (ii) By December 1, 2025, the authority must provide a report to  
10 the office of financial management and the appropriate committees of  
11 the legislature which includes but is not limited to:

12       (A) A matrix of the community behavioral health support program  
13 and other programs at the department of social and health services  
14 that provide overlapping services to community behavioral health  
15 support program clients which includes identification of the number  
16 of individuals being served, the average monthly expenditures at each  
17 agency, and the differential eligibility and service requirements for  
18 the programs;

19       (B) A summary of the findings and recommendations of the task  
20 force;

21       (C) If an amendment of the community behavioral health support  
22 state plan amendment is recommended by the task force, specific  
23 options identified by the work group for the amendment to reduce  
24 provider administrative burden and improve cost effectiveness and  
25 client outcomes; and

26       (D) Identification of the estimated costs, risks, benefits, and  
27 timeline of implementing the identified recommendations and options.

28       (69) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
30 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to  
31 tribes to implement the Icelandic model of prevention in their  
32 communities.

33       (70) \$3,200,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for a tribal opioid prevention  
35 campaign to inform and educate tribal communities about opioid misuse  
36 prevention, overdose response, and treatment.

37       (71) \$5,242,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for the authority to provide grants

1 to providers of employment and educational services to individuals  
2 with substance use disorder.

3 (72) \$3,768,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for the authority to provide opioid  
5 treatment services through new opioid treatment providers that were  
6 funded through grants pursuant to chapter 1, Laws of 2023 sp. sess.  
7 (controlled substances).

8 (73) \$297,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2026, \$97,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2027, and \$140,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
11 provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute  
12 House Bill No. 1813 (medical assistance procurement). If the bill  
13 is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this  
14 subsection shall lapse.

15 (74) \$438,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2026, \$438,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2027, and \$284,000 of the general fund—federal  
18 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of sections 2  
19 and 3 of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1427 (peer support  
20 specialists). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the  
21 amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

22 (75) \$2,132,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
23 appropriation and \$570,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation  
24 are provided solely for the authority to contract for a program that  
25 provides Washington state emergency departments with real-time  
26 medications for opioid use disorder clinical guidance and follow-up  
27 appointment scheduling.

28 (76) \$1,000,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis  
29 response line account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
30 purchase of electric vans for 988 behavioral health crisis response  
31 and suicide prevention mobile rapid response crisis teams and  
32 community-based crisis teams endorsed under RCW 71.24.903. Of the  
33 amounts provided in this subsection:

34 (a) \$700,000 of this amount is for mobile rapid response crisis  
35 teams and community-based crisis teams endorsed under RCW 71.24.903;  
36 and

37 (b) \$300,000 of this amount is for mobile rapid response crisis  
38 teams and community-based crisis teams endorsed under RCW 71.24.903  
39 that are affiliated with a tribe in Washington state.



1 (77) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the authority  
2 and the governor's Indian health advisory council must convene tribal  
3 representatives to identify the actual local costs for tribes in  
4 their provision of substance use disorder services to non-American  
5 Indian/Alaska Native medicaid enrollees receiving services in tribal  
6 facilities. The authority must submit a report to the office of  
7 financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
8 legislature by December 1, 2025, that outlines options and a plan for  
9 compensating tribes that is developed through this consultation  
10 process that fully compensates tribes for their actual costs of  
11 serving non-American Indian/Alaska Native medicaid enrollees  
12 receiving services in tribal facilities, and must consider and  
13 address state and tribal budget impacts.

14 (78) \$2,000,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
15 appropriation is provided on a one-time basis solely for the  
16 authority to contract for continued operations of the pilot program  
17 originally funded in section 215(117), chapter 475, Laws of 2023  
18 (ESSB 5187) to reimburse a licensed pediatric transitional care  
19 facility in Spokane county to provide neonatal abstinence syndrome  
20 services to infants who have prenatal substance exposure.

21 (79) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to provide a  
24 grant to a program in south Seattle providing supportive housing and  
25 clinical services for mothers recovering from substance use  
26 disorders, and their children. The program must serve pregnant women  
27 or mothers, regardless of age, race, religion, or sexual orientation,  
28 who are exiting inpatient substance use disorder treatment facilities  
29 and must serve individuals with co-occurring disorders. The program  
30 must provide on-site support through a dedicated team that offers  
31 daily assistance to help women become as independent as possible  
32 while focusing on their recovery and stability.

33 (80) \$91,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026 and \$91,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
36 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5745 (invol. treatment counsel). If  
37 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in  
38 this subsection shall lapse.

1 (81) Within amounts appropriated in this section, effective  
2 January 1, 2026, the authority shall reduce medicaid managed care  
3 rates by one percent. Notwithstanding any other proviso in the  
4 appropriations act for the current biennium, the authority may adjust  
5 existing state directed payments, published fee schedules, or make  
6 other administrative changes needed to comply with this subsection.

7 (82) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section to  
8 maintain increases to medicaid reimbursement for community behavioral  
9 health providers contracted through managed care organizations to the  
10 extent that they align with subsection (81) of this section. The  
11 authority may adjust rates and existing state directed payments to  
12 ensure compliance with subsection (81) of this section.

13 (83) The authority shall continue to work with a provider working  
14 to reopen a youth behavioral health facility in Clark county to  
15 identify a licensing and service delivery pathway that best reflects  
16 services delivered through an enhanced model of care for youth  
17 residential substance use disorder treatment services. In  
18 collaboration with the provider and medicaid managed care  
19 organizations, the authority shall work toward developing an enhanced  
20 rate for residential substance use disorders services that  
21 concurrently provide for the diagnosis, treatment, and medication  
22 management of co-occurring mental health conditions as part of the  
23 substance use disorder treatment plan. The authority shall submit the  
24 new rate and cost impact to the office of financial management and  
25 the appropriate committees of the legislature no later than December  
26 1, 2025, for consideration of funding in the 2026 legislative  
27 session.

28 (84) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the authority to contract  
31 with a statewide mental health nonprofit organization that provides  
32 free community and school-based mental health education and support  
33 programs for consumers and families. The contractor must use this  
34 funding to provide access to programs tailored to peers living with  
35 mental illness as well as family members of people with mental  
36 illness and the community at large. Services provided by the  
37 contracted program shall include education, support, and assistance  
38 to reduce isolation and help consumers and families understand the  
39 services available in their communities.

***\*Sec. 214 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 215.    FOR THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$5,057,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$5,079,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$3,036,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$13,172,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$2,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$3,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5104 (immigration status coercion). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(2) \$1,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$3,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5486 (motion picture captioning). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 216.    FOR THE BOARD OF INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE APPEALS**

|                                                             |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Worker and Community Right to Know Fund—State Appropriation | \$10,000     |
| Accident Account—State Appropriation                        | \$28,144,000 |
| Medical Aid Account—State Appropriation                     | \$28,141,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                         | \$56,295,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$100,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and \$102,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5463 (industrial insurance/duties). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 217.    FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COMMISSION**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$58,806,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$58,222,000 |

|    |                                                           |               |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .         | \$12,977,000  |
| 2  | Death Investigations Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$1,720,000   |
| 3  | Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance Account—State       |               |
| 4  | Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$460,000     |
| 5  | Supplemental Criminal Justice Account—State               |               |
| 6  | Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$100,000,000 |
| 7  | Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority Account—       |               |
| 8  | State Appropriation. . . . .                              | \$7,167,000   |
| 9  | Washington Internet Crimes Against Children Account—      |               |
| 10 | State Appropriation. . . . .                              | \$2,270,000   |
| 11 | 24/7 Sobriety Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$20,000      |
| 12 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | \$241,642,000 |

13       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
14 conditions and limitations:

15       (1) The criminal justice training commission may not run a basic  
16 law enforcement academy class of fewer than 30 students.

17       (2) Funding in this section is sufficient for 75 percent of the  
18 costs of providing 23 statewide basic law enforcement trainings in  
19 each fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027. The criminal justice  
20 training commission must schedule its funded classes to minimize wait  
21 times throughout each fiscal year and meet statutory wait time  
22 requirements. The criminal justice training commission must track and  
23 report the average wait time for students at the beginning of each  
24 class and provide the findings in an annual report to the legislature  
25 due in December of each year. Each year, at least two classes must be  
26 held in Spokane, two classes must be held in Vancouver, two classes  
27 must be held in Arlington, and two classes must be held in Pasco.

28       (3) \$1,312,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026, \$1,306,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027, and \$870,000 of the general fund—private/local  
31 appropriation are provided solely for the commission to conduct four  
32 additional corrections officer academy classes. These classes may be  
33 conducted at the corrections officer academy in Burien or at one of  
34 the regional training academies, located in Spokane, Pasco,  
35 Vancouver, or Arlington.

36       (4) \$290,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$290,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for academy training for limited  
39 authority Washington peace officers employed by the Washington state

1 gambling commission, Washington state liquor and cannabis board,  
2 Washington state parks and recreation commission, department of  
3 natural resources, and the office of the insurance commissioner.

4 (a) Up to 30 officers must be admitted to attend the basic law  
5 enforcement academy and up to 30 officers must be admitted to attend  
6 basic law enforcement equivalency academy.

7 (b) Allocation of the training slots amongst the agencies must be  
8 based on the earliest application date to the commission. Training  
9 does not need to commence within six months of employment.

10 (c) The state agencies must reimburse the commission for the  
11 actual cost of training.

12 (5) \$1,598,000 of the death investigations account—state  
13 appropriation is provided solely for the commission to provide 240  
14 hours of medicolegal forensic investigation training to coroners and  
15 medical examiners to meet the recommendations of the national  
16 commission on forensic science for certification and accreditation.

17 (6) \$346,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of chapter 321, Laws  
19 of 2021 (officer duty to intervene).

20 (7) \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026 and \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for additional grants to local  
23 jurisdictions to investigate instances where a purchase or transfer  
24 of a firearm was attempted by an individual who is prohibited from  
25 owning or possessing a firearm.

26 (8) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2026 and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the criminal justice  
29 training commission to provide grant funding to local law enforcement  
30 agencies to support law enforcement wellness programs. Of the amount  
31 provided in this subsection:

32 (a) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the commission to provide  
35 grants to local law enforcement and corrections agencies for the  
36 purpose of establishing officer wellness programs. Grants provided  
37 under this subsection may be used for, but not limited to building  
38 resilience, injury prevention, peer support programs, physical  
39 fitness, proper nutrition, stress management, suicide prevention, and

1 physical or behavioral health services. The commission must consult  
2 with a representative from the Washington association of sheriffs and  
3 police chiefs and a representative of the Washington state fraternal  
4 order of police and the Washington council of police and sheriffs in  
5 the development of the grant program.

6 (b) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Washington association  
9 of sheriffs and police chiefs to establish and coordinate an online  
10 or mobile-based application for any Washington law enforcement  
11 officer; 911 operator or dispatcher; and any other current or retired  
12 employee of a Washington law enforcement agency, and their families,  
13 to anonymously access on-demand wellness techniques, suicide  
14 prevention, resilience, physical fitness, nutrition, and other  
15 behavioral health and wellness supports.

16 (9) \$2,270,000 of the Washington internet crimes against children  
17 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the implementation  
18 of chapter 84, Laws of 2015.

19 (10) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided to the Washington  
22 association of sheriffs and police chiefs solely to verify the  
23 address and residency of registered sex offenders and kidnapping  
24 offenders under RCW 9A.44.130.

25 (11) \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2026 and \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the mental  
28 health field response team program administered by the Washington  
29 association of sheriffs and police chiefs. The association must  
30 distribute \$7,000,000 in grants to the phase one, phase two, and  
31 phase three regions as outlined in the settlement agreement under  
32 *Trueblood, et. al. v. Department of Social and Health Services, et.*  
33 *al.*, U.S. District Court-Western District, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP.  
34 The association must submit an annual report to the Governor and  
35 appropriate committees of the legislature by September 1st of each  
36 year of the biennium. The report shall include best practice  
37 recommendations on law enforcement and behavioral health field  
38 response and include outcome measures on all grants awarded.

1 (12) \$899,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$899,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for crisis intervention training  
4 for the phase one, phase two, and phase three regions as outlined in  
5 the settlement agreement under *Trueblood, et. al. v. Department of*  
6 *Social and Health Services, et. al.*, U.S. District Court-Western  
7 District, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP.

8 (13) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2026 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the administration of the  
11 firearms certificate program. The commission will raise the fees for  
12 the program so that revenues collected by the program match these  
13 expenditures.

14 (14) \$401,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$378,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for additional staff to improve  
17 the delays in review and investigation of officer certification  
18 complaint cases.

19 (15) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026 and \$60,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
22 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5356 (criminal justice training). If the  
23 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this  
24 subsection shall lapse.

25 (16) Within existing resources, the commission must produce a  
26 report detailing the expenditures of each agency that receives  
27 allocations from the Washington auto theft prevention authority  
28 account for fiscal year 2023, 2024, and 2025. The report must include  
29 documentation of how expenditures were used in accordance with RCW  
30 46.66.080 and recommendations based on outcomes from prior years'  
31 expenditures for how funds from the account can be used to most  
32 effectively prevent auto theft. The report must be submitted to the  
33 office of financial management, the governor, and the legislature by  
34 October 1, 2025.

35 (17) \$330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026, \$305,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027, and \$100,000,000 of the supplemental criminal  
38 justice account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
39 implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2015 (public

safety funding). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION.            Sec. 218.            FOR THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIONS**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$14,663,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$14,801,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$29,464,000 |

**\*NEW SECTION.            Sec. 219.            FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES**

|                                                                     |                 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                          | \$22,076,000    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                          | \$18,363,000    |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                  | \$13,271,000    |
| Asbestos Account—State Appropriation                                | \$641,000       |
| Electrical License Account—State Appropriation                      | \$80,496,000    |
| Farm Labor Contractor Account—State Appropriation                   | \$28,000        |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State Appropriation             | \$250,000       |
| Worker and Community Right to Know Fund—State Appropriation         | \$1,164,000     |
| Construction Registration Inspection Account—State Appropriation    | \$32,435,000    |
| Public Works Administration Account—State Appropriation             | \$16,462,000    |
| Manufactured Home Installation Training Account—State Appropriation | \$470,000       |
| Accident Account—State Appropriation                                | \$471,876,000   |
| Accident Account—Federal Appropriation                              | \$20,183,000    |
| Medical Aid Account—State Appropriation                             | \$441,793,000   |
| Medical Aid Account—Federal Appropriation                           | \$3,960,000     |
| Plumbing Certificate Account—State Appropriation                    | \$3,694,000     |
| Pressure Systems Safety Account—State Appropriation                 | \$5,202,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                 | \$1,132,364,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$8,952,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and \$8,952,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are



provided solely for the labor and industries workers' compensation information system replacement project and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this act. The department must:

(a) Submit quarterly data within 30 calendar days of the end of each quarter on:

(i) The quantifiable deliverables accomplished and the amount spent by each deliverable in each of the following subprojects:

(A) Business readiness;

(B) Change readiness;

(C) Commercial off the shelf procurement;

(D) Customer access;

(E) Program foundations;

(F) Independent assessment; and

(G) In total by fiscal year;

(ii) All of the quantifiable deliverables accomplished by subprojects identified in (a)(i)(A) through (F) of this subsection and in total and the associated expenditures by each deliverable by fiscal month;

(iii) The contract full time equivalent charged by subprojects identified in (a)(i)(A) through (F) of this subsection, and in total, compared to the budget spending plan by month for each contracted vendor and what the ensuing contract equivalent budget spending plan by subprojects identified in (a)(i)(A) through (F) of this subsection, and in total, assumes by fiscal month;

(iv) The performance metrics by subprojects identified in (a)(i)(A) through (F) of this subsection, and in total, that are currently used, including monthly performance data; and

(v) The risks identified independently by at least the quality assurance vendor and Washington technology solutions, and how the project:

(A) Has mitigated each risk; and

(B) Is working to mitigate each risk, and when it will be mitigated; and

(b) Submit the report in (a) of this subsection to fiscal and policy committees of the legislature.

(2) \$258,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and \$258,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided solely for the department of labor and industries safety and health assessment research for prevention program to conduct research to

1 prevent the types of work-related injuries that require immediate  
2 hospitalization. The department will develop and maintain a tracking  
3 system to identify and respond to all immediate in-patient  
4 hospitalizations and will examine incidents in defined high-priority  
5 areas, as determined from historical data and public priorities. The  
6 research must identify and characterize hazardous situations and  
7 contributing factors using epidemiological, safety-engineering, and  
8 human factors/ergonomics methods. The research must also identify  
9 common factors in certain types of workplace injuries that lead to  
10 hospitalization. The department must submit a report to the governor  
11 and appropriate legislative committees no later than August 30th of  
12 each year of the fiscal biennium summarizing work-related immediate  
13 hospitalizations and prevention opportunities, actions that employers  
14 and workers can take to make workplaces safer, and ways to avoid  
15 severe injuries.

16 (3) (a) \$1,700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,700,000 of the general fund—state  
18 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to  
19 promote workforce development in aerospace and aerospace related  
20 supply chain industries by: Expanding the number of registered  
21 apprenticeships, preapprenticeships, and aerospace-related programs;  
22 and providing support for registered apprenticeships or programs in  
23 aerospace and aerospace-related supply chain industries.

24 (b) Grants awarded under this section may be used for:

25 (i) Equipment upgrades or new equipment purchases for training  
26 purposes;

27 (ii) New training space and lab locations to support capacity  
28 needs and expansion of training to veterans and veteran spouses, and  
29 underserved populations;

30 (iii) Curriculum development and instructor training for industry  
31 experts;

32 (iv) Tuition assistance for degrees in engineering and high-  
33 demand degrees that support the aerospace industry; and

34 (v) Funding to increase capacity and availability of child care  
35 options for shift work schedules.

36 (c) An entity is eligible to receive a grant under this  
37 subsection if it is a nonprofit, nongovernmental, or institution of  
38 higher education that provides training opportunities, including  
39 apprenticeships, preapprenticeships, preemployment training,  
40 aerospace-related degree programs, or incumbent worker training to

1 prepare workers for the aerospace and aerospace-related supply chain  
2 industries.

3 (d) The department may use up to 5 percent of these funds for  
4 administration of these grants.

5 (4) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the crime victims'  
8 compensation program to pay for medical exams for suspected victims  
9 of domestic violence. Neither the hospital, medical facility, nor  
10 victim is to pay for the cost of the medical exam. This funding must  
11 not supplant existing funding for sexual assault medical exams. If  
12 the cost of medical exams exceeds the funding provided in this  
13 subsection, the program shall not reduce the reimbursement rates for  
14 medical providers seeking reimbursement for other claimants, and  
15 instead the program shall return to paying for domestic violence  
16 medical exams after insurance.

17 (5) \$250,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for the department to analyze  
19 patients who are maintained on chronic opioids. The department must  
20 submit an annual report of its findings to the governor and the  
21 appropriate committees of the legislature no later than October 1st  
22 of each year of the fiscal biennium. The report shall include  
23 analysis of patient data, describing the characteristics of patients  
24 who are maintained on chronic opioids and their clinical needs, and a  
25 preliminary evaluation of potential interventions to improve care and  
26 reduce harms in this population.

27 (6) \$1,406,000 of the public works administration account—state  
28 appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the final  
29 year of system improvements to the prevailing wage program  
30 information technology system. This project is subject to the  
31 conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this  
32 act.

33 (7) \$205,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026 is provided solely to continue conducting a four-year  
35 retention study of state registered apprentices as provided in  
36 chapter 156, Laws of 2022 (apprenticeship programs). The study shall  
37 include the collection of data from all apprentices three months into  
38 their apprenticeship to understand challenges and barriers they face  
39 towards program participation. The aggregate data by trade must be

1 displayed on a publicly available dashboard. Study data must be  
2 provided with apprenticeship coordinators to implement an early  
3 response to connect apprentices with needed supports. The department  
4 shall submit an annual report to the governor and appropriate  
5 legislative committees on June 30, 2026, and June 30, 2027.

6 (8) \$2,879,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
7 \$2,309,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are  
8 provided solely to expand access to worker rights and safety  
9 information for workers with limited English proficiency (LEP)  
10 through outreach and translation of safety-related information,  
11 training, and other materials. \$2,000,000 of the amount provided in  
12 this subsection is provided solely for grants to community-based  
13 organizations to provide workplace rights and safety outreach to  
14 underserved workers.

15 (9) \$946,000 of the public works administration account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 342,  
17 Laws of 2023 (apprenticeship utilization).

18 (10) \$1,072,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
19 \$187,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
20 solely to create an effective information technology solution  
21 necessary for the implementation of chapter 145, Laws of 2023 (fire-  
22 resistant materials).

23 (11) \$200,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation and  
24 \$200,000 of the accident account—state appropriation are provided  
25 solely for the staffing of a resolution process for complaints  
26 regarding light duty work under Title 51 RCW.

27 (12) \$1,044,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
28 \$183,000 of the medical account—state appropriation are provided  
29 solely for implementation of chapter 250, Laws of 2024 (adult  
30 entertainment workers).

31 (13) \$1,840,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
32 \$1,838,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are  
33 provided solely for claims management staffing to expand capacity to  
34 reduce claims caseload, effective July 1, 2025.

35 (14) \$3,477,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
36 \$614,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
37 solely for wage payment act, retaliation, child labor, and  
38 determinations, and fiscal units staffing to expand capacity to

1 conduct timely worker complaint investigations, effective July 1,  
2 2025.

3 (15) \$1,495,000 of the construction registration inspection  
4 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
5 chapter 213, Laws of 2023 (contractor consumer protection).

6 **(16) \$1,203,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and**  
7 **\$217,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided**  
8 **solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No.**  
9 **5023 (domestic workers). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025,**  
10 **the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.**

11 (17) \$126,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
12 \$24,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
13 solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5101 (worker  
14 leave/hate crimes). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the  
15 amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

16 (18) \$636,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
17 \$113,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
18 solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5104  
19 (immigration status coercion). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
20 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

21 (19) \$4,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
22 \$1,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
23 solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5408 (wage  
24 and salary disclosures). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025,  
25 the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

26 (20) \$608,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
27 \$605,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
28 solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5463 (industrial  
29 insurance/duties). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the  
30 amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

31 (21) \$818,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
32 \$144,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
33 solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5501  
34 (employee driving requirement). If the bill is not enacted by June  
35 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

36 (22) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to an organization  
39 in Pierce county experienced in providing peer-to-peer training to

1 continue implementation of a program aimed at reducing workplace  
2 sexual harassment in the agricultural sector. The department may use  
3 up to five percent of the amount provided in this subsection for  
4 administration of this grant. The organization receiving the grant  
5 must:

6 (a) Continue peer-to-peer trainings for farmworkers in Yakima  
7 county and expand to provide peer-to-peer trainings for farmworkers  
8 in Grant and Benton counties;

9 (b) Support an established network of peer trainings as  
10 farmworker leaders, whose primary purpose is to prevent workplace  
11 sexual harassment and assault through leadership, education, and  
12 other tools; and

13 (c) Share best practices from the peer-to-peer model at a  
14 statewide conference for farmworkers, industry representatives, and  
15 advocates.

16 (23) \$1,213,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
17 \$213,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
18 solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill  
19 No. 5217 (pregnancy accommodations). If the bill is not enacted by  
20 June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

21 (24) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 is provided solely to support the underground economy task  
23 force created in section 906, chapter 376, Laws of 2024.

24 (25) \$4,420,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
25 \$780,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
26 solely for the department, in coordination with the Washington state  
27 apprenticeship council, to administer, amend, or extend current or  
28 new grants to continue the growth of behavioral health apprenticeship  
29 programs. Grants may be awarded for provider implementation costs,  
30 apprentice tuition and stipend costs, curriculum development, and  
31 program administration. Grant awardees must use a minimum of one-half  
32 of amounts provided to compensate behavioral health providers for  
33 employer implementation costs including mentor wage differentials,  
34 related instruction wages, and administrative costs. In awarding this  
35 funding, special preference must be given to entities with experience  
36 in implementation of behavioral health sector apprenticeships and  
37 labor-management partnerships. By June 30, 2027, and June 30, 2028,  
38 grantees must report to the department on the number of individuals  
39 that were recruited and upskilled in the preceding fiscal year. The

1 department may use up to five percent of the amount provided in this  
2 subsection for administration of these grants.

3 (26) \$850,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
4 \$150,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
5 solely for the department, in coordination with the Washington state  
6 apprenticeship training council, to administer, amend, or extend  
7 current or new grants to address the behavioral health workforce  
8 shortage through behavioral health preapprenticeship and behavioral  
9 health entry level training, including nursing assistant certified  
10 programs. Grants may cover program costs including, but not limited  
11 to, provider implementation costs, apprentice tuition and stipend  
12 costs, curriculum development, and program administration. In  
13 awarding this funding, special preference must be given to entities  
14 with experience in implementation of behavioral health sector  
15 apprenticeships and labor-management partnerships. By June 30, 2026,  
16 and June 30, 2027, grantees must report to the department on the  
17 number of individuals that were recruited and upskilled in the  
18 preceding fiscal year. The department may use up to five percent of  
19 the amount provided in this subsection for administration of these  
20 grants.

21 (27) \$56,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$59,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
24 298, Laws of 2024 (supporting victims of human trafficking and sexual  
25 abuse).

26 (28) \$250,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation and  
27 \$250,000 of the accident account—state appropriation are provided  
28 solely for the department of labor and industries safety and health  
29 assessment and research for prevention program to conduct research to  
30 address the high injury rates of the janitorial workforce. The  
31 research must quantify the physical demands of common janitorial work  
32 tasks and assess the safety and health needs of janitorial workers.  
33 The research must also identify potential risk factors associated  
34 with increased risk of injury in the janitorial workforce and measure  
35 workload based on the strain janitorial work tasks place on janitors'  
36 bodies. The department must conduct interviews with janitors and  
37 their employers to collect information on risk factors, identify the  
38 tools, technologies, and methodologies used to complete work, and  
39 understand the safety culture and climate of the industry. The

1 department must produce annual progress reports through the year 2025  
2 or until the tools are fully developed and deployed. The annual  
3 progress report must be submitted to the governor and legislature by  
4 December 1st of each year such report is due.

5 (29) The department shall promptly notify the office of the  
6 attorney general upon the receipt of a request from or on behalf of a  
7 federal agency or a federal, state, or local law enforcement  
8 authority for health care information, as defined in RCW 70.02.010,  
9 program eligibility information for individuals, information that may  
10 identify a health care provider's or facility's delivery of health  
11 care services to noncitizens, or the delivery of protected health  
12 care services as defined in RCW 7.115.010 where the request may  
13 impact expenditures for such services. The department of labor and  
14 industries shall require contracted entities to notify the department  
15 of labor and industries promptly upon receipt of a request from a  
16 federal agency or law enforcement authority as described in this  
17 subsection.

18 (30) \$3,774,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
19 \$890,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
20 solely for the creation of an agriculture compliance unit within the  
21 division of occupational safety and health. The compliance unit will  
22 perform compliance inspections and provide bilingual outreach to  
23 agricultural workers and employers.

24 (31) \$1,642,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation is  
25 provided solely to cover the overhead rent costs to increase the  
26 number of labor and industry vocational specialists embedded in  
27 WorkSource offices and to implement a comprehensive quality-assurance  
28 team to ensure the continuous improvement of vocational services for  
29 injured workers through the workers' compensation program.

30 (32) \$639,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
31 \$157,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
32 solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1524  
33 (isolated employees). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025,  
34 the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

35 (33) \$85,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
36 \$15,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
37 solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1879 (hospital  
38 worker breaks). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the  
39 amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.



1 (34) \$1,251,000 of the public works administration account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
3 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1549 (responsible bidder criteria).  
4 If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in  
5 this subsection shall lapse.

6 (35) \$197,000 of the electrical license account—state  
7 appropriation, \$136,000 of the accident account—state appropriation,  
8 and \$24,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are  
9 provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill  
10 No. 1533 (specialty electricians). If the bill is not enacted by June  
11 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

12 (36) \$255,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
13 \$254,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
14 solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1788  
15 (worker's compensation). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025,  
16 the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

17 (37) \$1,031,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
18 \$180,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
19 solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1644  
20 (working minor). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the  
21 amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

22 (38) \$269,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
23 \$46,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
24 solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1875  
25 (sick leave/immigration). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
26 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

*\*Sec. 219 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 220. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

28 (1) The appropriations in this section are subject to the  
29 following conditions and limitations:

30 (a) The department of veterans affairs shall not initiate any  
31 services that will require expenditure of state general fund moneys  
32 unless expressly authorized in this act or other law. The department  
33 may seek, receive, and spend, under RCW 43.79.260 through 43.79.282,  
34 federal moneys that are unrelated to the coronavirus response and not  
35 anticipated in this act as long as the federal funding does not  
36 require expenditure of state moneys for the program in excess of  
37 amounts anticipated in this act. If the department receives

unanticipated unrestricted federal moneys that are unrelated to the coronavirus response, those moneys must be spent for services authorized in this act or in any other legislation that provides appropriation authority, and an equal amount of appropriated state moneys shall lapse. Upon the lapsing of any moneys under this subsection, the office of financial management shall notify the legislative fiscal committees. As used in this subsection, "unrestricted federal moneys" includes block grants and other funds that federal law does not require to be spent on specifically defined projects or matched on a formula basis by state funds.

(b) Each year, there is fluctuation in the revenue collected to support the operation of the state veteran homes. When the department has foreknowledge that revenue will decrease, such as from a loss of census or from the elimination of a program, the legislature expects the department to make reasonable efforts to reduce expenditures in a commensurate manner and to demonstrate that it has made such efforts. In response to any request by the department for general fund—state appropriation to backfill a loss of revenue, the legislature shall consider the department's efforts in reducing its expenditures in light of known or anticipated decreases to revenues.

(2) HEADQUARTERS

|                                                 |              |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)      | \$5,001,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)      | \$5,031,000  |
| Charitable, Educational, Penal, and Reformatory |              |
| Institutions Account—State Appropriation        | \$10,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                             | \$10,042,000 |

(3) FIELD SERVICES

|                                                 |              |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)      | \$10,759,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)      | \$11,204,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation              | \$8,834,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation        | \$6,547,000  |
| Veteran Estate Management Account—Private/Local |              |
| Appropriation                                   | \$719,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                             | \$38,063,000 |

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) \$1,020,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to contract for veteran service officers.

(i) Of the amounts provided in this subsection (3)(a), \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to support one veteran service officer position in each of the following counties: Walla Walla, Clallam, Stevens, Asotin, and Skamania.

(ii) Of the amounts provided in this subsection (3)(a), \$270,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to support two veteran service officer positions in Island county.

#### (4) STATE VETERANS HOMES PROGRAM

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$16,710,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$17,786,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$159,652,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$21,757,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$215,905,000 |

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) If the department receives additional unanticipated federal resources that are unrelated to the coronavirus response at any point during the remainder of the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, an equal amount of general fund—state must be placed in unallotted status so as not to exceed the total appropriation level specified in this subsection. The department may submit as part of the policy level budget submittal documentation required by RCW 43.88.030 a request to maintain the general fund—state resources that were unallotted as required by this subsection.

(b) Appropriations have been adjusted in this section to reflect anticipated changes in state, federal, and local resources as a result of census changes. The department shall incorporate these adjustments in the governor's projected maintenance level budget required in RCW 43.88.030.

#### (5) CEMETERY SERVICES

|                                            |           |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$188,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$207,000 |

General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . . \$1,042,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$1,437,000

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 221.    FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

(1) The appropriations to the department of health in this act shall be expended for the programs and in the amounts specified in this act. Appropriations made in this act to the department of health shall initially be allotted as required by this act. Subsequent allotment modifications shall not include transfers of moneys between sections of this act except as expressly provided in this act, nor shall allotment modifications permit moneys that are provided solely for a specified purpose to be used for other than that purpose.

(2)(a) The appropriations to the department of health in this act must be expended for the programs and in the amounts specified in this act, except as provided in (i) and (ii) of this subsection (2)(a):

(i) After May 1, 2026, unless prohibited by this act, the department may transfer general fund—state appropriations for fiscal year 2026 among programs and subprograms after approval by the director of the office of financial management. However, the department may not transfer state appropriations that are provided solely for a specified purpose except as expressly provided in (b) of this subsection.

(ii) After May 1, 2027, unless prohibited by this act, the department may transfer general fund—state appropriations for fiscal year 2027 and appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium among programs and subprograms after approval by the director of the office of financial management. However, the department may not transfer appropriations that are provided solely for a specified purpose except as expressly provided in (b) of this subsection.

(b) To the extent that transfers under (a) of this subsection are insufficient to fund actual expenditures, the department may transfer appropriations that are provided solely for a specified purpose. The department may not transfer funds, and the director of the office of financial management may not approve the transfer, unless the transfer is consistent with the objective of conserving, to the maximum extent possible, the expenditure of state funds. The director of the office of financial management shall notify the appropriate fiscal committees of the legislature in writing seven days prior to

1 approving any allotment modifications or transfers under this  
2 subsection. The written notification shall include a narrative  
3 explanation and justification of the changes, along with expenditures  
4 and allotments by budget unit and appropriation, both before and  
5 after any allotment modifications or transfers.

6 (c) Within 30 days after the close of fiscal year 2026, the  
7 department must provide the office of financial management and the  
8 fiscal committees of the legislature with an accounting of any  
9 transfers under this subsection. The accounting shall include a  
10 narrative explanation and justification of the changes, along with  
11 expenditures and allotments by subprogram and appropriation, both  
12 before and after any allotment modifications or transfers. The  
13 department must also provide recommendations for revisions to  
14 appropriations to better align funding with the new budget structure  
15 for the department in this act and to eliminate the need for the  
16 transfer authority in future budgets.

17 (3) The department of health shall not initiate any services that  
18 will require expenditure of state general fund moneys unless  
19 expressly authorized in this act or other law. The department of  
20 health and the state board of health shall not implement any new or  
21 amended rules pertaining to primary and secondary school facilities  
22 until the rules and a final cost estimate have been presented to the  
23 legislature, and the legislature has formally funded implementation  
24 of the rules through the omnibus appropriations act or by statute.  
25 The department may seek, receive, and spend, under RCW 43.79.260  
26 through 43.79.282, federal moneys not anticipated in this act as long  
27 as the federal funding does not require expenditure of state moneys  
28 for the program in excess of amounts anticipated in this act. If the  
29 department receives unanticipated unrestricted federal moneys, those  
30 moneys shall be spent for services authorized in this act or in any  
31 other legislation that provides appropriation authority, and an equal  
32 amount of appropriated state moneys shall lapse. Upon the lapsing of  
33 any moneys under this subsection, the office of financial management  
34 shall notify the legislative fiscal committees. As used in this  
35 subsection, "unrestricted federal moneys" includes block grants and  
36 other funds that federal law does not require to be spent on  
37 specifically defined projects or matched on a formula basis by state  
38 funds.

39 (4) In accordance with RCW 43.70.110 and 71.24.037, the  
40 department is authorized to adopt license and certification fees in

1 fiscal years 2026 and 2027 to support the costs of the regulatory  
2 program. The department's fee schedule shall have differential rates  
3 for providers with proof of accreditation from organizations that the  
4 department has determined to have substantially equivalent standards  
5 to those of the department, including but not limited to the joint  
6 commission on accreditation of health care organizations, the  
7 commission on accreditation of rehabilitation facilities, and the  
8 council on accreditation. To reflect the reduced costs associated  
9 with regulation of accredited programs, the department's fees for  
10 organizations with such proof of accreditation must reflect the lower  
11 costs of licensing for these programs than for other organizations  
12 which are not accredited.

13 (5) Within the amounts appropriated in this act, and in  
14 accordance with RCW 70.41.100, the department shall set fees to  
15 include the full costs of the performance of inspections pursuant to  
16 RCW 70.41.080.

17 (6) In accordance with RCW 43.70.110 and 71.24.037, the  
18 department is authorized to adopt fees for the review and approval of  
19 mental health and substance use disorder treatment programs in fiscal  
20 years 2026 and 2027 as necessary to support the costs of the  
21 regulatory program. The department's fee schedule must have  
22 differential rates for providers with proof of accreditation from  
23 organizations that the department has determined to have  
24 substantially equivalent standards to those of the department,  
25 including but not limited to the joint commission on accreditation of  
26 health care organizations, the commission on accreditation of  
27 rehabilitation facilities, and the council on accreditation. To  
28 reflect the reduced costs associated with regulation of accredited  
29 programs, the department's fees for organizations with such proof of  
30 accreditation must reflect the lower cost of licensing for these  
31 programs than for other organizations which are not accredited.

32 (7) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the  
33 department of social and health services, the department of health,  
34 the department of corrections, and the department of children, youth,  
35 and families shall work together within existing resources to  
36 establish the health and human services enterprise coalition (the  
37 coalition). The coalition, led by the health care authority, must be  
38 a multi-organization collaborative that provides strategic direction  
39 and federal funding guidance for projects that have cross-  
40 organizational or enterprise impact, including information technology

1 projects that affect organizations within the coalition. Washington  
2 technology solutions shall maintain a statewide perspective when  
3 collaborating with the coalition to ensure that projects are planned  
4 for in a manner that ensures the efficient use of state resources,  
5 supports the adoption of a cohesive technology and data architecture,  
6 and maximizes federal financial participation. The work of the  
7 coalition and any project identified as a coalition project is  
8 subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in  
9 section 701 of this act.

10 (8) Within the amounts appropriated in this act, and in  
11 accordance with RCW 43.70.110 and 71.12.470, the department shall set  
12 fees to include the full costs of the performance of inspections  
13 pursuant to RCW 71.12.485.

14 (9) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
15 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
16 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
17 173-446B WAC.

18 (10) The department shall promptly notify the office of the  
19 attorney general upon the receipt of a request from or on behalf of a  
20 federal agency or a federal, state, or local law enforcement  
21 authority for health care information, as defined in RCW 70.02.010,  
22 program eligibility information for individuals, information that may  
23 identify a health care provider's or facility's delivery of health  
24 care services to noncitizens, or the delivery of protected health  
25 care services as defined in RCW 7.115.010 where the request may  
26 impact expenditures for such services. The department shall require  
27 contracted entities to notify the department promptly upon receipt of  
28 a request from a federal agency or law enforcement authority as  
29 described in this subsection.

30 NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 222.      FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—**  
31 **ADMINISTRATION**

|    |                                                      |              |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 32 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . | \$24,861,000 |
| 33 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . . | \$23,978,000 |
| 34 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation . . . . .         | \$56,636,000 |
| 35 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation . . . . .   | \$19,121,000 |
| 36 | Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation       |              |
| 37 | (FY 2026) . . . . .                                  | \$442,000    |
| 38 | Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation       |              |

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|----|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | (FY 2027). . . . .                                            | \$478,000     |
| 2  | Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$587,000     |
| 3  | Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$137,000     |
| 4  | Hospital Data Collection Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$103,000     |
| 5  | Health Professions Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$36,706,000  |
| 6  | Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State                       |               |
| 7  | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$101,000     |
| 8  | Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care Systems            |               |
| 9  | Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                    | \$1,623,000   |
| 10 | Medicaid Fraud Penalty Account—State Appropriation. . . . .   | \$124,000     |
| 11 | Natural Climate Solutions Account—State                       |               |
| 12 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$17,000      |
| 13 | Safe Drinking Water Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | \$2,171,000   |
| 14 | Drinking Water Assistance Account—Federal                     |               |
| 15 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$4,637,000   |
| 16 | Waterworks Operator Certification Account—State               |               |
| 17 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$499,000     |
| 18 | Drinking Water Assistance Administrative Account—             |               |
| 19 | State Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$525,000     |
| 20 | Site Closure Account—State Appropriation. . . . .             | \$33,000      |
| 21 | Biotoxin Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                 | \$290,000     |
| 22 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State                  |               |
| 23 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$1,541,000   |
| 24 | Medical Test Site Licensure Account—State                     |               |
| 25 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$869,000     |
| 26 | Secure Drug Take-Back Program Account—State                   |               |
| 27 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$241,000     |
| 28 | Youth Tobacco and Vapor Products Prevention Account—          |               |
| 29 | State Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$518,000     |
| 30 | Public Health Supplemental Account—Private/Local              |               |
| 31 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$512,000     |
| 32 | Accident Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                 | \$65,000      |
| 33 | Medical Aid Account—State Appropriation. . . . .              | \$8,000       |
| 34 | Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line          |               |
| 35 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                          | \$4,646,000   |
| 36 | Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State                     |               |
| 37 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$6,962,000   |
| 38 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                  | \$188,431,000 |



The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,164,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,164,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the child profile health promotion notification system.

(2) \$296,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$296,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to maintain the master person index as part of the health and human services coalition master person index initiative.

(3) \$127,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$127,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to coordinate work related to dementia, including but not limited to:

(a) Coordinating dementia-related activities with the department of social and health services, the health care authority, and other state agencies as needed;

(b) Implementing recommendations from the dementia action collaborative in the updated state Alzheimer's plan within the department; and

(c) Other dementia-related activities as determined by the secretary.

(4) \$166,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$166,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for community compensation stipends for low-income individuals who participate in priority engagements across the department.

(5) \$130,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$130,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for staffing to support an office of tribal policy at the department.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 223.      FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—HEALTH SCIENCES**

|                                             |              |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). | \$25,569,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). | \$26,432,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation.         | \$73,411,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation.   | \$44,311,000 |

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|----|---------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Drinking Water Assistance Account—Federal         |               |
| 2  | Appropriation. . . . .                            | \$12,000      |
| 3  | Biotoxin Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$573,000     |
| 4  | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State      |               |
| 5  | Appropriation. . . . .                            | \$501,000     |
| 6  | Foundational Public Health Services Account—State |               |
| 7  | Appropriation. . . . .                            | \$60,000      |
| 8  | Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State         |               |
| 9  | Appropriation. . . . .                            | \$6,836,000   |
| 10 | Public Health Supplemental Account—Private/Local  |               |
| 11 | Appropriation. . . . .                            | \$83,000      |
| 12 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                      | \$177,788,000 |

13       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
14 conditions and limitations:

15       (1) \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2026 and \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to pass-  
18 through to a nonprofit Washington-based organization with expertise  
19 in end-of-life care and in chapter 70.245 RCW (death with dignity  
20 act), to provide training, outreach, and education to medical  
21 professionals, hospice teams, and other Washingtonians, to support  
22 the provision of care under chapter 70.245 RCW.

23       (2) \$36,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2026 and \$36,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
26 Senate Bill No. 5163 (child fatalities). If the bill is not enacted  
27 by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall  
28 lapse.

29       (3) \$80,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2026 and \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
32 Senate Bill No. 5093 (pregnancy loss). If the bill is not enacted by  
33 June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

34       (4) \$76,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
36 Bill No. 5030 (vital records access). If the bill is not enacted by  
37 June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

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| <u>NEW SECTION.</u>                               | <b>Sec. 224.</b> | <b>FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—</b> |
| <b>ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH</b>                |                  |                                      |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)        |                  | \$9,579,000                          |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)        |                  | \$9,707,000                          |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                |                  | \$31,114,000                         |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation          |                  | \$26,883,000                         |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State           |                  |                                      |
| Appropriation                                     |                  | \$544,000                            |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State         |                  |                                      |
| Appropriation                                     |                  | \$9,000                              |
| Safe Drinking Water Account—State Appropriation   |                  | \$11,212,000                         |
| Drinking Water Assistance Account—Federal         |                  |                                      |
| Appropriation                                     |                  | \$22,281,000                         |
| Waterworks Operator Certification Account—State   |                  |                                      |
| Appropriation                                     |                  | \$2,432,000                          |
| Drinking Water Assistance Administrative Account— |                  |                                      |
| State Appropriation                               |                  | \$1,988,000                          |
| Site Closure Account—State Appropriation          |                  | \$167,000                            |
| Biotoxin Account—State Appropriation              |                  | \$976,000                            |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State      |                  |                                      |
| Appropriation                                     |                  | \$9,522,000                          |
| Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation    |                  | \$561,000                            |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation    |                  | \$16,745,000                         |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State           |                  |                                      |
| Appropriation                                     |                  | \$60,000                             |
| Accident Account—State Appropriation              |                  | \$327,000                            |
| Medical Aid Account—State Appropriation           |                  | \$52,000                             |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                               |                  | \$144,159,000                        |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$416,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$416,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to coordinate with local health jurisdictions to establish and maintain comprehensive group B programs to ensure safe drinking water. These funds shall be used for implementation costs, including continued development and adoption of rules, policies, and procedures; technical assistance; and training.

1       (2) \$157,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$157,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to test for  
4 lead in child care facilities to prevent child lead exposure and to  
5 research, identify, and connect facilities to financial resources  
6 available for remediation costs.

7       (3)(a) \$4,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely to support and administer a  
9 workplace health and safety program for workers who are affected by  
10 climate impacts, including but not limited to, extreme heat and cold,  
11 wildfire smoke, drought, and flooding. This program will focus on  
12 workplace health and safety for farmworkers, construction workers,  
13 and other workers who face the most risk from climate-related  
14 impacts. This amount shall be limited to supporting vulnerable  
15 populations in overburdened communities under the climate commitment  
16 act as defined in RCW 70A.65.010. Funding shall be provided for:

17       (i) Pass through grants to community-based organizations, tribal  
18 governments, and tribal organizations to support workplace health and  
19 safety for workers who are burdened by the intersection of their work  
20 and climate impacts; and

21       (ii) Procurement and distribution of equipment and resources for  
22 workers who are burdened by the intersection of their work and  
23 climate impacts directly by the department of health, or through  
24 pass-through grants to community-based organizations, tribal  
25 governments, and tribal organizations. Equipment and resources may  
26 include but are not limited to: Personal protective equipment, other  
27 protective or safety clothing for cold and heat, air purifiers for  
28 the workplace or worker housing, protection from ticks and  
29 mosquitoes, and heating and cooling devices.

30       (b) The department of health, in consultation with the  
31 environmental justice council, community groups, and the department  
32 of labor and industries, shall evaluate mechanisms to provide workers  
33 with financial assistance to cover lost wages or other financial  
34 hardships caused by extreme weather events and climate threats.

35       (c) No more than five percent of this funding may be used to  
36 administer this grant program.

37       (4) \$5,264,000 of the drinking water assistance account—federal  
38 appropriation is provided solely for the office of drinking water to

1 provide technical assistance, direct engineering support, and  
2 construction management to small water systems.

3 (5) \$685,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$685,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to assist  
6 with access to safe drinking water for homes and businesses with  
7 individual wells or small water systems that are contaminated.

8 (6) \$1,690,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
9 state appropriation is provided solely to implement actions provided  
10 in the nitrate water hazard mitigation plan to support safe drinking  
11 water in the lower Yakima valley. Implementation of this plan  
12 includes, but is not limited to, education and outreach, well  
13 testing, and provision of alternate water supplies. The department  
14 may contract with local governments, local health jurisdictions, and  
15 nonprofit organizations to administer the plan.

16 (7) \$362,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
17 appropriation is provided solely for continued implementation of  
18 chapter 156, Laws of 2021 (risk-based water standards), to create  
19 standards for developers seeking to reuse wastewater in buildings.

20 (8) \$7,924,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely for the department to implement the  
22 healthy environment for all act under chapter 70A.02 RCW, including  
23 additional staff and support for the environmental justice council  
24 and implementation of a community engagement plan.

25 (9)(a) \$4,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer  
27 capacity grants to tribes and tribal organizations and to  
28 overburdened communities and vulnerable populations to provide  
29 guidance and input:

30 (i) To agencies and to the environmental justice council on  
31 implementation of the healthy environment for all act; and

32 (ii) To the department on updates to the environmental health  
33 disparities map.

34 (b) At least 50 percent of the total amount distributed for  
35 capacity grants in this subsection must be reserved for grants to  
36 tribes and tribal organizations.

37 (c) Funding provided in this subsection may be used for tribes  
38 and tribal organizations to hire staff or to contract with  
39 consultants to engage in updating the environmental health

disparities map or on implementing the healthy environment for all act.

(d) The department may use a reasonable amount of funding provided in this subsection to administer the grants.

(10) \$382,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for one staff to lead cross agency coordination for wildfire and extreme heat emergency management.

(11) \$1,124,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely to migrate, maintain, and continue community engagement to update the health disparities map and increase operating staff to complete environmental assessments.

(12) \$160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$157,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1232 (private detention facilities). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(13) \$300,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for grants to King county to address the disproportionate rates of asthma among children who reside within 10 miles of the Seattle-Tacoma international airport by increasing access to community health worker asthma interventions.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 225. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—HEALTH SYSTEMS QUALITY ASSURANCE**

|                                                                                         |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                                              | \$17,222,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                                              | \$16,432,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                      | \$13,994,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                                | \$38,997,000  |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2026)                             | \$1,038,000   |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2027)                             | \$1,062,000   |
| Hospital Data Collection Account—State Appropriation                                    | \$502,000     |
| Health Professions Account—State Appropriation                                          | \$167,775,000 |
| Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care Systems<br>Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$8,603,000   |
| Medicaid Fraud Penalty Account—State Appropriation                                      | \$23,000      |
| Medical Test Site Licensure Account—State                                               |               |

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|----|--------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Appropriation. . . . .                           | \$4,446,000   |
| 2  | Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State        |               |
| 3  | Appropriation. . . . .                           | \$41,000      |
| 4  | Secure Drug Take-Back Program Account—State      |               |
| 5  | Appropriation. . . . .                           | \$1,117,000   |
| 6  | Public Health Supplemental Account—State         |               |
| 7  | Appropriation. . . . .                           | \$288,000     |
| 8  | Public Health Supplemental Account—Private/Local |               |
| 9  | Appropriation. . . . .                           | \$197,000     |
| 10 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                     | \$271,737,000 |

11 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
12 conditions and limitations:

13 (1) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the Washington  
14 board of nursing must hire sufficient staff to process applications  
15 for nursing licenses so that the time required for processing does  
16 not exceed seven days.

17 (2) \$1,793,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2026 and \$1,793,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the ongoing operations and  
20 maintenance of the prescription monitoring program maintained by the  
21 department.

22 (3) \$1,908,000 of the health professions account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for the Washington board of nursing  
24 for nursing licensure and other regulatory activities.

25 (4) \$2,107,000 of the health professions account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for implementing improvements to  
27 licensure processes. Improvements may include, but are not limited  
28 to, updating internal policies and procedures, creating web-based  
29 tutorials for applicants, updating existing web content for  
30 applicants, and researching the feasibility of live chat technology  
31 for applicants. In identifying and implementing improvements, the  
32 department shall document and incorporate feedback from licensed  
33 professionals and utilize continuous quality improvement  
34 methodologies.

35 (5) \$127,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$127,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the midwifery licensure and  
38 regulatory program to supplement revenue from fees. The department

1 shall charge no more than \$525 annually for new or renewed licenses  
2 for the midwifery program.

3 (6) \$493,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$493,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for three full-time emergency  
6 medical technicians and other resources necessary for the Franklin  
7 county public hospital district #1 to provide health services as part  
8 of medical transport operations services, including services to the  
9 Coyote Ridge corrections center.

10 (7) (a) \$1,260,000 of the health professions account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for the Washington board of nursing  
12 to continue to implement virtual nursing assistant training and  
13 testing modalities, create an apprenticeship pathway into nursing for  
14 nursing assistants, implement rule changes to support a career path  
15 for nursing assistants, and collaborate with the workforce training  
16 and education coordinating board on a pilot project to transform the  
17 culture and practice in long term care settings. The goal of these  
18 activities is to expand the nursing workforce for long term care  
19 settings.

20 (b) The department must submit a preliminary report regarding the  
21 pilot project by September 1, 2025, to the fiscal committees of the  
22 legislature regarding:

23 (i) The pilot project, including:

24 (A) Performance metrics and baseline data;

25 (B) Targeted areas for change;

26 (C) Current and planned efforts to address targeted areas;

27 (D) An implementation plan, barriers to implementation, and  
28 strategies to address barriers;

29 (E) Nurse participant data; and

30 (F) Anticipated impacts to culture and practices in long term  
31 care settings; and

32 (ii) Apprenticeship pathways, including:

33 (A) Performance metrics and baseline data;

34 (B) Targeted areas for change;

35 (C) Current and planned efforts to address targeted areas;

36 (D) An implementation plan, barriers to implementation, and  
37 strategies to address barriers;

38 (E) Recruitment strategies; and



1 (F) Nurse participation data, including nurse assistants  
2 recruited, participating, and advancing to apprenticeship programs.

3 (c) By September 1, 2026, the department must submit a report to  
4 the fiscal committees of the legislature detailing:

5 (i) Progress towards meeting performance metrics;

6 (ii) Completed efforts to address targeted areas;

7 (iii) The work conducted to meet the outlined objectives in this  
8 subsection;

9 (iv) The rules that have been updated and amended to support a  
10 career path for nursing assistants;

11 (v) The number of participating nurses in the apprenticeship  
12 program and current recruiting practices;

13 (vi) A status update on the implementation of the virtual  
14 training and testing modalities; and

15 (vii) Any changes to the nursing workforce for long term care  
16 settings.

17 (8) \$646,000 of the health professions account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for ongoing maintenance of the  
19 HEALWA web portal to provide access to health information for health  
20 care providers.

21 (9) \$219,000 of the health professions account—state  
22 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
23 1114 (respiratory care compact). If the bill is not enacted by June  
24 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

25 (10) \$25,000 of the health professions account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
27 House Bill No. 1142 (in-home care training). If the bill is not  
28 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
29 shall lapse.

30 (11) \$155,000 of the health professions account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
32 1190 (UW health sciences library). If the bill is not enacted by June  
33 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

34 (12) \$25,000 of the health professions account—state  
35 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
36 House Bill No. 1720 (community care/Rx assistance). If the bill is  
37 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
38 shall lapse.

1 (13) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
3 1722 (secondary career education). If the bill is not enacted by June  
4 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

5 (14) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 and \$14,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
8 House Bill No. 1824 (accredited birthing centers). If the bill is not  
9 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
10 shall lapse.

11 (15) \$161,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026 and \$159,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
14 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1686 (health care entity registry).  
15 If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in  
16 this subsection shall lapse.

17 (16) \$2,955,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,955,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
20 Washington board of nursing to manage a grant process to incentivize  
21 nurses to supervise nursing students in health care settings. The  
22 goal of the grant program is to create more clinical placements for  
23 nursing students to complete required clinical hours to earn their  
24 nursing degree and related licensure.

25 **(17) \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
26 **year 2026 is provided solely for the music therapist licensure and**  
27 **regulatory program to supplement revenue from fees.**

28 (18) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 is provided solely for the doula licensure and regulatory  
30 program to supplement revenue from fees.

31 (19) \$515,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026 and \$507,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
34 Senate Bill No. 5388 (DOC behavioral health cert.). If the bill is  
35 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
36 shall lapse.

37 (20) \$25,000 of the health professions account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill

No. 5672 (home care aide certification). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(21) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$67,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5493 (hospital price transparency). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(22) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5557 (pregnancy/emerg. treatment). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(23) \$52,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5568 (state health plan). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(24) \$191,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$188,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation, and \$214,000 of the health professions account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5579 (health/contract terminations). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(25) For the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the department shall exempt a hospital located in Burien, Washington that serves 23 percent medicaid patients from the certificate of need requirement under chapter 70.38 RCW for elective percutaneous coronary interventions.

(26) \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for continuation of the rural nursing education program to allow students to remain in rural environments while working towards nursing credentials for the purposes of increasing the nursing workforce in rural critical access hospitals. With the amounts provided, the department shall provide support services to an eight student cohort, which may include tuition vouchers and travel assistance.

***\*Sec. 225 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 226. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—PREVENTION  
AND COMMUNITY HEALTH**

|                                                                                     |               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                                          | \$45,021,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                                          | \$44,830,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                  | \$395,004,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                            | \$63,257,000  |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2026)                         | \$11,268,000  |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2027)                         | \$11,629,000  |
| Youth Tobacco and Vapor Products Prevention Account—<br>State Appropriation         | \$2,767,000   |
| Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line<br>Account—State Appropriation | \$51,907,000  |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State<br>Appropriation                          | \$3,639,000   |
| Public Health Supplemental Account—Private/Local<br>Appropriation                   | \$3,087,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                                 | \$632,409,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,914,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,914,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for:

(a) Staffing by the department, the department of veterans affairs, and the department of corrections to expand statewide suicide prevention efforts, which efforts include suicide prevention efforts for military service members and veterans and incarcerated persons;

(b) A suicide prevention public awareness campaign to provide education regarding the signs of suicide, interventions, and resources for support;

(c) Staffing for call centers to support the increased volume of calls to suicide hotlines;

(d) Training for first responders to identify and respond to individuals experiencing suicidal ideation;

(e) Support for tribal suicide prevention efforts;

(f) Strengthening behavioral health and suicide prevention efforts in the agricultural sector;

1 (g) Support for the three priority areas of the governor's  
2 challenge regarding identifying suicide risk among service members  
3 and their families, increasing the awareness of resources available  
4 to service members and their families, and lethal means safety  
5 planning;

6 (h) Training for community health workers to include culturally  
7 informed training for suicide prevention;

8 (i) Coordination with the office of the superintendent of public  
9 instruction;

10 (j) Support for the suicide prevention initiative housed in the  
11 University of Washington; and

12 (k) By December 1, 2025, an updated suicide prevention plan, to  
13 include a report on completed activities, planned activities, and  
14 outcomes from implementation, which shall include, but not be limited  
15 to:

16 (i) Trends in suicide among service members, agricultural  
17 workers, youth, and incarcerated persons;

18 (ii) Outcomes of implemented public awareness campaigns; and

19 (iii) Outcomes of trainings with first responders, including the  
20 number of trainings.

21 (2) \$1,477,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$1,477,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the fruit and vegetable  
24 incentives program.

25 (3) \$3,834,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$3,834,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to provide  
28 grants to support school-based health centers and behavioral health  
29 services. The department must develop a plan for the school-based  
30 health centers to become financially self-sufficient.

31 (4) \$1,098,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026 and \$1,098,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to coordinate  
34 and lead a multi-agency approach to youth suicide prevention and  
35 intervention.

36 (5) \$1,690,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely for prevention, treatment, and  
38 recovery support services to remediate the impacts of the opioid  
39 epidemic. This funding must be used consistent with conditions of the

1 opioid settlement agreements that direct how funds deposited into the  
2 opioid abatement settlement account created in RCW 43.79.483 must be  
3 used.

4 (6) \$3,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2026 and \$3,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for programs and grants to  
7 maintain access to abortion care, including but not limited to  
8 staffing at the department and grants to providers of abortion care  
9 to fund abortion care, workforce retention and recruitment  
10 initiatives to ensure continuity of care, training, outreach, and  
11 security investments.

12 (7) \$513,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2026 and \$513,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the early hearing detection,  
15 diagnosis, and intervention program.

16 (8) \$972,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 and \$972,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to expand the  
19 birth equity project with the goal of reducing prenatal and perinatal  
20 health disparities.

21 (9) \$2,112,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$2,112,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for tobacco, vapor product, and  
24 nicotine control, cessation, treatment, and prevention, and other  
25 substance use prevention and education, with an emphasis on  
26 community-based strategies. These strategies must include programs  
27 that consider the disparate impacts of nicotine, specifically  
28 flavored nicotine products, addiction on specific populations,  
29 including youth, and racial or other disparities.

30 (10) \$257,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2026 and \$257,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to support health equity zones,  
33 as defined in RCW 43.70.595, in identification and implementation of  
34 targeted interventions to have a significant impact on health  
35 outcomes and health disparities.

36 (11) \$3,579,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis  
37 response line account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
38 behavioral crisis coordination.

1 (12) \$369,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 is provided solely as pass-through funding to an  
3 organization that specializes in culturally relevant sports programs  
4 for indigenous children and adolescents, with the goal of keeping at-  
5 risk youth out of the juvenile justice system.

6 (13) \$2,662,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
7 appropriation is provided solely to launch a tele-buprenorphine  
8 hotline that facilitates access to medications for opioid use  
9 disorder. This funding must be used consistent with conditions of the  
10 opioid settlement agreements that direct how funds deposited into the  
11 opioid abatement settlement account created in RCW 43.79.483 must be  
12 used.

13 (14) \$346,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for perinatal opioid use disorder  
15 information and services. This funding must be used consistent with  
16 conditions of the opioid settlement agreements that direct how funds  
17 deposited into the opioid abatement settlement account created in RCW  
18 43.79.483 must be used.

19 (15) \$266,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026 and \$266,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to operate  
22 the universal development screening system.

23 ***(16) (a) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for***  
24 ***fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for the department to establish a***  
25 ***stipend program to defray the out-of-pocket expenses incurred by***  
26 ***registered nurses completing the training necessary to become adult/***  
27 ***adolescent or pediatric sexual assault nurse examiners.***

28 ***(b) Any individual nurse may receive one stipend, the total of***  
29 ***which may not exceed \$2,500.***

30 ***(c) For purposes of this subsection, "out-of-pocket expenses"***  
31 ***include:***

32 ***(i) Fees, tuition, educational materials, or other charges***  
33 ***imposed by the entity providing training;***

34 ***(ii) Reasonable travel expenses, including air travel, rental car***  
35 ***costs, mileage on a personal vehicle, lodging, and meals; and***

36 ***(iii) Any other expenses deemed appropriate by the department.***

37 (17) \$1,035,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,035,000 of the general fund—state  
39 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the

1 Washington poison center. This funding is provided in addition to  
2 funding pursuant to RCW 69.50.540.

3 (18) \$72,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$72,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for maintenance of the community  
6 health worker platform and continued implementation of the community  
7 health worker trainings in the pediatric setting for children with  
8 behavioral health needs.

9 (19) \$211,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2026 and \$211,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to implement the recommendations  
12 from the community health workers task force to provide statewide  
13 leadership, training, and integration of community health workers  
14 with insurers, health care providers, and public health systems.

15 (20) \$6,895,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for the department to expand the  
17 distribution of naloxone through the department's overdose education  
18 and naloxone distribution program. Funding must be prioritized to  
19 fill naloxone access gaps in community behavioral health and other  
20 community settings, including providing naloxone to first responders  
21 and agency staff in organizations such as syringe service programs,  
22 house providers, and street outreach programs.

23 (21)(a) \$1,042,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis  
24 response line account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
25 planning phase of the 988 technology platform implementation project.

26 (b) The department must actively collaborate with Washington  
27 technology solutions and the health care authority so that the  
28 statewide 988 technology solutions will be coordinated and  
29 interoperable.

30 (c) By October 1, 2025, the department must provide an update to  
31 legislative fiscal committees with the following details:

32 (i) An identified technology solution, with a list of  
33 functionalities and the statutory requirement met by each  
34 functionality;

35 (ii) Software, processes, and methods currently used by call  
36 centers and designated 988 contact hubs that the proposed technology  
37 platform would replace;



(iii) The number of call centers and designated 988 contact hubs planning to transition all work processes to the proposed technology platform; and

(iv) Identified risks and changes to the schedule and scope of the project.

(d) These amounts are subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements provided in section 701 of this act.

(22) \$26,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$26,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5163 (child fatalities). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(23) \$55,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5214 (mobile markets). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(24) \$689,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$689,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Snohomish county health department to:

(a) Maintain sexually transmitted infection clinical services at the Snohomish county health department and identify opportunities to expand sexual health services provided outside of clinical settings;

(b) Conduct research on opportunities to expand jail-based sexual health services;

(c) Maintain an epidemiology and technical team;

(d) Provide field-based treatment for syphilis; and

(e) Maintain an in-house comprehensive, culturally responsive sexual health clinic at the Snohomish county health department.

*\*Sec. 226 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 227. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—STATE BOARD OF HEALTH**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$1,711,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$1,604,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$3,315,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$124,000 of the general fund—state

appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1946 (local board of health/tribes). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 228. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—RESILIENCY AND HEALTH SECURITY**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$4,916,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$4,873,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$35,149,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$44,938,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$4,916,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$4,873,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for operation of the statewide medical logistics center. Within these amounts, the department must coordinate with the department of social and health services to develop processes that will minimize the disposal and destruction of personal protective equipment and for interagency distribution of personal protective equipment.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 229. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—HEALTH DATA AND PLANNING**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$3,473,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$3,913,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$7,148,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$947,000    |
| Biotoxin Account—State Appropriation       | \$5,000      |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$15,486,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$2,786,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$3,156,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to maintain public health information technology infrastructure in a cloud-based environment.

(2) \$686,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$757,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to maintain the WA Health bed tracking and supply database.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 230. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the department of social and health services, the department of health, the department of corrections, and the department of children, youth, and families shall work together within existing resources to establish the health and human services enterprise coalition (the coalition). The coalition, led by the health care authority, must be a multiorganization collaborative that provides strategic direction and federal funding guidance for projects that have cross-organizational or enterprise impact, including information technology projects that affect organizations within the coalition. Washington technology solutions shall maintain a statewide perspective when collaborating with the coalition to ensure that the development of projects identified in this report are planned for in a manner that ensures the efficient use of state resources and maximizes federal financial participation. The work of the coalition and any project identified as a coalition project is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this act.

**(1) ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES**

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$159,476,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$162,022,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$400,000     |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$168,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$322,066,000 |

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) \$438,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$438,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for restrictive housing to reduce the use of solitary confinement by increasing correctional staffing, incorporating mental health training, and implementing change to restrictive housing environments.

(b) \$2,326,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,326,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for reentry investments to include reentry and discharge services and staffing to support the

1 iCOACH supervision model. The staffing and resources must provide  
2 expanded reentry and discharge services to include, but not limited  
3 to, transition services, preemployment testing, enhanced discharge  
4 planning, housing voucher assistance, cognitive behavioral  
5 interventions, educational programming, health care discharge teams,  
6 and community partnership programs.

7 (c) \$371,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2026 and \$371,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for maintenance and operation of  
10 the sentencing calculation module for the offender management network  
11 information system. Implementation of the sentencing calculation  
12 module must result in a reduction of tolling staff within six months  
13 of the project implementation date of July 1, 2025, and the  
14 department must report this result. In addition, the report must  
15 include the budgeted and actual tolling staffing levels by fiscal  
16 month beginning with fiscal year 2023 and the count of tolling staff  
17 reduced by fiscal month from date of implementation through six  
18 months post implementation. The report must be submitted to the  
19 senate ways and means and house appropriations committees within 30  
20 calendar days after six months have passed since implementation.

21 (d) \$761,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$758,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the AMEND collaboration and  
24 training statewide program administration team and contract.

25 (e) \$320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$324,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for staffing and operational  
28 costs to operate the sixth avenue reentry center in Tacoma as a  
29 state-run facility.

30 (f) \$219,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2026 and \$227,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for staffing and operational  
33 costs to operate the Eleanor Chase reentry center in Spokane as a  
34 state-run facility.

35 (g) \$319,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$333,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for staffing and operational  
38 costs to operate the Brownstone reentry center in Spokane as a state-  
39 run facility.

1 (h) Within existing resources, the department must collaborate  
2 with the department of children, youth, and families to help them as  
3 they develop a juvenile rehabilitation capacity needs assessment  
4 model (CNAM) for secure facilities, community residential facilities,  
5 and community transition services, as required in section 235(18) of  
6 this act, comparable in detail to the capacity needs assessment model  
7 that the department of corrections research and analytics team  
8 maintains for capacity.

9 (i) \$48,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
11 Bill No. 5093 (pregnancy loss). If the bill is not enacted by June  
12 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

13 (j) \$19,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
15 Bill No. 5323 (theft from first responders). If the bill is not  
16 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
17 shall lapse.

18 (k) \$83,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2026 and \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
21 Senate Bill No. 5388 (DOC behavioral health cert.). If the bill is  
22 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
23 shall lapse.

24 (l) \$222,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$228,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of House Bill  
27 No. 1068 (DOC WMS employee arbitration). If the bill is not enacted  
28 by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall  
29 lapse.

30 (m) Within existing resources, and based on the budget structure  
31 changes in policy transfers included in the 2025-27 biennial omnibus  
32 operating budget, the department of corrections must submit the  
33 following to the office of financial management and the legislative  
34 accountability and evaluation program, by December 31, 2025:

35 (i) A narrative description of changes to include how these  
36 changes will affect the availability and understanding of budget and  
37 accounting information for policy makers and the public;

(ii) A crosswalk that displays details within the affected programs in the existing structure compared to the revised transferred structure;

(iii) A comparison of the current structure to the revised transferred structure that must compare the current total estimated biennial expenditures and FTEs for all programs, before and after the changes; and

(iv) A comprehensive 10-year restructure of historical data.

(2) CORRECTIONAL OPERATIONS

|                                                     |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$785,488,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$812,962,000   |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$4,326,000     |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation            | \$334,000       |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation      | \$577,000       |
| Institutional Welfare/Betterment Account—State      |                 |
| Appropriation                                       | \$12,000,000    |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State           |                 |
| Appropriation                                       | \$469,000       |
| Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority Account— |                 |
| State Appropriation                                 | \$5,214,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$1,621,370,000 |

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The department may contract for local jail beds statewide to the extent that it is at no net cost to the department. The department shall calculate and report the average cost per offender per day, inclusive of all services, on an annual basis for a facility that is representative of average medium or lower offender costs. The department shall not pay a rate greater than \$85 per day per offender excluding the costs of department of corrections provided services, including evidence-based substance abuse programming, dedicated department of corrections classification staff on-site for individualized case management, transportation of offenders to and from department of corrections facilities, and gender responsive training for jail staff. The capacity provided at local correctional facilities must be for offenders whom the department of corrections defines as close medium or lower security offenders. Programming provided for offenders held in local jurisdictions is included in the rate, and details regarding the type and amount of programming, and

1 any conditions regarding transferring offenders must be negotiated  
2 with the department as part of any contract. Local jurisdictions must  
3 provide health care to offenders that meets standards set by the  
4 department. The local jail must provide all medical care including  
5 unexpected emergent care. The department must utilize a screening  
6 process to ensure that offenders with existing extraordinary medical/  
7 mental health needs are not transferred to local jail facilities. If  
8 extraordinary medical conditions develop for an inmate while at a  
9 jail facility, the jail may transfer the offender back to the  
10 department, subject to terms of the negotiated agreement. Health care  
11 costs incurred prior to transfer are the responsibility of the jail.

12 (b) \$3,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2026 and \$3,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department of  
15 corrections to provide wages and gratuities of no less than \$1.00 per  
16 hour to incarcerated persons working in class III correctional  
17 industries.

18 (c) Within the appropriated amounts in this subsection, the  
19 department of corrections must provide a minimum of one dedicated  
20 prison rape elimination act compliance specialist at each  
21 institution.

22 (d) \$284,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2026 and \$284,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for maintenance and operation of  
25 the sentencing calculation module for the offender management network  
26 information system. Implementation of the sentencing calculation  
27 module must result in a reduction of tolling staff within six months  
28 of the project implementation date of July 1, 2025, and the  
29 department must report this result. In addition, the report must  
30 include the budgeted and actual tolling staffing levels by fiscal  
31 month beginning with fiscal year 2023 and the count of tolling staff  
32 reduced by fiscal month from date of implementation through six  
33 months post implementation. The report must be submitted to the  
34 senate ways and means and house appropriations committees within 30  
35 calendar days after six months have passed since implementation.

36 (e) \$5,316,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$5,316,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for restrictive housing to  
39 reduce the use of solitary confinement by increasing correctional

1 staffing, incorporating mental health training, and implementing  
2 change to restrictive housing environments.

3 (f) \$2,802,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$2,805,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the AMEND collaboration and  
6 training program.

7 (g) \$1,411,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2026 and \$1,411,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for reentry investments to  
10 include state identification cards, reentry and discharge services  
11 and staffing to support the iCOACH supervision model. The staffing  
12 and resources must provide expanded reentry and discharge services to  
13 include, but not limited to, transition services, preemployment  
14 testing, enhanced discharge planning, housing voucher assistance,  
15 cognitive behavioral interventions, educational programming, health  
16 care discharge teams, and community partnership programs.

17 (h) \$1,200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2026 is provided solely for one-time costs necessary to close  
19 Mission Creek corrections center for women.

20 (i) \$172,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026 and \$230,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for direct variable costs at  
23 Washington corrections center for women.

24 (j) \$646,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$861,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to maintain  
27 the facility, property, and assets at the Mission Creek corrections  
28 center for women.

29 (k) \$2,262,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2026 and \$2,949,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to reopen and  
32 operate living unit L at the Washington corrections center for women.

33 (l) \$195,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026 is provided solely for one-time staff relocation costs  
35 given the closure of the Mission Creek corrections center for women.

36 (m) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
37 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
38 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
39 173-446B WAC.



(n) \$3,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$3,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5139 (reentry council members). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(o) \$2,871,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,871,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to operate body scanner programs to conduct security screenings for employees, contractors, visitors, volunteers, incarcerated individuals, and other persons entering the secure perimeters at the Washington corrections center for women and the Washington corrections center.

(p) \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5219 (partial confinement). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

### (3) COMMUNITY SUPERVISION

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$237,463,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$252,309,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$4,142,000   |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$10,000      |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$493,924,000 |

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The department of corrections shall contract with local and tribal governments for jail capacity to house offenders who violate the terms of their community supervision. A contract rate increase may not exceed five percent each year. The department may negotiate to include medical care of offenders in the contract rate if medical payments conform to the department's offender health plan and pharmacy formulary, and all off-site medical expenses are preapproved by department utilization management staff. If medical care of offender is included in the contract rate, the contract rate may exceed five percent to include the cost of that service. The department shall pay the bed rate for the day of release.

(b) The department shall engage in ongoing mitigation strategies to reduce the costs associated with community supervision violators,

1 including improvements in data collection and reporting and  
2 alternatives to short-term confinement for low-level violators.

3 (c) \$480,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$480,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for maintenance and operation of  
6 the sentencing calculation module for the offender management network  
7 information system. Implementation of the sentencing calculation  
8 module must result in a reduction of tolling staff within six months  
9 of the project implementation date of July 1, 2025, and the  
10 department must report this result. In addition, the report must  
11 include the budgeted and actual tolling staffing levels by fiscal  
12 month beginning with fiscal year 2023 and the count of tolling staff  
13 reduced by fiscal month from date of implementation through six  
14 months post implementation. The report must be submitted to the  
15 senate ways and means and house appropriations committees within 30  
16 calendar days after six months have passed since implementation.

17 (d) \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2026 and \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the AMEND collaboration and  
20 training program.

21 (e) \$19,027,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2026 and \$19,027,000 of the general fund—state  
23 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for reentry  
24 investments to include reentry and discharge services and staffing to  
25 support the iCOACH supervision model. The staffing and resources must  
26 provide expanded reentry and discharge services to include, but not  
27 limited to, transition services, preemployment testing, enhanced  
28 discharge planning, housing voucher assistance, cognitive behavioral  
29 interventions, educational programming, health care discharge teams,  
30 and community partnership programs.

31 (f) \$4,011,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026 and \$4,057,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for staffing and operational  
34 costs to operate the sixth avenue reentry center in Tacoma as a  
35 state-run facility.

36 (g) \$2,735,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$3,255,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for staffing and operational

costs to operate the Eleanor Chase reentry center in Spokane as a state-run facility.

(h) \$3,465,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$4,257,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for staffing and operational costs to operate the Brownstone reentry center in Spokane as a state-run facility.

(i) \$385,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$577,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to maintain the facility, property, and assets at the Ahtanum view reentry center in Yakima.

(j) \$238,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$357,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to maintain the facility, property, and assets at the Peninsula reentry center in Port Orchard.

(k) \$238,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$357,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to maintain the facility, property, and assets at the Tri-Cities reentry center in Kennewick.

(l) \$252,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5219 (partial confinement). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

#### (4) CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$4,653,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$9,696,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$600,000    |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$1,034,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$15,983,000 |

#### (5) INTERAGENCY PAYMENTS

|                                                            |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                 | \$72,125,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                 | \$63,129,000 |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State<br>Appropriation | \$50,000     |

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$135,304,000

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$10,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$10,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5388 (DOC behavioral health cert.). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(6) OFFENDER CHANGE

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$89,407,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$91,651,000

General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . . \$1,436,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$182,494,000

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The department of corrections shall use funds appropriated in this subsection (6) for programming for incarcerated individuals. The department shall develop and implement a written comprehensive plan for programming for incarcerated individuals that prioritizes programs which follow the risk-needs-responsivity model, are evidence-based, and have measurable outcomes. The department is authorized to discontinue ineffective programs and to repurpose underspent funds according to the priorities in the written plan.

(b) The department of corrections shall collaborate with the state health care authority to explore ways to utilize federal medicaid funds as a match to fund residential substance use disorder treatment-based alternative beds under RCW 9.94A.664 under the drug offender sentencing alternative program and residential substance use disorder treatment beds that serve individuals on community custody.

(c) \$11,629,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$11,629,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for expanded reentry investments to include, but not be limited to, transition services, preemployment testing, enhanced discharge planning, housing voucher assistance, cognitive behavioral interventions, educational programming, health care discharge teams, and community partnership programs.

(d) Within existing resources, the department of corrections may provide reentry support items such as disposable cell phones, prepaid phone cards, hygiene kits, housing vouchers, and release medications associated with individuals resentenced or ordered released from confinement as a result of policies or court decisions including, but not limited to, the *State v. Blake* decision.

(e) \$122,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$122,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for work on reentry 2030, continued internal and cross agency reentry collaboration, and work on the state's medicaid 1115 transformation waiver impacts to the department.

(f) \$268,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$357,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for education services for incarcerated individuals in living unit L of the Washington corrections center for women.

(g) \$450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$601,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for substance use staffing and treatment for incarcerated individuals in living unit L at the Washington corrections center for women.

(h) \$176,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$180,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5388 (DOC behavioral health cert.). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(i) \$424,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$424,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to operate body scanner programs to conduct security screenings for employees, contractors, visitors, volunteers, incarcerated individuals, and other persons entering the secure perimeters at the Washington corrections center for women and the Washington corrections center.

(7) HEALTH CARE SERVICES

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$270,784,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$275,569,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$6,720,000   |

General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . . \$2,000  
Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State  
Appropriation. . . . . \$8,916,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$561,991,000

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The state prison medical facilities may use funds appropriated in this subsection to purchase goods, supplies, and services through hospital or other group purchasing organizations when it is cost effective to do so.

(b) \$13,605,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$13,605,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for medical staffing in prisons for patient centered care and behavioral health care. Funding must be used to increase access to care, addiction care, and expanded screening of individuals in prison facilities to include chronic illnesses, infectious disease, diabetes, heart disease, serious mental health, and behavioral health services.

(c) \$2,238,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,238,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for restrictive housing to reduce the use of solitary confinement by increasing correctional staffing, incorporating mental health training, and implementing change to restrictive housing environments.

(d) \$441,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$441,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the AMEND collaboration and training program.

(e) \$3,308,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$3,326,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for reentry investments to include reentry and discharge services and staffing to support the iCOACH supervision model. The staffing and resources must provide expanded reentry and discharge services to include, but not limited to, transition services, enhanced health care discharge planning, case management, health care discharge teams, and evaluation of physical health and behavioral health.

(f) \$8,916,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state appropriation is provided solely for opioid treatment for individuals

1 in the department of corrections' custody on full confinement. This  
2 funding is provided:

3 **(i) Solely for medication for the treatment of opioid use**  
4 **disorder of incarcerated individuals; and**

5 (ii) To ensure each and every single individual transferring into  
6 the department of corrections' custody on full confinement is  
7 provided medications for opioid use disorder if they were on  
8 medications for opioid use disorder in jail or out of custody prior  
9 to their transfer to the department of corrections.

10 (g) \$1,784,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 and \$1,784,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for medication for the treatment  
13 of opioid use disorder to ensure each and every single individual  
14 transferring into the department of corrections' custody on full  
15 confinement is provided medications for opioid use disorder if they  
16 were on medications for opioid use disorder in jail or out of custody  
17 prior to their transfer to the department of corrections.

18 (h)(i) \$2,505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the statewide electronic  
20 health records solution and is subject to the conditions,  
21 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act. The  
22 federal match for the department is appropriated to the health care  
23 authority, see section 211(60) of this act.

24 (ii) The statewide electronic health records solution must use an  
25 agile development model holding live demonstrations of functioning  
26 software, developed using incremental user research, held at the end  
27 of two-week sprints.

28 (iii) The statewide electronic health records solution must be  
29 capable of being continually updated, as necessary.

30 (iv)(A) The department must collaborate with the department of  
31 social and health services and the health care authority and, as a  
32 team, must work to successfully meet budget, scope, and schedule for  
33 the statewide electronic health records solution.

34 (B) Beginning July 1, 2025, the department of corrections agency  
35 project team shall provide necessary updates to the health care  
36 authority foundational project team for the statewide electronic  
37 health records solution within 15 calendar days of the end of each  
38 fiscal quarter.

1 (C) The information provided to the health care authority shall  
2 include how funding was spent compared to the budget spending plan  
3 for the prior quarter by fiscal month and what the next quarter  
4 budget will be by fiscal month.

5 (D) The requirements of the quarterly report are listed in  
6 section 211(58) of this act.

7 (i) \$159,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2026 and \$212,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for direct variable costs at  
10 Washington corrections center for women.

11 (j) \$247,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026 and \$329,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to reopen and  
14 operate living unit L at the Washington corrections center for women.

15 (k) \$1,612,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2026 and \$1,612,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to operate  
18 body scanner programs to conduct security screenings for employees,  
19 contractors, visitors, volunteers, incarcerated individuals, and  
20 other persons entering the secure perimeters at the Washington  
21 corrections center for women and the Washington corrections center.

22 (l) The department of corrections shall promptly notify the  
23 office of the attorney general upon the receipt of a request from or  
24 on behalf of a federal agency or a federal, state, or local law  
25 enforcement authority for health care information, as defined in RCW  
26 70.02.010, program eligibility information for individuals,  
27 information that may identify a health care provider's or facility's  
28 delivery of health care services to noncitizens, or the delivery of  
29 protected health care services as defined in RCW 7.115.010 where the  
30 request may impact expenditures for such services. The department of  
31 corrections shall require contracted entities to notify the  
32 department of corrections promptly upon receipt of a request from a  
33 federal agency or law enforcement authority as described in this  
34 subsection.

35 (m) \$451,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$468,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
38 Senate Bill No. 5388 (DOC behavioral health cert.). If the bill is



not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

*\*Sec. 230 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 231. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SERVICES FOR THE BLIND**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$5,820,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$6,060,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$29,824,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$68,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$41,772,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$99,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$99,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to federally recognized tribes of Washington to support culturally appropriate vocational rehabilitation services, independent living, youth supports, and adaptive technologies for tribal members who are blind, low-visioned, or deaf-blind.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 232. FOR THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT**

|                                                     |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$18,000      |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$180,070,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation            | \$38,716,000  |
| Unemployment Compensation Administration Account—   |               |
| Federal Appropriation                               | \$307,077,000 |
| Administrative Contingency Account—State            |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$44,230,000  |
| Employment Service Administrative Account—State     |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$126,348,000 |
| Family and Medical Leave Insurance Account—State    |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$192,400,000 |
| Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Account—State |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$49,760,000  |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State        |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$26,000      |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$938,645,000 |

1       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3       (1) The department is directed to maximize the use of federal  
4 funds. The department must update its budget annually to align  
5 expenditures with anticipated changes in projected revenues.

6       (2) \$6,397,000 of the long-term services and supports trust  
7 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
8 the long-term services and support trust program information  
9 technology project and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
10 review provided in section 701 of this act.

11       (3) Within existing resources, the department must reassess its  
12 ongoing staffing and funding needs for the paid family medical leave  
13 program and submit documentation of the updated need to the governor  
14 and appropriate committees of the legislature by October 1st of each  
15 fiscal year.

16       (4) Within existing resources, the department shall report the  
17 following to the legislature and the governor by October 15th of each  
18 fiscal year:

19       (a) An inventory of the department's programs, services, and  
20 activities, identifying federal, state, and other funding sources for  
21 each;

22       (b) Federal grants received by the department, segregated by line  
23 of business or activity, for the most recent five fiscal years, and  
24 the applicable rules;

25       (c) State funding available to the department, segregated by line  
26 of business or activity, for the most recent five fiscal years;

27       (d) A history of staffing levels by line of business or activity,  
28 identifying sources of state or federal funding, for the most recent  
29 five fiscal years;

30       (e) A projected spending plan for the employment services  
31 administrative account and the administrative contingency account.  
32 The spending plan must include forecasted revenues and estimated  
33 expenditures under various economic scenarios.

34       (5) \$4,684,000 of the administrative contingency account—state  
35 appropriation is provided solely for career connected learning grants  
36 as provided in RCW 28C.30.050, including sector intermediary grants,  
37 technical assistance and support grants, and administrative expenses  
38 associated with grant administration.

1       (6) (a) \$9,154,000 of the employment service administrative  
2 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the replacement of  
3 the WorkSource integrated technology platform. The replacement system  
4 must support the workforce administration statewide to ensure  
5 adoption of the United States department of labor's integrated  
6 service delivery model and program performance requirements for the  
7 state's workforce innovation and opportunity act and other federal  
8 grants. This subsection is subject to the conditions, limitations,  
9 and review provided in section 701 of this act.

10       (b) \$5,938,000 of the employment service administrative account—  
11 state appropriation is provided solely for the maintenance and  
12 operations of the WorkSource integrated technology project.

13       (7) \$12,338,000 of the employment services administrative account  
14 —state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of the  
15 economic services for all programs as defined in chapter 92, Laws of  
16 2024. The department must collect quarterly data on the number of  
17 participants that participate in the economic security for all  
18 program, the costs associated with career, training, and other  
19 support services provided by category, including, but not limited to,  
20 child care, housing, transportation, and car repair, and progress  
21 made towards self-sufficiency. The department must provide a report  
22 to the governor and the legislature by December 1, 2026, that  
23 includes an analysis of the program, a detailed summary of the  
24 quarterly data collected, and associated recommendations for program  
25 delivery.

26       (8) \$3,826,000 of the employment services administration account—  
27 state appropriation is provided solely for the continuation of the  
28 office of agricultural and seasonal workforce services.

29       (9) \$280,000 of the administrative contingency account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for one full-time employee to  
31 provide casework on behalf of constituents who contact their  
32 legislators to escalate unresolved claims.

33       (10) (a) \$7,792,000 of the administrative contingency account—  
34 state appropriation and \$14,470,000 of the employment service  
35 administrative account—state appropriation are provided solely to  
36 address a projected shortfall of federal revenue that supports the  
37 administration of the unemployment insurance program.

38       (b) The department must submit a report no later than November  
39 1st of each year in the fiscal biennium to the governor and the

appropriate committees of the legislature outlining how the funding in (a) of this subsection is being utilized and recommendations for long-term solutions to address future decreases in federal funding.

(11) \$10,823,000 of the family and medical leave insurance account—state appropriation is provided solely to increase staffing for the paid family and medical leave program to process claims and respond to customer and employer inquiries in a timely manner.

(12) \$8,966,000 of the family and medical leave insurance account—state appropriation is provided solely for information technology staffing to complete system enhancements for any remaining statutorily required components of the paid family and medical leave program, including, but not limited to, the establishment and collection of overpayments, crossmatching eligibility with other programs, and elective coverage for tribes. This subsection is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this act.

(13) \$5,074,000 of the long-term services and supports trust account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 120, Laws of 2024 (LTSS trust access). This subsection is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this act.

(14) \$500,000 of the unemployment compensation administration account—federal appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with a vendor to evaluate current unemployment insurance technology systems and to produce a comprehensive roadmap that addresses system challenges, makes recommendations for future enhancements, and identifies costs associated with the recommendations. If the department does not receive adequate funding from the United States department of labor to cover these costs, the department may use funding made available to the state through section 903 (d), (f), and (g) of the social security act (Reed act) in an amount not to exceed the amount provided in this subsection. This subsection is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this act.

(15) Within existing resources, the department must submit a report to the legislature and the governor by September 12, 2026, that provides an analysis of unemployment insurance fraud, strategies deployed to address fraud including those that reduce the false-positive rate, percentage of fraudulent issues identified to claims

1 filed and the average number of days to resolve, alternative  
2 approaches that the department could consider along with potential  
3 benefits, risks, and costs, and the necessary staffing levels to  
4 address fraudulent claims.

5 (16) \$11,156,000 of the employment services administrative  
6 account—state appropriation is provided solely to increase staffing  
7 for the unemployment insurance program to process claims and respond  
8 to customer inquiries in a timely manner and to maintain unemployment  
9 insurance ambassadors.

10 (17) \$852,000 of the employment services administrative account—  
11 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
12 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5041 (unemp ins/strikes &  
13 lockouts). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount  
14 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

15 (18) \$30,000 of the family and medical leave insurance account—  
16 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
17 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5191 (dockworkers/PFML premiums). If the  
18 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
19 subsection shall lapse.

20 (19) \$9,606,000 of the long-term services and supports trust  
21 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
22 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5291 (long-term services trust).  
23 If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in  
24 this subsection shall lapse.

25 (20) \$556,000 of the employment services administrative account—  
26 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
27 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5525 (business closures &  
28 layoffs). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount  
29 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

30 (21) \$51,000 of the employment service administrative account—  
31 state appropriation is provided solely to support the underground  
32 economy task force created in section 906, chapter 376, Laws of 2024.

33 (22) \$4,936,000 of the family and medical leave insurance account  
34 —state appropriation is provided solely for the implementation of  
35 Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1213 (paid family &  
36 medical leave). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the  
37 amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

38 (23) \$1,000,000 of the administrative contingency account—state  
39 appropriation is provided solely to improve access to the

1 unemployment insurance program to underserved communities by  
2 expanding the use of navigators within community-based organizations.  
3 At a minimum, \$684,000 of the amount shall be used to contract with  
4 community-based organizations to raise awareness of the unemployment  
5 insurance program and help individuals navigate the application  
6 process.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 233. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH,**  
8 **AND FAMILIES—GENERAL**

9 (1) The appropriations to the department of children, youth, and  
10 families in this act shall be expended for the programs and in the  
11 amounts specified in this act. Appropriations made in this act to the  
12 department of children, youth, and families shall initially be  
13 allotted as required by this act. The department shall seek approval  
14 from the office of financial management prior to transferring moneys  
15 between sections of this act except as expressly provided in this  
16 act. Subsequent allotment modifications shall not include transfers  
17 of moneys between sections of this act except as expressly provided  
18 in this act, nor shall allotment modifications permit moneys that are  
19 provided solely for a specified purpose to be used for other than  
20 that purpose.

21 (2) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the  
22 department of social and health services, the department of health,  
23 the department of corrections, and the department of children, youth,  
24 and families shall work together within existing resources to  
25 establish the health and human services enterprise coalition (the  
26 coalition). The coalition, led by the health care authority, must be  
27 a multi-organization collaborative that provides strategic direction  
28 and federal funding guidance for projects that have cross-  
29 organizational or enterprise impact, including information technology  
30 projects that affect organizations within the coalition. Washington  
31 technology solutions shall maintain a statewide perspective when  
32 collaborating with the coalition to ensure that projects are planned  
33 for in a manner that ensures the efficient use of state resources,  
34 supports the adoption of a cohesive technology and data architecture,  
35 and maximizes federal financial participation.

36 (3) Information technology projects or investments and proposed  
37 projects or investments impacting time capture, payroll and payment  
38 processes and systems, eligibility, case management, and

authorization systems within the department are subject to technical oversight by Washington technology solutions.

(4) The department of children, youth, and families shall promptly notify the office of the attorney general upon the receipt of a request from or on behalf of a federal agency or a federal, state, or local law enforcement authority for health care information, as defined in RCW 70.02.010, program eligibility information for individuals, information that may identify a health care provider's or facility's delivery of health care services to noncitizens, or the delivery of protected health care services as defined in RCW 7.115.010 where the request may impact expenditures for such services. The department shall require contracted entities to notify the department promptly upon receipt of a request from a federal agency or law enforcement authority as described in this subsection.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 234. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES—CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVICES PROGRAM**

|                                            |                 |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$539,542,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$547,301,000   |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$519,549,000   |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$2,824,000     |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State  |                 |
| Appropriation                              | \$3,888,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$1,613,104,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$579,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$579,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$110,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for a receiving care center east of the Cascade mountains.

(2) \$453,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$453,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the costs of hub home foster and kinship families that provide a foster care delivery model that includes a hub home. Use of the hub home model is intended to support foster parent retention, provide support to biological families,

1 improve child outcomes, and encourage the least restrictive community  
2 placements for children in out-of-home care.

3 (3) \$1,620,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$1,620,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for services provided through  
6 children's advocacy centers.

7 (4) In each fiscal year, the department shall provide a tracking  
8 report for social service specialists and corresponding social  
9 services support staff to the office of financial management, and the  
10 appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature. The  
11 report shall detail continued implementation of the targeted 1:18  
12 caseload ratio standard for child and family welfare services  
13 caseload-carrying staff and targeted 1:8 caseload ratio standard for  
14 child protection services caseload carrying staff. To the extent to  
15 which the information is available, the report shall include the  
16 following information identified separately for social service  
17 specialists doing case management work, supervisory work, and  
18 administrative support staff, and identified separately by job duty  
19 or program, including but not limited to intake, child protective  
20 services investigations, child protective services family assessment  
21 response, and child and family welfare services:

22 (a) Total full-time equivalent employee authority, allotments and  
23 expenditures by region, office, classification, and band, and job  
24 duty or program;

25 (b) Vacancy rates by region, office, and classification and band;  
26 and

27 (c) Average length of employment with the department, and when  
28 applicable, the date of exit for staff exiting employment with the  
29 department by region, office, classification and band, and job duty  
30 or program.

31 (5) \$94,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026 and \$94,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a contract with a child  
34 advocacy center in Spokane to provide continuum of care services for  
35 children who have experienced abuse or neglect and their families.

36 (6)(a) \$539,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2026, \$540,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
38 for fiscal year 2027, \$656,000 of the general fund—private/local  
39 appropriation, and \$252,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation



1 are provided solely for a contract with an educational advocacy  
2 provider with expertise in foster care educational outreach. The  
3 amounts in this subsection are provided solely for contracted  
4 education coordinators to assist foster children in succeeding in  
5 K-12 and higher education systems and to assure a focus on education  
6 during the department's transition to performance-based contracts.  
7 Funding must be prioritized to regions with high numbers of foster  
8 care youth, regions where backlogs of youth that have formerly  
9 requested educational outreach services exist, or youth with high  
10 educational needs. The department is encouraged to use private  
11 matching funds to maintain educational advocacy services.

12 (b) The department shall contract with the office of the  
13 superintendent of public instruction, which in turn shall contract  
14 with a nongovernmental entity or entities to provide educational  
15 advocacy services pursuant to RCW 28A.300.590.

16 (7) For purposes of meeting the state's maintenance of effort for  
17 the state supplemental payment program, the department of children,  
18 youth, and families shall track and report to the department of  
19 social and health services the monthly state supplemental payment  
20 amounts attributable to foster care children who meet eligibility  
21 requirements specified in the state supplemental payment state plan.  
22 Such expenditures must equal at least \$3,100,000 annually and may not  
23 be claimed toward any other federal maintenance of effort  
24 requirement. Annual state supplemental payment expenditure targets  
25 must continue to be established by the department of social and  
26 health services. Attributable amounts must be communicated by the  
27 department of children, youth, and families to the department of  
28 social and health services on a monthly basis.

29 (8) \$197,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2026 and \$197,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to conduct  
32 biennial inspections and certifications of facilities, both overnight  
33 and day shelters, that serve those who are under 18 years old and are  
34 homeless.

35 (9)(a) \$7,106,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2026, \$7,106,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2027, and \$1,188,000 of the general fund—federal  
38 appropriation are provided solely for the department to operate  
39 emergent placement and enhanced emergent placement contracts.

1 (b) The department shall not include the costs to operate  
2 emergent placement contracts in the calculations for family foster  
3 home maintenance payments and shall submit as part of the budget  
4 submittal documentation required by RCW 43.88.030 any costs  
5 associated with increases in the number of emergent placement  
6 contract beds after the effective date of this section that cannot be  
7 sustained within existing appropriations.

8 (10) The department must provide semiannual reports to the  
9 governor and appropriate legislative committees that includes the  
10 number of in-state behavioral rehabilitation services providers and  
11 licensed beds, the number of out-of-state behavioral rehabilitation  
12 services placements, and a comparison of these numbers to the same  
13 metrics expressed as an average over the prior six months. The report  
14 shall identify separately beds with the enhanced behavioral  
15 rehabilitation services rate. To the extent the information is  
16 available, the report shall include the same information for  
17 emergency placement services beds and enhanced emergency placement  
18 services beds.

19 (11) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementing the supportive  
22 visitation model that utilizes trained visit navigators to provide a  
23 structured and positive visitation experience for children and their  
24 parents.

25 (12) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for enhanced adoption placement  
28 services for legally free children in state custody, through a  
29 partnership with a national nonprofit organization with private  
30 matching funds. These funds must supplement, but not supplant, the  
31 work of the department to secure permanent adoptive homes for  
32 children with high needs.

33 (13) The department of children, youth, and families shall make  
34 foster care maintenance payments to programs where children are  
35 placed with a parent in a residential program for substance abuse  
36 treatment. These maintenance payments are considered foster care  
37 maintenance payments for purposes of forecasting and budgeting at  
38 maintenance level as required by RCW 43.88.058.

1 (14) If the department receives an allocation of federal funding  
2 through an unanticipated receipt, the department shall not expend  
3 more than what was approved or for another purpose than what was  
4 approved by the governor through the unanticipated receipt process  
5 pursuant to RCW 43.79.280.

6 (15) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state  
8 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
9 department to contract with one or more nonprofit, nongovernmental  
10 organizations to purchase and deliver concrete goods to low-income  
11 families.

12 (16) \$2,400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,400,000 of the general fund—state  
14 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
15 implementation of performance-based contracts for family support and  
16 related services pursuant to RCW 74.13B.020.

17 (17) The department will only refer child welfare cases to the  
18 department of social and health services division of child support  
19 enforcement when the court has found a child to have been abandoned  
20 by their parent or guardian as defined in RCW 13.34.030.

21 (18) The department shall collaborate with the department of  
22 social and health services to identify, place, and assist in the  
23 voluntary transition of adolescents aged 13 and older who have  
24 complex developmental disabilities, intellectual disabilities, or  
25 autism spectrum disorder, alongside potential mental health or  
26 substance use diagnoses, into a leased facility for specialized  
27 residential treatment at Lake Burien operated by the department of  
28 social and health services. The partnership is dedicated to  
29 transitioning individuals to community-based settings in a seamless  
30 and voluntary manner that emphasizes care in less restrictive  
31 community-based environments.

32 (19) \$9,376,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2026, \$8,709,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
34 for fiscal year 2027, and \$512,000 of the general fund—federal  
35 appropriation are provided solely for the phase-in of the settlement  
36 agreement under *D.S. et al. v. Department of Children, Youth, and*  
37 *Families et al.*, United States district court for the western  
38 district of Washington, cause no. 2:21-cv-00113-BJR. The department  
39 must implement the provisions of the settlement agreement pursuant to

1 the timeline and implementation plan provided for under the  
2 settlement agreement. This includes implementing provisions related  
3 to the emerging adulthood housing program, statewide hub home model,  
4 emergent facility-based receiving care resources, and exceptional  
5 placement costs. To comply with the settlement agreement, funding in  
6 this subsection is provided as follows:

7 (a) \$1,576,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2026 and \$1,576,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the emerging adulthood  
10 housing program.

11 (b) \$245,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026 is provided solely for the statewide hub home model. The  
13 department shall develop and adapt the existing hub home model to  
14 serve youth as described in the settlement agreement.

15 (c) \$5,959,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2026 and \$7,016,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for emergent facility-based  
18 receiving care resources.

19 (d) \$1,474,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026 and \$428,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
21 provided solely for exceptional placement costs.

22 (e) \$122,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2026, \$117,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2027, and \$84,000 of the general fund—federal  
25 appropriation are provided solely for continuous quality improvement.

26 (20) \$6,696,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2026, \$6,696,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
28 for fiscal year 2027, and \$2,940,000 of the general fund—federal  
29 appropriation are provided solely for contracted visitation services  
30 for children in temporary out-of-home care. Funding is provided to  
31 reimburse providers for certain uncompensated services, which may  
32 include work associated with missed or canceled visits.

33 (21) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026, \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2027, and \$112,000 of the general fund—federal  
36 appropriation are provided solely for the department to develop,  
37 implement, and expand strategies to improve the capacity,  
38 reliability, and effectiveness of contracted visitation services for  
39 children in temporary out-of-home care and their parents and

1 siblings. Strategies may include, but are not limited to, increasing  
2 mileage reimbursement for providers, offering transportation-only  
3 contract options, and mechanisms to reduce the level of parent-child  
4 supervision when doing so is in the best interest of the child. The  
5 department shall report to the office of financial management and the  
6 relevant fiscal and policy committees of the legislature regarding  
7 these strategies by September 1, 2025. The report shall include the  
8 number and percentage of parents requiring supervised visitation and  
9 the number and percentage of parents with unsupervised visitation,  
10 prior to reunification.

11 (22) \$2,351,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,351,000 of the general fund—state  
13 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to  
14 a nonprofit organization in Spokane that has experience administering  
15 a family-centered drug treatment and housing program for families  
16 experiencing substance use disorder. As a requirement for receiving  
17 this funding, the nonprofit organization must provide an annual  
18 report to the governor and the department that includes, but is not  
19 limited to, the following information: Number of children and  
20 families served each month, number of families that entered and  
21 exited the program each month, and a comprehensive budget for all  
22 costs incurred by the program.

23 (23) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2026 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
26 House Bill No. 1509 (family reconciliation). If the bill is not  
27 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
28 shall lapse.

29 (24) Funding in this section is sufficient to maintain rates paid  
30 to family preservation services providers.

31 (25) \$412,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026, \$365,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2027, and \$112,000 of the general fund—federal  
34 appropriation are provided solely for an evidence-based program that  
35 is used to help tribal families reunite with their children.

36 **(26) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
37 **year 2026 is provided solely for the department to convene a work**  
38 **group for the purpose of examining the rights of foster youth,**  
39 **methods of communicating these rights to foster youth, and providing**

1 recommendations to the legislature regarding these rights, by  
2 December 1, 2025, and in compliance with RCW 43.01.036. Members of  
3 the work group shall, at a minimum, include current or former foster  
4 youth, and organizations representing current or former foster youth.

5 (27) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to contract for the operation of  
8 one pediatric interim care center. The center shall provide  
9 residential care for up to 13 children through two years of age.  
10 Seventy-five percent of the children served by the center must be in  
11 need of special care as a result of substance abuse by their mothers.  
12 The center shall also provide onsite training to biological,  
13 adoptive, or foster parents. The center shall provide at least three  
14 months of consultation and support to the parents accepting placement  
15 of children from the center. The center may recruit new and current  
16 foster and adoptive parents for infants served by the center. The  
17 department shall not require case management as a condition of the  
18 contract.

19 (28) \$124,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026, \$124,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2027, and \$60,000 of the general fund—federal  
22 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
23 House Bill No. 1272 (children in crisis program). If the bill is not  
24 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
25 shall lapse.

*\*Sec. 234 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

26 \*NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 235.    FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH,**  
27 **AND FAMILIES—JUVENILE REHABILITATION PROGRAM**

|    |                                                      |               |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 28 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . | \$183,158,000 |
| 29 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . . | \$180,765,000 |
| 30 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .          | \$720,000     |
| 31 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .    | \$28,000      |
| 32 | Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State            |               |
| 33 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$652,000     |
| 34 | Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority Account—  |               |
| 35 | State Appropriation. . . . .                         | \$196,000     |
| 36 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | \$365,519,000 |

1       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3       (1) \$2,841,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$2,841,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to county juvenile  
6 courts for effective, community-based programs that are culturally  
7 relevant, research-informed, and focused on supporting positive youth  
8 development, not just reducing recidivism. Additional funding for  
9 this purpose is provided through an interagency agreement with the  
10 health care authority. County juvenile courts shall apply to the  
11 department of children, youth, and families for funding for program-  
12 specific participation and the department shall provide grants to the  
13 courts consistent with the per-participant treatment costs identified  
14 by the institute. The block grant oversight committee, in  
15 consultation with the Washington state institute for public policy,  
16 shall identify effective, community-based programs that are  
17 culturally relevant, research-informed, and focused on supporting  
18 positive youth development to receive funding.

19       (2) \$1,537,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026 and \$1,537,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for expansion of the juvenile  
22 justice treatments and therapies in the department of children,  
23 youth, and families. The juvenile rehabilitation evidence-based  
24 expansion committee, in consultation with the Washington state  
25 institute for public policy, will work with community expert partners  
26 to identify culturally relevant and research-informed programs for  
27 prevention and intervention services. These programs will include  
28 principles of positive youth development, healing centered  
29 engagement, or peer centered approaches that holistically benefit  
30 young people, or all three principles. The department may concentrate  
31 delivery of these treatments and therapies at a limited number of  
32 programs to deliver the treatments in a cost-effective manner.

33       (3)(a) \$8,198,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2026 and \$8,198,000 of the general fund—state  
35 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to implement  
36 evidence- and research-based programs through community juvenile  
37 accountability grants, administration of the grants, and evaluations  
38 of programs funded by the grants. In addition to funding provided in  
39 this subsection, funding to implement alcohol and substance abuse

1 treatment programs for locally committed offenders is provided  
2 through an interagency agreement with the health care authority.

3 (b) The department of children, youth, and families shall  
4 administer a block grant to county juvenile courts for the purpose of  
5 serving youth as defined in RCW 13.40.510(4)(a) in the county  
6 juvenile justice system. Funds dedicated to the block grant include:  
7 Consolidated juvenile service funds, community juvenile  
8 accountability act grants, chemical dependency/mental health  
9 disposition alternative, and suspended disposition alternative. The  
10 department of children, youth, and families shall follow the  
11 following formula and must prioritize evidence-based programs and  
12 disposition alternatives and take into account juvenile courts  
13 program-eligible youth in conjunction with the number of youth served  
14 in each approved evidence-based program or disposition alternative:  
15 (i) Thirty-seven and one-half percent for the at-risk population of  
16 youth ten to seventeen years old; (ii) fifteen percent for the  
17 assessment of low, moderate, and high-risk youth; (iii) twenty-five  
18 percent for evidence-based program participation; (iv) seventeen and  
19 one-half percent for minority populations; (v) three percent for the  
20 chemical dependency and mental health disposition alternative; and  
21 (vi) two percent for the suspended dispositional alternatives.  
22 Funding for the special sex offender disposition alternative shall  
23 not be included in the block grant, but allocated on the average  
24 daily population in juvenile courts. Funding for the evidence-based  
25 expansion grants shall be excluded from the block grant formula.  
26 Funds may be used for promising practices when approved by the  
27 department of children, youth, and families and juvenile courts,  
28 through the community juvenile accountability act committee, based on  
29 the criteria established in consultation with Washington state  
30 institute for public policy and the juvenile courts.

31 (c) The department of children, youth, and families and the  
32 juvenile courts shall establish a block grant funding formula  
33 oversight committee with equal representation from the department of  
34 children, youth, and families and the juvenile courts. The purpose of  
35 this committee is to assess the ongoing implementation of the block  
36 grant funding formula, utilizing data-driven decision making and the  
37 most current available information. The committee will be co-chaired  
38 by the department of children, youth, and families and the juvenile  
39 courts, who will also have the ability to change members of the  
40 committee as needed to achieve its purpose. The committee may make



1 changes to the formula categories in (b) of this subsection if it  
2 determines the changes will increase statewide service delivery or  
3 effectiveness of evidence-based program or disposition alternative  
4 resulting in increased cost/benefit savings to the state, including  
5 long-term cost/benefit savings. The committee must also consider  
6 these outcomes in determining when evidence-based expansion or  
7 special sex offender disposition alternative funds should be included  
8 in the block grant or left separate.

9 (d) The juvenile courts and administrative office of the courts  
10 must collect and distribute information and provide access to the  
11 data systems to the department of children, youth, and families and  
12 the Washington state institute for public policy related to program  
13 and outcome data. The department of children, youth, and families and  
14 the juvenile courts must work collaboratively to develop program  
15 outcomes that reinforce the greatest cost/benefit to the state in the  
16 implementation of evidence-based practices and disposition  
17 alternatives.

18 (4) \$808,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2026 and \$808,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for funding of the teamchild  
21 project.

22 (5) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant program focused on  
25 criminal street gang prevention and intervention. The department of  
26 children, youth, and families may award grants under this subsection.  
27 The department of children, youth, and families shall give priority  
28 to applicants who have demonstrated the greatest problems with  
29 criminal street gangs. Applicants composed of, at a minimum, one or  
30 more local governmental entities and one or more nonprofit,  
31 nongovernmental organizations that have a documented history of  
32 creating and administering effective criminal street gang prevention  
33 and intervention programs may apply for funding under this  
34 subsection. Each entity receiving funds must report to the department  
35 of children, youth, and families on the number and types of youth  
36 served, the services provided, and the impact of those services on  
37 the youth and the community.

38 (6) The juvenile rehabilitation institutions may use funding  
39 appropriated in this subsection to purchase goods, supplies, and

1 services through hospital group purchasing organizations when it is  
2 cost-effective to do so.

3 (7) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to county juvenile  
6 courts to establish alternative detention facilities similar to the  
7 proctor house model in Jefferson county, Washington, that will  
8 provide less restrictive confinement alternatives to youth in their  
9 local communities. County juvenile courts shall apply to the  
10 department of children, youth, and families for funding and each  
11 entity receiving funds must report to the department on the number  
12 and types of youth serviced, the services provided, and the impact of  
13 those services on the youth and the community.

14 (8) \$432,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$432,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to provide  
17 housing services to clients releasing from incarceration into the  
18 community.

19 (9)(a) \$878,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2026 and \$879,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
21 for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of  
22 chapter 206, Laws of 2021 (concerning juvenile rehabilitation  
23 community transition services).

24 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$105,000  
25 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and  
26 \$105,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027  
27 are provided solely for housing vouchers.

28 (10)(a) \$140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2026 and \$140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
30 for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of  
31 chapter 150, Laws of 2023 (sexual offenses by youth).

32 (b) The department of children, youth, and families—juvenile  
33 rehabilitation shall develop and implement a grant program that  
34 allows defense attorneys and counties to apply for funding for sex  
35 offender evaluation and treatment programs. The department shall  
36 provide funding to counties for: (a) Process mapping, site  
37 assessment, and training for additional sex offender treatment  
38 modalities such as multisystemic therapy-problem sexual behavior or  
39 problematic sexual behavior-cognitive behavioral therapy; and (b) for

1 any evaluation and preadjudication treatment costs which are not  
2 covered by the court.

3 (11) \$505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for contracted services for  
6 housing for youth exiting juvenile rehabilitation facilities.

7 (12) \$1,182,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,182,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a  
10 dedicated institutional educational oversight and accountability team  
11 and staff at Green Hill and Echo Glen secure facilities that will  
12 serve as an educational engagement team at the facility and will also  
13 coordinate and engage with community enrichment programs and  
14 community organizations to afford more successful transitions.

15 (13) \$1,048,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,048,000 of the general fund—state  
17 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a contract  
18 to provide opioid use disorder post-release education and  
19 intervention services.

20 (14) \$652,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely for medical personnel to provide  
22 medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD) education and treatment.

23 (15) \$12,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2026 and \$12,500,000 of the general fund—state  
25 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
26 department to open and operate a 48-bed living unit, a modular  
27 building, and recreation area at the Stafford Creek corrections  
28 center in Aberdeen.

29 (16) \$406,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2026, \$392,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2027, and \$16,000 of the general fund—federal  
32 appropriation are provided solely for dedicated classification  
33 specialists to create and operate a formal classification process to  
34 provide more frequent individualized security-level reviews at each  
35 full and partial confinement facility operated by the department of  
36 children, youth, and families—juvenile rehabilitation program. The  
37 classification specialists must also review and update the policies  
38 for assigning security classification levels for juvenile  
39 rehabilitation youth to provide more frequent individualized

1 security-level reviews at each full and partial confinement facility  
2 operated by the department. The department shall update any rules  
3 necessary to implement the updated policies. This review and update  
4 must include: (a) The consideration of incorporating evidence-based  
5 criteria for assigning security classification; (b) the frequency for  
6 the review of each person's classification; (c) if deemed necessary,  
7 the development of additional security classifications to better  
8 reflect the population and available institutional settings; and (d)  
9 criteria for the override of a security classification by the  
10 superintendent or other authorized person. The classification  
11 specialists are encouraged to consult with experts in trauma-informed  
12 juvenile rehabilitation policy, experts with experience in  
13 noninstitutional approaches to juvenile justice, experts in child  
14 psychology and development, individuals with lived experience in  
15 juvenile rehabilitation institutions, and experts that may be able to  
16 provide a culturally relevant perspective to policies and programs  
17 offered in juvenile rehabilitation institutions. The department shall  
18 report to the appropriate committees of the legislature any statutory  
19 barriers to incorporating evidence-based best practices into the  
20 updated policies.

21 (17) \$266,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026, \$252,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027, and \$10,000 of the general fund—federal  
24 appropriation are provided solely for dedicated infraction  
25 specialists to create and implement an infractions policy to respond  
26 to incidents of violence, harmful behaviors, and safety issues at  
27 each full and partial confinement facility operated by the  
28 department. The department shall, in consultation with organizations  
29 focused on juvenile justice policy and reform, review every six  
30 months the infraction data to identify disparities and implement any  
31 necessary changes to the system to address such disparities. This  
32 review shall also include an assessment of factors that lead to the  
33 most common infractions, including staffing, facility population, and  
34 availability of programming.

35 (18)(a) \$133,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2026 and \$126,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department of  
38 children, youth, and families—juvenile rehabilitation to develop an  
39 Excel spreadsheet capacity needs assessment model (CNAM) for all

1 secure residential facilities, community residential facilities, and  
2 community transition services for which the juvenile rehabilitation  
3 is responsible or that are operated, managed, or administered by the  
4 juvenile rehabilitation. The capacity needs assessment model must  
5 provide a level of detail comparable to that provided by the capacity  
6 needs assessment model maintained by the department of corrections  
7 research and analytics team for bed capacity. This capacity needs  
8 assessment model shall provide the department with a predictive tool  
9 that shows the current number of beds available and the forecasted  
10 number of beds that are needed, by security level, by fiscal year,  
11 over a 10 fiscal-year period. Similar to the department of  
12 corrections' capacity needs assessment model, the model developed by  
13 juvenile rehabilitation must specify current and forecasted needed  
14 beds based on crime of conviction and assigned custody level over 10  
15 fiscal years, by gender, age, custody level, and fiscal year.

16 (b) The Excel spreadsheet capacity needs assessment model must be  
17 updated after each caseload forecast council's adopted caseload  
18 forecast for the juvenile rehabilitation. No later than 30 calendar  
19 days after each adopted caseload forecast, the model shall be  
20 electronically transmitted to the appropriate chairs of the fiscal  
21 committees for the house of representatives and senate or posted on  
22 the department of juvenile rehabilitation's external-facing website.

23 (19) \$1,418,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the department to maintain  
25 the facility, property, and assets at the Naselle youth camp in  
26 Naselle.

27 **(20) Within existing resources, the department shall develop a**  
28 **proposal for future capacity growth. This proposal must evaluate the**  
29 **feasibility of using existing state-owned facilities, including, but**  
30 **not limited to, the property and facilities of Mission Creek**  
31 **corrections center for women, Larch corrections center, Ahtanum View**  
32 **reentry center, Peninsula reentry center, Tri-Cities reentry center,**  
33 **and facilities owned by the department of social and health services**  
34 **and the department of children, youth, and families—juvenile**  
35 **rehabilitation. The proposal must also specifically consider**  
36 **facilities located in eastern Washington among the possible options.**  
37 **The department must submit a report to the office of financial**  
38 **management and the appropriate committees of the legislature by**  
39 **September 15, 2025. The report must include:**

1       (a) The planned bed capacity, by fiscal year, which aligns with  
2 the total forecasted bed needs. The planned capacity must address  
3 both a short-term solution for immediate relief of overcrowding and a  
4 long-term plan to implement best practices related to the size and  
5 bed capacity of juvenile rehabilitation secure institutions. The  
6 planned bed capacity must display the total number of forecasted beds  
7 needed and a breakout that displays the bed needs and juvenile  
8 population by risk classification, gender, age, and in total;

9       (b) An assessment of the impact of expanded use of the community  
10 transition services program or other alternatives to total  
11 confinement, on bed capacity needs;

12       (c) An assessment of the impact of expanded use of the community  
13 residential facilities or other alternatives to total confinement, on  
14 bed capacity needs;

15       (d) Fiscal estimates for all operational aspects of the bed  
16 capacity plan by fiscal year and by fund, for each option evaluated.  
17 The operational components must include a prioritized full assessment  
18 of necessary capital improvements and staffing needs for custody and  
19 juvenile rehabilitation programming which includes education,  
20 vocational, recreational, and therapeutic services, including but not  
21 limited to any culturally relevant programming and activities that  
22 may be offered to incarcerated individuals in juvenile rehabilitation  
23 facilities;

24       (e) An analysis of workforce needs and availability for all  
25 locations included in the plan;

26       (f) An assessment of the physical capacity of each individual  
27 site for appropriate programming to support the goals of juvenile  
28 rehabilitation; and

29       (g) The identification of any statutory barriers to increasing  
30 the use of less restrictive settings.

31       (21) The department shall promptly notify the office of the  
32 attorney general upon the receipt of a request from or on behalf of a  
33 federal agency or a federal, state, or local law enforcement  
34 authority for health care information, as defined in RCW 70.02.010,  
35 program eligibility information for individuals, information that may  
36 identify a health care provider's or facility's delivery of health  
37 care services to noncitizens, or the delivery of protected health  
38 care services as defined in RCW 7.115.010 where the request may  
39 impact expenditures for such services. The juvenile rehabilitation  
40 program shall require contracted entities to notify the juvenile

rehabilitation program promptly upon receipt of a request from a federal agency or law enforcement authority as described in this subsection.

(22) \$183,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$172,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5032 (juvenile rehab. ombuds). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**(23) \$770,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$770,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to implement a secure communication technology system to provide enhanced communication services that allows access to education, rehabilitation services, and entertainment activities to be used by individuals incarcerated in juvenile rehabilitation facilities.**

*\*Sec. 235 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 236. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES—EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM**

|                                                      |                 |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)           | \$934,956,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)           | \$1,140,922,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                   | \$462,759,000   |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation             | \$579,000       |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation   | \$410,875,000   |
| Home Visiting Services Account—State Appropriation   | \$34,500,000    |
| Home Visiting Services Account—Federal Appropriation | \$37,059,000    |
| Washington Opportunity Pathways Account—State        |                 |
| Appropriation                                        | \$80,000,000    |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State         |                 |
| Appropriation                                        | \$13,166,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                  | \$3,114,816,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) \$127,001,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$133,386,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, \$91,810,000 of the education legacy trust account—state appropriation, and \$80,000,000 of the opportunity pathways account—state appropriation are provided solely

1 for the early childhood education and assistance program. These  
2 amounts shall support at least 14,278 slots in fiscal year 2026 and  
3 14,528 slots in fiscal year 2027. Of the total slots in each fiscal  
4 year, 100 slots must be reserved for foster children to receive  
5 school-year-round enrollment.

6 (b) Funding provided in (a) of this subsection is sufficient to:

7 (i) Provide a slot rate increase of five percent on full day  
8 slots beginning in fiscal year 2026; and

9 (ii) Increase 250 full day slots beginning in fiscal year 2027.

10 (c) The department of children, youth, and families must develop  
11 a methodology to identify, at the school district level, the  
12 geographic locations of where early childhood education and  
13 assistance program slots are needed to meet the entitlement specified  
14 in RCW 43.216.556. This methodology must be linked to the caseload  
15 forecast produced by the caseload forecast council and must include  
16 estimates of the number of slots needed at each school district and  
17 the corresponding facility needs required to meet the entitlement in  
18 accordance with RCW 43.216.556. This methodology must be included as  
19 part of the budget submittal documentation required by RCW 43.88.030.

20 (2) The department is the lead agency for and recipient of the  
21 federal child care and development fund grant. Amounts within this  
22 grant shall be used to fund child care licensing, quality  
23 initiatives, agency administration, and other costs associated with  
24 child care subsidies.

25 (3) The department of children, youth, and families shall work in  
26 collaboration with the department of social and health services to  
27 determine the appropriate amount of state expenditures for the  
28 working connections child care program to claim towards the state's  
29 maintenance of effort for the temporary assistance for needy families  
30 program. The departments will also collaborate to track the average  
31 monthly child care subsidy caseload and expenditures by fund type,  
32 including child care development fund, general fund—state  
33 appropriation, and temporary assistance for needy families for the  
34 purpose of estimating the annual temporary assistance for needy  
35 families reimbursement from the department of social and health  
36 services to the department of children, youth, and families.  
37 Effective December 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, the department  
38 of children, youth, and families must report to the governor and the  
39 appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the legislature the total  
40 state contribution for the working connections child care program



1 claimed the previous fiscal year towards the state's maintenance of  
2 effort for the temporary assistance for needy families program and  
3 the total temporary assistance for needy families reimbursement from  
4 the department of social and health services for the previous fiscal  
5 year.

6 (4) (a) \$185,996,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2026, \$321,821,000 of the general fund—state  
8 appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$900,000 of the education  
9 legacy trust account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
10 enhancements to the working connections child care program.

11 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection:

12 (i) \$126,974,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2027 is provided solely to increase subsidy base rates to  
14 the 85th percentile of market based on the 2024 market rate survey  
15 for child care centers, beginning July 1, 2026.

16 (ii) \$185,996,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2026, \$194,847,000 of the general fund—state  
18 appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$900,000 of the education  
19 legacy trust account—state appropriation are provided solely to  
20 implement the 2025-2027 collective bargaining agreement covering  
21 family child care providers as provided in section 907 of this act.  
22 Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

23 (A) \$5,342,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2026 and \$5,784,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2027 are for a 50 cent per hour per child rate increase  
26 for family, friends, and neighbor providers (FFNs) beginning July 1,  
27 2025.

28 (B) \$2,785,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 and \$3,343,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027 are for a health care contribution increase.

31 (C) \$81,367,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2026 and \$84,919,000 of the general fund—state  
33 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are for a cost of care rate  
34 enhancement.

35 (D) \$96,502,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2026 and \$100,801,000 of the general fund—state  
37 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided to increase subsidy  
38 base rates to the 85th percentile of market based on the 2024 market  
39 rate survey for licensed family homes.

1 (E) \$900,000 of the education legacy trust account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for trauma informed care supports.

3 (c) Funding in this subsection must be expended with internal  
4 controls that provide child-level detail for all transactions.

5 (d) On July 1st of each fiscal year, the department, in  
6 collaboration with the department of social and health services, must  
7 report to the governor and the appropriate fiscal and policy  
8 committees of the legislature on the status of overpayments in the  
9 working connections child care program. The report must include the  
10 following information for the previous fiscal year:

11 (i) A summary of the number of overpayments that occurred;

12 (ii) The reason for each overpayment;

13 (iii) The total cost of overpayments;

14 (iv) A comparison to overpayments that occurred in the past two  
15 preceding fiscal years; and

16 (v) Any planned modifications to internal processes that will  
17 take place in the coming fiscal year to further reduce the occurrence  
18 of overpayments.

19 (e) Within available amounts, the department in consultation with  
20 the office of financial management shall report enrollments and  
21 active caseload for the working connections child care program to the  
22 governor and the legislative fiscal committees and the legislative-  
23 executive WorkFirst poverty reduction oversight task force on an  
24 agreed upon schedule. The report shall also identify the number of  
25 cases participating in both temporary assistance for needy families  
26 and working connections child care. The department must also report  
27 on the number of children served through contracted slots.

28 (5) \$10,754,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
29 provided solely for the department to comply with new federal  
30 requirements of the child care development fund grant, including  
31 implementing enrollment-based pay, prospective pay, and to not pursue  
32 overpayments in certain cases.

33 (6) \$13,166,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
34 state appropriation is provided solely for the working connections  
35 child care program under RCW 43.216.806(1)(a).

36 (7) \$353,402,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
37 reimbursed by the department of social and health services to the  
38 department of children, youth, and families for qualifying

expenditures of the working connections child care program under RCW 43.216.135.

(8) \$3,313,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$3,323,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$9,303,000 of the education legacy trust account—state appropriation are provided solely for the early childhood intervention prevention services (ECLIPSE) program. The department shall contract for ECLIPSE services to provide therapeutic child care and other specialized treatment services to abused, neglected, at-risk, and/or drug-affected children. The department shall pursue opportunities to leverage other funding to continue and expand ECLIPSE services. Priority for services shall be given to children referred from the department.

(9) The department shall place a ten percent administrative overhead cap on any contract entered into with the University of Washington. In a bi-annual report to the governor and the legislature, the department shall report the total amount of funds spent on the quality rating and improvements system and the total amount of funds spent on degree incentives, scholarships, and tuition reimbursements.

(10) \$1,728,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,728,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for reducing barriers for low-income providers to participate in the early achievers program.

(11) \$4,000,000 of the education legacy trust account—state appropriation is provided solely for early intervention assessment and services.

(12) \$265,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$265,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a statewide family resource and referral linkage system, with coordinated access point of resource navigators who will connect families with children prenatal through age five with services, programs, and community resources through a facilitated referral and linkage process.

(13)(a) The department must provide to the education research and data center, housed at the office of financial management, data on all state-funded early childhood programs. These programs include the early support for infants and toddlers, early childhood education and

1 assistance program (ECEAP), and the working connections and seasonal  
2 subsidized childcare programs including license-exempt facilities or  
3 family, friend, and neighbor care. The data provided by the  
4 department to the education research data center must include  
5 information on children who participate in these programs, including  
6 their name and date of birth, and dates the child received services  
7 at a particular facility.

8 (b) ECEAP early learning professionals must enter any new  
9 qualifications into the department's professional development  
10 registry each school year. By October of each fiscal year, the  
11 department must provide updated ECEAP early learning professional  
12 data to the education research data center.

13 (c) The department must request federally funded head start  
14 programs to voluntarily provide data to the department and the  
15 education research data center that is equivalent to what is being  
16 provided for state-funded programs.

17 (d) The education research and data center must provide an  
18 updated report on early childhood program participation and K-12  
19 outcomes to the house of representatives appropriations committee and  
20 the senate ways and means committee using available data every March  
21 for the previous school year.

22 (e) The department, in consultation with the department of social  
23 and health services, must withhold payment for services to early  
24 childhood programs that do not report on the name, date of birth, and  
25 the dates a child received services at a particular facility.

26 (14) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to continue  
29 implementation of an infant and early childhood mental health  
30 consultation initiative to support tribal child care and early  
31 learning programs. Funding may be used to provide culturally  
32 congruent infant and early childhood mental health supports for  
33 tribal child care, the tribal early childhood education and  
34 assistance program, and tribal head start providers. The department  
35 must consult with federally recognized tribes which may include round  
36 tables through the Indian policy early learning committee.

37 (15) Within existing resources, the department, in consultation  
38 with the office of tribal relations, must prioritize complex needs  
39 funds and equity grants to tribal early learning providers.

1 (16) \$8,144,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2026 and \$9,264,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
4 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263  
5 (special education funding). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
6 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

7 (17) Sufficient funding is provided in this section for  
8 implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5752 (child  
9 care & early dev.).

10 (18) \$63,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
12 Bill No. 5030 (vital records access). If the bill is not enacted by  
13 June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

14 (19) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the department of children,  
16 youth, and families to contract with a countywide nonprofit  
17 organization with early childhood expertise in Pierce county for a  
18 project to prevent child abuse and neglect using nationally  
19 recognized models.

20 (a) The nonprofit organization must continue to implement a  
21 countywide resource and referral linkage system for families of  
22 children who are prenatal through age five.

23 (b) The nonprofit organization must offer a voluntary brief  
24 newborn home visiting program. The program must meet the diverse  
25 needs of Pierce county residents and, therefore, it must be flexible,  
26 culturally appropriate, and culturally responsive.

27 (20) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
29 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
30 department to contract with Washington communities for children to  
31 maintain a community-based early childhood network.

32 **(21) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
33 **year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for**  
34 **fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to contract**  
35 **with a licensed child care center with an existing child care mental**  
36 **health pilot program in order to implement a holistic and trauma-**  
37 **informed approach that ensures early learning environments are**  
38 **psychologically safe, culturally affirming, and emotionally**  
39 **supportive. The center must be located in Spokane and have a pilot**

*child care mental health program that serves preschool-aged children who face high adverse childhood experiences scores, mental and behavioral health disorders, and are at increased risk of suspension and expulsion due to systemic disparities.*

*\*Sec. 236 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 237. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES—PROGRAM SUPPORT**

|                                                      |               |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)           | \$291,756,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)           | \$293,247,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                   | \$224,909,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation             | \$713,000     |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation   | \$1,374,000   |
| Home Visiting Services Account—State Appropriation   | \$484,000     |
| Home Visiting Services Account—Federal Appropriation | \$380,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                  | \$812,863,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

**(1) \$275,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$275,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a Washington state mentoring organization to continue its public-private partnerships providing technical assistance and training to mentoring programs that serve at-risk youth.**

(2) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$29,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$47,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the implementation of an agreement reached between the governor and the Washington federation of state employees for the language access providers under the provisions of chapter 41.56 RCW for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, as provided in section 907 of this act.

(3) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a full-time employee to coordinate policies and programs to support pregnant and parenting individuals receiving chemical dependency or substance use disorder treatment.

1 (4) \$2,640,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026, \$2,640,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027, and \$181,000 of the general fund—federal  
4 appropriation are provided solely for the phase-in of the settlement  
5 agreement under *D.S. et al. v. Department of Children, Youth, and*  
6 *Families et al.*, United States district court for the western  
7 district of Washington, cause no. 2:21-cv-00113-BJR. The department  
8 must implement the provisions of the settlement agreement pursuant to  
9 the timeline and implementation plan provided for under the  
10 settlement agreement. This includes implementing provisions related  
11 to plaintiff's fees, the emerging adulthood housing program,  
12 professional therapeutic foster care, statewide hub home model,  
13 revised licensing standards, family group planning, referrals and  
14 transition, qualified residential treatment program, exceptional  
15 placement costs, and monitoring and implementation.

16 (5) \$1,494,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
17 provided solely for continued implementation of the family first  
18 prevention services act requirements, including technology  
19 enhancements to support the automated assessments, data quality, and  
20 reporting requirements. Funding provided in this subsection is  
21 subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in  
22 section 701 of this act.

23 (6) \$1,248,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2026 and \$1,248,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the continuation of the  
26 emergency adolescent housing pilot program. The housing pilot will  
27 serve hard-to-place foster youth who are at least 16 years old with  
28 housing and intensive case management.

29 (7) \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2026 and \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for funding of the teamchild  
32 project.

33 (8) \$13,990,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2026, \$17,903,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
35 for fiscal year 2027, and \$31,893,000 of the general fund—federal  
36 appropriation are provided solely to begin design, development, and  
37 implementation of the comprehensive child welfare information system.  
38 The funding in this section is subject to the conditions,  
39 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

1 (9) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
2 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
3 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
4 173-446B WAC.

5 (10) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to maintain  
8 rates for independent living service providers.

9 (11) \$88,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2026, \$82,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2027, and \$29,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
12 provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5163  
13 (child fatalities). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the  
14 amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

15 (12) \$9,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2026, \$11,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2027, and \$2,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
18 provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5149  
19 (early childhood court prg.). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
20 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

21 (13) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
24 House Bill No. 1177 (child welfare housing assist.). If the bill is  
25 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
26 shall lapse.

27 (14) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026, \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2027, and \$38,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
30 provided for the department to:

31 (a) Provide information and support to parents and caregivers on  
32 how to become the representative payee for a child or youth receiving  
33 social security benefits and maintain eligibility for those benefits  
34 when the department is the representative payee and the child is  
35 exiting the department's care;

36 (b) Provide information and support to youth turning 18 on how to  
37 become the payee for social security benefits and maintain  
38 eligibility for those benefits when the department is the



1 representative payee, unless the youth requires a representative  
2 payee to manage the funds;

3 (c) Adopt rules to notify caregivers and parties to the  
4 dependency proceeding when the department applies for social security  
5 or other benefits on behalf of a child and establish procedures for  
6 children and caregivers to request and for the department to approve  
7 the disbursement of social security and other public benefits to meet  
8 the unmet personal needs of a child when the department is the  
9 representative payee for such benefits. The department shall adopt  
10 rules by January 1, 2026; and

11 (d) Submit a report to the legislature by November 1, 2025, that  
12 includes:

13 (i) An updated implementation plan to discontinue the practice of  
14 using any benefits paid to or on behalf of a child or youth to  
15 reimburse itself for the cost of care and conserve benefits for the  
16 future needs of the child by the earliest date feasible;

17 (ii) A description of costs and recommendations for statutory  
18 changes necessary to conserve benefits in a manner in which the funds  
19 will not count against eligibility for federal or state means-tested  
20 programs;

21 (iii) Data on the number of children or youth receiving social  
22 security and other public benefits, by age;

23 (iv) The average amount of federal benefits collected per child  
24 or youth in fiscal year 2025; and

25 (v) Recommendations for additional supports for families and  
26 youth to maintain benefits after reunification or exit from care.

27 (15) \$29,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026, \$29,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2027, and \$8,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
30 provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5032 (juvenile  
31 rehab. ombuds). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the  
32 amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

***\*Sec. 237 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

(End of part)

**PART III**  
**NATURAL RESOURCES**

**NEW SECTION.    Sec. 301.    FOR THE COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION**

|                                                |             |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)     | \$693,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)     | \$730,000   |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation             | \$32,000    |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation       | \$1,699,000 |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation | \$138,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                            | \$3,292,000 |

**\*NEW SECTION.    Sec. 302.    FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

|                                                                                               |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                                                    | \$32,456,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                                                    | \$35,602,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                            | \$245,110,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                                      | \$39,590,000  |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation                                                | \$15,805,000  |
| Emergency Drought Response Account—State<br>Appropriation                                     | \$6,000,000   |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State<br>Appropriation                                      | \$12,851,000  |
| Reclamation Account—State Appropriation                                                       | \$4,907,000   |
| Flood Control Assistance Account—State Appropriation                                          | \$4,826,000   |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State<br>Appropriation                                      | \$692,000     |
| Refrigerant Emission Management Account—State<br>Appropriation                                | \$4,385,000   |
| State Emergency Water Projects Revolving Account—<br>State Appropriation                      | \$40,000      |
| Waste Reduction, Recycling, and Litter Control<br>Account—State Appropriation                 | \$44,132,000  |
| State Drought Preparedness Account—State<br>Appropriation                                     | \$219,000     |
| State and Local Improvements Revolving Account—Water<br>Supply Facilities—State Appropriation | \$186,000     |
| Water Rights Tracking System Account—State<br>Appropriation                                   | \$48,000      |
| Site Closure Account—State Appropriation                                                      | \$582,000     |

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|----|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1  | Wood Stove Education and Enforcement Account—State            |                 |
| 2  | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$618,000       |
| 3  | Worker and Community Right to Know Fund—State                 |                 |
| 4  | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$2,258,000     |
| 5  | Water Rights Processing Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | \$39,000        |
| 6  | Water Quality Permit Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$74,491,000    |
| 7  | Underground Storage Tank Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$5,115,000     |
| 8  | Biosolids Permit Account—State Appropriation. . . . .         | \$3,118,000     |
| 9  | Hazardous Waste Assistance Account—State                      |                 |
| 10 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$11,589,000    |
| 11 | Radioactive Mixed Waste Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | \$27,611,000    |
| 12 | Air Pollution Control Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | \$5,929,000     |
| 13 | Oil Spill Prevention Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$10,382,000    |
| 14 | Air Operating Permit Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$5,995,000     |
| 15 | Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Certification             |                 |
| 16 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                          | \$831,000       |
| 17 | Oil Spill Response Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$7,076,000     |
| 18 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State                  |                 |
| 19 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$361,962,000   |
| 20 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—Local                  |                 |
| 21 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$499,000       |
| 22 | Model Toxics Control Stormwater Account—State                 |                 |
| 23 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$17,323,000    |
| 24 | Voluntary Cleanup Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$373,000       |
| 25 | Paint Product Stewardship Account—State                       |                 |
| 26 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$152,000       |
| 27 | Water Pollution Control Revolving Administration              |                 |
| 28 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                          | \$9,517,000     |
| 29 | Clean Fuels Program Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | \$6,850,000     |
| 30 | Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$71,424,000    |
| 31 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                  | \$1,070,583,000 |

32 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
33 conditions and limitations:

34 (1) \$455,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2026 and \$455,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to grant to  
37 the northwest straits commission to provide funding, technical

1 assistance, and/or coordination support equally to the seven Puget  
2 Sound marine resources committees.

3 (2) \$600,000 of the oil spill prevention account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for a contract with the University  
5 of Washington's sea grant program to continue an educational program  
6 targeted to small spills from commercial fishing vessels, ferries,  
7 cruise ships, ports, and marinas.

8 (3) \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2026 and \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Executive  
11 Order No. 12-07, Washington's response to ocean acidification.

12 (4) \$24,000,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
13 state appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide  
14 grants to local governments for the purpose of supporting local solid  
15 waste and financial assistance programs.

16 (5) \$150,000 of the aquatic lands enhancement account—state  
17 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of the state  
18 marine management plan and ongoing costs of the Washington coastal  
19 marine advisory council to serve as a forum and provide  
20 recommendations on coastal management issues.

21 (6) \$2,000,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
22 state appropriation is provided solely for the department to convene  
23 a stakeholder group, including representatives from overburdened  
24 communities, to assist with developing a water quality implementation  
25 plan for polychlorinated biphenyls and to address other emerging  
26 contaminants in the Spokane river. The department must also consult  
27 with the Spokane tribe of Indians and other interested tribes when  
28 developing and implementing actions to address water quality in the  
29 Spokane river.

30 (7) \$4,002,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely to address flood prevention in the  
32 Nooksack basin and Sumas prairie. Of this amount:

33 (a) \$2,000,000 is provided solely to expand and sustain Whatcom  
34 county's floodplain integrated planning (FLIP) team planning process,  
35 including supporting communication, community participation,  
36 coordination, technical studies and analysis, and development of  
37 local solutions.

38 (b) \$900,000 is provided solely for the department to support  
39 transboundary coordination, including facilitation and technical

1 support to develop and evaluate alternatives for managing  
2 transboundary flooding in Whatcom county and British Columbia.

3 (c) \$1,102,000 is provided solely to support dedicated local and  
4 department capacity for floodplain planning and technical support. Of  
5 the amount in this subsection (7)(c), \$738,000 is solely for a grant  
6 to Whatcom county. The remaining amount is for the department to  
7 provide ongoing staff technical assistance and support to flood  
8 prevention efforts in this area.

9 (8) \$24,536,000 of the climate investment account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for capacity grants to federally  
11 recognized tribes for: (a) Consultation on spending decisions on  
12 grants in accordance with RCW 70A.65.305; (b) consultation on clean  
13 energy siting projects; (c) activities supporting climate resilience  
14 and adaptation; (d) developing tribal clean energy projects; (e)  
15 applying for state or federal grant funding; (f) participation on a  
16 science advisory panel and other associated work on offshore wind;  
17 and (g) other related work. In order to meet the requirements of RCW  
18 70A.65.230(1)(b), tribal applicants are encouraged to include a  
19 tribal resolution supporting their request with their grant  
20 application. Of this amount, \$3,000,000 is reserved solely to ensure  
21 completion of grants awarded or amended between January 1, 2025, and  
22 June 30, 2025.

23 (9) \$1,375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2026 and \$1,375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for preparation and filing of  
26 adjudications of state water rights in water resource inventory area  
27 1 (Nooksack).

28 (10) \$2,468,000 of the climate investment account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for addressing air quality in  
30 overburdened communities highly impacted by air pollution under RCW  
31 70A.65.020.

32 (11) \$2,256,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
33 state appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide  
34 technical assistance to landowners and local governments to promote  
35 voluntary compliance, implement best management practices, and  
36 support implementation of water quality clean-up plans in shellfish  
37 growing areas, agricultural areas, forestlands, and other types of  
38 land uses, including technical assistance focused on protection and

1 restoration of critical riparian management areas important for  
2 salmon recovery.

3 (12) \$1,914,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for activities related to coastal  
5 hazards, including expanding the coastal monitoring and analysis  
6 program, operating a coastal hazard organizational resilience team,  
7 and operating a coastal hazards grant program to help local  
8 communities design projects and apply for funding opportunities. At  
9 least 25 percent of the funding in this subsection must be used for  
10 the benefit of tribes.

11 (13) \$276,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to San Juan county for  
13 the enhancement of ongoing oil spill response preparedness staff  
14 hiring, spill response equipment acquisition, and spill response  
15 training and operational expenses.

16 (14) \$750,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
17 appropriation is provided solely to:

18 (a) Identify additional priority consumer products containing  
19 PFAS for potential regulatory action; and

20 (b) Issue orders to manufacturers under RCW 70A.350.040 and  
21 70A.350.030 to obtain ingredient information, including for chemical  
22 ingredients used to replace priority chemicals.

23 **(15) (a) \$816,000 of the climate commitment account—state**  
24 **appropriation is provided to the department of ecology to report on**  
25 **the state's authority relevant to the potential siting and permitting**  
26 **of floating offshore wind energy projects in federal waters off**  
27 **Washington's Pacific Ocean coast. In coordination with the**  
28 **departments of fish and wildlife, natural resources, and parks, the**  
29 **energy facility site evaluation council, and the utilities and**  
30 **transportation commission, the department shall:**

31 **(i) Study and report on how and when state laws, regulations, and**  
32 **enforceable policies apply during a federal process for floating**  
33 **offshore wind energy projects, including the siting of associated**  
34 **onshore and nearshore transmission infrastructure;**

35 **(ii) Identify the state's regulatory decisions in the federal**  
36 **process for which a state agency would be required to undergo**  
37 **consultation with federally recognized tribes and solicit public**  
38 **comment; and**

1       (iii) Evaluate and recommend whether additional regulatory  
2 actions are needed to improve the state's readiness for a federal  
3 leasing process, including but not limited to:

4       (A) Modification and/or addition to the state's enforceable  
5 policies under the federal coastal zone management act in 16 U.S.C  
6 Sec. 1456 and articulated in the state's marine spatial plan adopted  
7 under chapter 43.372 RCW; and

8       (B) Designation of a geographic location description under 16  
9 U.S.C. Sec. 1465.

10       (b) In developing the report, the department shall consult with  
11 federally recognized tribes and seek input from interested and  
12 affected parties, including the Washington coastal marine advisory  
13 council established in RCW 43.143.050. The department, in  
14 coordination with other state agencies, shall also host a minimum of  
15 two scenario planning exercises where agencies test run how their  
16 authority would be applied in the event of a federal leasing for  
17 offshore wind projects. The department shall incorporate the lessons  
18 it learns from these exercises into the report.

19       (c) The department shall submit a report summarizing its findings  
20 and recommendations to the governor and the appropriate committees of  
21 the legislature by November 1, 2026.

22       (16)(a) \$731,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
23 appropriation is provided to convene a tribal-state science advisory  
24 panel to guide the advancement of our scientific understanding of  
25 potential ecological impacts of floating offshore wind projects.  
26 Considering current research, the advisory panel should develop a  
27 prioritized science agenda to increase understanding of how floating  
28 offshore wind projects sited off of Washington's coast could impact  
29 Washington's marine and coastal environment and resources, with an  
30 emphasis on potential impacts to treaty-protected tribal resources.  
31 The advisory panel should also consider and advance understanding of  
32 how offshore projects could be designed and sited to avoid or  
33 minimize identified impacts and maximize co-use with other ocean  
34 uses. The department shall invite representatives from coastal  
35 tribes, inter-tribal organizations, and relevant state agencies to  
36 participate on the advisory panel. In coordination with the advisory  
37 panel, the department shall:

38       (i) Identify and catalog the potentially significant ecological  
39 impacts that floating offshore wind projects sited off of  
40 Washington's coastline may have on Washington's marine and coastal

environment, including consideration of potential impacts to upwelling and the California current ecosystem;

(ii) Contract with a third-party science organization to conduct a literature review of scientific studies on the identified potentially significant ecological impacts and summarize impacts that are not substantiated by literature, impacts for which the literature find successful avoidance or mitigation measures, and impacts needing additional study;

(iii) After considering the findings from the literature review, develop a prioritized scientific agenda to increase understanding of how offshore wind could impact Washington's marine and coastal environment and resources, with an emphasis on potential impacts to treaty-protected tribal resources; and

(iv) Coordinate with other states to identify and leverage joint opportunities for advancing research.

(b) In conducting its work, the department and advisory panel must seek input from scientific experts and may seek input from federal agencies, coastal stakeholders including fishing representatives, and representatives from the offshore wind industry.

(c) By November 1, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature summarizing its findings and the prioritized scientific agenda.

(17) \$4,428,000 of the water quality permit account—state appropriation, \$2,212,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation, and \$1,864,000 of the hazardous waste assistance account—state appropriation are provided solely for the department to address and mitigate 6PPD. The department may provide funding from this subsection to the University of Washington and Washington State University for the purposes of this subsection. Of these amounts:

(a) \$1,094,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely to conduct monitoring and analyze water and sediment for 6PPD.

(b) \$1,864,000 of the hazardous waste assistance account—state appropriation and \$1,118,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely to find safer alternatives to 6PPD in consumer products.



1 (c) \$4,428,000 of the water quality permit account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely to identify effective best  
3 management practices to treat 6PPD in stormwater.

4 (18) \$1,317,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for the department to assist local  
6 governments in building climate resilience by addressing emerging  
7 implementation challenges and updating guidance for local  
8 jurisdictions, including integration of updated climate policies  
9 through amendments to local shoreline master programs.

10 (19) \$331,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for the department to coordinate  
12 implementation of the state's climate resilience strategy developed  
13 pursuant to chapter 70A.05 RCW. The department shall coordinate  
14 resilience activities among state agencies identified in the  
15 strategy, gather data from state agencies to support tracking and  
16 progress reporting, and conduct outreach and engagement. The  
17 department may also facilitate the establishment of the recommended  
18 durable governance structure and support implementation of key  
19 resilience activities, as resources allow.

20 (20) \$542,000 of the aquatic lands enhancement account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely to support research to enhance  
22 understanding of European green crab behavior and dispersal in  
23 Washington's waters and inform the state's response to this invasive  
24 pest. The department shall hold technical assistance workshops for  
25 natural resource managers to implement larval identification  
26 monitoring programs.

27 (21)(a) \$3,908,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
28 state appropriation and \$100,000 of the water quality permit account—  
29 state appropriation are provided solely to:

30 (i) Investigate and monitor the sources and impacts of per- and  
31 polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in the environment;

32 (ii) Identify and reduce the risks posed by PFAS used in  
33 industry, manufacturing, and businesses through outreach activities  
34 and technical assistance to those that have or currently use PFAS;

35 (iii) Support water quality source control and treatment of PFAS  
36 at municipal wastewater facilities and cleanup sites. The department  
37 will use the amount identified in this subsection from the water  
38 quality permit account to complete a study of state waste discharge

1 permittees to inform how the state should best manage these  
2 discharges; and

3 (iv) Increase cleanup capacity at PFAS contaminated sites.

4 (b) When engaging in work benefiting specific communities, the  
5 department shall prioritize investments to benefit vulnerable  
6 populations in overburdened communities as defined in RCW 70A.02.010  
7 with a goal of investing at least 40 percent of funds to this  
8 purpose.

9 (22) \$400,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for the department to develop a  
11 report that analyzes equity and accessibility considerations for  
12 environmental incident reporting and resolution, and to provide  
13 recommendations for changes and improvements. The department will  
14 consult with relevant government entities that manage environmental  
15 incident reporting for incidents that pollute and damage land, air,  
16 and water, such as the department of health, the office of the  
17 attorney general, regional air agencies, and relevant state and local  
18 agencies. The department will consult with Washington state community  
19 based and non-governmental organizations representing overburdened  
20 communities. The department may contract with a third party to  
21 prepare the report.

22 (a) The report must include: (i) An overview of the existing  
23 environmental incident reporting systems in Washington state and a  
24 description of business objectives; (ii) challenges, barriers, and  
25 accessibility concerns with the current state environmental incident  
26 reporting systems; (iii) evaluation of possible service gaps in  
27 incident reporting in overburdened communities; and (iv) options and  
28 recommendations for improving environmental incident reporting,  
29 including improvements to reporting access, process transparency, and  
30 equitable service to overburdened communities and vulnerable  
31 populations.

32 (b) By October 1, 2026, the department must submit its final  
33 report and recommendations to the governor and appropriate committees  
34 of the legislature.

35 (23) \$639,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
36 appropriation, \$255,000 of the climate investment account—state  
37 appropriation, \$128,000 of the water quality permit account—state  
38 appropriation, and \$128,000 of the waste reduction, recycling, and  
39 litter control account—state appropriation are provided solely for

1 the department to continue implementation of environmental justice  
2 requirements in the HEAL act, state and federal environmental justice  
3 and equity mandates, and embed expertise within specific  
4 environmental programs.

5 (24) The department must report the department's expenditures  
6 from climate commitment act accounts, as defined and described in RCW  
7 70A.65.300 and chapter 173-446B WAC.

8 (25) \$275,000 of the climate investment account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
10 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1912 (agricultural fuel/CCA  
11 exemption). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount  
12 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

13 (26) \$2,816,000 of the climate investment account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
15 Substitute House Bill No. 1975 (climate commitment act). If the bill  
16 is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
17 subsection shall lapse.

18 (27) \$1,115,000 of the clean fuels program account—state  
19 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
20 Substitute House Bill No. 1409 (clean fuels program). If the bill is  
21 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
22 shall lapse.

23 (28) \$426,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
25 Substitute House Bill No. 1462 (hydrofluorocarbons). If the bill is  
26 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
27 shall lapse.

28 (29) \$196,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
30 Senate Bill No. 5033 (biosolids/PFAS chemicals). If the bill is not  
31 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
32 shall lapse.

33 (30) \$89,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
35 House Bill No. 1670 (sewage-containing spills). If the bill is not  
36 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
37 shall lapse.

38 (31) \$493,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
39 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second

1 Substitute House Bill No. 1154 (solid waste handling). If the bill is  
2 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
3 shall lapse.

4 (32) \$1,656,000 of the waste, reduction, recycling, and litter  
5 control account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
6 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5284  
7 (solid waste management). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
8 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

9 (33) \$261,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
11 Substitute House Bill No. 1497 (waste material management). If the  
12 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
13 subsection shall lapse.

14 (34) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, when determining the  
15 placement of air quality monitoring for the benefit of overburdened  
16 communities as required in RCW 70A.65.020(1)(b), the department must  
17 prioritize:

18 (a) Placing air monitoring stations in locations that are  
19 physically within overburdened communities;

20 (b) Engaging with local and tribal governments and community  
21 organizations; and

22 (c) Funding and supporting, to the extent feasible, evidence-  
23 supported community-based air monitoring for PM 2.5 pollutants in  
24 overburdened communities.

25 **(35) (a) \$100,000 of the model toxics control operating account—**  
26 **state appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract**  
27 **with property owners adjacent to the site designated by the**  
28 **department as cleanup site identification number 16913 for access to**  
29 **the owners' property in order for the department to perform**  
30 **remediation work. Such contracts may include reimbursement for access**  
31 **to the owners' property that occurred between July 1, 2025, and June**  
32 **30, 2027.**

33 **(b) Such contracts shall be for the fair market rental value of**  
34 **any space used, made inaccessible, or otherwise made unavailable to**  
35 **rent commercially as a result of the remediation work carried out by**  
36 **the department. The fair market value determination shall be based on**  
37 **market conditions prior to the point at which the department began**  
38 **its remediation activities and shall be based on comparable**  
39 **properties. The department shall provide the owner of any such**

1 *property with a written statement of, and summary of the basis for,*  
2 *its assessment of the fair market rental value.*

3 (36) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 is provided solely for a grant to Whatcom county to provide  
5 technical assistance that must be made available to all water users  
6 in WRIA 1 in filing adjudication claims under RCW 90.03.140. This  
7 assistance must be administered by Whatcom county and no portion of  
8 this funding may be used to contest the claims of any other claimant  
9 in the adjudication.

10 (37) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 is provided solely for the department's engagement with the  
12 federal government, Indian tribes, water users, and local governments  
13 on a process that could result in a federal Indian water rights  
14 settlement through the Nooksack adjudication. The department must  
15 report to the appropriate committees of the legislature regarding the  
16 status of the adjudication and any potential settlement structure by  
17 June 30, 2026, and by June 30, 2027.

18 (38) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2026 is provided solely for the department to provide a grant to  
20 Clark county for the purpose of developing and implementing a lake  
21 management plan to restore and maintain the health of Vancouver lake,  
22 a category 5 303(d) status impaired body of water. The department  
23 must work with the county to include involvement by property owners  
24 around the lake and within the watersheds that drain to the lake, the  
25 department of natural resources, other state agencies and local  
26 governments with proprietary or regulatory jurisdiction, tribes, and  
27 nonprofit organizations advocating for the health of the lake. The  
28 plan should incorporate work already completed by the county and  
29 other entities involved in development of the lake management  
30 strategy.

31 (39) \$670,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill  
33 No. 5036 (statewide emissions data). If the bill is not enacted by  
34 June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

35 (40) \$262,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for the department to participate in  
37 and contribute to a multiagency permitting team for the purpose of  
38 streamlining the review of environmental restoration projects that  
39 directly benefit fish or fish habitat. Projects for review by the

multiagency permitting team must be submitted under a joint aquatic resources permit application and have had a project review completed by the department of archaeology and historic preservation regarding cultural resources protection requirements, including the requirements of executive order 21-02. In general, the multiagency permitting team is comprised of state agencies with jurisdictional responsibility for the project proposal, local governments in whose geographical jurisdiction the project would be located, and any other expertise that may be needed in review of the project. State agencies are responsible for carrying out their own permit review and approval process.

*\*Sec. 302 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 303.     FOR THE WASHINGTON POLLUTION LIABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM**

|                                                                                                              |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                                                                  | \$1,139,000  |
| Pollution Liability Insurance Agency Underground Storage Tank Revolving Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$1,240,000  |
| Pollution Liability Insurance Program Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                             | \$10,311,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                                                                 | \$12,690,000 |

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 304.     FOR THE STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

|                                                                    |               |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . .                | \$32,851,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . .                | \$33,007,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                        | \$7,289,000   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .            | \$980,000     |
| Winter Recreation Program Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$4,943,000   |
| ORV and Nonhighway Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | \$333,000     |
| Snowmobile Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                    | \$5,732,000   |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$375,000     |
| Parks Renewal and Stewardship Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$166,674,000 |
| Parks Renewal and Stewardship Account—Private/Local                |               |

Appropriation. . . . . \$720,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$252,904,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$129,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$129,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant for the operation of the Northwest weather and avalanche center.

(2) The commission must report to and coordinate with the department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter 173-446B WAC.

(3) \$500,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for cultural resource vulnerability assessments.

(4) \$1,111,000 of the parks renewal and stewardship account—state appropriation is provided solely for maintenance and operation costs at the Fort Worden state park campus. The state parks and recreation commission shall develop a long-term management plan for the campus.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 305. FOR THE RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$4,354,000  
General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$3,717,000  
General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . . \$6,332,000  
General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . . \$24,000  
Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State  
Appropriation. . . . . \$483,000  
Firearms Range Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$37,000  
Natural Climate Solutions Account—State  
Appropriation. . . . . \$394,000  
Recreation Access Pass Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$150,000  
Recreation Resources Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$5,402,000  
NOVA Program Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$1,601,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$22,494,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

1 (1) \$37,000 of the firearms range account—state appropriation is  
2 provided solely to the recreation and conservation funding board for  
3 administration of the firearms range grant program as described in  
4 RCW 79A.25.210.

5 (2) \$5,402,000 of the recreation resources account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely to the recreation and conservation  
7 funding board for administrative and coordinating costs of the  
8 recreation and conservation office and the board as described in RCW  
9 79A.25.080(1).

10 (3) \$1,601,000 of the NOVA program account—state appropriation is  
11 provided solely to the recreation and conservation funding board for  
12 administration of the nonhighway and off-road vehicle activities  
13 program as described in chapter 46.09 RCW.

14 (4) \$1,704,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$1,704,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for operational and  
17 administrative support of lead entities and salmon recovery regions.

18 (5) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
21 organization with a mission for salmon and steelhead restoration to  
22 install and store near-term solutions to prevent steelhead mortality  
23 at the Hood canal bridge.

24 (6) The office must report to and coordinate with the department  
25 of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment act  
26 accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
27 173-446B WAC.

28 **(7) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
29 **year 2026 is provided solely for grants that promote outdoor**  
30 **recreation access for underrepresented communities impacted by**  
31 **environmental inequities.**

32 **(8) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
33 **year 2026 is provided solely for grants for water safety education to**  
34 **both motorized and nonmotorized water users of Lake Union.**

35 (9) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
37 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5281 (vessel length/nonresident). If the  
38 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
39 subsection shall lapse.



(10) \$150,000 of the recreation access pass account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5390 (discover pass). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(11) \$38,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$38,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to participate in and contribute to a multiagency permitting team for the purpose of streamlining the review of environmental restoration projects that directly benefit fish or fish habitat. Projects for review by the multiagency permitting team must be submitted under a joint aquatic resources permit application and have had a project review completed by the department of archaeology and historic preservation regarding cultural resources protection requirements, including the requirements of executive order 21-02. In general, the multiagency permitting team is comprised of state agencies with jurisdictional responsibility for the project proposal, local governments in whose geographical jurisdiction the project would be located, and any other expertise that may be needed in review of the project. State agencies are responsible for carrying out their own permit review and approval process.

\*Sec. 305 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 306.      FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND LAND USE HEARINGS OFFICE**

|                                                         |             |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . .     | \$3,997,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . .     | \$4,118,000 |
| Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$100,000   |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State            |             |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$245,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                            | \$8,460,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$379,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$379,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$100,000 of the climate investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for the agency to hire staff

to respond to increased caseloads, including appeals as a result of the climate commitment act, chapter 316, Laws of 2021.

(2) The office must report to and coordinate with the department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter 173-446B WAC.

(3) \$37,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1409 (clean fuels program). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(4) \$9,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5284 (solid waste management). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(5) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5334 (DNR civil enforcement appeal). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 307. FOR THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

|                                                     |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$14,114,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$14,101,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$2,482,000  |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State             |              |
| Appropriation                                       | \$6,506,000  |
| Public Works Assistance Account—State Appropriation | \$10,719,000 |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State        |              |
| Appropriation                                       | \$1,110,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$49,032,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$2,500,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state appropriation is provided solely to the commission to work with conservation districts to implement priority forest health and community wildfire resilience projects.

(2) \$1,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state appropriation is provided solely to connect scientists, practitioners, and researchers and coordinate efforts to monitor and quantify benefits of best management practices on agricultural lands, and better understand values and motivations of landowners to implement voluntary incentive programs.

(3) \$10,719,000 of the public works assistance account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of the voluntary stewardship program. This amount may not be used to fund agency indirect and administrative expenses.

(4) The commission must report to and coordinate with the department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter 173-446B WAC.

(5) \$1,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state appropriation are provided solely to increase native tree and shrub availability for riparian restoration projects under the governor's salmon strategy.

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>*NEW SECTION. Sec. 308. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE</b> |               |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                             | \$168,876,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                             | \$164,430,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                     | \$172,080,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                               | \$76,648,000  |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation                         | \$3,560,000   |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State                                |               |
| Appropriation                                                          | \$4,394,000   |
| ORV and Nonhighway Vehicle Account—State                               |               |
| Appropriation                                                          | \$558,000     |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State                                |               |
| Appropriation                                                          | \$14,651,000  |
| Recreational Fisheries Enhancement Account—State                       |               |
| Appropriation                                                          | \$3,999,000   |
| Warm Water Game Fish Account—State Appropriation                       | \$3,116,000   |
| Eastern Washington Pheasant Enhancement Account—                       |               |
| State Appropriation                                                    | \$396,000     |
| Limited Fish and Wildlife Account—State                                |               |
| Appropriation                                                          | \$40,680,000  |
| Special Wildlife Account—State Appropriation                           | \$2,945,000   |

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|----|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Special Wildlife Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .       | \$532,000     |
| 2  | Special Wildlife Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . . | \$3,864,000   |
| 3  | Wildlife Rehabilitation Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | \$361,000     |
| 4  | Ballast Water and Biofouling Management Account—              |               |
| 5  | State Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$10,000      |
| 6  | Regional Fisheries Enhancement Salmonid Recovery              |               |
| 7  | Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                        | \$5,001,000   |
| 8  | Oil Spill Prevention Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$1,335,000   |
| 9  | Aquatic Invasive Species Management Account—State             |               |
| 10 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$1,038,000   |
| 11 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State                  |               |
| 12 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$9,805,000   |
| 13 | Fish, Wildlife, and Conservation Account—State                |               |
| 14 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$105,030,000 |
| 15 | Oyster Reserve Land Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | \$524,000     |
| 16 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                  | \$783,833,000 |

17 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
18 conditions and limitations:

19 (1) \$1,777,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2026 and \$1,777,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to grant to the northwest Indian  
22 fisheries commission for hatchery operations that are prioritized to  
23 increase prey abundance for southern resident orcas, including  
24 \$200,000 per fiscal year for tagging and marking costs, and the  
25 remainder to grant to tribes in the following amounts per fiscal  
26 year: \$150,000 for the Quinault Indian Nation, \$199,000 for the  
27 Tulalip Tribes, \$268,000 for the Quileute Tribe, \$186,000 for the  
28 Puyallup Tribe, \$122,000 for the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe, \$25,000  
29 for the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, \$207,000 for the Squaxin Island  
30 Tribe, \$142,000 for the Skokomish Indian Tribe, and \$278,000 for the  
31 Lummi Nation.

32 (2) \$330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to provide to  
35 the Yakama Nation for hatchery operations that are prioritized to  
36 increase prey abundance for southern resident orcas.

37 (3) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2026 and \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to grant to public utility

1 districts for additional hatchery production that is prioritized to  
2 increase prey abundance for southern resident orcas.

3 (4) \$467,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$467,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to pay for emergency fire  
6 suppression costs. These amounts may not be used to fund agency  
7 indirect and administrative expenses.

8 (5) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2026 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a state match to support the  
11 Puget Sound nearshore partnership between the department and the  
12 United States army corps of engineers.

13 (6) \$6,082,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2026 and \$6,082,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to implement  
16 eradication and control measures on European green crabs through  
17 coordination and grants with partner organizations. The department  
18 must provide annual progress reports on the success and challenges of  
19 the measures to the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
20 September 15th of each fiscal year.

21 (7) (a) \$390,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2026 and \$390,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
23 for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to develop conflict  
24 mitigation strategies for wolf recovery and staff resources statewide  
25 for response to wolf-livestock conflicts. The department shall not  
26 hire contract range riders in northeast Washington unless there is a  
27 gap in coverage from entities funded through the northeast Washington  
28 wolf-livestock management grant program as provided in RCW 16.76.020.  
29 The department must focus on facilitating coordination with other  
30 entities providing conflict deterrence, including range riding, and  
31 technical assistance to livestock producers in order to minimize  
32 wolf-livestock issues. The department is discouraged from the use of  
33 firearms from helicopters for removing wolves.

34 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$200,000  
35 shall be used to implement a conflict mitigation pilot program in  
36 Southeast Washington in partnership with projects guarding the  
37 respective interests of predators and humans.

38 (8) \$639,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2026 and \$639,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to provide  
2 additional capacity to the attorney general's office to prosecute  
3 environmental crimes. The department must provide an annual report by  
4 December 1st of each year, to the appropriate committees of the  
5 legislature, on the progress made in prosecuting environmental  
6 crimes.

7 (9) \$560,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2026 and \$560,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for management of pinniped  
10 populations on the lower Columbia river and its tributaries with the  
11 goal of increasing chinook salmon abundance and prey availability for  
12 southern resident orcas.

13 (10) \$6,042,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
14 state appropriation is provided solely to continue and increase the  
15 capacity to analyze salmon contaminants of emerging concern (CEC),  
16 including substances such as 6PPD-quinone, per- and polyfluoroalkyl  
17 substances (PFAS), and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) in already  
18 collected tissue samples. This research will accelerate recovery and  
19 protection by identifying the location and sources of CEC exposure.

20 (11) \$130,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026 and \$130,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for an external facilitator to  
23 seek solutions through a collaborative process using the department's  
24 wolf advisory group.

25 (12) \$285,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$285,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to manage electronic tracked  
28 crab fishery gear to avoid whale entanglements during their migration  
29 in accordance with the endangered species act incidental take permit.

30 (13) \$1,200,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely to reduce severe wildfire risk and  
32 increase forest resiliency through fuels reduction, thinning, fuel  
33 break creation, and prescribed burning on agency lands. The amounts  
34 provided in this subsection may not be used to fund agency indirect  
35 and administrative expenses.

36 (14) \$14,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2026 and \$14,000,000 of the general fund—state  
38 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
39 protection, recovery, and restoration of biodiversity, the recovery

1 of threatened and endangered species, and a review of the department  
2 of fish and wildlife. Examples include habitat protection and  
3 restoration, technical assistance for growth management act planning,  
4 fish passage improvements, conservation education, scientific  
5 research for species and ecosystem protection, and similar  
6 activities. Funding in this subsection may include pass-throughs to  
7 public, nonprofit, academic, or tribal entities for the purposes of  
8 this subsection.

9 (15) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
10 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
11 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
12 173-446B WAC.

13 (16) \$1,175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,175,000 of the general fund—state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
16 department to continue to restore shrubsteppe habitat and associated  
17 wildlife on public lands as well as private lands by landowners who  
18 are willing to participate. The restoration effort must be  
19 coordinated with other natural resource agencies and interested  
20 stakeholders.

21 (17) \$3,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2026, \$3,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
23 for fiscal year 2027, and \$1,200,000 of the limited fish and wildlife  
24 account—state appropriation are provided solely to continue to  
25 address the maintenance backlog associated with providing recreation  
26 on lands managed by the department. Allowable uses include, but are  
27 not limited to, maintenance, repair, or replacement of trails, toilet  
28 facilities, roads, parking lots, campgrounds, picnic sites, water  
29 access areas, signs, kiosks, and gates. The department is encouraged  
30 to partner with nonprofit organizations in the maintenance of public  
31 lands.

32 (18) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to increase  
35 the work of regional fisheries enhancement groups.

36 (19) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for habitat recovery and  
38 restoration work on agency owned and managed lands damaged from  
39 wildfires.

1       (20) \$1,866,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2026, \$584,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
3 for fiscal year 2027, \$1,219,000 of the general fund—federal  
4 appropriation, \$513,000 of the general fund—private/local  
5 appropriation, \$5,000 of the ORV and nonhighway vehicle account—state  
6 appropriation, \$104,000 of the aquatic lands enhancement account—  
7 state appropriation, \$22,000 of the warm water game fish account—  
8 state appropriation, \$5,000 of the eastern Washington pheasant  
9 enhancement account—state appropriation, \$271,000 of the limited fish  
10 and wildlife account—state appropriation, \$21,000 of the special  
11 wildlife account—state appropriation, \$9,000 of the oil spill  
12 prevention account—state appropriation, \$56,000 of the model toxics  
13 control operating account—state appropriation, and \$634,000 of the  
14 fish, wildlife, and conservation account—state appropriation, are  
15 provided solely to procure a human resource management system. The  
16 agency will evaluate and prioritize management systems that have the  
17 capability to track and manage volunteer safety training  
18 requirements. A letter must be sent to the director of the office of  
19 financial management explaining the rationale if the agency selects a  
20 technical solution that is not able to support management of  
21 volunteer training requirements. The project is subject to the  
22 conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of  
23 this act.

24       (21) \$1,810,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2026, \$1,810,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
26 for fiscal year 2027, and \$3,620,000 of the general fund—private/  
27 local appropriation are provided solely for monitoring and response  
28 efforts for invasive quagga mussels. Possible activities include  
29 coordination with tribal, federal, regional, state, and local  
30 entities, watercraft inspections and decontamination, equipment and  
31 training, monitoring of potential residential and commercial  
32 pathways, and public outreach.

33       (22) \$1,150,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
34 appropriation and \$530,000 of the natural climate solutions account—  
35 state appropriation are provided solely for increasing management  
36 planning capacity for habitat connectivity and to achieve meaningful  
37 greenhouse gas emissions reduction through energy efficiency  
38 projects.



1 (23) \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$489,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to implement response efforts to  
4 chronic wasting disease in accordance with the chronic wasting  
5 disease management plan.

6 (24) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2026 and \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to continue operations of the  
9 Toutle and Skamania hatcheries.

10 (25) \$79,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
12 Bill No. 5076 (nonspot shrimp pot license). If the bill is not  
13 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
14 shall lapse.

15 (26) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2026 is provided solely for a conflict resolution process  
17 mediated by the federal mediation and conciliation service. This  
18 funding must be used by the department to facilitate meetings between  
19 Skagit tribes, drainage and irrigation districts, and state and  
20 federal resource agencies and support the technical work necessary to  
21 resolve conflict. Invited parties must include the national marine  
22 fisheries service, Washington state department of agriculture,  
23 Washington state department of fish and wildlife, Swinomish Indian  
24 tribal community, Upper Skagit Indian Tribe, Sauk-Suiattle Indian  
25 Tribe, and Skagit drainage and irrigation districts consortium LLC. A  
26 report documenting meeting notes, points of resolution, and  
27 recommendations must be provided to the legislature no later than  
28 June 30, 2026.

29 ***(27) \$273,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal***  
30 ***year 2026 and \$273,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for***  
31 ***fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to***  
32 ***participate in and contribute to a multiagency permitting team for***  
33 ***the purpose of streamlining the review of environmental restoration***  
34 ***projects that directly benefit fish or fish habitat. Projects for***  
35 ***review by the multiagency permitting team must be submitted under a***  
36 ***joint aquatic resources permit application and have had a project***  
37 ***review completed by the department of archaeology and historic***  
38 ***preservation regarding cultural resources protection requirements,***  
39 ***including the requirements of executive order 21-02. In general, the***

multiagency permitting team is comprised of state agencies with jurisdictional responsibility for the project proposal, local governments in whose geographical jurisdiction the project would be located, and any other expertise that may be needed in review of the project. State agencies are responsible for carrying out their own permit review and approval process.

(28) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the department shall work with its wolf advisory group and the department of agriculture to explore the concept of a "pay for presence" program to defray some of the costs incurred by livestock producers who ranch in the presence of wolves. Such programs have been used in other parts of wolf range in the western United States and could serve as a replacement for the state's current indirect livestock compensation program. The department must report to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2025, on potential alternatives, estimated costs, and feasibility, including the appropriate administering agency, of implementing such a program in Washington state.

*\*Sec. 308 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

\*NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 309.    FOR THE PUGET SOUND PARTNERSHIP**

|                                              |              |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)   | \$8,278,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)   | \$8,468,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation           | \$32,210,000 |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State      |              |
| Appropriation                                | \$1,514,000  |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State |              |
| Appropriation                                | \$1,365,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                          | \$51,835,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) By October 15, 2026, the Puget Sound partnership shall provide the governor and appropriate legislative fiscal committees a single, prioritized list of state agency 2027-2029 capital and operating budget requests related to Puget Sound recovery and restoration.

(2) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the partnership to implement

shipping noise reduction initiatives and monitoring programs in the Puget Sound, in coordination with Canadian and United States authorities. The partnership must contract with Washington maritime blue in order to establish and administer the quiet sound program to better understand and reduce the cumulative effects of acoustic and physical disturbance from large commercial vessels on southern resident orcas throughout their range in Washington state. Washington maritime blue will support a quiet sound leadership committee and work groups that include relevant federal and state agencies, ports, industry, research institutions, and nongovernmental organizations and consult early and often with relevant federally recognized tribes.

**(3) \$78,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$78,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to participate in and contribute to a multiagency permitting team for the purpose of streamlining the review of environmental restoration projects that directly benefit fish or fish habitat. Projects for review by the multiagency permitting team must be submitted under a joint aquatic resources permit application and have had a project review completed by the department of archaeology and historic preservation regarding cultural resources protection requirements, including the requirements of executive order 21-02. In general, the multiagency permitting team is comprised of state agencies with jurisdictional responsibility for the project proposal, local governments in whose geographical jurisdiction the project would be located, and any other expertise that may be needed in review of the project. State agencies are responsible for carrying out their own permit review and approval process.**

*\*Sec. 309 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 310. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

|                                                     |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$163,143,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$163,174,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$117,454,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation            | \$5,772,000   |
| Access Road Revolving Nonappropriated Account—State |               |
| Appropriation                                       | \$1,248,000   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation      | \$7,072,000   |

|    |                                                               |               |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Derelict Structure Removal Account—State                      |               |
| 2  | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$2,605,000   |
| 3  | Forest Development Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$58,281,000  |
| 4  | Forest Fire Protection Assessment Nonappropriated             |               |
| 5  | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                          | \$492,000     |
| 6  | Forest Fire Protection Assessment Nonappropriated             |               |
| 7  | Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .                  | \$500,000     |
| 8  | Forest Health Revolving Nonappropriated Account—              |               |
| 9  | State Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$578,000     |
| 10 | Natural Climate Solutions Account—State                       |               |
| 11 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$11,734,000  |
| 12 | Natural Resources Federal Lands Revolving                     |               |
| 13 | Nonappropriated Account—State Appropriation. . . . .          | \$108,000     |
| 14 | NOVA Program Account—State Appropriation. . . . .             | \$750,000     |
| 15 | ORV and Nonhighway Vehicle Account—State                      |               |
| 16 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$8,094,000   |
| 17 | State Forest Nursery Revolving Nonappropriated                |               |
| 18 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                          | \$194,000     |
| 19 | Surveys and Maps Account—State Appropriation. . . . .         | \$2,362,000   |
| 20 | Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State                       |               |
| 21 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$21,801,000  |
| 22 | Resource Management Cost Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$124,332,000 |
| 23 | Surface Mining Reclamation Account—State                      |               |
| 24 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$6,643,000   |
| 25 | Disaster Response Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$23,874,000  |
| 26 | Forest and Fish Support Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | \$11,564,000  |
| 27 | Aquatic Land Dredged Material Disposal Site Account—          |               |
| 28 | State Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$395,000     |
| 29 | Natural Resources Conservation Areas Stewardship              |               |
| 30 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                          | \$54,000      |
| 31 | Forest Practices Application Account—State                    |               |
| 32 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$2,157,000   |
| 33 | Air Pollution Control Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | \$936,000     |
| 34 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State                  |               |
| 35 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$959,000     |
| 36 | Wildfire Response, Forest Restoration, and Community          |               |
| 37 | Resilience Account—State Appropriation. . . . .               | \$117,658,000 |
| 38 | Derelict Vessel Removal Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | \$10,627,000  |

Community Forest Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$52,000  
Agricultural College Trust Management Account—State  
Appropriation. . . . . \$3,543,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$868,156,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$2,823,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to carry out the forest practices adaptive management program pursuant to RCW 76.09.370 and the May 24, 2012, settlement agreement entered into by the department and the department of ecology. Scientific research must be carried out according to the master project schedule and work plan of cooperative monitoring, evaluation, and research priorities adopted by the forest practices board.

(2) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the small forest landowner office, in order to restore staffing capacity reduced during the great recession and to support small forest landowners, including assistance related to forest and fish act regulations.

(3) \$1,583,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,515,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for deposit into the agricultural college trust management account and are provided solely to manage approximately 70,700 acres of Washington State University's agricultural college trust lands.

(4) \$85,320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$85,320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$16,050,000 of the disaster response account—state appropriation are provided solely for emergency response, including fire suppression. The department shall provide a monthly report to the office of financial management and the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the legislature with an update of fire suppression costs incurred and the number and type of wildfires suppressed.

(5) \$8,470,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$8,470,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$396,000 of the disaster response account—state

1 appropriation are provided solely for indirect and administrative  
2 expenses related to fire suppression.

3 (6) \$5,500,000 of the forest and fish support account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for outcome-based performance  
5 contracts with tribes to participate in the implementation of the  
6 forest practices program. Contracts awarded may only contain indirect  
7 costs set at or below the rate in the contracting tribe's indirect  
8 cost agreement with the federal government. Of the amount provided in  
9 this subsection, \$500,000 is contingent upon receipts under RCW  
10 82.04.261 exceeding \$8,000,000 per biennium. If receipts under RCW  
11 82.04.261 are more than \$8,000,000 but less than \$8,500,000 for the  
12 biennium, an amount equivalent to the difference between actual  
13 receipts and \$8,500,000 shall lapse.

14 (7) Consistent with the recommendations of the *Wildfire*  
15 *Suppression Funding and Costs (18-02)* report of the joint legislative  
16 audit and review committee, the department shall submit a report to  
17 the governor and legislature by December 1, 2025, and December 1,  
18 2026, describing the previous fire season. At a minimum, the report  
19 shall provide information for each wildfire in the state, including  
20 its location, impact by type of land ownership, the extent it  
21 involved timber or range lands, cause, size, costs, and cost-share  
22 with federal agencies and nonstate partners. The report must also be  
23 posted on the agency's website.

24 (8) \$4,206,000 of the aquatic land enhancement account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for the removal of creosote pilings  
26 and debris from the marine environment and to continue monitoring  
27 zooplankton and eelgrass beds on state-owned aquatic lands managed by  
28 the department. Actions will address recommendations to recover the  
29 southern resident orca population and to monitor ocean acidification  
30 as well as help implement the Puget Sound action agenda.

31 (9) \$266,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026 and \$266,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for compensation to the trust  
34 beneficiaries and department for lost revenue from leases to amateur  
35 radio operators who use space on the department managed radio towers  
36 for their equipment. The department is authorized to lease sites at  
37 the rate of up to \$100 per year, per site, per lessee. The  
38 legislature makes this appropriation to fulfill the remaining costs  
39 of the leases at market rate per RCW 79.13.510.

1       (10) \$12,000 of the aquatic lands enhancement account—state  
2       appropriation and \$10,000 of the resource management cost account—  
3       state appropriation are provided solely for the department to  
4       participate in and contribute to a multiagency permitting team for  
5       the purpose of streamlining the review of environmental restoration  
6       projects that directly benefit fish or fish habitat. Projects for  
7       review by the multiagency permitting team must be submitted under a  
8       joint aquatic resources permit application and have had a project  
9       review completed by the department of archaeology and historic  
10      preservation regarding cultural resources protection requirements,  
11      including the requirements of executive order 21-02. In general, the  
12      multiagency permitting team is comprised of state agencies with  
13      jurisdictional responsibility for the project proposal, local  
14      governments in whose geographical jurisdiction the project would be  
15      located, and any other expertise that may be needed in review of the  
16      project. State agencies are responsible for carrying out their own  
17      permit review and approval process.

18      (11) \$3,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
19      appropriation is provided solely for investment in urban forestry to  
20      support reduction of negative environmental conditions such as heat,  
21      flooding, and pollution and helping communities become greener,  
22      cleaner, healthier, and more resilient.

23      (12) \$1,830,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
24      appropriation is provided solely for the department to make  
25      investments in education and training to bolster a statewide natural  
26      resources workforce to support the health and resilience of  
27      Washington's forests. Of this amount, \$400,000 is provided solely to  
28      provide wildland fire management training to tribal communities and  
29      members.

30      (13) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
31      department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
32      act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
33      173-446B WAC.

34      (14) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35      year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36      fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the department to coordinate  
37      with the Olympic natural resources center to study emerging ecosystem  
38      threats such as Swiss needlecast disease, fully implement the T3  
39      watershed experiments on state trust lands, continue field trials for

1 long-term ecosystem productivity, and engage stakeholders through  
2 learning-based collaboration.

3 (15) \$3,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2026 and \$3,750,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to continue to  
6 address the maintenance backlog associated with providing recreation  
7 on lands managed by the department. Allowable uses include, but are  
8 not limited to, maintenance, repair, or replacement of trails, toilet  
9 facilities, roads, parking lots, campgrounds, picnic sites, water  
10 access areas, signs, kiosks, and gates. The department is encouraged  
11 to partner with nonprofit organizations in the maintenance of public  
12 lands.

13 (16) \$2,543,000 of the resource management cost account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for the department to implement  
15 eradication and control measures on European green crabs on state-  
16 owned aquatic lands and adjacent lands as appropriate. The department  
17 must report to and coordinate with the department of fish and  
18 wildlife to support the department of fish and wildlife's quarterly  
19 progress reports to the legislature.

20 (17) The department must enter into an interagency agreement with  
21 the department of fish and wildlife to complete biological survey  
22 work necessary to implement the wildstock geoduck commercial fishery.  
23 The department must compensate the department of fish and wildlife  
24 for direct costs, but not for agency overhead or indirect costs.

25 (18) \$440,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
27 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1563 (prescribed fire claims). If  
28 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in  
29 this subsection shall lapse.

30 **(19) \$2,026,000 of the surface mining reclamation account—state**  
31 **appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill**  
32 **No. 5319 (surface mine reclamation). If the bill is not enacted by**  
33 **June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.**

34 **(20) \$43,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
35 **year 2026 and \$56,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for**  
36 **fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Senate**  
37 **Bill No. 5334 (DNR civil enforcement appeal). If the bill is not**  
38 **enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection**  
39 **shall lapse.**



*\*Sec. 310 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 311. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

|                                                                                               |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                                                    | \$98,069,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                                                    | \$95,345,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                            | \$47,675,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                                      | \$193,000     |
| Agricultural Pest and Disease Response Account—State<br>Appropriation                         | \$2,000,000   |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State<br>Appropriation                                      | \$2,894,000   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation                                                | \$1,609,000   |
| Water Quality Permit Account—State Appropriation                                              | \$73,000      |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State<br>Appropriation                                 | \$14,432,000  |
| Northeast Washington Wolf-Livestock Management<br>Nonappropriated Account—State Appropriation | \$911,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                                           | \$263,201,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$20,570,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$20,570,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely as base funding for the emergency food assistance program as provided in RCW 43.23.290.

(2) \$46,625,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$46,625,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely as additional funding for implementing the emergency food assistance program as defined in RCW 43.23.290.

(3) \$4,342,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for local food system infrastructure and market access grants.

(4) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely as base funding for the farm to school program established in RCW 15.64.060.

1 (5) \$2,380,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$2,380,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementing a *Popillia*  
4 *japonica* monitoring and eradication program in central Washington.

5 (6) \$912,000 of the northeast Washington wolf-livestock  
6 management nonappropriated account—state appropriation is provided  
7 solely for the department to conduct the following:

8 (a) Offer grants for the northeast Washington wolf-livestock  
9 management program as provided in RCW 16.76.020. Funds from the grant  
10 program must be used only for the deployment of nonlethal deterrence,  
11 specifically with the goal to reduce the likelihood of cattle being  
12 injured or killed by wolves by deploying proactive, preventative  
13 methods that have a high probability of producing effective results.  
14 Grant proposals will be assessed partially on this intent. Grantees  
15 who use funds for range riders or herd monitoring must deploy this  
16 tool in a manner so that targeted areas with cattle are visited daily  
17 or near daily. Grantees must collaborate with other grantees of the  
18 program and other entities providing prevention efforts resulting in  
19 coordinated wolf-livestock conflict deterrence efforts, both  
20 temporally and spatially, therefore providing well timed and placed  
21 preventative coverage on the landscape. Additionally, range riders  
22 must document their activities with GPS track logs and provide  
23 written description of their efforts to the department of fish and  
24 wildlife on a monthly basis. The department shall incorporate the  
25 requirements of this subsection into contract language with the  
26 grantees.

27 (b) Within the amounts provided in this subsection, the  
28 department may provide up to \$100,000 each fiscal year to the  
29 sheriffs offices of Ferry and Stevens counties for providing a local  
30 wildlife specialist to aid the department of fish and wildlife in the  
31 management of wolves in northeast Washington.

32 (7) \$424,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$425,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
35 135, Laws of 2022, which requires the department to establish and  
36 maintain cannabis testing lab quality standards by rule.

37 (8) \$1,490,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
38 state appropriation is provided solely to increase capacity and

1 support work to reduce nitrate pollution in groundwater from  
2 irrigated agriculture in the lower Yakima valley.

3 (9) \$462,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026, \$462,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027, and \$700,000 of the general fund—federal  
6 appropriation are provided solely to match federal funding for  
7 eradication treatments and follow-up monitoring of invasive moths.

8 (10) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2026 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to continue the early detection  
11 program for the spotted lanternfly and the associated invasive  
12 *Ailanthus altissima*, known colloquially as tree-of-heaven, survey and  
13 control programs.

14 (11) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
15 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
16 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
17 173-446B WAC.

18 (12) \$170,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2026 and \$170,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to continue a shellfish  
21 coordinator position.

22 (13) \$318,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2026 and \$317,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for compliance-based laboratory  
25 analysis of pesticides in cannabis.

26 **(14) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal**  
27 **year 2026 is provided solely for the department to contract with a**  
28 **nonprofit organization to administer a low-barrier grant program to**  
29 **support organic agriculture. Grants may not exceed \$25,000 to each**  
30 **recipient.**

31 (15) \$893,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely to support planning and development  
33 of statewide livestock composting infrastructure to protect human  
34 health and reduce greenhouse gas emission.

35 (16) \$300,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
37 House Bill No. 1309 (burrowing shrimp). If the bill is not enacted by  
38 June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(17) \$118,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1294 (pesticide application committee). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

***(18) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the department to collaborate with local organizations and community leaders to provide agricultural and economic support, training, and services to those historically marginalized and underrepresented in agriculture and ranching across the state. Potential areas of focus include sustainable agricultural practices, engagement in agricultural activities for youth exposed to poverty and violence, growth of culturally relevant crops, and family strengthening.***

*\*Sec. 311 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 312. FOR THE ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL**

|                                                  |              |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)       | \$1,639,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)       | \$1,633,000  |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation   | \$6,069,000  |
| Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council Account— |              |
| Private/Local Appropriation                      | \$28,231,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                              | \$37,572,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,068,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely to support agency operations and to hire additional environmental siting and compliance positions needed to support an anticipated workload increase from new clean energy projects.

(2) \$1,034,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for preapplication development and clean energy manufacturing review, reimbursement to tribes for costs associated with clean energy project application reviews, and contracted services for green hydrogen and clean energy manufacturing programs.

(3) The council must report to and coordinate with the department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment act

1 accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
2 173-446B WAC.

(End of part)

PART IV  
TRANSPORTATION

\*NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 401.    FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING**

|                                                                  |                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . .             | \$2,575,000    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . .             | \$2,110,000    |
| Architects' License Account—State Appropriation. . . . .         | \$298,000      |
| <b>Funeral and Cemetery Account—State Appropriation. . . . .</b> | <b>\$1,000</b> |
| Real Estate Commission Account—State Appropriation. . . .        | \$17,639,000   |
| Uniform Commercial Code Account—State Appropriation. . . .       | \$4,358,000    |
| Real Estate Education Program Account—State                      |                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                           | \$276,000      |
| Real Estate Appraiser Commission Account—State                   |                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                           | \$395,000      |
| Business and Professions Account—State Appropriation. . .        | \$37,266,000   |
| Real Estate Research Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$415,000      |
| Concealed Pistol License Renewal Notification                    |                |
| Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                             | \$224,000      |
| Derelict Vessel Removal Account—State Appropriation. . . .       | \$41,000       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                     | \$65,598,000   |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$146,000 of the business and professions account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5294 (professional accounts). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(2) \$26,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5281 (vessel length/nonresident). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**(3) \$1,000 of the architects' license account—state appropriation, \$4,000 of the real estate commission account—state appropriation, \$24,000 of the business and professions account—state appropriation, and \$1,000 of the funeral and cemetery account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill**

**No. 5420 (veteran benefits access). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.**

(4) \$16,000 of the business and professions account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5714 (bail bond agents/immigration). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(5) \$2,440,000 of the business and professions account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1023 (cosmetology compact). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**(6) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the certified real estate appraiser licensure and regulatory program to supplement revenue from fees. The department shall adjust the annual fees for new or renewed licenses for certified real estate appraisers to no more than 33 percent over the fees in effect as of October 1, 2024. The department shall establish the adjusted fees no later than October 14, 2025.**

(7) \$150,000 of the concealed pistol license renewal notification account—state appropriation is provided solely to implement chapter 74, Laws of 2017 (concealed pistol license).

**\*Sec. 401 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.**

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 402. FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE PATROL**

|                                                     |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$81,686,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$83,860,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$17,026,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation            | \$3,173,000  |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation      | \$1,804,000  |
| Death Investigations Account—State Appropriation    | \$9,710,000  |
| County Criminal Justice Assistance Account—State    |              |
| Appropriation                                       | \$4,916,000  |
| Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance Account—State |              |
| Appropriation                                       | \$1,811,000  |
| Fire Service Trust Account—State Appropriation      | \$131,000    |
| Vehicle License Fraud Account—State Appropriation   | \$119,000    |
| Disaster Response Account—State Appropriation       | \$8,000,000  |
| Fire Service Training Account—State Appropriation   | \$14,289,000 |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State        |              |

1       Appropriation. . . . . \$596,000  
2 Fingerprint Identification Account—State  
3       Appropriation. . . . . \$15,490,000  
4       TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$242,611,000

5       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
6 conditions and limitations:

7       (1) \$7,500,000 of the disaster response account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely for Washington state fire service  
9 resource mobilization costs incurred in response to an emergency or  
10 disaster authorized under RCW 43.43.960 through 43.43.964. The state  
11 patrol shall submit a report quarterly to the office of financial  
12 management and the legislative fiscal committees detailing  
13 information on current and planned expenditures from this account.  
14 This work shall be done in coordination with the military department.

15       (2) \$500,000 of the disaster response account—state  
16 appropriation, is provided solely for the early deployment or  
17 prepositioning of Washington state fire service resources in advance  
18 of an expected mobilization event. Any authorization for the  
19 deployment of resources under this section must be authorized in  
20 accordance with section 6 of the Washington state fire services  
21 resource mobilization plan.

22       (3) \$1,000,000 of the fire service training account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for the firefighter apprenticeship  
24 training program.

25       (4) Any funds provided to the missing and exploited children task  
26 force shall ensure operations are adherent to federally established  
27 internet crimes against children standards.

28       (5) \$5,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
30 Bill No. 5655 (child care centers/buildings). If the bill is not  
31 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
32 shall lapse.

33       (6) \$71,000 of the fingerprint identification account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
35 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1163 (firearm purchasing). If the  
36 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
37 subsection shall lapse.

38       (7) (a) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation



1 for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Washington state  
2 patrol to provide assistance to the forensic investigation council  
3 for the following:

4 (i) Compliance with chapter 42.56 RCW (public records act),  
5 chapter 42.30 RCW (open public meetings act), records management  
6 requirements, general administrative support, and payment processing;

7 (ii) In coordination with Washington technology solutions, the  
8 creation and maintenance of a website for the forensic investigation  
9 council; and

10 (iii) In coordination with Washington technology solutions, state  
11 email addresses for the forensic investigation council.

12 (b) To provide this assistance, the Washington state patrol may  
13 assist directly or may enter into interagency agreements as it deems  
14 appropriate.

(End of part)

**PART V**  
**EDUCATION**

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 501.**      **FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC**  
**INSTRUCTION**

|                                                |               |
|------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)     | \$59,939,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)     | \$55,045,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation             | \$149,780,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation       | \$8,083,000   |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation |               |
| (FY 2026)                                      | \$637,000     |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation |               |
| (FY 2027)                                      | \$658,000     |
| Washington Opportunity Pathways Account—State  |               |
| Appropriation                                  | \$291,000     |
| Performance Audits of Government Account—State |               |
| Appropriation                                  | \$213,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                            | \$274,646,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) BASE OPERATIONS AND EXPENSES OF THE OFFICE

(a) \$27,766,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$27,685,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the operation and expenses of the office of the superintendent of public instruction. Funding in this subsection may only be used for the following purposes:

(i) By October 31st of each year, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall produce an annual status report on implementation of the budget provisos in this section and sections 515 and 523 of this act. The status report of each proviso shall include, but not be limited to, the following information: Purpose and objective, number of state staff funded by the proviso, number of contractors, status of proviso implementation, number of beneficiaries by year, list of beneficiaries, a comparison of budgeted funding and actual expenditures, other sources and amounts of funding, and proviso outcomes and achievements;

(ii) Districts shall annually report to the office of the superintendent of public instruction on: (A) The annual number of

1 graduating high school seniors within the district earning the  
2 Washington state seal of biliteracy provided in RCW 28A.300.575; and  
3 (B) the number of high school students earning competency-based high  
4 school credits for world languages by demonstrating proficiency in a  
5 language other than English. The office of the superintendent of  
6 public instruction shall provide a summary report to the office of  
7 the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
8 December 1st of each year;

9 (iii) The office of the superintendent of public instruction  
10 shall perform ongoing program reviews of alternative learning  
11 experience programs, dropout reengagement programs, and other high  
12 risk programs. Findings from the program reviews will be used to  
13 support and prioritize the office of the superintendent of public  
14 instruction outreach and education efforts that assist school  
15 districts in implementing the programs in accordance with statute and  
16 legislative intent, as well as to support financial and performance  
17 audit work conducted by the office of the state auditor;

18 (iv) Districts shall report to the office the results of each  
19 collective bargaining agreement for certificated staff within their  
20 district using a uniform template as required by the superintendent,  
21 within 30 days of finalizing contracts. The data must include, but is  
22 not limited to: Minimum and maximum base salaries, supplemental  
23 salary information, and average percent increase for all certificated  
24 instructional staff. Within existing resources by December 1st of  
25 each year, the office shall produce a report for the legislative  
26 evaluation and accountability program committee summarizing the  
27 district level collective bargaining agreement data;

28 (v) Ongoing work of the education opportunity gap oversight and  
29 accountability committee;

30 (vi) Activities related to public schools other than common  
31 schools authorized under chapter 28A.710 RCW; and

32 (vii) The office of native education to increase services to  
33 tribes, including but not limited to, providing assistance to tribes  
34 and school districts to implement Since Time Immemorial, applying to  
35 become tribal compact schools, convening the Washington state native  
36 American education advisory committee, and extending professional  
37 learning opportunities to provide instruction in tribal history,  
38 culture, and government. The professional development must be done in  
39 collaboration with school district administrators and school  
40 directors. Funding in this subsection is sufficient for the office,

1 the Washington state school directors' association government-to-  
2 government task force, and the association of educational service  
3 districts to collaborate with the tribal leaders congress on  
4 education to develop a tribal consultation training and schedule.

5 (b) \$826,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 and \$804,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the implementation of  
8 chapter 240, Laws of 2010, including staffing the office of equity  
9 and civil rights.

10 (c) \$3,205,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 and \$1,205,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the financial education  
13 public-private partnership and for the implementation of chapter 238,  
14 Laws of 2022 (student financial literacy) which provides grants to  
15 school districts for integrating financial literacy education into  
16 professional development for certificated staff. Of the amounts  
17 provided within this subsection, up to \$1,205,000 of the general fund  
18 —state appropriation in each fiscal year may be used for the  
19 operational expenses of the financial education public private  
20 partnership.

21 (d) \$2,393,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$370,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for providing proactive and  
24 solutions-oriented regional and local technical and financial  
25 assistance to districts. Of the amounts provided in this subsection,  
26 \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
27 2026 is provided solely for school districts that have been removed  
28 from their insurance risk pool due to district financial trouble for  
29 the difference between the previous cost of insurance provided  
30 through the Washington schools risk management pool and the cost of  
31 purchasing private insurance. Priority shall be given to the school  
32 district that has been in binding conditions for the longest period.

33 (e) \$60,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
35 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5004 (school emergency response). If the  
36 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
37 subsection shall lapse.

38 (f) \$224,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2026 and \$12,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
2 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5009 (vehicle types student transpo). If  
3 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in  
4 this subsection shall lapse.

5 (g) \$41,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 and \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
8 Senate Bill No. 5025 (educational interpreters). If the bill is not  
9 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
10 shall lapse.

11 (h) \$20,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
13 Bill No. 5030 (vital records access). If the bill is not enacted by  
14 June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

15 (i) \$747,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2026 and \$611,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
18 Substitute House Bill No. 1296 (public education system). If the bill  
19 is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
20 subsection shall lapse.

21 (j) \$6,400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$6,400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
24 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263 (special education funding).  
25 The funding provided in this subsection is sufficient for 20 pilot  
26 schools to establish school-wide centers of excellence for  
27 inclusionary practices. If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025,  
28 the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

29 (k) \$194,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2026 and \$156,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Senate  
32 Bill No. 5189 (competency-based education). If the bill is not  
33 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
34 shall lapse.

35 (l) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
37 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5192 (materials, supplies and op costs).  
38 If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in  
39 this subsection shall lapse.

1 (m) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$24,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
4 House Bill No. 1079 (remote testing). If the bill is not enacted by  
5 June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

6 (n) \$29,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
8 Bill No. 5253 (special education to 22). If the bill is not enacted  
9 by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

10 (o) \$21,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
12 Bill No. 5412 (interfund loans/schools). If the bill is not enacted  
13 by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

14 (p) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for demonstration projects  
17 showcasing the processes and outcomes of building school-wide systems  
18 to support students in distress and prevent crisis escalation cycles  
19 that may result in restraint or isolation.

20 (i) The office of the superintendent of public instruction must  
21 provide grants to school districts for:

22 (A) Six demonstration sites to showcase best practices and serve  
23 as learning communities and examples that allow other school  
24 districts to observe positive practices in real-world settings; and

25 (B) Increasing the number of pilot sites to engage in targeted  
26 professional development through learning experiences offered by the  
27 demonstration sites and contracted providers.

28 (ii) The pilot sites must:

29 (A) Build school-level and district-level systems that  
30 incorporate positive, trauma-informed behavior support practices to  
31 prevent crisis escalation and reduce the use of restraint and  
32 isolation; and

33 (B) Improve data collection and reporting systems and complete  
34 other tasks to achieve the project goal.

35 (iii) By November 15, 2026, and in accordance with RCW 43.01.036,  
36 the office of the superintendent of public instruction must provide  
37 the appropriate committees of the legislature with a report on the  
38 demonstration projects. The report must, to the extent possible,  
39 quantify the impact of the demonstration projects in terms of student

1 outcomes, such as changes in disruptive student behavior, increases  
2 in the amount of time students with disabilities spend in the general  
3 education setting, or increases in assessment scores. The report must  
4 include an estimate of the fiscal impact that use of the practices  
5 identified in this subsection might have on school district budgets  
6 if adopted statewide. The report must also address key implementation  
7 challenges and findings, as well as include recommendations for  
8 statewide policy changes.

9 (2) DATA SYSTEMS

10 (a) \$1,802,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 and \$1,802,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementing a comprehensive  
13 data system to include financial, student, and educator data,  
14 including development and maintenance of the comprehensive education  
15 data and research system (CEDARS).

16 (b) \$281,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 and \$281,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for K-20 telecommunications  
19 network technical support in the K-12 sector to prevent system  
20 failures and avoid interruptions in school utilization of the data  
21 processing and video-conferencing capabilities of the network. These  
22 funds may be used to purchase engineering and advanced technical  
23 support for the network.

24 (c) \$450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the superintendent of public  
27 instruction to develop and implement a statewide accountability  
28 system to address absenteeism and to improve student graduation  
29 rates. The system must use data to engage schools and districts in  
30 identifying successful strategies and systems that are based on  
31 federal and state accountability measures. Funding may also support  
32 the effort to provide assistance about successful strategies and  
33 systems to districts and schools that are underperforming in the  
34 targeted student subgroups.

35 (3) WORK GROUPS

36 (a) \$68,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$68,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
39 128, Laws of 2023 (regional apprenticeship prgs).

(b) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office of the superintendent of public instruction to meet statutory obligations related to the provision of medically and scientifically accurate, age-appropriate, and inclusive sexual health education as authorized by chapter 206, Laws of 1988 (AIDS omnibus act) and chapter 265, Laws of 2007 (healthy youth act).

(c) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 386, Laws of 2019 (social emotional learning).

(d) \$107,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$107,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the office to support the children and youth behavioral health work group created in chapter 130, Laws of 2020 (child. mental health wk. grp).

(e) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$51,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1414 (CTE careers work group). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

#### (4) STATEWIDE PROGRAMS

(a) \$11,705,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$11,586,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, \$637,000 of the dedicated cannabis account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, and \$658,000 of the dedicated cannabis account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the following statewide programs:

(i) The Washington kindergarten inventory of developing skills. State funding shall support statewide administration and district implementation of the inventory under RCW 28A.655.080;

(ii) The Washington reading corps. The superintendent shall allocate reading corps members to schools identified for comprehensive or targeted support and school districts that are implementing comprehensive, proven, research-based reading programs. Two or more schools may combine their Washington reading corps programs;



(iii) School bullying and harassment prevention activities;

(iv) Provide statewide support and coordination for the regional network of behavioral health, school safety, and threat assessment established in chapter 333, Laws of 2019 (school safety and well-being);

(v) The school safety center within the office of the superintendent of public instruction;

(vi) Youth suicide prevention activities;

(vii) To support district implementation of comprehensive guidance and planning programs in support of high-quality high school and beyond plans consistent with RCW 28A.230.090;

(viii) To provide statewide coordination towards multicultural, culturally responsive, and anti-racist education to support academically, socially, and culturally literate learners. The office must engage community members and key interested parties to:

(A) Develop a clear definition and framework for African American studies to guide instruction in grades seven through twelve;

(B) Develop a plan for aligning African American studies across all content areas; and

(C) Identify professional development opportunities for educators and administrators to build capacity in creating high-quality learning environments centered in belonging and racial equity, anti-racist approaches, and asset-based methodologies that pull from all students' cultural funds of knowledge;

(ix) To develop and implement a mathematics pathways pilot to modernize algebra II. The office should use research and engage stakeholders to develop a revised and expanded course;

(x) To establish a media literacy and digital citizenship ambassador program to promote the integration of media literacy and digital citizenship instruction;

(xi) The implementation of chapter 72, Laws of 2016 (educational opportunity gap), chapter 102, Laws of 2014 (biliteracy seal), chapter 202, Laws of 2024 (dual and tribal language edu.), chapter 233, Laws of 2020 (educational outcomes), chapter 353, Laws of 2020 (innovative learning pilot), chapter 164, Laws of 2021 (institutional ed./release), and chapter 107, Laws of 2022 (language access in schools); and

(xii) Dropout prevention, intervention, and reengagement programs, dropout prevention programs that provide student mentoring, and the building bridges statewide program. The office of the

superintendent of public instruction shall convene staff representatives from high schools to meet and share best practices for dropout prevention. Of these amounts, the entire dedicated cannabis account—state appropriation is provided solely for the building bridges statewide program and for grants to districts for life skills training for children and youth in K-12.

(5) CAREER CONNECTED LEARNING

\$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Marysville school district to collaborate with Arlington school district, Everett Community College, other local school districts, local labor unions, local Washington state apprenticeship and training council registered apprenticeship programs, and local industry groups to continue the regional apprenticeship pathways program.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 502. FOR THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

|                                               |             |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)    | \$3,104,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)    | \$2,921,000 |
| Washington Opportunity Pathways Account—State |             |
| Appropriation                                 | \$361,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                           | \$6,386,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,890,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,911,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are for the operation and expenses of the state board of education. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$23,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$23,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the state board of education to be a member in the education commission of the states.

(2) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to the state board of education for implementation of mastery-based learning in school district demonstration sites. The state board of education shall require grant recipients to report on impacts and participate in a collaborative to share best practices. The funds must be used for grants to school

districts, charter schools, or state-tribal education compact schools established under chapter 28A.715 RCW; professional development of educators; development of a resource suite for school districts statewide; evaluation of the demonstration project; and implementation and policy support provided by the state board of education and other partners. Grants for mastery-based learning may be made in partnership with private matching funds.

(3) \$214,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$10,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5189 (competency-based education). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 503. FOR THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR STANDARDS BOARD**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$17,230,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$17,171,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$34,401,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) \$2,518,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,523,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are for the operation and expenses of the Washington professional educator standards board including implementation of chapter 172, Laws of 2017 (educator prep. data/ PESB).

(b) Within the amounts provided in this subsection (1), the professional educator standards board must initiate the development of standards for two specialty endorsements, one in elementary ethnic studies and one in secondary ethnic studies. The professional educator standards board must consult with teacher education faculty and ethnic studies faculty to confirm the endorsements reflect the appropriate content necessary for the discipline at developmentally appropriate levels. The ethnic studies specialty endorsements must be available to all certificated teachers who hold a valid teaching license and who demonstrate content and pedagogical knowledge in ethnic studies.

1 (2) (a) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2026 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
3 for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to improve  
4 preservice teacher training and funding of alternate routes to  
5 certification programs administered by the professional educator  
6 standards board.

7 (b) Within the amounts provided in this subsection (2), up to  
8 \$496,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026  
9 and up to \$496,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2027 are provided solely for grants to public or private  
11 colleges of education in Washington state to develop models and share  
12 best practices for increasing the classroom teaching experience of  
13 preservice training programs.

14 (3) \$1,001,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$997,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the recruiting Washington  
17 teachers program with priority given to programs that support  
18 bilingual teachers, teachers from populations that are  
19 underrepresented, and English language learners. Of the amounts  
20 provided in this subsection (3), \$500,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—  
22 state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
23 implementation and expansion of the bilingual educator initiative  
24 pilot project established under RCW 28A.180.120.

25 (4) (a) \$13,035,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2026 and \$13,035,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
28 implementation of chapter 237, Laws of 2017 (paraeducators).

29 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection,  
30 \$12,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
31 2026 and \$12,373,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2027 are for grants to districts to provide two days of  
33 training per school year in the paraeducator certificate program to  
34 all paraeducators. Funds in this subsection are provided solely for  
35 reimbursement to school districts that provide paraeducators with two  
36 days of training in the paraeducator certificate program in each of  
37 the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years. Funding provided in this  
38 subsection is sufficient for new paraeducators to receive four days  
39 of training in the paraeducator certificate program during their

first year. School districts receiving grants under this subsection must prioritize funding toward compensation for paraeducators who complete the required hours of instruction per school year. Of the amounts provided within this subsection (4)(b), up to \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for each fiscal year may be used to further develop, update, and maintain the paraeducator training program and professional learning materials, increase paraeducator access across the full spectrum of training curriculum, and remove barriers for paraeducators who are unable to afford the cost of assessments.

(5) \$48,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$16,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5025 (educational interpreters). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(6) \$28,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1651 (teacher residency & apprent.). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 504.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR GENERAL APPORTIONMENT**

|                                                    |                  |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)         | \$9,956,991,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)         | \$10,303,630,000 |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$2,357,730,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                | \$22,618,351,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) Each general fund fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(b) For the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, the superintendent shall allocate general apportionment funding to school districts as provided in the funding formulas and salary allocations in sections 504 and 505 of this act, excluding (c) of this subsection.

(c) From July 1, 2025, to August 31, 2025, the superintendent shall allocate general apportionment funding to school districts

1 programs as provided in sections 504 and 505, chapter 376, Laws of  
2 2024, as amended.

3 (d) The enrollment of any district shall be the annual average  
4 number of full-time equivalent students and part-time students as  
5 provided in RCW 28A.150.350, enrolled on the fourth day of school in  
6 September and on the first school day of each month October through  
7 June, including students who are in attendance pursuant to RCW  
8 28A.335.160 and 28A.225.250 who do not reside within the servicing  
9 school district. Any school district concluding its basic education  
10 program in May must report the enrollment of the last school day held  
11 in May in lieu of a June enrollment.

12 (e) Funding provided in part V of this act is sufficient to  
13 provide each full-time equivalent student with the minimum hours of  
14 instruction required under RCW 28A.150.220.

15 (f) The superintendent shall adopt rules requiring school  
16 districts to report full-time equivalent student enrollment as  
17 provided in RCW 28A.655.210.

#### 18 (2) CERTIFICATED INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF ALLOCATIONS

19 Allocations for certificated instructional staff salaries for the  
20 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years are determined using formula-  
21 generated staff units calculated pursuant to this subsection.

22 (a) Certificated instructional staff units, as defined in RCW  
23 28A.150.410, shall be allocated to reflect the minimum class size  
24 allocations, requirements, and school prototypes assumptions as  
25 provided in RCW 28A.150.260. The superintendent shall make  
26 allocations to school districts based on the district's annual  
27 average full-time equivalent student enrollment in each grade.

28 (b) Additional certificated instructional staff units provided in  
29 this subsection (2) that exceed the minimum requirements in RCW  
30 28A.150.260 are enhancements outside the program of basic education,  
31 except as otherwise provided in this section.

32 (c)(i) The superintendent shall base allocations for each level  
33 of prototypical school, including those at which more than 50 percent  
34 of the students were eligible for free and reduced-price meals in the  
35 prior school year, on the following regular education average class  
36 size of full-time equivalent students per teacher, except as provided  
37 in (c)(ii) of this subsection:

38 General education class size:

|    |             |                 |             |             |
|----|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1  | Grade       | RCW 28A.150.260 | 2025-26     | 2026-27     |
| 2  |             |                 | School Year | School Year |
| 3  | Grade K     |                 | 17.00       | 17.00       |
| 4  | Grade 1     |                 | 17.00       | 17.00       |
| 5  | Grade 2     |                 | 17.00       | 17.00       |
| 6  | Grade 3     |                 | 17.00       | 17.00       |
| 7  | Grade 4     |                 | 27.00       | 27.00       |
| 8  | Grades 5-6  |                 | 27.00       | 27.00       |
| 9  | Grades 7-8  |                 | 28.53       | 28.53       |
| 10 | Grades 9-12 |                 | 28.74       | 28.74       |

11       The superintendent shall base allocations for: Laboratory science  
12 average class size as provided in RCW 28A.150.260; career and  
13 technical education (CTE) class size of 23.0; and skill center  
14 program class size of 19. Certificated instructional staff units  
15 provided for skills centers that exceed the minimum requirements of  
16 RCW 28A.150.260 achieve class size reductions under RCW 28A.400.007  
17 and are part of the state's program of basic education.

18       (ii) Pursuant to RCW 28A.150.260(4)(a), the assumed teacher  
19 planning period, expressed as a percentage of a teacher work day, is  
20 13.42 percent in grades K-6, and 16.67 percent in grades 7-12.

21       (iii) Advanced placement and international baccalaureate courses  
22 are funded at the same class size assumptions as general education  
23 schools in the same grade.

24       (d)(i) Funding for teacher librarians, school nurses, social  
25 workers, school psychologists, and guidance counselors is allocated  
26 based on the school prototypes as provided in RCW 28A.150.260, and is  
27 considered certificated instructional staff.

28       (ii) Students in approved career and technical education and  
29 skill center programs generate certificated instructional staff units  
30 to provide for the services of teacher librarians, school nurses,  
31 social workers, school psychologists, and guidance counselors at the  
32 following combined rate per 1000 student full-time equivalent  
33 enrollment:

|    |                                |             |             |
|----|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 34 |                                | 2025-26     | 2026-27     |
| 35 |                                | School Year | School Year |
| 36 | Career and Technical Education | 3.91        | 3.91        |

## (3) ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF ALLOCATIONS

(a) Allocations for school building-level certificated administrative staff salaries for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years for general education students are determined using the formula generated staff units calculated pursuant to this subsection. The superintendent shall make allocations to school districts based on the district's annual average full-time equivalent enrollment in each grade. The following prototypical school values shall determine the allocation for principals, assistant principals, and other certificated building level administrators:

## Prototypical School Building:

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| Elementary School | 1.253 |
| Middle School     | 1.353 |
| High School       | 1.880 |

(b) Students in approved career and technical education and skill center programs generate certificated school building-level administrator staff units at per student rates that are a multiple of the general education rate in (a) of this subsection by the following factors:

|                                                  |       |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Career and Technical Education students. . . . . | 1.025 |
| Skill Center students. . . . .                   | 1.198 |

## (4) CLASSIFIED STAFF ALLOCATIONS

Allocations for classified staff units providing school building-level and district-wide support services for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years are determined using the formula-generated staff units provided in RCW 28A.150.260 and pursuant to this subsection, and adjusted based on each district's annual average full-time equivalent student enrollment in each grade.

## (5) CENTRAL OFFICE ALLOCATIONS

In addition to classified and administrative staff units allocated in subsections (3) and (4) of this section, classified and administrative staff units are provided for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years for the central office administrative costs of operating a school district, at the following rates:



1 (a) The total central office staff units provided in this  
2 subsection (5) are calculated by first multiplying the total number  
3 of eligible certificated instructional, certificated administrative,  
4 and classified staff units providing school-based or district-wide  
5 support services, as identified in RCW 28A.150.260(6)(b) and the  
6 increased allocations provided pursuant to subsections (2) and (4) of  
7 this section, by 5.3 percent.

8 (b) Of the central office staff units calculated in (a) of this  
9 subsection, 74.53 percent are allocated as classified staff units, as  
10 generated in subsection (4) of this section, and 25.48 percent shall  
11 be allocated as administrative staff units, as generated in  
12 subsection (3) of this section.

13 (c) Staff units generated as enhancements outside the program of  
14 basic education to the minimum requirements of RCW 28A.150.260, and  
15 staff units generated by skill center and career-technical students,  
16 are excluded from the total central office staff units calculation in  
17 (a) of this subsection.

18 (d) For students in approved career-technical and skill center  
19 programs, central office classified units are allocated at the same  
20 staff unit per student rate as those generated for general education  
21 students of the same grade in this subsection (5), and central office  
22 administrative staff units are allocated at staff unit per student  
23 rates that exceed the general education rate established for students  
24 in the same grade in this subsection (5) by 12.46 percent in the  
25 2025-26 school year and 12.46 percent in the 2026-27 school year for  
26 career and technical education students, and 17.79 percent in the  
27 2025-26 school year and 17.79 percent in the 2026-27 school year for  
28 skill center students.

29 (6) FRINGE BENEFIT ALLOCATIONS

30 Fringe benefit allocations shall be calculated at a rate of 16.02  
31 percent in the 2025-26 school year and 16.02 percent in the 2026-27  
32 school year for certificated salary allocations provided under  
33 subsections (2), (3), and (5) of this section, and a rate of 18.07  
34 percent in the 2025-26 school year and 18.07 percent in the 2026-27  
35 school year for classified salary allocations provided under  
36 subsections (4) and (5) of this section.

37 (7) INSURANCE BENEFIT ALLOCATIONS

38 Insurance benefit allocations shall be calculated at the rates  
39 specified in section 506 of this act, based on the number of benefit

units determined as follows: Except for nonrepresented employees of educational service districts, the number of calculated benefit units determined below. Calculated benefit units are staff units multiplied by the benefit allocation factors established in the collective bargaining agreement referenced in section 910 of this act. These factors are intended to adjust allocations so that, for the purpose of distributing insurance benefits, full-time equivalent employees may be calculated on the basis of 630 hours of work per year, with no individual employee counted as more than one full-time equivalent. The number of benefit units is determined as follows:

(a) The number of certificated staff units determined in subsections (2), (3), and (5) of this section multiplied by 1.02; and

(b) The number of classified staff units determined in subsections (4) and (5) of this section multiplied by 1.43.

#### (8) MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, AND OPERATING COSTS (MSOC) ALLOCATIONS

Funding is allocated per annual average full-time equivalent student for the materials, supplies, and operating costs (MSOC) incurred by school districts, consistent with the requirements of RCW 28A.150.260.

(a)(i) Subject to (a)(ii) of this subsection, general education students generate per student FTE MSOC allocations of \$1,614.28 for the 2025-26 school year and \$1,656.25 for the 2026-27 school year.

(ii) Of the amounts allocated in (a)(i) of this subsection, \$35.27 per student FTE for the 2025-26 school year and \$37.76 per student FTE for the 2026-27 school year are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5192 (school district materials). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, these amounts shall lapse.

(iii) For the 2025-26 school year and 2026-27 school year, as part of the budget development, hearing, and review process required by chapter 28A.505 RCW, each school district must disclose: (A) The amount of state funding to be received by the district under (a) and (d) of this subsection (8); (B) the amount the district proposes to spend for materials, supplies, and operating costs; (C) the difference between these two amounts; and (D) if (a)(ii)(A) of this subsection (8) exceeds (a)(ii)(B) of this subsection (8), any proposed use of this difference and how this use will improve student achievement.

1 (b) Students in approved skill center programs generate per  
2 student FTE MSOC allocations of \$1,810.11 for the 2025-26 school year  
3 and \$1,857.17 for the 2026-27 school year.

4 (c) Students in approved exploratory and preparatory career and  
5 technical education programs generate per student FTE MSOC  
6 allocations of \$1,810.11 for the 2025-26 school year and \$1,857.17  
7 for the 2026-27 school year.

8 (d)(i) Subject to (d)(ii) of this subsection, students in grades  
9 9-12 generate per student FTE MSOC allocations in addition to the  
10 allocations provided in (a) through (c) of this subsection at \$214.84  
11 for the 2025-26 school year and \$220.43 for the 2026-27 school year.

12 (ii) Of the amounts allocated in (d)(i) of this subsection, \$4.69  
13 per student FTE for the 2025-26 school year and \$5.03 per student FTE  
14 for the 2026-27 school year are provided solely for implementation of  
15 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5192 (school district  
16 materials). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, these  
17 amounts shall lapse.

#### 18 (9) SUBSTITUTE TEACHER ALLOCATIONS

19 For the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, funding for substitute  
20 costs for classroom teachers is based on four (4) funded substitute  
21 days per classroom teacher unit generated under subsection (2) of  
22 this section, at a daily substitute rate of \$151.86.

#### 23 (10) ALTERNATIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE PROGRAM FUNDING

24 (a) Amounts provided in this section from July 1, 2025, to August  
25 31, 2025, are adjusted to reflect provisions of chapter 376, Laws of  
26 2024, as amended (allocation of funding for students enrolled in  
27 alternative learning experiences).

28 (b) The superintendent of public instruction shall require all  
29 districts receiving general apportionment funding for alternative  
30 learning experience (ALE) programs as defined in WAC 392-121-182 to  
31 provide separate financial accounting of expenditures for the ALE  
32 programs offered in district or with a provider, including but not  
33 limited to private companies and multidistrict cooperatives, as well  
34 as accurate, monthly headcount and FTE enrollment claimed for basic  
35 education, including separate counts of resident and nonresident  
36 students.

#### 37 (11) DROPOUT REENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

38 The superintendent shall adopt rules to require students claimed  
39 for general apportionment funding based on enrollment in dropout

reengagement programs authorized under RCW 28A.175.100 through 28A.175.115 to meet requirements for at least weekly minimum instructional contact, academic counseling, career counseling, or case management contact. Districts must also provide separate financial accounting of expenditures for the programs offered by the district or under contract with a provider, as well as accurate monthly headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment claimed for basic education, including separate enrollment counts of resident and nonresident students.

(12) ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND REMOTE AND NECESSARY PLANTS

For small school districts and remote and necessary school plants within any district which have been judged to be remote and necessary by the superintendent of public instruction, additional staff units are provided to ensure a minimum level of staffing support. Additional administrative and certificated instructional staff units provided to districts in this subsection shall be reduced by the general education staff units, excluding career and technical education and skills center enhancement units, otherwise provided in subsections (2) through (5) of this section on a per district basis.

(a) For districts enrolling not more than twenty-five average annual full-time equivalent students in grades K-8, and for small school plants within any school district which have been judged to be remote and necessary by the superintendent of public instruction and enroll not more than twenty-five average annual full-time equivalent students in grades K-8:

(i) For those enrolling no students in grades 7 and 8, 1.76 certificated instructional staff units and 0.24 certificated administrative staff units for enrollment of not more than five students, plus one-twentieth of a certificated instructional staff unit for each additional student enrolled; and

(ii) For those enrolling students in grades 7 or 8, 1.68 certificated instructional staff units and 0.32 certificated administrative staff units for enrollment of not more than five students, plus one-tenth of a certificated instructional staff unit for each additional student enrolled;

(b) For specified enrollments in districts enrolling more than twenty-five but not more than one hundred average annual full-time equivalent students in grades K-8, and for small school plants within

1 any school district which enroll more than twenty-five average annual  
2 full-time equivalent students in grades K-8 and have been judged to  
3 be remote and necessary by the superintendent of public instruction:

4 (i) For enrollment of up to sixty annual average full-time  
5 equivalent students in grades K-6, 2.76 certificated instructional  
6 staff units and 0.24 certificated administrative staff units; and

7 (ii) For enrollment of up to twenty annual average full-time  
8 equivalent students in grades 7 and 8, 0.92 certificated  
9 instructional staff units and 0.08 certificated administrative staff  
10 units;

11 (c) For districts operating no more than two high schools with  
12 enrollments of less than three hundred average annual full-time  
13 equivalent students, for enrollment in grades 9-12 in each such  
14 school, other than alternative schools, except as noted in this  
15 subsection:

16 (i) For remote and necessary schools enrolling students in any  
17 grades 9-12 but no more than twenty-five average annual full-time  
18 equivalent students in grades K-12, four and one-half certificated  
19 instructional staff units and one-quarter of a certificated  
20 administrative staff unit;

21 (ii) For all other small high schools under this subsection, nine  
22 certificated instructional staff units and one-half of a certificated  
23 administrative staff unit for the first sixty average annual full-  
24 time equivalent students, and additional staff units based on a ratio  
25 of 0.8732 certificated instructional staff units and 0.1268  
26 certificated administrative staff units per each additional forty-  
27 three and one-half average annual full-time equivalent students;

28 (iii) Districts receiving staff units under this subsection shall  
29 add students enrolled in a district alternative high school and any  
30 grades nine through twelve alternative learning experience programs  
31 with the small high school enrollment for calculations under this  
32 subsection;

33 (d) For each nonhigh school district having an enrollment of more  
34 than seventy annual average full-time equivalent students and less  
35 than one hundred eighty students, operating a grades K-8 program or a  
36 grades 1-8 program, an additional one-half of a certificated  
37 instructional staff unit;

38 (e) For each nonhigh school district having an enrollment of more  
39 than fifty annual average full-time equivalent students and less than  
40 one hundred eighty students, operating a grades K-6 program or a

grades 1-6 program, an additional one-half of a certificated instructional staff unit;

(f)(i) For enrollments generating certificated staff unit allocations under (a) through (e) of this subsection, one classified staff unit for each 2.94 certificated staff units allocated under such subsections;

(ii) For each nonhigh school district with an enrollment of more than fifty annual average full-time equivalent students and less than one hundred eighty students, an additional one-half of a classified staff unit; and

(g) School districts receiving additional staff units to support small student enrollments and remote and necessary plants under this subsection (12) shall generate additional MSOC allocations consistent with the nonemployee related costs (NERC) allocation formula in place for the 2010-11 school year as provided section 502, chapter 37, Laws of 2010 1st sp. sess. (2010 supplemental budget), adjusted annually for inflation.

(13) Any school district board of directors may petition the superintendent of public instruction by submission of a resolution adopted in a public meeting to reduce or delay any portion of its basic education allocation for any school year. The superintendent of public instruction shall approve such reduction or delay if it does not impair the district's financial condition. Any delay shall not be for more than two school years. Any reduction or delay shall have no impact on levy authority pursuant to RCW 84.52.0531 and local effort assistance pursuant to chapter 28A.500 RCW.

(14) The superintendent may distribute funding for the following programs outside the basic education formula during fiscal years 2026 and 2027 as follows:

(a) \$650,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$650,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for fire protection for school districts located in a fire protection district as now or hereafter established pursuant to chapter 52.04 RCW.

(b) \$436,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$436,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for programs providing skills training for secondary students who are enrolled in extended day school-to-work programs, as approved by the superintendent of public

1 instruction. The funds shall be allocated at a rate not to exceed  
2 \$500 per full-time equivalent student enrolled in those programs.

3 (15) Funding in this section is sufficient to fund a maximum of  
4 1.6 FTE enrollment for skills center students pursuant to chapter  
5 463, Laws of 2007.

6 (16) Funding in this section is sufficient to fund a maximum of  
7 1.2 FTE enrollment for career launch students pursuant to RCW  
8 28A.700.130. Expenditures for this purpose must come first from the  
9 appropriations provided in section 501(5) of this act; funding for  
10 career launch enrollment exceeding those appropriations is provided  
11 in this section. The office of the superintendent of public  
12 instruction shall provide a summary report to the office of the  
13 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by January  
14 1, 2026. The report must include the total FTE enrollment for career  
15 launch students, the FTE enrollment for career launch students that  
16 exceeded the appropriations provided in section 501(5) of this act,  
17 and the amount expended from this section for those students.

18 (17)(a) Students participating in running start programs may be  
19 funded up to a combined maximum enrollment of 1.4 FTE including  
20 school district and institution of higher education enrollment  
21 consistent with the running start course requirements provided in  
22 chapter 202, Laws of 2015 (dual credit education opportunities). In  
23 calculating the combined 1.4 FTE, the office of the superintendent of  
24 public instruction:

25 (i) Must adopt rules to fund the participating student's  
26 enrollment in running start courses provided by the institution of  
27 higher education during the summer academic term; and

28 (ii) May average the participating student's September through  
29 June enrollment to account for differences in the start and end dates  
30 for courses provided by the high school and the institution of higher  
31 education.

32 (b) In consultation with the state board for community and  
33 technical colleges, the participating institutions of higher  
34 education, the student achievement council, and the education data  
35 center, must annually track and report to the fiscal committees of  
36 the legislature on the combined FTE experience of students  
37 participating in the running start program, including course load  
38 analyses at both the high school and community and technical college  
39 system.

(18) If two or more school districts consolidate and each district was receiving additional basic education formula staff units pursuant to subsection (12) of this section, the following apply:

(a) For three school years following consolidation, the number of basic education formula staff units shall not be less than the number of basic education formula staff units received by the districts in the school year prior to the consolidation; and

(b) For the fourth through eighth school years following consolidation, the difference between the basic education formula staff units received by the districts for the school year prior to consolidation and the basic education formula staff units after consolidation pursuant to subsection (12) of this section shall be reduced in increments of twenty percent per year.

(19)(a) Indirect cost charges by a school district to approved career and technical education middle and secondary programs shall not exceed the lesser of five percent or the cap established in federal law of the combined basic education and career and technical education program enhancement allocations of state funds. Middle and secondary career and technical education programs are considered separate programs for funding and financial reporting purposes under this section.

(b) Career and technical education program full-time equivalent enrollment shall be reported on the same monthly basis as the enrollment for students eligible for basic support, and payments shall be adjusted for reported career and technical education program enrollments on the same monthly basis as those adjustments for enrollment for students eligible for basic support.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 505. FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—BASIC EDUCATION EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION**

(1) The following calculations determine the salaries used in the state allocations for certificated instructional, certificated administrative, and classified staff units as provided in RCW 28A.150.260, and under section 504 of this act: For the 2025-26 school year and the 2026-27 school year salary allocations for certificated instructional staff, certificated administrative staff, and classified staff units are determined for each school district by multiplying the statewide minimum salary allocation for each staff type by the school district's regionalization factor shown in LEAP Document 3.



Statewide Minimum Salary Allocation

| Staff Type                  | 2025-26<br>School Year | 2026-27<br>School Year |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Certificated Instructional  | \$80,164               | \$82,248               |
| Certificated Administrative | \$118,994              | \$122,088              |
| Classified                  | \$57,507               | \$59,002               |

(2) For the purposes of this section, "LEAP Document 3" means the school district regionalization factors for certificated instructional, certificated administrative, and classified staff, as developed by the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee on March 3, 2024, at 11:16 hours and adopted in the 2024 operating budget.

(3) Incremental fringe benefit factors are applied to salary adjustments at the rates specified in section 506 of this act.

(4) The salary allocations established in this section are for allocation purposes only except as provided in this subsection, and do not entitle an individual staff position to a particular paid salary except as provided in RCW 28A.400.200, as amended by chapter 13, Laws of 2017 3rd sp. sess. (fully funding the program of basic education).

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 506.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR SCHOOL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION ADJUSTMENTS**

|                                            |                 |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$593,474,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$738,666,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$1,332,140,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The salary increases provided in this section are 2.5 percent for the 2025-26 school year, and 2.6 percent for the 2026-27 school year, the annual inflationary adjustments pursuant to RCW 28A.400.205.

(2)(a) In addition to salary allocations, the appropriations in this section include funding for professional learning as defined in RCW 28A.415.430, 28A.415.432, and 28A.415.434. Funding for this

1 purpose is calculated as the equivalent of three days of salary and  
2 benefits for each of the funded full-time equivalent certificated  
3 instructional staff units. Nothing in this section entitles an  
4 individual certificated instructional staff to any particular number  
5 of professional learning days.

6 (b) Of the funding provided for professional learning in this  
7 section, the equivalent of one day of salary and benefits for each of  
8 the funded full-time equivalent certificated instructional staff  
9 units in the 2025-26 school year must be used to train school  
10 district staff on cultural competency, diversity, equity, or  
11 inclusion, as required in chapter 197, Laws of 2021.

12 (3)(a) The appropriations in this section include associated  
13 incremental fringe benefit allocations at 15.39 percent for the  
14 2025-26 school year and 15.39 percent for the 2026-27 school year for  
15 certificated instructional and certificated administrative staff and  
16 14.72 percent for the 2025-26 school year and 14.72 percent for the  
17 2026-27 school year for classified staff.

18 (b) The appropriations in this section include the increased or  
19 decreased portion of salaries and incremental fringe benefits for all  
20 relevant state-funded school programs in part V of this act. Changes  
21 for general apportionment (basic education) are based on the salary  
22 allocations and methodology in sections 504 and 505 of this act.  
23 Changes for special education result from changes in each district's  
24 basic education allocation per student. Changes for educational  
25 service districts and institutional education programs are determined  
26 by the superintendent of public instruction using the methodology for  
27 general apportionment salaries and benefits in sections 504 and 505  
28 of this act. Changes for pupil transportation are determined by the  
29 superintendent of public instruction pursuant to RCW 28A.160.192, and  
30 impact compensation factors in sections 504, 505, and 506 of this  
31 act.

32 (c) The appropriations in this section include no salary  
33 adjustments for substitute teachers.

34 (4) The appropriations in this section are sufficient to fund the  
35 collective bargaining agreement referenced in part IX of this act and  
36 reflect the incremental change in cost of allocating rates as  
37 follows: For the 2025-26 school year, \$1,307 per month and for the  
38 2026-27 school year, \$1,341 per month.

39 (5) The rates specified in this section are subject to revision  
40 each year by the legislature.

(6) \$3,554,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$7,185,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for changes to the special education multiplier and enrollment limit as specified in Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263 (special education funding). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, these amounts shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 507.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR PUPIL TRANSPORTATION**

|                                            |                 |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$856,979,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$868,449,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$1,725,428,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Each general fund fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(2)(a) For the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school district programs for the transportation of eligible students as provided in RCW 28A.160.192. Funding in this section constitutes full implementation of RCW 28A.160.192, which enhancement is within the program of basic education. Students are considered eligible only if meeting the definitions provided in RCW 28A.160.160.

(b) From July 1, 2025, to August 31, 2025, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school districts programs for the transportation of students as provided in section 507, chapter 376, Laws of 2024, as amended.

(3) Within amounts appropriated in this section, up to \$10,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and up to \$10,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are for a transportation alternate funding grant program based on the alternate funding process established in RCW 28A.160.191. The superintendent of public instruction must include a review of school district efficiency rating, key performance indicators and local school district characteristics such as unique geographic constraints in the grant award process.

(4) A maximum of \$939,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and a maximum of \$939,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 may be expended for regional transportation coordinators and related activities. The transportation coordinators shall ensure that data submitted by school districts for state transportation funding shall, to the greatest extent practical, reflect the actual transportation activity of each district.

(5) Subject to available funds under this section, school districts may provide student transportation for summer skills center programs.

(6) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall provide reimbursement funding to a school district for school bus purchases only after the superintendent of public instruction determines that the school bus was purchased from the list established pursuant to RCW 28A.160.195(2) or a comparable competitive bid process based on the lowest price quote based on similar bus categories to those used to establish the list pursuant to RCW 28A.160.195.

(7) The superintendent of public instruction shall base depreciation payments for school district buses on the presales tax five-year average of lowest bids in the appropriate category of bus. In the final year on the depreciation schedule, the depreciation payment shall be based on the lowest bid in the appropriate bus category for that school year.

(8) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall annually disburse payments for bus depreciation in August.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 508.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES**

|                                            |                 |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$120,073,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$120,062,000   |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$891,898,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$1,132,033,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$11,703,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$11,692,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for state

1 matching money for federal child nutrition programs, and may support  
2 the meals for kids program through the following allowable uses:

3 (a) Elimination of breakfast copays for eligible public school  
4 students and lunch copays for eligible public school students in  
5 grades pre-kindergarten through twelfth grades who are eligible for  
6 reduced-price lunch as required in chapter 74, Laws of 2021 (reduced-  
7 price lunch copays);

8 (b) Assistance to school districts and authorized public and  
9 private nonprofit organizations for supporting summer food service  
10 programs including the summer electronic benefit transfer program,  
11 and initiating new summer food service programs in low-income areas;

12 (c) Reimbursements to school districts for school breakfasts  
13 served to students eligible for free and reduced-price lunch,  
14 pursuant to chapter 287, Laws of 2005; and

15 (d) Assistance to school districts in initiating and expanding  
16 school breakfast programs.

17 (2) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall  
18 report annually to the fiscal committees of the legislature on annual  
19 expenditures in subsection (1)(a) through (c) of this section.

20 (3) The superintendent of public instruction shall provide the  
21 department of health with the following data, where available, for  
22 all nutrition assistance programs that are funded by the United  
23 States department of agriculture and administered by the office of  
24 the superintendent of public instruction. The superintendent must  
25 provide the report for the preceding federal fiscal year by February  
26 1, 2026, and February 1, 2027. The report must provide:

27 (a) The number of people in Washington who are eligible for the  
28 program;

29 (b) The number of people in Washington who participated in the  
30 program;

31 (c) The average annual participation rate in the program;

32 (d) Participation rates by geographic distribution; and

33 (e) The annual federal funding of the program in Washington.

34 (4) \$83,617,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2026 and \$83,617,000 of the general fund—state  
36 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
37 reimbursements to school districts for schools and groups of schools  
38 required to participate in the federal community eligibility program  
39 under section 1, chapter 7, Laws of 2022 (schools/comm. eligibility)  
40 for meals not reimbursed at the federal free meal rate.

(5) \$24,634,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$24,634,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 379, Laws of 2023 (free school meals).

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 509.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

|                                                           |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . .       | \$2,247,317,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . .       | \$2,381,953,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .               | \$646,520,000   |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . | \$54,694,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | \$5,330,484,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) Funding for special education programs is provided on an excess cost basis, pursuant to RCW 28A.150.390. School districts shall ensure that special education students as a class receive their full share of the general apportionment allocation accruing through sections 504 and 506 of this act. To the extent a school district cannot provide an appropriate education for special education students under chapter 28A.155 RCW through the general apportionment allocation, it shall provide services through the special education excess cost allocation funded in this section.

(b) Funding provided within this section is sufficient for districts to provide school principals and lead special education teachers annual professional development on the best-practices for special education instruction and strategies for implementation. Districts shall annually provide a summary of professional development activities to the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

(2)(a) The superintendent of public instruction shall ensure that:

(i) Special education students are basic education students first;

(ii) As a class, special education students are entitled to the full basic education allocation; and

(iii) Special education students are basic education students for the entire school day.

1 (b)(i) The superintendent of public instruction shall continue to  
2 implement the full cost method of excess cost accounting, as designed  
3 by the committee and recommended by the superintendent, pursuant to  
4 section 501(1)(k), chapter 372, Laws of 2006, except as provided in  
5 (b)(ii) of this subsection.

6 (ii) The superintendent of public instruction shall implement any  
7 changes to excess cost accounting methods required under chapter 417,  
8 Laws of 2023 (special education funding).

9 (3) Each fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are  
10 necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and  
11 for prior fiscal year adjustments.

12 (4)(a) For the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, the  
13 superintendent shall allocate funding to school district programs for  
14 special education students as provided in RCW 28A.150.390, except  
15 that the calculation of the base allocation also includes allocations  
16 provided under section 504 (2) and (4) of this act and RCW  
17 28A.150.415, which enhancement is within the program of basic  
18 education.

19 (b) From July 1, 2025, to August 31, 2025, the superintendent  
20 shall allocate funding to school district programs for special  
21 education students as provided in section 509, chapter 376, Laws of  
22 2024, as amended.

23 (5) At the request of any interdistrict cooperative of at least  
24 15 districts in which all excess cost services for special education  
25 students of the districts are provided by the cooperative, the  
26 maximum enrollment percent shall be calculated in accordance with RCW  
27 28A.150.390(3) (c) and (d), and shall be calculated in the aggregate  
28 rather than individual district units. For purposes of this  
29 subsection, the average basic education allocation per full-time  
30 equivalent student shall be calculated in the aggregate rather than  
31 individual district units.

32 (6) \$205,458,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2026, \$205,458,000 of the general fund—state  
34 appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$29,574,000 of the general  
35 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for safety net awards  
36 for districts with demonstrated needs for special education funding  
37 beyond the amounts provided in subsection (4) of this section. If the  
38 federal safety net awards based on the federal eligibility threshold  
39 exceed the federal appropriation in this subsection (6) in any fiscal

1 year, the superintendent shall expend all available federal  
2 discretionary funds necessary to meet this need. At the conclusion of  
3 each school year, the superintendent shall recover safety net funds  
4 that were distributed prospectively but for which districts were not  
5 subsequently eligible.

6 (a) For the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, safety net funds  
7 shall be awarded by the state safety net oversight committee as  
8 provided in section 109(1) chapter 548, Laws of 2009 (education).

9 (b) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall  
10 make award determinations for state safety net funding in August of  
11 each school year, except that the superintendent of public  
12 instruction shall make award determinations for state safety net  
13 funding in July of each school year for the Washington state school  
14 for the blind and for the center for childhood deafness and hearing  
15 loss. Determinations on school district eligibility for state safety  
16 net awards shall be based on analysis of actual expenditure data from  
17 the current school year.

18 (7) A maximum of \$1,250,000 may be expended from the general fund  
19 —state appropriations to fund teachers and aides at Seattle  
20 children's hospital. This amount is in lieu of money provided through  
21 the home and hospital allocation and the special education program.

22 (8) The superintendent shall maintain the percentage of federal  
23 flow-through to school districts at 85 percent. In addition to other  
24 purposes, school districts may use increased federal funds for high-  
25 cost students, for purchasing regional special education services  
26 from educational service districts, and for staff development  
27 activities particularly relating to inclusion issues.

28 (9) A school district may carry over from one year to the next  
29 year up to 10 percent of the general fund—state funds allocated under  
30 this program; however, carryover funds shall be expended in the  
31 special education program.

32 (10) \$87,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026, \$87,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2027, and \$214,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
35 provided solely for a special education family liaison position  
36 within the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

37 (11) \$660,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2026 is provided solely for litigation costs for *N.D. v.*



Reykdal, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington.

(12) \$114,271,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$195,418,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for changes to the special education multiplier, enrollment limit, and safety net payments as specified in Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263 (special education funding). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, these amounts shall lapse.

(13) \$5,356,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$7,339,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5192 (school district materials). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(14) \$5,123,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$7,275,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5253 (special education services). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 510.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICE DISTRICTS**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$35,244,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$35,113,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$70,357,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The educational service districts shall continue to furnish financial services required by the superintendent of public instruction and RCW 28A.310.190 (3) and (4).

(2) Funding within this section is provided for regional professional development related to mathematics and science curriculum and instructional strategies aligned with common core state standards and next generation science standards. Funding shall be distributed among the educational service districts in the same proportion as distributions in the 2007-2009 biennium. Each educational service district shall use this funding solely for salary

1 and benefits for a certificated instructional staff with expertise in  
2 the appropriate subject matter and in professional development  
3 delivery, and for travel, materials, and other expenditures related  
4 to providing regional professional development support.

5 (3) Funding in this section is provided for regional professional  
6 development related to English language arts curriculum and  
7 instructional strategies aligned with common core state standards.  
8 Each educational service district shall use this funding solely for  
9 salary and benefits for certificated instructional staff with  
10 expertise in the appropriate subject matter and in professional  
11 development delivery, and for travel, materials, and other  
12 expenditures related to providing regional professional development  
13 support.

14 (4) Funding in this section is provided for regional technical  
15 support for the K-20 telecommunications network to prevent system  
16 failures and avoid interruptions in school utilization of the data  
17 processing and video-conferencing capabilities of the network. These  
18 funds may be used to purchase engineering and advanced technical  
19 support for the network.

20 (5) Funding in this section is provided for a corps of nurses  
21 located at the educational service districts, to be dispatched in  
22 coordination with the office of the superintendent of public  
23 instruction, to provide direct care to students, health education,  
24 and training for school staff. In fiscal years 2026 and 2027,  
25 allocations for the corps of nurses is sufficient to provide one day  
26 per week of nursing services for all second-class school districts.

27 (6) Funding in this section is provided for staff and support at  
28 the nine educational service districts to provide a network of  
29 support for school districts to develop and implement comprehensive  
30 suicide prevention and behavioral health supports for students.

31 (7) Funding in this section is provided for staff and support at  
32 the nine educational service districts to provide assistance to  
33 school districts with comprehensive safe schools planning, conducting  
34 needs assessments, school safety and security trainings, coordinating  
35 appropriate crisis and emergency response and recovery, and  
36 developing threat assessment and crisis intervention teams. In fiscal  
37 years 2026 and 2027, allocations for staff and support for regional  
38 safety centers are increased to 3 full-time equivalent certificated  
39 instructional staff for each regional safety center.

1 (8) Funding in this section is provided for regional English  
2 language arts coordinators to provide professional development of  
3 teachers and principals around the new early screening for dyslexia  
4 requirements.

5 (9) The educational service districts, at the request of the  
6 state board of education pursuant to RCW 28A.310.010 and 28A.305.130,  
7 may receive and screen applications for school accreditation, conduct  
8 school accreditation site visits pursuant to state board of education  
9 rules, and submit to the state board of education post-site visit  
10 recommendations for school accreditation. The educational service  
11 districts may assess a cooperative service fee to recover actual plus  
12 reasonable indirect costs for the purposes of this subsection.

13 (10) \$2,169,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,169,000 of the general fund—state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for each  
16 educational service district to provide technology consultation,  
17 procurement, and training required under chapter 301, Laws of 2021  
18 (schools/computers & devices).

19 (11) \$2,180,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,237,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
22 implementation of chapter 87, Laws of 2022 (ed. service district  
23 funding).

24 (12) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for educational service  
27 districts to provide students attending school in rural areas with  
28 access to a mental health professional using telemedicine. Funding  
29 must be prioritized to districts where mental health services are  
30 inadequate or nonexistent due to geographic constraints. Funding may  
31 be used for schools or school districts for technology upgrades to  
32 provide secure access for students, for contracted services, or to  
33 pay applicable copays or fees for telemedicine visits if not covered  
34 by a student's public or private insurance.

35 (13) \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2026 and \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state  
37 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to continue  
38 behavioral health regional services grants to support school  
39 districts with the least access to behavioral health services.

(14) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for the Puget Sound educational service district 121 to contract with a Washington-based Muslim educational organization, with expertise in curriculum about Muslim and Arab history, to develop curriculum that supports Washington teachers in implementing and incorporating lessons on Islamophobia. If a Washington-based organization cannot be found, the office may seek proposals from organizations incorporated outside of Washington. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$5,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided for the Puget Sound educational service district to administer the contract.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 511.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR LOCAL EFFORT ASSISTANCE**

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$202,536,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$252,636,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$455,172,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$31,627,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$105,389,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for an inflation enhancement in addition to the state local effort assistance threshold under RCW 28A.500.015 of \$150 per pupil in the 2026 calendar year and \$250 per pupil in the 2027 calendar year.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 512.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR INSTITUTIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$19,276,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$19,361,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$38,637,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Each general fund—state fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(2) State funding provided under this section is based on salaries and other expenditures for a 220-day school year. The superintendent of public instruction shall monitor school district

1 expenditure plans for institutional education programs to ensure that  
2 districts plan for a full-time summer program.

3 (3) State funding for each institutional education program shall  
4 be based on the institution's annual average full-time equivalent  
5 student enrollment. Staffing ratios for each category of institution  
6 shall remain the same as those funded in the 1995-97 biennium.

7 (4) The funded staffing ratios for education programs for  
8 juveniles age 18 or less in department of corrections facilities  
9 shall be the same as those provided in the 1997-99 biennium.

10 (5) Funding in this section is sufficient to maintain at least  
11 one certificated instructional staff and related support services at  
12 an institution whenever the K-12 enrollment is not sufficient to  
13 support one full-time equivalent certificated instructional staff to  
14 furnish the educational program. The following types of institutions  
15 are included: Residential programs under the department of social and  
16 health services for developmentally disabled juveniles, programs for  
17 juveniles under the department of corrections, programs for juveniles  
18 under the juvenile rehabilitation administration, and programs for  
19 juveniles operated by city and county jails.

20 (6) Within the amounts provided in this section, funding is  
21 provided to increase the capacity of institutional education programs  
22 to differentiate instruction to meet students' unique educational  
23 needs, including students with individualized educational plans.  
24 Those needs may include but are not limited to one-on-one  
25 instruction, enhanced access to counseling for social emotional needs  
26 of the student, and services to identify the proper level of  
27 instruction at the time of student entry into the facility.  
28 Allocations of amounts for this purpose in a school year must be  
29 based on 45 percent of full-time enrollment in institutional  
30 education receiving a differentiated instruction amount per pupil  
31 equal to the total statewide allocation generated by the distribution  
32 formula under RCW 28A.150.260 (4)(a), (5), (6), and (8) and the  
33 allocation under RCW 28A.150.415, per the statewide full-time  
34 equivalent enrollment in common schools.

35 (7) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to support two student records  
38 coordinators to manage the transmission of academic records for each  
39 of the long-term juvenile institutions. One coordinator is provided  
40 for each of the following: The Issaquah school district for the Echo

Glen children's center and for the Chehalis school district for Green Hill academic school.

(8) Ten percent of the funds allocated for the institution may be carried over from one year to the next.

(9) \$742,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$743,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for one educational advocate to each institution with enrollments above 40 full-time equivalent students in addition to any educational advocates supported by federal funding. Educational advocates will provide the following supports to students enrolled in or just released from institutional education programs:

(a) Advocacy for institutional education students to eliminate barriers to educational access and success;

(b) Consultation with juvenile rehabilitation staff to develop educational plans for and with participating youth;

(c) Monitoring educational progress of participating students;

(d) Providing participating students with school and local resources that may assist in educational access and success upon release from institutional education facilities; and

(e) Coaching students and caregivers to advocate for educational needs to be addressed at the school district upon return to the community.

(10) Within the amounts provided in this section, funding is provided to increase materials, supplies, and operating costs by \$85 per pupil for technology supports for institutional education programs. This funding is in addition to general education materials, supplies, and operating costs provided to institutional education programs, which exclude formula costs supported by the institutional facilities.

(11) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to support instruction in cohorts of students grouped by similar age and academic levels.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 513.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR PROGRAMS FOR HIGHLY CAPABLE STUDENTS**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$34,718,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$34,955,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$69,673,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Each general fund fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(2) (a) For the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school district programs for highly capable students as provided in RCW 28A.150.260(10)(c) except that allocations must be based on 5.0 percent of each school district's full-time equivalent enrollment. In calculating the allocations, the superintendent shall assume the following: (i) Additional instruction of 2.1590 hours per week per funded highly capable program student; (ii) fifteen highly capable program students per teacher; (iii) 36 instructional weeks per year; (iv) 900 instructional hours per teacher; and (v) the compensation rates as provided in sections 505 and 506 of this act.

(b) From July 1, 2025, to August 31, 2025, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school districts programs for highly capable students as provided in section 513, chapter 376, Laws of 2024, as amended.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 514. FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR MISCELLANEOUS—EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT**

General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . . \$11,416,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$11,416,000

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 515. FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—EDUCATION REFORM PROGRAMS**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$119,573,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$122,469,000

General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . . \$97,685,000

General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . . \$1,454,000

Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . \$1,671,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$342,852,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) ACCOUNTABILITY

1       \$26,975,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026, \$26,975,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027, \$1,350,000 of the education legacy trust account—  
4 state appropriation, and \$15,868,000 of the general fund—federal  
5 appropriation are provided solely for development and implementation  
6 of the Washington state assessment system.

7       (2) EDUCATOR CONTINUUM

8       (a) \$71,642,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2026 and \$74,508,000 of the general fund—state  
10 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
11 following bonuses for teachers who hold valid, unexpired  
12 certification from the national board for professional teaching  
13 standards and who are teaching in a Washington public school, subject  
14 to the following conditions and limitations:

15       (i) For national board certified teachers, a bonus of \$6,514 per  
16 teacher in the 2025-26 school year and a bonus of \$6,677 per teacher  
17 in the 2026-27 school year;

18       (ii) An additional \$5,000 annual bonus shall be paid to national  
19 board certified teachers who teach in either: (A) High schools where  
20 at least 50 percent of student headcount enrollment is eligible for  
21 federal free or reduced-price lunch, (B) middle schools where at  
22 least 60 percent of student headcount enrollment is eligible for  
23 federal free or reduced-price lunch, or (C) elementary schools where  
24 at least 70 percent of student headcount enrollment is eligible for  
25 federal free or reduced-price lunch;

26       (iii) The superintendent of public instruction shall adopt rules  
27 to ensure that national board certified teachers meet the  
28 qualifications for bonuses under (b) of this subsection for less than  
29 one full school year receive bonuses in a prorated manner. All  
30 bonuses in this subsection will be paid in July of each school year.  
31 Bonuses in this subsection shall be reduced by a factor of 40 percent  
32 for first year NBPTS certified teachers, to reflect the portion of  
33 the instructional school year they are certified; and

34       (iv) During the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, and within  
35 available funds, certificated instructional staff who have met the  
36 eligibility requirements and have applied for certification from the  
37 national board for professional teaching standards may receive a  
38 conditional loan of two thousand dollars or the amount set by the  
39 office of the superintendent of public instruction to contribute



1 toward the current assessment fee, not including the initial up-front  
2 candidacy payment. The fee shall be an advance on the first annual  
3 bonus under RCW 28A.405.415. The conditional loan is provided in  
4 addition to compensation received under a district's salary  
5 allocation and shall not be included in calculations of a district's  
6 average salary and associated salary limitation under RCW  
7 28A.400.200. Recipients who fail to receive certification after fully  
8 exhausting all years of candidacy as set by the national board for  
9 professional teaching standards are required to repay the conditional  
10 loan. The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall  
11 adopt rules to define the terms for initial grant of the assessment  
12 fee and repayment, including applicable fees. To the extent  
13 necessary, the superintendent may use revenues from the repayment of  
14 conditional loan scholarships to ensure payment of all national board  
15 bonus payments required by this section in each school year.

16 (b) \$3,418,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 and \$3,418,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of a new  
19 performance-based evaluation for certificated educators and other  
20 activities as provided in chapter 235, Laws of 2010 (education  
21 reform) and chapter 35, Laws of 2012 (certificated employee  
22 evaluations).

23 (c) \$477,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2026 and \$477,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the leadership internship  
26 program for superintendents, principals, and program administrators.

27 (d) \$810,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026 and \$810,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the development of a  
30 leadership academy for school principals and administrators. The  
31 superintendent of public instruction shall contract with an  
32 independent organization to operate a state-of-the-art education  
33 leadership academy that will be accessible throughout the state.  
34 Semiannually the independent organization shall report on amounts  
35 committed by foundations and others to support the development and  
36 implementation of this program. Leadership academy partners shall  
37 include the state level organizations for school administrators and  
38 principals, the superintendent of public instruction, the

professional educator standards board, and others as the independent organization shall identify.

(e) \$11,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$11,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a beginning educator support program (BEST). The program shall prioritize first year educators in the mentoring program. School districts and/or regional consortia may apply for grant funding. The program provided by a district and/or regional consortia shall include: A paid orientation; assignment of a qualified mentor; development of a professional growth plan for each beginning educator aligned with professional certification; release time for mentors and new educators to work together; and educator observation time with accomplished peers. Funding may be used to provide statewide professional development opportunities for mentors and beginning educators. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to support first year educators in the mentoring program.

(f) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the provision of training for teachers, principals, and principal evaluators in the performance-based teacher principal evaluation program.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 516.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR TRANSITIONAL BILINGUAL PROGRAMS**

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$293,614,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$302,318,000 |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$137,159,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$733,091,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Each general fund fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(2) (a) For the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school districts for

transitional bilingual programs under RCW 28A.180.010 through 28A.180.080, including programs for exited students, as provided in RCW 28A.150.260(10)(b) and the provisions of this section. In calculating the allocations, the superintendent shall assume the following averages: (i) Additional instruction of 4.7780 hours per week per transitional bilingual program student in grades kindergarten through six and 6.7780 hours per week per transitional bilingual program student in grades seven through twelve in school years 2025-26 and 2026-27; (ii) additional instruction of 3.0000 hours per week in school years 2025-26 and 2026-27 for the head count number of students who have exited the transitional bilingual instruction program within the previous two years based on their performance on the English proficiency assessment; (iii) fifteen transitional bilingual program students per teacher; (iv) 36 instructional weeks per year; (v) 900 instructional hours per teacher; and (vi) the compensation rates as provided in sections 505 and 506 of this act. Pursuant to RCW 28A.180.040(1)(g), the instructional hours specified in (a)(ii) of this subsection (2) are within the program of basic education.

(b) From July 1, 2025, to August 31, 2025, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school districts for transitional bilingual instruction programs as provided in section 516, chapter 376, Laws of 2024, as amended.

(3) The superintendent may withhold allocations to school districts in subsection (2) of this section solely for the central provision of assessments as provided in RCW 28A.180.090 (1) and (2) up to the following amounts: 1.38 percent for school year 2025-26 and 1.36 percent for school year 2026-27.

(4) The general fund—federal appropriation in this section is for migrant education under Title I Part C and English language acquisition, and language enhancement grants under Title III of the elementary and secondary education act.

(5) \$35,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$35,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to track current and former transitional bilingual program students.

(6) \$1,916,000 of the general fund—state appropriation in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,916,000 of the general fund—state appropriation in fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the central provision of

assessments as provided in RCW 28A.180.090, and is in addition to the withholding amounts specified in subsection (3) of this section.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 517.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR THE LEARNING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

|                                            |                 |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$515,259,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$522,631,000   |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$636,542,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$1,674,432,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The general fund—state appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The appropriations include such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(b)(i) For the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school districts for learning assistance programs as provided in RCW 28A.150.260(10)(a). In calculating the allocations, the superintendent shall assume the following averages: (A) Additional instruction of 2.3975 hours per week per funded learning assistance program student for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years; (B) additional instruction of 1.1 hours per week per funded learning assistance program student for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years in qualifying high-poverty school building; (C) 15 learning assistance program students per teacher; (D) 36 instructional weeks per year; (E) 900 instructional hours per teacher; and (F) the compensation rates as provided in sections 505 and 506 of this act.

(ii) From July 1, 2025, to August 31, 2025, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school districts for learning assistance programs as provided in section 517, chapter 376, Laws of 2024, as amended.

(c) A school district's funded students for the learning assistance program shall be the sum of the district's full-time equivalent enrollment in grades K-12 multiplied by the district's percentage of October headcount enrollment in grades K-12 eligible for free or reduced-price lunch in the school year period defined under RCW 28A.150.260(10)(a). A school year's October headcount

enrollment for free and reduced-price lunch shall be as reported in the comprehensive education data and research system.

(2) Allocations made pursuant to subsection (1) of this section shall be adjusted to reflect ineligible applications identified through the annual income verification process required by the national school lunch program, as recommended in the report of the state auditor on the learning assistance program dated February, 2010.

(3) The general fund—federal appropriation in this section is provided for Title I Part A allocations of the every student succeeds act of 2016.

(4) A school district may carry over from one year to the next up to 10 percent of the general fund—state funds allocated under this program; however, carryover funds shall be expended for the learning assistance program.

(5) Within existing resources, during the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, school districts are authorized to use funds allocated for the learning assistance program to also provide assistance to high school students who have not passed the state assessment in science.

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 518.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—PER PUPIL ALLOCATIONS**

| Statewide Average Allocations                   |             |             |  |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Per Annual Average Full-Time Equivalent Student |             |             |  |
|                                                 | 2025-26     | 2026-27     |  |
|                                                 | School Year | School Year |  |
| Basic Education Program                         |             |             |  |
| General Apportionment                           | \$11,024    | \$11,302    |  |
| Pupil Transportation                            | \$835       | \$856       |  |
| Special Education Programs                      | \$13,928    | \$14,514    |  |
| Institutional Education Programs                | \$27,712    | \$28,355    |  |
| Programs for Highly Capable Students            | \$684       | \$701       |  |
| Transitional Bilingual Programs                 | \$1,686     | \$1,729     |  |
| Learning Assistance Program                     | \$1,075     | \$1,103     |  |

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 519.      FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

(1) Amounts distributed to districts by the superintendent through part V of this act are for allocation purposes only, unless specified by part V of this act, and do not entitle a particular district, district employee, or student to a specific service, beyond what has been expressly provided in statute. Part V of this act restates the requirements of various sections of Title 28A RCW. If any conflict exists, the provisions of Title 28A RCW control unless this act explicitly states that it is providing an enhancement. Any amounts provided in part V of this act in excess of the amounts required by Title 28A RCW provided in statute, are not within the program of basic education unless clearly stated by this act.

(2) When adopting new or revised rules or policies relating to the administration of allocations in part V of this act that result in fiscal impact, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall seek legislative approval through the budget request process.

(3) Appropriations made in this act to the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall initially be allotted as required by this act. Subsequent allotment modifications shall not include transfers of moneys between sections of this act.

(4) Appropriations in sections 504 and 506 of this act for insurance benefits under chapter 41.05 RCW are provided solely for the superintendent to allocate to districts for employee health benefits as provided in section 910 of this act. The superintendent may not allocate, and districts may not expend, these amounts for any other purpose beyond those authorized in section 910 of this act.

(5) As required by RCW 28A.710.110, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall transmit the charter school authorizer oversight fee for the charter school commission to the charter school oversight account.

(6) The appropriations to the office of the superintendent of public instruction in this act shall be expended for the programs and amounts specified in this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 520. FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS**

Washington Opportunity Pathways Account—State

|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Appropriation. . . . . | \$201,773,000 |
|------------------------|---------------|

|                              |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | \$201,773,000 |
|------------------------------|---------------|

1 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3 (1) The superintendent shall distribute funding appropriated in  
4 this section to charter schools under chapter 28A.710 RCW. Within  
5 amounts provided in this section the superintendent may distribute  
6 funding for safety net awards for charter schools with demonstrated  
7 needs for special education funding beyond the amounts provided under  
8 chapter 28A.710 RCW.

9 (2) \$1,012,000 of the opportunity pathways account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for changes to the special education  
11 multiplier as specified in Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill  
12 No. 5263 (special education funding). If the bill is not enacted by  
13 June 30, 2025, these amounts shall lapse.

14 (3) \$7,715,000 of the opportunity pathways account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for enrichment payments to charter  
16 schools.

17 (4) \$418,000 of the opportunity pathways account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for materials, supplies, and  
19 operating costs pursuant to Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5192  
20 (school district materials). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
21 2025, these amounts shall lapse.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 521. FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF**  
23 **PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION**  
24 Washington Opportunity Pathways Account—State

25 Appropriation. . . . . \$459,000

26 Charter Schools Oversight Account—State

27 Appropriation. . . . . \$4,939,000

28 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$5,398,000

29 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
30 conditions and limitations: The entire Washington opportunity  
31 pathways account—state appropriation in this section is provided to  
32 the superintendent of public instruction solely for the operations of  
33 the Washington state charter school commission under chapter 28A.710  
34 RCW.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 522. FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC**  
36 **INSTRUCTION—FOR TRANSITION TO KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS**

37 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$94,183,000





1       (3) \$1,200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of chapter 157, Laws  
3 of 2016 (homeless students).

4       (4) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2026 is provided solely for the office to contract with a  
6 nonprofit organization to develop and provide a Latino youth-on-youth  
7 gang violence prevention program for students and may offer a parent  
8 coaching program. The program must target Latino students ages 11  
9 through 17 who are either involved in or at risk of becoming involved  
10 in a gang or in gang activities, and parents of the students. The  
11 nonprofit organization must have at least 15 years of experience  
12 serving Latino communities and promoting advocacy and must provide  
13 kindergarten through 12th grade social emotional learning, mental  
14 health wraparound services, and parent engagement programs in  
15 Washington.

16       (5) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026 is provided solely for a grant to the pacific science  
18 center to increase hands-on learning opportunities for Title I K-5  
19 students statewide by increasing access to science on wheels and  
20 virtual field trips.

21       (6) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of  
23 public instruction to contract with a nonprofit organization that  
24 supports Washington teachers in implementing lessons on the Holocaust  
25 for the expansion of comprehensive Holocaust and genocide education.

26       (7) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2026 is provided solely for grants to school districts for ninth  
28 grade success. Within the amounts in this subsection, funding is  
29 provided for the office to contract with an evaluator to conduct a  
30 yearly evaluation of the program's success.

31       (8) \$179,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026 is provided solely for the Peninsula school district  
33 aviation academy to prepare students for diverse careers in the  
34 aviation industry.

(End of part)

**PART VI**  
**HIGHER EDUCATION**

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 601.**     The appropriations in sections 605 through 611 of this act are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) "Institutions" means the institutions of higher education receiving appropriations under sections 605 through 611 of this act.

(2) In addition to waivers granted under the authority of RCW 28B.15.910, the governing boards and the state board may waive all or a portion of operating fees for any student. State general fund appropriations shall not be provided to replace tuition and fee revenue foregone as a result of waivers granted under this subsection.

(3) Teacher preparation programs shall meet the requirements of RCW 28B.10.710 to incorporate information on the culture, history, and government of American Indian people in this state by integrating the curriculum developed and made available free of charge by the office of the superintendent of public instruction into existing programs or courses and may modify that curriculum in order to incorporate elements that have a regionally specific focus.

(4) Institutions must include the phone number of a campus, local, state, or national suicide, crisis, or counseling hotline on the back of newly issued student and faculty identification cards.

(5) Institutions of higher education shall not use appropriated funds to support intercollegiate athletics programs.

(6)(a) The student achievement council and institutions as defined in RCW 28B.92.030 and eligible for state financial aid programs under chapters 28B.92 and 28B.118 RCW shall ensure that data needed to analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of state financial aid programs are promptly transmitted to the education data center so that it is available and easily accessible. The data to be reported must include but not be limited to:

(i) The number of Washington college grant and college bound recipients;

(ii) Persistence and completion rates of Washington college grant recipients and college bound recipients, disaggregated by institution of higher education;

(iii) Washington college grant recipient grade point averages; and

1 (iv) Washington college grant and college bound scholarship  
2 program costs.

3 (b) The student achievement council shall submit student unit  
4 record data for state financial aid program applicants and recipients  
5 to the education data center.

6 (7) The institutions shall promptly notify the office of the  
7 attorney general upon the receipt of a request from or on behalf of a  
8 federal agency or a federal, state, or local law enforcement  
9 authority for health care information, as defined in RCW 70.02.010,  
10 program eligibility information for individuals, information that may  
11 identify a health care provider's or facility's delivery of health  
12 care services to noncitizens, or the delivery of protected health  
13 care services as defined in RCW 7.115.010 where the request may  
14 impact expenditures for such services. The institutions shall require  
15 contracted entities to notify the institutions promptly upon receipt  
16 of a request from a federal agency or law enforcement authority as  
17 described in this subsection.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 602.** (1) Within the amounts appropriated in  
19 this act, each institution of higher education shall seek to:

20 (a) Maintain and to the extent possible increase enrollment  
21 opportunities at campuses, focusing on resident undergraduates;

22 (b) Maintain and to the extent possible increase enrollment  
23 opportunities at university centers and other partnership programs  
24 that enable students to earn baccalaureate degrees on community  
25 college campuses; and

26 (c) Eliminate and consolidate programs of study for which there  
27 is limited student or employer demand, or that are not areas of core  
28 academic strength for the institution, particularly when such  
29 programs duplicate offerings by other in-state institutions.

30 (2) For purposes of monitoring and reporting statewide  
31 enrollment, the University of Washington and Washington State  
32 University shall notify the office of financial management of the  
33 number of full-time student equivalent enrollments for each of their  
34 campuses.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 603. PUBLIC BACCALAUREATE INSTITUTIONS**

36 (1) The state universities, the regional universities, and The  
37 Evergreen State College must accept the transfer of college-level  
38 courses taken by students under RCW 28A.600.290 or 28A.600.300 if a

1 student seeking a transfer of the college-level courses has been  
2 admitted to the state university, the regional university, or The  
3 Evergreen State College, and if the college-level courses are  
4 recognized as transferrable by the admitting institution of higher  
5 education.

6 (2) Within existing resources, the governing boards of the  
7 University of Washington and Washington State University may  
8 establish a pilot program to make available and pay the costs of  
9 insurance for certain individuals, as determined by the institution,  
10 who are current or former intercollegiate student athletes. The pilot  
11 program may provide:

12 (a) Insurance for intercollegiate student athletes currently  
13 enrolled at the institution; and

14 (b) Health and health care insurance for former intercollegiate  
15 student athletes at the institution, who by rule of the institution's  
16 athletic association, are entitled to a period of post-eligibility  
17 health care to address athletics-related injuries and conditions.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 604. HIGHER EDUCATION COMPENSATION**

19 Institutions of higher education receiving appropriations in this  
20 act are subject to the following terms and conditions:

21 (1) The legislature, the office of financial management, and  
22 other state agencies need consistent and accurate personnel data from  
23 institutions of higher education for policy planning purposes.  
24 Institutions of higher education shall report personnel data to the  
25 office of financial management for inclusion in the agency's data  
26 warehouse. Uniform reporting procedures shall be established by the  
27 office of financial management's office of the state human resources  
28 director for use by the reporting institutions, including provisions  
29 for common job classifications and common definitions of full-time  
30 equivalent staff. Annual contract amounts, number of contract months,  
31 and funding sources shall be consistently reported for employees  
32 under contract.

33 (2) (a) For employees under the jurisdiction of chapter 41.56 or  
34 41.80 RCW, salary increases will be in accordance with the applicable  
35 collective bargaining agreement. However, an increase shall not be  
36 provided to any classified employee whose salary is above the  
37 approved salary range maximum for the class to which the employee's  
38 position is allocated.

(b) For each institution of higher education receiving appropriations in this act:

(i) The only allowable salary increases are those associated with normally occurring promotions and increases related to faculty and staff retention and as provided in part IX of this act.

(ii) Institutions may provide salary increases from sources other than general fund appropriations and tuition revenues to instructional and research faculty, exempt professional staff, teaching and research assistants, as classified by the office of financial management, and all other nonclassified staff, but not including employees under chapter 41.80 RCW. It is the intent of the legislature that salary increases provided under this subsection (2)(b)(ii) not increase state general fund support or impact tuition expenditures by an institution unless the legislature so determines.

(iii) Funding for salary increases provided under (b)(ii) of this subsection and RCW 41.76.035 and 28B.52.035 on or after July 1, 2019, must be excluded from the general fund and tuition salary base when calculating state funding for future general wage or other salary increases on or after July 1, 2019. In order to facilitate this funding policy, each institution shall report to the office of financial management on the details of locally authorized salary increases granted under (b)(ii) of this subsection and RCW 41.76.035 and 28B.52.035 with its biennial budget submittal. At a minimum, the report must include the total cost of locally authorized increases by fiscal year, a description of the locally authorized provision, and the long-term source of funds that is anticipated to cover the cost.

(3) Appropriations in sections 605 through 611 of this act are sufficient to implement 2025-2027 collective bargaining agreements at institutions of higher education negotiated under chapter 41.80 RCW and as set forth in part IX of this act.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 605. FOR THE STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES**

|                                                    |               |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)         | \$949,700,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)         | \$960,088,000 |
| Community/Technical College Capital Projects       |               |
| Account—State Appropriation                        | \$21,368,000  |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$166,595,000 |
| Invest in Washington Account—State Appropriation   | \$174,000     |

1 Workforce Education Investment Account—State

2 Appropriation. . . . . \$368,202,000

3 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$2,466,127,000

4 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
5 conditions and limitations:

6 (1) \$33,261,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2026 and \$33,261,000 of the general fund—state  
8 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely as special  
9 funds for training and related support services, including financial  
10 aid, as specified in RCW 28C.04.390. Funding is provided to support  
11 at least 7,170 full-time equivalent students in fiscal year 2026 and  
12 at least 7,170 full-time equivalent students in fiscal year 2027.

13 (2) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2026, \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2027, and \$5,450,000 of the education legacy trust  
16 account—state appropriation are provided solely for administration  
17 and customized training contracts through the job skills program. The  
18 state board shall make an annual report by January 1st of each year  
19 to the governor and to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees  
20 of the legislature under RCW 43.01.036 regarding implementation of  
21 this section, listing the scope of grant awards, the distribution of  
22 funds by educational sector and region of the state, and the results  
23 of the partnerships supported by these funds.

24 (3) \$425,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$425,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for Seattle Central College's  
27 allied health programs.

28 (4) \$5,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 and \$5,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the student achievement  
31 initiative.

32 (5) \$1,610,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026, \$1,610,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027, and \$904,000 of the workforce education investment  
35 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the mathematics,  
36 engineering, and science achievement program.

37 (6) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2026 and \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for operating a fabrication

1 composite wing incumbent worker training program to be housed at the  
2 Washington aerospace training and research center.

3 (7) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the aerospace center of  
6 excellence currently hosted by Everett community college to:

7 (a) Increase statewide communications and outreach between  
8 industry sectors, industry organizations, businesses, K-12 schools,  
9 colleges, and universities;

10 (b) Enhance information technology to increase business and  
11 student accessibility and use of the center's web site; and

12 (c) Act as the information entry point for prospective students  
13 and job seekers regarding education, training, and employment in the  
14 industry.

15 (8) Community and technical colleges are not required to send  
16 mass mailings of course catalogs to residents of their districts.  
17 Community and technical colleges shall consider lower cost  
18 alternatives, such as mailing postcards or brochures that direct  
19 individuals to online information and other ways of acquiring print  
20 catalogs.

21 (9) \$157,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$157,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Wenatchee Valley college  
24 wildfire prevention program.

25 (10) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Puget Sound welcome back  
28 center at Highline College to continue a grant program for  
29 internationally trained individuals seeking employment in the  
30 behavioral health field in Washington state.

31 (11) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for enrollments in the  
34 integrated basic education and skills training program. Funding will  
35 support approximately 120 full-time equivalent enrollments annually.

36 (12) \$216,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$216,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the opportunity center for  
39 employment and education at North Seattle College.

1 (13) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for Highline College to  
4 implement the Federal Way higher education initiative in partnership  
5 with the city of Federal Way and the University of Washington Tacoma  
6 campus.

7 (14) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2026 and \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for Peninsula College to  
10 maintain the annual cohorts of the specified programs as follows:

11 (a) Medical assisting, 40 students;

12 (b) Nursing assistant, 60 students; and

13 (c) Registered nursing, 32 students.

14 (15) \$338,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$338,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Washington state labor  
17 education and research center at South Seattle College.

18 (16) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the aerospace and advanced  
21 manufacturing center of excellence hosted by Everett Community  
22 College to continue a semiconductor and electronics manufacturing  
23 branch in Vancouver.

24 (17) \$2,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
25 state appropriation is provided solely for the state board for  
26 community and technical colleges to maintain high-demand enrollments,  
27 as provided under RCW 28C.30.020. These programs include, but are not  
28 limited to, allied health, computer and information science,  
29 manufacturing, and other fields identified by the state board for  
30 community and technical colleges.

31 (18) \$8,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
32 state appropriation is provided solely for the emergency assistance  
33 grant program in RCW 28B.50.295.

34 (19) \$1,119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2026, \$1,119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
36 for fiscal year 2027, and \$2,526,000 of the workforce education  
37 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
38 implementation of diversity, equity, inclusion, and antiracism  
39 provisions in chapter 28B.10 RCW.



1 (20) \$20,473,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of equity  
3 and access provisions in chapter 28B.50 RCW.

4 (21) \$3,200,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for costs associated with  
6 grants awarded in fiscal year 2023 for nursing programs to purchase  
7 or upgrade simulation laboratory equipment.

8 (22) \$4,668,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
9 state appropriation is provided solely to support cybersecurity  
10 academic enrollments of 250 FTE students.

11 (23) \$408,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for a center for excellence in  
13 cybersecurity.

14 (24) \$1,648,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,648,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for legal  
17 services related to litigation by employees within the community and  
18 technical college system challenging the denial of retirement and  
19 sick leave benefits. The cases include *Wolf v. State and SBCTC*, *Rush*  
20 *v. State and SBCTC* (retirement), and *Rush v. State and SBCTC* (sick  
21 leave).

22 (25) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
25 opportunity grant program to provide health care workforce grants for  
26 students.

27 (26) \$7,456,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
28 state appropriation is provided solely for programming to accommodate  
29 refugees and immigrants who have arrived in Washington state on or  
30 after July 1, 2021, including those from Afghanistan and Ukraine.

31 (27) \$2,160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2026, \$2,160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
33 for fiscal year 2027, and \$4,800,000 of the workforce education  
34 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
35 nursing education.

36 (28) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely for the Bellingham Technical College  
38 maritime apprenticeship program.

1 (29) \$2,200,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for the Skagit Valley College  
3 dental therapy education program.

4 (30)(a) \$854,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for the Seattle Central  
6 College for partnership with the Seattle maritime academy. Seattle  
7 Central College must enter into a memorandum of agreement with  
8 Washington state ferries. Funding may not be expended until Seattle  
9 Central College certifies to the office of financial management that  
10 a memorandum of agreement with Washington state ferries has been  
11 executed. The memorandum of agreement must address:

12 (i) The shared use of training and other facilities and  
13 implementation of joint training opportunities where practicable;

14 (ii) Development of a joint recruitment plan aimed at increasing  
15 enrollment of women and people of color, with specific strategies to  
16 recruit existing community and technical college students, maritime  
17 skills center students, high school students from maritime programs,  
18 foster care graduates, and former juvenile rehabilitation and adult  
19 incarcerated individuals; and

20 (iii) Development of a training program and recruitment plan and  
21 a five-year operational plan.

22 (b) The joint training program and recruitment plan and the five-  
23 year operational plan must be submitted to the appropriate policy and  
24 fiscal committees of the legislature by December 1, 2025.

25 (31) \$331,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026, \$331,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027, and \$110,000 of the workforce education investment  
28 account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
29 state registered apprenticeship provisions in chapter 28B.124 RCW.

30 (32) \$4,276,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
31 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
32 421, Laws of 2023 (postsecondary student needs).

33 (33) \$7,436,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
34 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
35 339, Laws of 2023 (student homelessness pilot).

36 (34) \$7,278,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
37 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
38 314, Laws of 2023 (college in high school fees).

1 (35) \$1,024,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
3 126, Laws of 2023 (nurse supply).

4 (36) \$1,602,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for community college staff to  
6 recruit, advise, and support early achievers scholars completing  
7 their early childhood qualifications. The state board shall  
8 prioritize colleges with longer wait lists for early achievers  
9 scholars. The state board for community and technical colleges shall  
10 collaborate with the department of children, youth, and families to  
11 submit a report, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by September 30, 2025, to  
12 the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature on early  
13 achievers grant participation data, including data on enrollment and  
14 waitlists for the grant program.

15 (37) \$408,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for Olympic College health care  
17 pathways.

18 (38) \$2,280,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
19 state appropriation is provided solely for the bachelor of science  
20 computer science programs.

21 **(39) \$408,000 of the workforce education investment account—state**  
22 **appropriation is provided solely for the continuation of a**  
23 **hospitality center of excellence hosted at Columbia basin college.**

24 (40) \$150,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for Edmonds College to provide  
26 support to students who are military veterans, focusing on counseling  
27 services, financial assistance, and reentry services.

28 (41) \$616,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
30 Substitute House Bill No. 1273 (dual credit program access). If the  
31 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this  
32 subsection shall lapse.

33 (42) \$7,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill  
35 No. 5189 (competency-based education). If the bill is not enacted by  
36 June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

37 (43) \$1,190,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
38 state appropriation is provided solely to expand the student aid

1 outreach and completion initiative pilot program in RCW 28B.50.940.  
2 Within the amounts provided in this subsection (43):

3 (a) \$850,000 of the amounts in this subsection (43) are provided  
4 to participating community and technical colleges located within  
5 capital region educational service district 113.

6 (b) \$340,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection (43) are  
7 provided to participating community and technical colleges located  
8 within north central educational service district 171.

***\*Sec. 605 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

9 **\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 606. FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**

10 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$442,276,000

11 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$41,821,000

12 Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation

13 (FY 2026). . . . . \$377,000

14 Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation

15 (FY 2027). . . . . \$390,000

16 Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State

17 Appropriation. . . . . \$1,671,000

18 Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$2,526,000

19 Natural Climate Solutions Account—State

20 Appropriation. . . . . \$840,000

21 University of Washington Building Account—State

22 Appropriation. . . . . \$1,546,000

23 Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . \$40,637,000

24 Economic Development Strategic Reserve Account—State

25 Appropriation. . . . . \$3,149,000

26 Biotoxin Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$635,000

27 Accident Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$9,015,000

28 Medical Aid Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$8,378,000

29 Workforce Education Investment Account—State

30 Appropriation. . . . . \$544,868,000

31 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$1,098,129,000

32 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
33 conditions and limitations:

34 (1) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2026 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for one head archivist for the  
37 labor archives of Washington and reserved solely for labor archives

1 activities, staffing, supplies, and equipment. The head archivist  
2 will determine budget priorities and oversee expenditures on the  
3 budget. Budget funds will be reserved solely for the labor archives  
4 and shall not be used to supplant or supplement other activities of  
5 the University of Washington libraries unrelated to the collections  
6 and activities of the labor archives. The university and the head  
7 archivist shall work in collaboration with the friends of the labor  
8 archives community advisory board.

9 (2) \$10,000,000 of the education legacy trust account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for the family medicine residency  
11 network at the university to maintain and expand the number of  
12 residency slots available in Washington.

13 (3) The university must continue work with the education research  
14 and data center to demonstrate progress in computer science and  
15 engineering enrollments. By September 1st of each year, the  
16 university shall provide a report including but not limited to the  
17 cost per student, student completion rates, and the number of low-  
18 income students enrolled in each program, any process changes or  
19 best-practices implemented by the university, and how many students  
20 are enrolled in computer science and engineering programs above the  
21 prior academic year.

22 (4) \$14,000,000 of the education legacy trust account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for the expansion of degrees in the  
24 department of computer science and engineering at the Seattle campus.

25 (5) \$3,062,000 of the economic development strategic reserve  
26 account—state appropriation is provided solely to support the joint  
27 center for aerospace innovation technology.

28 (6) \$7,345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 and \$7,345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the continued operations and  
31 expansion of the Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, Idaho medical  
32 school program.

33 (7) \$2,625,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026 and \$2,625,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the institute for stem cell  
36 and regenerative medicine. Funds appropriated in this subsection must  
37 be dedicated to research utilizing pluripotent stem cells and related  
38 research methods.

1       (8) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided to support youth and young adults  
4 experiencing homelessness in the university district of Seattle.  
5 Funding is provided for the university to work with community service  
6 providers and university colleges and departments to plan for and  
7 implement a comprehensive one-stop center with navigation services  
8 for homeless youth; the university may contract with the department  
9 of commerce to expand services that serve homeless youth in the  
10 university district.

11       (9) \$1,800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026, \$1,800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2027, and \$1,200,000 of the workforce education  
14 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for the  
15 adult psychiatry residency program at the University of Washington to  
16 offer additional residency positions that are approved by the  
17 accreditation council for graduate medical education.

18       (10) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the  
21 psychiatry integrated care training program.

22       (11) \$640,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2026, \$640,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2027, and \$426,000 of the workforce education investment  
25 account—state appropriation are provided solely for child and  
26 adolescent psychiatry residency positions that are approved by the  
27 accreditation council for graduate medical education, as provided in  
28 RCW 28B.20.445.

29       (12) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the School  
32 of Dentistry to support its role as a major oral health provider to  
33 individuals covered by medicaid and the uninsured.

34       (13) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2026 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the pre-law pipeline and  
37 social justice program at the University of Washington-Tacoma.

38       (14) \$226,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2026 and \$226,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the university's neurology  
2 department to implement a telemedicine program to disseminate  
3 dementia care best practices to primary care practitioners using the  
4 project ECHO model. The program shall provide a virtual connection  
5 for providers and content experts and include didactics, case  
6 conferences, and an emphasis on practice transformation and systems-  
7 level issues that affect care delivery. The initial users of this  
8 program shall include referral sources in health care systems and  
9 clinics, such as the university's neighborhood clinics and Virginia  
10 Mason Memorial in Yakima with a goal of adding 15 to 20 providers  
11 from smaller clinics and practices per year.

12 (15) \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2026 and \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the university's center for  
15 international trade in forest products.

16 (16) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2026, \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2027, and \$300,000 of the workforce education investment  
19 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the Latino center  
20 for health.

21 (17) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a firearm policy research  
24 program. The program will:

25 (a) Support investigations of firearm death and injury risk  
26 factors;

27 (b) Evaluate the effectiveness of state firearm laws and  
28 policies;

29 (c) Assess the consequences of firearm violence; and

30 (d) Develop strategies to reduce the toll of firearm violence to  
31 citizens of the state.

32 (18) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2026 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the climate impacts group in  
35 the college of the environment.

36 (19) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the college of education to  
39 collaborate with teacher preparation programs and the office of the

1 superintendent of public instruction to develop open access climate  
2 science educational curriculum for use in teacher preparation  
3 programs.

4 (20) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2026, \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2027, and \$300,000 of the workforce education investment  
7 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the Harry Bridges  
8 center for labor studies. The center shall work in collaboration with  
9 the state board for community and technical colleges.

10 (21) \$2,700,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
11 state appropriation is provided solely to maintain degree capacity  
12 and undergraduate enrollments in engineering, mathematics, and  
13 science programs to support the biomedical innovation partnership  
14 zone at the Bothell campus.

15 (22) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2026, \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2027, and \$700,000 of the workforce education investment  
18 account—state appropriation are provided solely for Washington  
19 mathematics, engineering, science achievement programs to provide  
20 enrichment opportunities in mathematics, engineering, science, and  
21 technology to students who are traditionally underrepresented in  
22 these programs. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$500,000  
23 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is  
24 for Washington State University to implement expansion of MESA  
25 activities at the Everett campus to facilitate increased attendance  
26 and degree completion by students who are underrepresented in  
27 science, technology, engineering, and mathematics degrees.

28 (23) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 and \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a community care coordinator  
31 for transitional-age youth for the doorway project in partnership  
32 with the Seattle campus.

33 (24) \$16,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
34 state appropriation is provided solely for the expansion of the Paul  
35 G. Allen school of computer science and engineering in order to award  
36 an additional 200 degrees per year focusing on traditionally  
37 underrepresented students. A report on the program graduation rates,  
38 waitlist for entry into the program, time to degree completion, and  
39 degrees awarded must be submitted to the appropriate committees of



1 the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by June 30, 2026, and  
2 June 30, 2027.

3 (25) To ensure transparency and accountability, in the 2025-2027  
4 fiscal biennium the University of Washington shall comply with any  
5 and all financial and accountability audits by the Washington state  
6 auditor including any and all audits of university services offered  
7 to the general public, including those offered through any public-  
8 private partnership, business venture, affiliation, or joint venture  
9 with a public or private entity, except the government of the United  
10 States. The university shall comply with all state auditor requests  
11 for the university's financial and business information including the  
12 university's governance and financial participation in these public-  
13 private partnerships, business ventures, affiliations, or joint  
14 ventures with a public or private entity. In any instance in which  
15 the university declines to produce the information to the state  
16 auditor, the university will provide the state auditor a brief  
17 summary of the documents withheld and a citation of the legal or  
18 contractual provision that prevents disclosure. The summaries must be  
19 compiled into a report by the state auditor and provided on a  
20 quarterly basis to the legislature.

21 (26) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026, \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027, and \$160,000 of the workforce education investment  
24 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the Burke museum  
25 of natural history and culture to make education programs offered by  
26 the museum accessible to more students across Washington, especially  
27 students in underserved schools and locations. The funding shall be  
28 used for:

29 (a) Increasing the number of students who participate in Burke  
30 education programs at reduced or no cost, including virtual programs;

31 (b) Providing bus reimbursement for students visiting the museum  
32 on field trips and to support travel to bring museum programs across  
33 the state;

34 (c) Staff who will form partnerships with school districts to  
35 serve statewide communities more efficiently and equitably, including  
36 through the Burkemobile program; and

37 (d) Support of tribal consultation work, including expanding  
38 Native programming, and digitization of Native collections.

1 (27) \$410,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$410,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the university's center for  
4 human rights. The appropriation must be used to supplement, not  
5 supplant, other funding sources for the center for human rights.

6 (28) \$143,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2026 and \$143,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to the University of Washington  
9 for the establishment and operation of the state forensic  
10 anthropologist. The university shall work in conjunction with and  
11 provide the full funding directly to the King county medical  
12 examiner's office to support the statewide work of the state forensic  
13 anthropologist.

14 (29) \$64,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$64,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
17 counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW who has experience and  
18 training specifically related to working with active members of the  
19 military or military veterans.

20 (30) \$443,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026 and \$443,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the operation of the center  
23 for environmental forensic science.

24 (31) \$2,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for staffing and operational  
26 expenditures related to the battery fabrication testbed.

27 (32) \$505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026 and \$505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for pharmacy behavioral health.  
30 The University of Washington school of pharmacy/medicine pharmacy  
31 services shall retain two residency training positions and one  
32 behavioral health faculty to implement a residency program focused on  
33 behavioral health.

34 (33) \$1,242,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2026, \$1,242,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
36 for fiscal year 2027, and \$742,000 of the workforce education  
37 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for an  
38 increase in the number of nursing slots and graduates in the already  
39 established accelerated bachelor of science in nursing program. Of

1 the amounts provided in this subsection, \$273,000 of the general fund  
2 —state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$273,000 of the general  
3 fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for  
4 the Tacoma school of nursing and healthcare leadership.

5 (34) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the memory and brain  
8 wellness center to support the statewide expansion of the dementia  
9 friends program.

10 (35) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2026 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to maintain a data repository to  
13 assist the state and all political subdivisions with evaluating  
14 whether and to what extent existing laws and practices with respect  
15 to voting and elections are consistent with public policy,  
16 implementing best practices in voting and elections, and to  
17 investigate potential infringements upon the right to vote.

18 (a) The operation of the database shall be the responsibility of  
19 the director of the database, who shall be employed by the University  
20 of Washington with training and experience in demography, statistical  
21 analysis, and electoral systems. The director shall appoint necessary  
22 staff to implement and maintain the database.

23 (b) The database shall maintain in electronic format at least the  
24 following data and records, where available, for at least the  
25 previous 12-year period:

26 (i) Estimates of the total population, voting age population, and  
27 citizen voting age population by race, ethnicity, and language-  
28 minority groups, broken down to the election district and precinct  
29 level on a year-by-year basis for every political subdivision in the  
30 state, based on data from the United States census bureau, American  
31 community survey, or data of comparable quality collected by a public  
32 office;

33 (ii) Election results at the precinct level for every statewide  
34 election and every election in every political subdivision;

35 (iii) Regularly updated voter registration lists, voter history  
36 files, voting center locations, ballot drop box locations, and  
37 student engagement hub locations for every election in every  
38 political subdivision;

1 (iv) Contemporaneous maps, descriptions of boundaries, and  
2 shapefiles for election districts and precincts;

3 (v) The following records for every election in every political  
4 subdivision:

5 (A) Records of all voters issued a ballot and all voters who  
6 returned a ballot; and

7 (B) Records of all ballots with missing and mismatched  
8 signatures, including the date on which the voter was contacted or  
9 the notice was mailed, as well as the date on which the voter  
10 submitted updated information;

11 (vi) Apportionment plans for every election in every political  
12 subdivision; and

13 (vii) Any other data that the director deems advisable.

14 (c) Upon the certification of election results and the completion  
15 of the voter history file after each general election, the secretary  
16 of state shall transmit copies of the following to the director of  
17 the database:

18 (i) Election results at the precinct level, including information  
19 about rejected and cured ballots;

20 (ii) Voter history files;

21 (iii) Shapefiles for election districts; and

22 (iv) Lists of voting centers, ballot drop boxes, and student  
23 engagement hubs.

24 (d) The director and staff shall update election data in the  
25 database as soon as it is available from the office of the secretary  
26 of state, following certification of each election as required by RCW  
27 29A.60.190 or 29A.60.250.

28 (e) Except for any data, information, or estimates that identify  
29 individual voters, the data, information, and estimates maintained by  
30 the database shall be posted online and made available to the public  
31 at no cost.

32 (f) The database shall prepare any estimates made pursuant to  
33 this section by applying scientifically rigorous and validated  
34 methodologies.

35 (g) The database shall publish on its website and transmit to the  
36 state for dissemination to county auditors and the secretary of state  
37 a list of political subdivisions required, pursuant to section 203 of  
38 the federal voting rights act, 52 U.S.C. Sec. 10503, to provide  
39 assistance to members of language-minority groups and each language  
40 in which those political subdivisions are required to provide

1 assistance. Each county auditor shall transmit the list described in  
2 this subsection to all political subdivisions within their  
3 jurisdiction.

4 (h) The database will complete regular analysis of ballot  
5 rejections and cures, identifying population subgroups with higher  
6 than average ballot rejection rates. An annual report of ballot  
7 rejections will be posted online and made available to the public at  
8 no cost. Database staff may work with the secretary of state and  
9 county auditors to examine new practices and solutions for reducing  
10 ballot rejections and increasing ballot cure rates.

11 (i) Staff at the database may provide nonpartisan technical  
12 assistance to political subdivisions, scholars, and the general  
13 public seeking to use the resources of the database.

14 (36) \$122,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$122,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for sexual assault nurse  
17 examiner training.

18 (37) \$5,010,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
19 state appropriation is provided solely for the expansion of the  
20 University of Washington school of dentistry regional initiatives in  
21 dental education (RIDE) program.

22 (38) Within existing resources, the institution must resume a  
23 mentoring, organization, and social support for autism inclusion on  
24 campus program. The program must focus on academic coaching, peer-  
25 mentoring, support for social interactions, and career preparation.

26 (39) \$1,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
27 state appropriation is provided solely for the center for indigenous  
28 health to increase the number of American Indian and Alaska Native  
29 physicians practicing in the state of Washington.

30 (40) \$4,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
31 state appropriation is provided solely for increasing enrollments in  
32 computing and engineering programs at the Tacoma campus.

33 (41) \$520,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for the biological response to ocean  
35 acidification to advance high-priority biological experiments to  
36 better understand the relationship between marine organisms and ocean  
37 acidification.

1 (42) \$300,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for monitoring assistance at the  
3 Washington ocean acidification center.

4 (43) \$104,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2026 and \$104,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the continued implementation  
7 of chapter 191, Laws of 2022 (veterans & military suicide).

8 (44) \$800,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for the development and  
10 implementation of a program to support pathways from prison to the  
11 university's Tacoma campus. The university shall collaborate with  
12 formerly incarcerated women, Tacoma Community College, the freedom  
13 education project Puget Sound, the women's village, the state board  
14 for community and technical colleges, and the department of  
15 corrections, in development and implementation of the pathways  
16 program.

17 (45) \$910,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for the Allen school scholars  
19 program.

20 (46) \$158,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2026, \$158,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2027, and \$798,000 of the workforce education investment  
23 account—state appropriation are provided solely for continued  
24 implementation of diversity, equity, inclusion, and antiracism  
25 professional development for faculty and staff, student training, and  
26 campus climate assessments in chapter 28B.10 RCW.

27 (47) The institution must report to and coordinate with the  
28 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
29 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
30 173-446B WAC.

31 (48) \$586,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 421,  
33 Laws of 2023 (postsecondary student needs).

34 (49) \$2,862,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
35 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
36 314, Laws of 2023 (college in high school fees).

37 (50) \$730,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 364,  
39 Laws of 2023 (psilocybin).

1 (51) \$288,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 232,  
3 Laws of 2023 (alternative jet fuel).

4 (52) \$526,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for two grant writers to support the  
6 ongoing need for tribal and overburdened communities to access state  
7 and federal funding opportunities that advance environmental justice  
8 through the thriving communities technical assistance program.

9 (53) \$15,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
10 state appropriation is provided solely for the center for behavioral  
11 health learning.

12 (54) \$3,500,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
13 state appropriation is provided solely to the institution to address  
14 challenges and capacity with discharging patients from acute care  
15 settings into post-acute care community settings at Harborview  
16 medical center and the University of Washington medical center. Of  
17 the amount in this subsection, \$600,000 shall be used to continue the  
18 complex discharge task force in order to conclude the work of the  
19 task force and the complex discharge pilot program based on  
20 Harborview's bed readiness program.

21 (55) \$1,500,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
22 state appropriation is provided to continue behavioral health  
23 education and training opportunities at the behavioral health  
24 institute.

25 (56) \$615,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$615,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for legal services related to  
28 the behavioral health teaching facility.

29 (57) \$412,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2026, \$412,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2027, and \$72,000 of the workforce education investment  
32 account—state appropriation are provided solely to develop and  
33 implement the Washington reproductive access alliance. The alliance  
34 shall provide a service coordination website and phone line,  
35 administrative support and coordination of the alliance, patient care  
36 coordination, and social support for patient travel.

37 (58) \$650,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for continued implementation of  
39 chapter 453, Laws of 2023 (E2SSB 5440).

1 (59) \$214,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$214,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the implementation of  
4 chapter 366, Laws of 2024 (substance use treatment).

5 (60) \$300,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely to continue establishing Washpop, a  
7 statewide integrated data repository for population and policy  
8 research on topics including criminal justice and safety, economic  
9 prosperity and equity, and health and social well-being.

10 (61) \$24,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
12 Senate Bill No. 5528 (transportation electrification). If the bill is  
13 not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection  
14 shall lapse.

15 (62) \$10,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for the University of Washington to  
17 conduct a prospective, randomized cohort study between July 1, 2025,  
18 and June 30, 2027, to determine the extent to which ibogaine-assisted  
19 therapy conducted through a licensed clinic in North America followed  
20 by structured therapeutic support presents advantages over treatment  
21 as usual for adults diagnosed with opioid use disorder compared to  
22 the current standard United States interventions of medication-  
23 assisted treatment and psychotherapy. The study must measure outcomes  
24 including, but not limited to, treatment engagement, reduction in  
25 opioid use, mortality, functional status, craving, motivation to  
26 change, and self-efficacy, using toxicology, standard scales, and  
27 other credible research techniques. The university may obtain and  
28 utilize private philanthropic funding to assist with the study  
29 required by this subsection.

30 (63) \$100,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to the University of  
32 Washington Friday Harbor labs for an ongoing project that focuses on  
33 restoration of a critically endangered species of starfish that could  
34 help stabilize foundational Washington state marine ecosystems  
35 including kelp forests and eelgrass.

36 **(64) \$63,000 of the workforce education investment account—state**  
37 **appropriation is provided solely to support the housing mini-academy.**

38 (65) \$300,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
39 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute



House Bill No. 1811 (crisis co-response). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

***\*Sec. 606 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 607. FOR WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY**

|                                                    |               |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)         | \$280,947,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)         | \$282,113,000 |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation     |               |
| (FY 2026)                                          | \$203,000     |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation     |               |
| (FY 2027)                                          | \$210,000     |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation     | \$7,722,000   |
| Washington State University Building Account—State |               |
| Appropriation                                      | \$792,000     |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$33,995,000  |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State       |               |
| Appropriation                                      | \$2,076,000   |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State       |               |
| Appropriation                                      | \$77,057,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                | \$685,115,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The university must continue work with the education research and data center to demonstrate progress in computer science and engineering enrollments. By September 1st of each year, the university shall provide a report including but not limited to the cost per student, student completion rates, and the number of low-income students enrolled in each program, any process changes or best-practices implemented by the university, and how many students are enrolled in computer science and engineering programs above the prior academic year.

(2) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for state match requirements related to the federal aviation administration grant.

(3) \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a honey bee biology research position.

1       (4) \$580,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$580,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for an organic agriculture  
4 systems degree program located at the university center in Everett.

5       (5) \$630,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2026 and \$630,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the continuation of an  
8 electrical engineering program located in Bremerton. At full  
9 implementation, the university is expected to increase degree  
10 production by 25 new bachelor's degrees per year. The university must  
11 identify these students separately when providing data to the  
12 education research data center as required in subsection (1) of this  
13 section.

14       (6) \$1,370,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$1,370,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the operation of software  
17 engineering and data analytic programs at the university center in  
18 Everett. At full implementation, the university is expected to enroll  
19 50 students per academic year. The university must identify these  
20 students separately when providing data to the education research  
21 data center as required in subsection (1) of this section.

22       (7) General fund—state appropriations in this section are reduced  
23 to reflect a reduction in state-supported tuition waivers for  
24 graduate students. When reducing tuition waivers, the university will  
25 not change its practices and procedures for providing eligible  
26 veterans with tuition waivers.

27       (8) \$1,154,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2026 and \$1,154,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for RCW 82.16.120 and 82.16.165  
30 (renewable energy, tax incentives).

31       (9) \$376,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2026 and \$376,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for RCW 28B.30.357 (children's  
34 mental health).

35       (10) \$585,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$585,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for RCW 77.12.272 (elk hoof  
38 disease).

1       (11) \$2,076,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for the university's soil  
3 health initiative and its network of long-term agroecological  
4 research and extension (LTARE) sites. The network must include a  
5 Mount Vernon REC site.

6       (12) \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2026 and \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
9 counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW who has experience and  
10 training specifically related to working with active members of the  
11 military or military veterans.

12       (13) \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2026 and \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for compensation funding for  
15 Western Washington University employees that work on the Washington  
16 State University Everett campus.

17       (14) \$327,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2026 and \$327,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for pharmacy behavioral health.  
20 Washington State University college of pharmacy and pharmaceutical  
21 sciences shall retain two residency training positions and one  
22 behavioral health faculty to implement a residency program focused on  
23 behavioral health.

24       (15) \$608,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2026 and \$608,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2027 is provided solely for the Washington state academy  
27 of sciences to provide support for core operations and to accomplish  
28 its mission of providing science in the service of Washington,  
29 pursuant to its memorandum of understanding with the university.

30       (16) \$188,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2026 is provided solely for stormwater research to study the  
32 long-term efficacy of green stormwater infrastructure that  
33 incorporates compost to remove pollutants.

34       (17) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the joint center for  
37 deployment and research in earth abundant materials.

1       (18) \$7,722,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for the institute for northwest  
3 energy futures.

4       (19) \$568,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2026 and \$568,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
7 212, Laws of 2022 (community solar projects).

8       (20) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2026 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for base funding for the William  
11 D. Ruckleshaus Center.

12       (21) The institution must report to and coordinate with the  
13 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
14 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
15 173-446B WAC.

16       (22) \$3,910,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
17 state appropriation is provided solely for increasing nursing  
18 salaries at the institution.

19       (23) \$4,112,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
20 state appropriation is provided solely for a bachelor's degree in  
21 cybersecurity operations.

22       (24) \$3,470,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
23 state appropriation is provided solely for a bachelor of science in  
24 public health degree at the Pullman, Spokane, and Vancouver campuses.

25       (25) \$2,014,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
26 state appropriation is provided solely for a bachelor's and master's  
27 degree in social work at the Tri-Cities campus.

28       (26) \$1,529,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
29 state appropriation is provided solely for the development and  
30 operations of a journalism fellowship program focused on civic  
31 affairs.

32       (27) \$496,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 421,  
34 Laws of 2023 (postsecondary student needs).

35       (28) \$190,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2026 and \$190,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for continued funding of the  
38 statewide broadband coordinator within the Washington State

University extension program. This funding will support the salary and benefits of this position.

(29) \$706,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the complex social interactions lab.

(30)(a) \$2,200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the native American scholarship to continue for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium. Of the amounts in this subsection, no more than \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation may be spent on administration, support services for students, outreach regarding the program, and technical support for application.

(b) "Eligible student" means a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe located within Washington who files a free application for federal student aid (FAFSA) and enrolls in an undergraduate degree program. Eligible students need to maintain satisfactory academic progress during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium to remain eligible for the scholarship. The institution shall determine award priorities based on tribal consultation. Awards must be distributed to students no later than May of each fiscal year.

(c) The institution must submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by June 30, 2027. The report must include: The number of eligible students; the number of students who receive a scholarship; how recipients were determined; and how many members of federally recognized Indian tribes in Washington received scholarships versus members of federally recognized Indian tribes from other states.

(31) \$180,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed House Bill No. 1705 (large animal veterinarians). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 608. FOR EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

|                                                            |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)                 | \$66,544,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)                 | \$66,663,000 |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation         | \$16,838,000 |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State Appropriation | \$32,328,000 |

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$182,373,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) At least \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and at least \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 must be expended on the Northwest autism center.

(2) The university must continue work with the education research and data center to demonstrate progress in computer science and engineering enrollments. By September 1st of each year, the university shall provide a report including but not limited to the cost per student, student completion rates, and the number of low-income students enrolled in each program, any process changes or best-practices implemented by the university, and how many students are enrolled in computer science and engineering programs above the prior academic year.

(3) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the university is encouraged to increase the number of tenure-track positions created and hired.

(4) \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for one full-time mental health counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW who has experience and training specifically related to working with active members of the military or military veterans.

(5) \$300,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for a center for inclusive excellence for faculty and staff.

(6) \$268,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for a professional masters of science cyber operations degree option.

(7) \$2,144,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the operation of a bachelor of science in cybersecurity degree option through the computer science program.

(8) \$4,598,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely to maintain a cohort of 80 students in the bachelor of nursing program.

(9) \$2,108,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the operation of a coordinated care network that will help to maximize the collaboration of various student support services to create wraparound care for students to address obstacles to degree completion. The amount provided in this subsection must be used to supplement, not supplant, other funding sources for the program.

(10) \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a summer bridge program.

(11) \$1,040,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the establishment and operating support of a university mathematics, engineering, and science achievement program.

(12) \$158,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 421, Laws of 2023 (postsecondary student needs).

(13) \$5,142,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 314, Laws of 2023 (college in high school fees).

(14) \$10,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5528 (transportation electrification). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 609. FOR CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

|                                                           |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . .      | \$70,400,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . .      | \$70,597,000  |
| Accident Account—State Appropriation. . . . .             | \$692,000     |
| Central Washington University Capital Projects            |               |
| Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                      | \$76,000      |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . | \$19,076,000  |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State              |               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$25,115,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | \$185,956,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

1       (1) The university must continue work with the education research  
2 and data center to demonstrate progress in engineering enrollments.  
3 By September 1st of each year, the university shall provide a report  
4 including but not limited to the cost per student, student completion  
5 rates, and the number of low-income students enrolled in each  
6 program, any process changes or best-practices implemented by the  
7 university, and how many students are enrolled in engineering  
8 programs above the prior academic year.

9       (2) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the university  
10 is encouraged to increase the number of tenure-track positions  
11 created and hired.

12       (3) \$240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2026 and \$240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for two counselor positions to  
15 increase access to mental health counseling for traditionally  
16 underrepresented students.

17       (4) \$52,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2026 and \$52,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
20 outreach and service coordination position who has knowledge of  
21 issues relevant to veterans.

22       (5) \$240,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for expanding cybersecurity capacity  
24 by adding additional faculty resources in the department of computer  
25 science.

26       (6) \$586,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
27 appropriation is provided solely for a peer mentoring program. The  
28 amount provided in this subsection must be used to supplement, not  
29 supplant, other funding sources for the program.

30       (7) \$286,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for the operation of an extended  
32 orientation program to help promote retention of underserved  
33 students. The amount provided in this subsection must be used to  
34 supplement, not supplant, other funding sources for the program.

35       (8) \$1,396,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
36 state appropriation is provided solely for student success. Students  
37 will receive discipline specific tutoring programs, peer assisted  
38 learning sessions, and academic success coaching.



(9) \$1,418,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for grow your own teacher residency programs in high need areas of elementary, bilingual, special education, and English language learners.

(10) \$1,074,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for dual language expansion programs in Yakima and Des Moines.

(11) \$168,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 421, Laws of 2023 (postsecondary student needs).

(12) \$7,938,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 314, Laws of 2023 (college in high school fees).

(13) \$766,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for student basic needs. This funding will support two financial aid coaching specialists, support a coordinator for the food pantry, support a director and advocate to assist students who have experienced sexual violence, and help with prevention initiatives.

(14) \$422,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for civil rights and risk mitigation staffing.

(15) \$692,000 of the accident account—state appropriation is provided solely to increase enrollment in the occupational safety and health programs.

(16) \$32,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5528 (transportation electrification). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**\*NEW SECTION. Sec. 610. FOR THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE**

|                                                    |              |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)         | \$37,883,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)         | \$34,053,000 |
| The Evergreen State College Capital Projects       |              |
| Account—State Appropriation                        | \$80,000     |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$5,450,000  |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State       |              |
| Appropriation                                      | \$14,789,000 |

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$92,255,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Funding provided in this section is sufficient for The Evergreen State College to continue operations of the Longhouse Center and the Northwest Indian applied research institute.

(2) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the college is encouraged to increase the number of tenure-track positions created and hired.

(3) \$2,090,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026, \$2,035,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027, and \$793,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for the Washington state institute for public policy to initiate, sponsor, conduct, and publish research that is directly useful to policymakers and manage reviews and evaluations of technical and scientific topics as they relate to major long-term issues facing the state. Within the amounts provided in this subsection (3):

(a) \$1,685,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,685,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2027 are provided for administration and core operations.

(b) \$546,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2026 and \$449,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for ongoing and continuing studies on the Washington state institute for public policy's work plan.

(c) \$82,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2026 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1606 (journal access/state employ). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(d) \$80,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2026 are provided solely for a review of the funding mechanisms and policies adopted by other states to support the implementation of small modular reactors. The review shall be submitted to the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by December 31, 2025.

(e) \$146,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2026 and \$44,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the Washington state institute for public policy to conduct a study of the amount of savings to the state of Washington of allowing legally responsible individuals to become paid parental caregivers for their

1 developmentally disabled children. The office of the state actuary,  
2 department of social and health services, health care authority, and  
3 department of children, youth, and families must cooperate with the  
4 institute to facilitate access to data or other resources necessary  
5 to complete this work. The institute shall provide an initial report  
6 to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31,  
7 2025, and a final report by November 15, 2026. To the extent  
8 possible, the study shall:

9 (i) Quantify cost savings from reductions of entitlement program  
10 usage by parental caregivers;

11 (ii) Quantify cost savings from reduced hospital, foster care,  
12 and residential facility usage by developmentally disabled children  
13 due to having a parental caregiver; and

14 (iii) Summarize any additional cost savings likely to occur due  
15 to allowing paid parental caregivers.

16 **(f) \$144,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2026 and \$57,000 of**  
17 **the amounts in fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for**  
18 **implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1108**  
19 **(housing cost task force). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,**  
20 **2025, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.**

21 (g) Notwithstanding other provisions in this subsection, the  
22 board of directors for the Washington state institute for public  
23 policy may adjust due dates for projects included on the institute's  
24 2025-27 work plan as necessary to efficiently manage workload.

25 (4) \$213,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$213,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for additional faculty to  
28 support Native American and indigenous programs.

29 (5) \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2026 and \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to the native pathways program  
32 for an assistant director.

33 (6) \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2026 and \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a tribal liaison position.

36 (7) \$39,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2026 and \$39,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
39 counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW who has experience and

1 training specifically related to working with active members of the  
2 military or military veterans.

3 (8) \$137,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$137,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for student mental health and  
6 wellness. The amount provided in this subsection must be used to  
7 supplement, not supplant, other funding sources for the program.

8 (9) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2026 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to develop and expand current  
11 corrections education programs offered in department of corrections  
12 facilities. The college shall appoint a project implementation team,  
13 collaborate with stakeholders to plan student success programs and  
14 curriculum which lead to transferable credit, associate and  
15 bachelor's degrees, and other workforce credentials, and train  
16 faculty and staff on working with incarcerated populations.

17 (10) \$988,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for student enrollment and retention  
19 support. Funding is provided for hiring a student advisor and  
20 underserved student specialist to provide student support and  
21 administrative support for the native pathways program.

22 (11) \$142,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 421,  
24 Laws of 2023 (postsecondary student needs).

25 (12) \$1,347,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
26 state appropriation is provided solely for the Shelton promise pilot  
27 program.

28 (13) \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2026 and \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
31 272, Laws of 2024 (incarcerated student grants).

32 (14) \$50,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for captioning, sign language  
34 interpreters, and other accessibility tools and services.

***\*Sec. 610 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.***

35 **NEW SECTION. Sec. 611. FOR WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

36 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$100,730,000  
37 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$101,249,000

Western Washington University Capital Projects

|                                                           |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                      | \$1,790,000   |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . | \$13,837,000  |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State              |               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$36,713,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | \$254,319,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The university must continue work with the education research and data center to demonstrate progress in computer science and engineering enrollments. By September 1st of each year, the university shall provide a report including but not limited to the cost per student, student completion rates, and the number of low-income students enrolled in each program, any process changes or best-practices implemented by the university, and how many students are enrolled in computer science and engineering programs above the prior academic year.

(2) \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the creation and implementation of an early childhood education degree program at the western on the peninsulas campus. The university must collaborate with Olympic college. At full implementation, the university is expected to grant approximately 75 bachelor's degrees in early childhood education per year at the western on the peninsulas campus.

(3) \$1,306,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,306,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the university to develop a new program in marine, coastal, and watershed sciences.

(4) \$886,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$886,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the university to reduce tuition rates for four-year degree programs offered in partnership with Olympic college—Bremerton, Olympic college—Poulsbo, and Peninsula college—Port Angeles that are above state-funded resident undergraduate tuition rates.

(5) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to recruit and retain high  
2 quality and diverse graduate students.

3 (6) \$548,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2026 and \$548,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for critical support services to  
6 ensure traditionally underrepresented students receive the same  
7 opportunities for academic success as their peers.

8 (7) \$48,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2026 and \$48,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
11 counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW who has experience and  
12 training specifically related to working with active members of the  
13 military or military veterans.

14 (8) \$530,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2026 and \$530,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the operation of two  
17 bilingual educator programs in the south King county region,  
18 including a bilingual elementary education degree program and a  
19 secondary education degree program. At full implementation, each  
20 cohort shall support up to 25 students per year.

21 (9) \$361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2026 and \$361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a master of science program  
24 in nursing.

25 (10) \$433,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2026 and \$433,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the registered nurse to  
28 bachelors in nursing program.

29 (11) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the university  
30 is encouraged to increase the number of tenure-track positions  
31 created and hired.

32 (12) \$908,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely to establish an academic curriculum  
34 in ethnic studies.

35 (13) \$400,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for upgrading cyber range equipment  
37 and software.

38 (14) \$2,520,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
39 state appropriation is provided solely for student support services

1 that include resources for outreach and financial aid support,  
2 retention initiatives including targeted support for underserved  
3 student populations, mental health support, and initiatives aimed at  
4 addressing learning disruption due to the global pandemic. The amount  
5 provided in this subsection must be used to supplement, not supplant,  
6 other funding sources for student support services.

7 (15) \$3,632,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
8 state appropriation is provided solely for the western on the  
9 peninsulas expansion. This includes new two plus two degrees programs  
10 such as industrial engineering, data science, and sociology.

11 (16) \$1,552,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
12 state appropriation is provided solely for expanded remedial math and  
13 additional English 101 courses, as well as first year seminars, and  
14 disability accommodation counselors.

15 (17) \$100,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for mental health first aid training  
17 for faculty.

18 (18) \$150,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
19 appropriation is provided solely for the small business development  
20 center to increase technical assistance to black, indigenous, and  
21 other people of color small business owners in Whatcom county.

22 (19) \$1,010,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
23 state appropriation is provided to implement a master of social work  
24 program at western on the peninsulas.

25 (20) \$2,412,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
26 state appropriation is provided solely for expansion of bilingual  
27 educators education.

28 (21) \$1,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
29 state appropriation is provided for additional student support and  
30 outreach at western on the peninsulas.

31 (22) \$580,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely to convert the human services  
33 program at western on the peninsulas from self-sustaining to state-  
34 supported to reduce tuition rates for students in the program.

35 (23) \$158,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 421,  
37 Laws of 2023 (postsecondary student needs).

38 (24) \$2,612,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
39 state appropriation is provided solely to administer a teacher

1 residency program focused on special education instruction. Amounts  
2 provided in this subsection are sufficient to support one cohort of  
3 17 residents per school year, and must be prioritized to communities  
4 that are anticipated to be most positively impacted by teacher  
5 residents who fill teacher vacancies upon completing the teacher  
6 residency program and who remain in the communities in which they are  
7 mentored. The teacher residency program must meet the following  
8 requirements:

9 (a) Residents receive compensation equivalent to first year  
10 paraeducators, as defined in RCW 28A.413.010;

11 (b) Each resident is assigned a preservice mentor;

12 (c) Preservice mentors receive a stipend of \$2,500 per year;

13 (d) Residents receive at least 900 hours of preservice clinical  
14 practice over the course of the school year;

15 (e) At least half of the residency hours specified in (d) of this  
16 subsection are in a coteaching setting with the resident's preservice  
17 mentor and the other half of the residency hours are in a coteaching  
18 setting with another teacher;

19 (f) Residents may not be assigned the lead or primary  
20 responsibility for student learning;

21 (g) Coursework taught during the residency is codesigned by the  
22 teacher preparation program and the school district, state-tribal  
23 education compact school, or consortium, tightly integrated with  
24 residents' preservice clinical practice, and focused on developing  
25 culturally responsive teachers; and

26 (h) The program must prepare residents to meet or exceed the  
27 knowledge, skills, performance, and competency standards described in  
28 RCW 28A.410.270(1).

29 (25) \$890,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely to continue the expansion of the  
31 undergraduate electrical and computer engineering program.

32 (26) \$36,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 314,  
34 Laws of 2023 (college in high school fees).

35 (27) \$300,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for planning student studios to  
37 assist cities and counties with planning projects.

38 (28) \$300,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
39 appropriation is provided solely for the university to contract with



a nonprofit organization in Kitsap county that performs no-cost cyber monitoring for small local governments using students at qualified colleges and universities as the cyber analysts to continue providing cyber security curriculum to students at postsecondary institutions, giving them operational experience as cyber analysts by protecting rural communities.

(29) \$55,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department of urban and environmental planning and policy to conduct a series of projects and studies for Point Roberts, Washington.

**NEW SECTION.     Sec. 612.     FOR THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT COUNCIL—  
POLICY COORDINATION AND ADMINISTRATION**

|                                                                        |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . .                    | \$9,565,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . .                    | \$8,807,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                            | \$5,055,000  |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . . | \$7,171,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                           | \$30,598,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$126,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$126,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the consumer protection unit.

(2) The student achievement council must ensure that all institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.92.030 and eligible for state financial aid programs under chapters 28B.92 and 28B.118 RCW provide the data needed to analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of state financial aid programs. This data must be promptly transmitted to the education data center so that it is available and easily accessible.

(3) \$575,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$575,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided to increase the number of high school seniors and college bound scholars that complete the free application for federal student aid and the Washington application for state financial aid through digital engagement tools, expanded training, and increased events for high school students.

1 (4) \$850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026 and \$850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for administrative support  
4 services to carry out duties and responsibilities necessary for  
5 recipients of the Washington college grant who are enrolled in a  
6 state registered apprenticeship program.

7 (5) \$179,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2026 and \$179,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the complete Washington  
10 program.

11 (6) \$46,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2026 and \$46,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the state of Washington's  
14 annual dues to the education commission of the state.

15 (7) \$650,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 421,  
17 Laws of 2023 (postsecondary student needs).

18 (8) \$1,388,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
19 state appropriation is provided solely for distribution to four-year  
20 institutions of higher education participating in the students  
21 experiencing homelessness program without reduction by the Washington  
22 student achievement council, pursuant to chapter 339, Laws of 2023  
23 (student homelessness pilot). Of the amounts included in this  
24 subsection, no more than \$46,000 per fiscal year is for the  
25 administration of the program.

26 (9) \$356,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
27 appropriation is provided solely for the Washington student  
28 achievement council to staff the workforce education investment  
29 accountability and oversight board as provided in chapter 282, Laws  
30 of 2023 (workforce investment board).

31 (10) \$204,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
32 appropriation is provided for students experiencing homelessness  
33 program. This funding will allow for the Northwest Indian College to  
34 be added to the program as provided in House Bill No. 1540  
35 (homelessness/tribal colleges). If the bill is not enacted by June  
36 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

37 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 613. FOR THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT COUNCIL—**  
38 **OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

|    |                                                           |                 |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . .       | \$300,013,000   |
| 2  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . .       | \$299,568,000   |
| 3  | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .               | \$12,342,000    |
| 4  | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .         | \$300,000       |
| 5  | Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . | \$85,488,000    |
| 6  | Washington Opportunity Pathways Account—State             |                 |
| 7  | Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$107,193,000   |
| 8  | Aerospace Training Student Loan Account—State             |                 |
| 9  | Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$222,000       |
| 10 | Workforce Education Investment Account—State              |                 |
| 11 | Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$446,507,000   |
| 12 | Health Professionals Loan Repayment and Scholarship       |                 |
| 13 | Program Account—State Appropriation. . . . .              | \$1,724,000     |
| 14 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | \$1,253,357,000 |

15 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
16 conditions and limitations:

17 (1) \$8,034,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2026 and \$8,035,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for student financial aid  
20 payments under the state work study program, including up to four  
21 percent administrative allowance for the state work study program.

22 (2) \$276,416,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2026, \$276,416,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2027, \$458,742,000 of the workforce  
25 education investment account—state appropriation, \$69,639,000 of the  
26 education legacy trust fund—state appropriation, and \$67,654,000 of  
27 the Washington opportunity pathways account—state appropriation are  
28 provided solely for the Washington college grant program as provided  
29 in RCW 28B.92.200.

30 (3) Changes made to the state work study program in the 2009-2011  
31 and 2011-2013 fiscal biennia are continued in the 2025-2027 fiscal  
32 biennium including maintaining the increased required employer share  
33 of wages; adjusted employer match rates; discontinuation of  
34 nonresident student eligibility for the program; and revising  
35 distribution methods to institutions by taking into consideration  
36 other factors such as off-campus job development, historical  
37 utilization trends, and student need.

1 (4) \$1,165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2026, \$1,165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2027, \$1,000,000 of the workforce education investment  
4 account—state appropriation, \$15,849,000 of the education legacy  
5 trust account—state appropriation, and \$39,720,000 of the Washington  
6 opportunity pathways account—state appropriation are provided solely  
7 for the college bound scholarship program and may support  
8 scholarships for summer session. The office of student financial  
9 assistance and the institutions of higher education shall not  
10 consider awards made by the opportunity scholarship program to be  
11 state-funded for the purpose of determining the value of an award  
12 amount under RCW 28B.118.010.

13 (5) \$6,999,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2026 and \$6,999,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the passport to college  
16 program. The maximum scholarship award is up to \$5,000. The council  
17 shall contract with a nonprofit organization to provide support  
18 services to increase student completion in their postsecondary  
19 program and shall, under this contract, provide a minimum of \$500,000  
20 in fiscal years 2026 and 2027 for this purpose.

21 (6) \$250,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
22 appropriation is provided solely for the national guard grant  
23 program.

24 (7) \$150,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 369,  
26 Laws of 2024 (behav. health scholarship).

27 (8) \$2,250,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
28 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
29 203, Laws of 2024 (Native American apprentices).

30 (9) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 240,  
32 Laws of 2024 (college in the HS fees).

33 (10) Within amounts appropriated in the 2025-27 biennium for the  
34 behavioral health loan repayment and conditional scholarship account  
35 at least five percent must be dispersed for conditional scholarships.  
36 If demand is not met and no eligible applications are submitted for  
37 conditional scholarships, then funds may be used for loan repayment.

38 (11) Within amounts appropriated in the 2025-27 biennium for the  
39 health professionals loan repayment and scholarship program account

at least five percent must be dispersed for conditional scholarships. If demand is not met and no eligible applications are submitted for conditional scholarships, then funds may be used for loan repayment.

(12) Within existing resources the council shall collaborate with the University of Washington to maximize skills training for Washington health corps and behavioral health corps conditional scholarship recipients.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 614. FOR THE WORKFORCE TRAINING AND EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD**

|                                                |              |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)     | \$2,793,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)     | \$2,415,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation             | \$56,409,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation       | \$212,000    |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation | \$759,000    |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State   |              |
| Appropriation                                  | \$3,032,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                            | \$65,620,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the health workforce council of the state workforce training and education coordinating board. In partnership with the office of the governor, the health workforce council shall continue to assess workforce shortages across behavioral health disciplines and incorporate the recommended action plan completed in 2020.

(2) \$564,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$564,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely to conduct health workforce surveys, in collaboration with the nursing care quality assurance commission, to collect and analyze data on the long-term care workforce, and to manage a stakeholder process to address retention and career pathways in long-term care facilities.

(3) \$2,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the workforce board to award grants for the purposes of providing apprenticeship, industry certifications and wraparound student supports to workers pursuing

1 job advancement and enhancement through college readiness,  
2 apprenticeship, degree, certification, or professional development  
3 opportunities in the health care field. Grant recipients must be  
4 labor-management partnerships established under section 302 of the  
5 labor-management relations act, 29 U.S.C. Sec. 186 that demonstrate  
6 adequate funding match and competency in the provision of student  
7 supports, or employers who can demonstrate service serving greater  
8 than 50 percent medicaid populations who can demonstrate that they  
9 will use the grant to join or establish a labor-management  
10 partnership dedicated to the purposes of this section. Preference  
11 must be given to applications that demonstrate an ability to support  
12 students from racially diverse backgrounds, and that are focused on  
13 in-demand fields with career ladders to living wage jobs. Grant  
14 recipients must use the funds to provide services including, but not  
15 limited to, development and implementation of apprenticeship and  
16 industry certifications, benefits administration, tuition assistance,  
17 counseling and navigation, tutoring and test preparation, instructor/  
18 mentor training, materials and technology for students, childcare,  
19 and travel costs.

20 (4) The workforce board must report to and coordinate with the  
21 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
22 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and chapter  
23 173-446B WAC.

24 (5) \$20,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 126,  
26 Laws of 2023 (nurse supply).

27 (6) \$754,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for the clean energy technology  
29 workforce advisory committee, created in chapter 231, Laws of 2023  
30 (climate-ready communities).

31 (7) \$504,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely to support the career bridge  
33 platform.

34 (8) \$20,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
35 appropriation is provided solely for reasonable accommodation  
36 requests.

37 (9) \$21,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill

No. 5189 (competency-based education). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 615. FOR THE STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$11,462,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$11,551,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$34,000     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$23,047,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: Funding provided in this section is sufficient for the school to offer to students enrolled in grades six through twelve for full-time instructional services at the Vancouver campus or online with the opportunity to participate in a minimum of 1,080 hours of instruction and the opportunity to earn 24 high school credits.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 616. FOR THE WASHINGTON CENTER FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING YOUTH**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$19,190,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$19,329,000 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$4,119,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$42,638,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: Funding provided in this section is sufficient for the center to offer students ages three through 21 enrolled at the center the opportunity to participate in a minimum of 1,080 hours of instruction and the opportunity to earn 24 high school credits.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 617. FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE ARTS COMMISSION**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$6,585,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$6,011,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$2,854,000  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$184,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$15,634,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$79,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$79,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the creative districts program.

(2) \$868,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$867,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for the establishment of a tribal cultural affairs program. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for grants to support tribal cultural, arts, and creative programs.

(3) \$708,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 is provided solely for implementation of chapter 387, Laws of 2023 (Billy Frank Jr. statue).

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 618.      FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$5,535,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$5,565,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$11,100,000 |

**NEW SECTION.      Sec. 619.      FOR THE EASTERN WASHINGTON STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

|                                                |             |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)     | \$4,705,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)     | \$4,667,000 |
| Local Museum Account—Eastern Washington State  |             |
| Historical Society—Private/Local Appropriation | \$229,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                            | \$9,601,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided solely for a museum art curator.

(End of part)



PART VII  
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 701.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT POOL**

|                                                                   |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . .              | \$12,049,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . .              | \$6,242,000  |
| State Treasurer's Service Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . . | \$260,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                      | \$18,551,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the information technology investment revolving account created in RCW 43.41.433. Amounts in the account are provided solely for the information technology projects shown in LEAP omnibus document IT-2025, dated April 26, 2025, which is hereby incorporated by reference. To facilitate the transfer of moneys from other funds and accounts that are associated with projects contained in LEAP omnibus document IT-2025, dated April 26, 2025, the state treasurer is directed to transfer moneys from other funds and accounts to the information technology investment revolving account in accordance with schedules provided by the office of financial management. Restricted federal funds may be transferred only to the extent permitted by law, and will otherwise remain outside the information technology investment account. The projects affected remain subject to the other provisions of this section.

(2) Agencies must apply to Washington technology solutions for certification and release of funding for each gate of the project. When Washington technology solutions certifies the key deliverables of the gate have been met, a current technology budget is approved and includes updated milestone deliverables with start dates and estimated completion dates for each deliverable through each stage of the entire project investment through project implementation and close out; and if applicable to the stage or gate of the project, that the project is putting functioning software into production that addresses user needs, is in compliance with the quality assurance plan, and meets a defined set of industry best practices for code quality that Washington technology solutions will post to their

1 website by July 1, 2025, it must notify the office of financial  
2 management and the fiscal committees of the legislature. The office  
3 of financial management may not approve funding for the certified  
4 project gate any earlier than 10 business days from the date of  
5 notification to the fiscal committees of the legislature.

6 (3)(a) Allocations and allotments of information technology  
7 investment revolving account must be made for discrete stages of  
8 projects as determined by the technology budget approved by  
9 Washington technology solutions and the office of financial  
10 management.

11 (b) Fifteen percent of total funding allocated by the office of  
12 financial management, or another amount as defined jointly by the  
13 office of financial management and Washington technology solutions,  
14 will be retained in the account, but remain allocated to that  
15 project. The retained funding will be released to the agency only  
16 after successful completion of that stage of the project and only  
17 after Washington technology solutions certifies the stage as required  
18 in subsection (2) of this section. For the one Washington project,  
19 the amount retained is increased to at least 20 percent of total  
20 funding allocated for any stage of that project. If there is no  
21 significant risk to the project, the holdback does not apply to the  
22 final gate during a biennial close.

23 (4)(a) Each project must have a technology budget. The technology  
24 budget must have the detail by fiscal month for the 2025-2027 fiscal  
25 biennium. The technology budget must use a method similar to the  
26 state capital budget, identifying project costs, each fund source,  
27 and anticipated deliverables through each stage of the entire project  
28 investment and across fiscal periods and biennia from project onset  
29 through implementation and close out, as well as at least five years  
30 of maintenance and operations costs.

31 (b) As part of the development of a technology budget, as key  
32 milestone deliverables change that impact scope, schedule, or budget,  
33 and at each request for funding, the agency shall submit an updated  
34 technology budget, if changes occurred, to include detailed financial  
35 information to the office of financial management and Washington  
36 technology solutions. The technology budget must describe the total  
37 cost of the project, as well as maintenance and operations costs, to  
38 include and identify at least:

39 (i) Fund sources:

1 (A) If the project is funded from the information technology  
2 revolving account, the technology budget must include a worksheet  
3 that provides the fund sources that were transferred into the account  
4 by fiscal year;

5 (B) If the project managed is by a central service agency, and  
6 funds are driven out by the central service model, the technology  
7 budget must provide a statewide impact by agency by fund as a  
8 worksheet in the technology budget file;

9 (ii) Full time equivalent staffing level to include job  
10 classification assumptions. This is to assure that the project has  
11 adequate state staffing and agency support to ensure success, ensure  
12 user acceptance, and adequately test the functionality being  
13 delivered in each sprint before it is accepted by the agency's  
14 contracting officer or their representative. Key project functions  
15 that are deemed "critical" must be retained by state personnel and  
16 not outsourced, to ensure that knowledge is retained within state  
17 government and that the state can self-sufficiently support the  
18 system and make improvements without long-term dependence on a  
19 vendor;

20 (iii) Discrete financial budget codes to include at least the  
21 appropriation index and program index. If the subproject or project  
22 is appropriated funding at more than one agency, as is done with the  
23 statewide electronic health records solution where federal funding is  
24 appropriated to the health care authority, then:

25 (A) The project technology budget and each impacted agency that  
26 receives appropriated funding must use the same program index across  
27 each agency;

28 (B) Each appropriation index from each impacted agency must be  
29 identified on the technology budget input page; and

30 (C) The technology budget must be compiled in the lead agency  
31 technology budget only, referencing any differences in appropriation  
32 index, as described in (b)(iii)(B) of this subsection;

33 (iv) Object and subobject codes of expenditures;

34 (v) Anticipated deliverables that must include a start date and  
35 estimated completion date for each deliverable to include, but not  
36 limited to, requests for proposals release dates, go-live dates, and  
37 software demonstration dates;

38 (vi) Historical budget and expenditure detail by fiscal year; and

39 (vii) Maintenance and operations costs by fiscal year for at  
40 least five years as a separate worksheet.

1 (c) If a project technology budget changes and once a revised  
2 technology budget is completed, a comparison of the revised  
3 technology budget to the last approved technology budget must be  
4 posted to the dashboard, to include a narrative rationale on what  
5 changed, why, and how the changes impact the project scope, budget,  
6 and schedule.

7 (5)(a) Each project must have a project charter. The charter must  
8 include:

9 (i) An organizational chart of the project management team that  
10 identifies team members and their roles and responsibilities, and  
11 shows that the project is adequately staffed by state personnel in  
12 key functions to ensure success;

13 (ii) The Washington technology solutions staff assigned to the  
14 project;

15 (iii) A project roadmap that includes the problems the team is  
16 solving and the sequence in which the team intends to take on those  
17 problems, updated periodically to reflect what has been learned;

18 (iv) Metrics to support the project strategy and vision, to  
19 determine that the project is incrementally meeting user needs;

20 (v) An implementation schedule covering activities, critical  
21 milestones, and deliverables at each stage of the project for the  
22 life of the project at each agency affected by the project;

23 (vi) Performance measures used to determine that the project is  
24 on time, within budget, and meeting expectations for quality of work  
25 product;

26 (vii) Ongoing maintenance and operations cost of the project post  
27 implementation and close out delineated by agency staffing,  
28 contracted staffing, and service level agreements; and

29 (viii) Financial budget coding to include at least discrete  
30 financial coding for the project.

31 (b) If required by Washington technology solutions, a project may  
32 also need to have an investment plan. Washington technology solutions  
33 must:

34 (i) Base the requirement of an agency needing to have an  
35 investment plan on the complexity and risk of the project;

36 (ii) Establish requirements by project risk level in statewide  
37 technology policy, and publish the requirements by September 30,  
38 2025; and

39 (iii) In collaboration with the department of enterprise  
40 services, define the circumstances under which the vendor will be

1 terminated or replaced and establish the process by which the agency  
2 will transition to a new vendor with a minimal reduction in project  
3 productivity.

4 (6)(a) Projects with estimated costs greater than \$100,000,000  
5 from initiation to completion and implementation may be divided into  
6 discrete subprojects as determined by Washington technology  
7 solutions, except for the one Washington project which must be  
8 divided into the following discrete subprojects: Core financials,  
9 expanding financials and procurement, budget, and human resources.  
10 Each subproject must have a technology budget as provided in this  
11 section.

12 (b) If the project affects more than one agency:

13 (i) A separate technology budget and investment plan must be  
14 prepared by each agency; and

15 (ii) There must be a budget roll up that includes each affected  
16 agency at the subproject level.

17 (7) Washington technology solutions shall maintain a statewide  
18 information technology project dashboard that provides updated  
19 information each fiscal month on projects subject to this section.  
20 The statewide dashboard must meet the requirements in section 156 of  
21 this act.

22 (8) For any project that exceeds \$2,000,000 in total funds to  
23 complete, requires more than one biennium to complete, or is financed  
24 through financial contracts, bonds, or other indebtedness:

25 (a) Independent quality assurance services for the project must  
26 report independently to Washington technology solutions;

27 (b) Washington technology solutions, based on project risk  
28 assessments, may require additional quality assurance services and  
29 independent verification and validation services;

30 (c) Washington technology solutions must review, and, if  
31 necessary, revise the proposed project to ensure it is flexible and  
32 adaptable to advances in technology;

33 (d) The technology budget must specifically identify the uses of  
34 any financing proceeds. No more than thirty percent of the financing  
35 proceeds may be used for payroll-related costs for state employees  
36 assigned to project management, installation, testing, or training;

37 (e) The agency must consult with the office of the state  
38 treasurer during the competitive procurement process to evaluate  
39 early in the process whether products and services to be solicited  
40 and the responsive bids from a solicitation may be financed;

1 (f) The agency must consult with the contracting division of the  
2 department of enterprise services for a review of all contracts and  
3 agreements related to the project's information technology  
4 procurements;

5 (g) The agency and project must use an agile development model  
6 holding live demonstrations of functioning software, developed using  
7 incremental user research, held at the end of every two-week sprint,  
8 except for:

9 (i) Hardware or infrastructure projects; and

10 (ii) Projects that have implemented all phases and are now in  
11 maintenance and operations;

12 (h) The project solution must be capable of being continually  
13 updated, as necessary; and

14 (i) The agency and project must deploy usable functionality into  
15 production for users within 180 days from the date of an executed  
16 procurement contract in response to a competitive request for  
17 proposal.

18 (9) Washington technology solutions must evaluate the project at  
19 each stage and certify whether the project is putting functioning  
20 software into production that addresses user needs, is projected to  
21 be completed within budget, is in compliance with the quality  
22 assurance plan, and meets a defined set of industry best practices  
23 for code quality, and whether the project is planned, managed,  
24 meeting deliverable targets as defined in the project's approved  
25 technology budget and investment plan, and that the current  
26 technology budget reflects updated scope, schedule, and budget to  
27 include updated milestone deliverables with start dates and estimated  
28 completion dates through each stage of the entire project investment  
29 through project implementation and close out.

30 (10) Washington technology solutions may suspend or terminate a  
31 project at any time if it determines that the project is not meeting  
32 or not expected to meet anticipated performance and technology  
33 outcomes. Once suspension or termination occurs, the agency shall  
34 unallot any unused funding and shall not make any expenditure for the  
35 project without the approval of the office of financial management.  
36 Washington technology solutions must report on December 1 each  
37 calendar year any suspension or termination of a project in the  
38 previous 12-month period to the legislative fiscal committees.

39 (11) Washington technology solutions, in consultation with the  
40 office of financial management, may identify additional projects to

be subject to this section, including projects that are not separately identified within an agency budget. Washington technology solutions must report on December 1 each calendar year any additional projects to be subjected to this section that were identified in the previous 12-month period to the legislative fiscal committees.

(12) Any cost to administer or implement this section for projects listed in subsection (1) of this section, must be paid from the information technology investment revolving account. For any other information technology project subject to the conditions, limitations, and review of this section, the cost to implement this section must be paid from the funds for that project.

(13) The following information technology projects are subject to the conditions, limitations, and review of this section: The resident portal of the Washington technology solutions agency.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 702. FOR THE STATE TREASURER—BOND RETIREMENT AND INTEREST, AND ONGOING BOND REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER CHARGES: FOR DEBT SUBJECT TO THE DEBT LIMIT**

|                                                     |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$1,547,070,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$1,701,995,000 |
| State Building Construction Account—State           |                 |
| Appropriation                                       | \$11,174,000    |
| Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Bond Account— |                 |
| State Appropriation                                 | \$84,000        |
| State Taxable Building Construction Account—State   |                 |
| Appropriation                                       | \$293,000       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$3,260,616,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The general fund appropriations are for expenditure into the debt-limit general fund bond retirement account.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 703. FOR THE STATE TREASURER—BOND RETIREMENT AND INTEREST, AND ONGOING BOND REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER CHARGES: FOR GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT TO BE REIMBURSED AS PRESCRIBED BY STATUTE**

|                                                     |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Nondebt-Limit Reimbursable Bond Retirement Account— |              |
| State Appropriation                                 | \$38,244,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$38,244,000 |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: The general fund appropriation is for

expenditure into the nondebt limit general fund bond retirement account.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 704. FOR THE STATE TREASURER—BOND RETIREMENT AND INTEREST, AND ONGOING BOND REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER CHARGES: FOR BOND SALE EXPENSES**

|                                                     |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026)          | \$1,400,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027)          | \$1,400,000 |
| State Building Construction Account—State           |             |
| Appropriation                                       | \$4,567,000 |
| Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Bond Account— |             |
| State Appropriation                                 | \$38,000    |
| State Taxable Building Construction Account—State   |             |
| Appropriation                                       | \$92,000    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | \$7,497,000 |

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 705. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY FUNDING**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$3,500,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$3,500,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$7,000,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided for the critically necessary work of any state agency in the event of an emergent or unforeseen circumstance. Prior to the allocation of funding from this subsection (1), the requesting agency and the office of financial management must comply with the provisions of RCW 43.88.250.

(2) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2027 are provided for individual assistance consistent with RCW 38.52.030(9) during an emergency proclaimed by the governor, as defined in RCW 38.52.010. The office of financial management must notify the fiscal committees of the legislature of the receipt by the governor or adjutant general of each application, request, or allocation for individual assistance from the amounts provided in this subsection (2).



1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 706.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
2    **EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY REVOLVING ACCOUNT**  
3    General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$9,000,000  
4    General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$9,000,000  
5        TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$18,000,000

6        The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
7    conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely  
8    for expenditure into the education technology revolving account for  
9    the purpose of covering ongoing operational and equipment replacement  
10   costs incurred by the K-20 educational network program in providing  
11   telecommunication services to network participants.

12       NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 707.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
13    **O'BRIEN BUILDING IMPROVEMENT**  
14    General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$2,578,000  
15    General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$2,578,000  
16        TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$5,156,000

17       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
18    conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely  
19    for expenditure into the enterprise services account for payment of  
20    principal, interest, and financing expenses associated with the  
21    certificate of participation for the O'Brien building improvement,  
22    project number 20081007.

23       NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 708.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
24    **CHERBERG BUILDING REHABILITATION**  
25    General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$552,000  
26        TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$552,000

27       The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
28    conditions and limitations: The appropriation is provided solely for  
29    expenditure into the enterprise services account for payment of  
30    principal, interest, and financing expenses associated with the  
31    certificate of participation for the Cherberg building improvements,  
32    project number 2002-1-005.

33       NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 709.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
34    **STATE HEALTH CARE AFFORDABILITY ACCOUNT**  
35    General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$55,000,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$30,000,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$85,000,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the state health care affordability account created in RCW 43.71.130.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 710. FOR THE STATE TREASURER—COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH ASSISTANCE**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$36,386,000  
General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$36,386,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$72,772,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The state treasurer shall distribute the appropriations to the following counties and health districts in the amounts designated to support public health services, including public health nursing:

| Health District                                     | FY 2026      | FY 2027      | 2025-2027<br>Biennium |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Adams County Integrated Health Care Services        | \$121,213    | \$121,213    | \$242,426             |
| Asotin County Health District                       | \$159,890    | \$159,890    | \$319,780             |
| Benton-Franklin Health District                     | \$1,614,337  | \$1,614,337  | \$3,228,674           |
| Chelan-Douglas Health District                      | \$399,634    | \$399,634    | \$799,268             |
| Clallam County Health and Human Services Department | \$291,401    | \$291,401    | \$582,802             |
| Clark County Public Health                          | \$1,767,341  | \$1,767,341  | \$3,534,682           |
| Skamania County Community Health                    | \$111,327    | \$111,327    | \$222,654             |
| Columbia County Health District                     | \$119,991    | \$119,991    | \$239,982             |
| Cowlitz County Health and Human Services            | \$477,981    | \$477,981    | \$955,962             |
| Garfield County Health District                     | \$93,154     | \$93,154     | \$186,308             |
| Grant County Health District                        | \$297,761    | \$297,761    | \$595,522             |
| Grays Harbor Public Health and Social Services      | \$335,666    | \$335,666    | \$671,332             |
| Island County Health Department                     | \$255,224    | \$255,224    | \$510,448             |
| Jefferson County Public Health                      | \$184,080    | \$184,080    | \$368,160             |
| Public Health - Seattle & King County               | \$12,685,521 | \$12,685,521 | \$25,371,042          |
| Kitsap Public Health District                       | \$997,476    | \$997,476    | \$1,994,952           |

|    |                                                   |              |              |              |
|----|---------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1  | Kittitas County Public Health                     | \$198,979    | \$198,979    | \$397,958    |
| 2  | Klickitat County Public Health                    | \$153,784    | \$153,784    | \$307,568    |
| 3  | Lewis County Public Health and Social Services    | \$263,134    | \$263,134    | \$526,268    |
| 4  | Lincoln County Health Department                  | \$113,917    | \$113,917    | \$227,834    |
| 5  | Mason County Public Health and Human Services     | \$227,448    | \$227,448    | \$454,896    |
| 6  | Okanogan County Public Health                     | \$169,882    | \$169,882    | \$339,764    |
| 7  | Pacific County Health and Human Services          | \$169,075    | \$169,075    | \$338,150    |
| 8  | Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department            | \$4,143,169  | \$4,143,169  | \$8,286,338  |
| 9  | San Juan County Health and Community Services     | \$126,569    | \$126,569    | \$253,138    |
| 10 | Skagit County Health Department                   | \$449,745    | \$449,745    | \$899,490    |
| 11 | Snohomish Health District                         | \$3,433,291  | \$3,433,291  | \$6,866,582  |
| 12 | Spokane Regional Health District                  | \$2,877,318  | \$2,877,318  | \$5,754,636  |
| 13 | Northeast Tri-County Health District              | \$249,303    | \$249,303    | \$498,606    |
| 14 | Thurston County Public Health and Social Services | \$1,046,897  | \$1,046,897  | \$2,093,794  |
| 15 | Wahkiakum County Health and Human Services        | \$93,181     | \$93,181     | \$186,362    |
| 16 | Walla Walla County Department of Community Health | \$302,173    | \$302,173    | \$604,346    |
| 17 | Whatcom County Health Department                  | \$1,214,301  | \$1,214,301  | \$2,428,602  |
| 18 | Whitman County Health Department                  | \$189,355    | \$189,355    | \$378,710    |
| 19 | Yakima Health District                            | \$1,052,482  | \$1,052,482  | \$2,104,964  |
| 20 | TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS                              | \$36,386,000 | \$36,386,000 | \$72,772,000 |

21        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 711.    FOR THE STATE TREASURER—COUNTY CLERK**  
22    **LEGAL FINANCIAL OBLIGATION GRANTS**

|    |                                                      |             |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 23 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . | \$1,000,000 |
| 24 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . . | \$800,000   |
| 25 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | \$1,800,000 |

26        The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
27    conditions and limitations: By October 1st of each fiscal year, the  
28    state treasurer shall distribute the appropriations to the following  
29    county clerk offices in the amounts designated as grants for the  
30    collection of legal financial obligations pursuant to RCW 2.56.190:

|    |                     |                |                |
|----|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 31 | <b>County Clerk</b> | <b>FY 2026</b> | <b>FY 2027</b> |
| 32 | Adams County Clerk  | \$3,887        | \$3,109        |
| 33 | Asotin County Clerk | \$5,425        | \$4,339        |

|    |                       |           |           |
|----|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1  | Benton County Clerk   | \$33,699  | \$26,953  |
| 2  | Chelan County Clerk   | \$13,677  | \$10,939  |
| 3  | Clallam County Clerk  | \$10,780  | \$8,622   |
| 4  | Clark County Clerk    | \$60,323  | \$48,249  |
| 5  | Columbia County       | \$710     | \$568     |
| 6  | Clerk                 |           |           |
| 7  | Cowlitz County Clerk  | \$31,281  | \$25,020  |
| 8  | Douglas County Clerk  | \$5,604   | \$4,483   |
| 9  | Ferry County Clerk    | \$780     | \$624     |
| 10 | Franklin County Clerk | \$10,140  | \$8,111   |
| 11 | Garfield County Clerk | \$449     | \$359     |
| 12 | Grant County Clerk    | \$18,682  | \$14,942  |
| 13 | Grays Harbor County   | \$16,006  | \$12,802  |
| 14 | Clerk                 |           |           |
| 15 | Island County Clerk   | \$5,654   | \$4,523   |
| 16 | Jefferson County      | \$3,436   | \$2,748   |
| 17 | Clerk                 |           |           |
| 18 | King County Court     | \$220,499 | \$176,446 |
| 19 | Clerk                 |           |           |
| 20 | Kitsap County Clerk   | \$41,113  | \$32,883  |
| 21 | Kittitas County Clerk | \$6,564   | \$5,250   |
| 22 | Klickitat County      | \$3,976   | \$3,180   |
| 23 | Clerk                 |           |           |
| 24 | Lewis County Clerk    | \$19,113  | \$15,287  |
| 25 | Lincoln County Clerk  | \$1,338   | \$1,070   |
| 26 | Mason County Clerk    | \$9,512   | \$7,608   |
| 27 | Okanogan County       | \$7,353   | \$5,881   |
| 28 | Clerk                 |           |           |
| 29 | Pacific County Clerk  | \$4,457   | \$3,565   |
| 30 | Pend Oreille County   | \$1,129   | \$903     |
| 31 | Clerk                 |           |           |
| 32 | Pierce County Clerk   | \$142,518 | \$113,990 |
| 33 | San Juan County       | \$1,118   | \$894     |
| 34 | Clerk                 |           |           |

|    |                      |             |           |
|----|----------------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1  | Skagit County Clerk  | \$20,442    | \$16,350  |
| 2  | Skamania County      | \$2,128     | \$1,702   |
| 3  | Clerk                |             |           |
| 4  | Snohomish County     | \$70,505    | \$56,392  |
| 5  | Clerk                |             |           |
| 6  | Spokane County       | \$82,856    | \$66,355  |
| 7  | Clerk                |             |           |
| 8  | Stevens County Clerk | \$5,516     | \$4,412   |
| 9  | Thurston County      | \$41,043    | \$32,827  |
| 10 | Clerk                |             |           |
| 11 | Wahkiakum County     | \$739       | \$591     |
| 12 | Clerk                |             |           |
| 13 | Walla Walla County   | \$9,121     | \$7,296   |
| 14 | Clerk                |             |           |
| 15 | Whatcom County       | \$38,314    | \$30,645  |
| 16 | Clerk                |             |           |
| 17 | Whitman County       | \$3,786     | \$3,028   |
| 18 | Clerk                |             |           |
| 19 | Yakima County Clerk  | \$46,327    | \$37,054  |
| 20 | TOTAL                | \$1,000,000 | \$800,000 |
| 21 | APPROPRIATIONS       |             |           |

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 712. BELATED CLAIMS**

23 The agencies and institutions of the state may expend moneys  
24 appropriated in this act, upon approval of the office of financial  
25 management, for the payment of supplies and services furnished to the  
26 agency or institution in prior fiscal biennia.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 713. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
28 **FOUNDATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES**

|    |                                                      |               |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 29 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) . . . . . | \$129,091,000 |
| 30 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) . . . . . | \$129,091,000 |
| 31 | Foundational Public Health Services Account—State    |               |
| 32 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$42,048,000  |
| 33 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | \$300,230,000 |

1       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely  
3 for distribution as provided in RCW 43.70.515.

4       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 714.   FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
5 **ANDY HILL CANCER RESEARCH ENDOWMENT FUND MATCH TRANSFER ACCOUNT**

6       General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$945,000  
7       TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$945,000

8       The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
9 conditions and limitations: The appropriation is provided solely for  
10 expenditure into the Andy Hill cancer research endowment fund match  
11 transfer account per RCW 43.348.080 to fund the Andy Hill cancer  
12 research endowment program. Matching funds using the amounts  
13 appropriated in this section may not be used to fund new grants that  
14 exceed two years in duration.

15       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 715.   FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
16 **NORTHEAST WASHINGTON WOLF-LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT**

17       General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$456,000  
18       General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$456,000  
19       TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$912,000

20       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
21 conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely  
22 for expenditure into the northeast Washington wolf-livestock  
23 management account for the deployment of nonlethal wolf deterrence  
24 resources as provided in chapter 16.76 RCW.

25       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 716.   FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
26 **COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT: JUVENILE CODE REVISIONS**

27       General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$331,000  
28       General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$331,000  
29       TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$662,000

30       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
31 conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely  
32 for expenditure into the county criminal justice assistance account  
33 for costs to the criminal justice system associated with the  
34 implementation of chapter 338, Laws of 1997 (juvenile code  
35 revisions). The amounts provided in this subsection are intended to

provide funding for county adult court costs associated with the implementation of chapter 338, Laws of 1997 and shall be distributed in accordance with RCW 82.14.310.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 717. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT: REPEAT OFFENDERS**

|                                            |           |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$226,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$226,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$452,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are provided solely for expenditure into the county criminal justice assistance account. The treasurer shall make quarterly distributions from the county criminal justice assistance account of the amounts provided in this section in accordance with RCW 82.14.310 for the purposes of reimbursing local jurisdictions for increased costs incurred as a result of the mandatory arrest of repeat offenders pursuant to chapter 35, Laws of 2013 2nd sp. sess. The appropriations and distributions made under this section constitute appropriate reimbursement for costs for any new programs or increased level of services for the purposes of RCW 43.135.060.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 718. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
MUNICIPAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT: REPEAT OFFENDERS**

|                                            |           |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$133,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$133,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$266,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated for expenditure into the municipal criminal justice assistance account. The treasurer shall make quarterly distributions from the municipal criminal justice assistance account of the amounts provided in this section in accordance with RCW 82.14.320 and 82.14.330, for the purposes of reimbursing local jurisdictions for increased costs incurred as a result of the mandatory arrest of repeat offenders pursuant to chapter 35, Laws of 2013 2nd sp. sess. The appropriations and distributions made under this section constitute appropriate

reimbursement for costs for any new programs or increased level of services for the purposes of RCW 43.135.060.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 719. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
INDIAN HEALTH IMPROVEMENT REINVESTMENT ACCOUNT**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$8,208,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$708,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$8,916,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the Indian health improvement reinvestment account created in RCW 43.71B.040.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 720. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
WASHINGTON INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN ACCOUNT**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$1,135,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$1,135,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$2,270,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the Washington internet crimes against children account created in RCW 43.101.435.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 721. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
LANDLORD MITIGATION PROGRAM ACCOUNT**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$2,883,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$2,883,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$5,766,000 |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriation is provided solely for expenditure into the landlord mitigation program account created in RCW 43.31.615 for costs to reimburse anticipated claims made under the landlord damage relief program, the landlord survivor relief program, and the tenancy preservation program as authorized in RCW 43.31.605.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 722. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS  
—CONTRIBUTIONS TO RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**



(1) The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations for the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system shall be made on a monthly basis consistent with chapter 41.45 RCW, and the appropriations for the judges and judicial retirement systems shall be made on a quarterly basis consistent with chapters 2.10 and 2.12 RCW.

(2) There is appropriated for state contributions to the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system:

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$102,000,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$106,300,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$208,300,000 |

(3) There is appropriated for contributions to the judicial retirement system:

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$4,900,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$4,600,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$9,500,000 |

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 723. FOR THE BOARD FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND RESERVE OFFICERS—CONTRIBUTIONS TO RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**

There is appropriated for state contributions to the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' relief and pension principal fund:

Volunteer Firefighters' and Reserve Officers'

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Administrative Account—State Appropriation | \$25,548,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$25,548,000 |

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 724. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—BEHAVIORAL HEALTH LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM ACCOUNT**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$1,000,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$1,000,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$2,000,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the behavioral health loan repayment program account created in RCW 28B.115.135.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 725.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
2    **HEALTH PROFESSIONALS LOAN REPAYMENT AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM ACCOUNT**  
3    General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$2,500,000  
4    General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$2,500,000  
5        TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$5,000,000

6        The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
7    conditions and limitations:

8        (1) The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into  
9    the health professionals loan repayment and scholarship program  
10   account created in RCW 28B.115.130.

11        (2) These amounts must be used to increase the number of licensed  
12   primary care health professionals to serve in licensed primary care  
13   health professional critical shortage areas. Contracts between the  
14   office of student financial assistance and program recipients must  
15   guarantee at least three years of conditional loan repayments. The  
16   office of student financial assistance and the department of health  
17   shall prioritize a portion of any nonfederal balances in the health  
18   professional loan repayment and scholarship fund for conditional loan  
19   repayment contracts with psychiatrists and with advanced registered  
20   nurse practitioners for work at one of the state-operated psychiatric  
21   hospitals. The office and department shall designate the state  
22   hospitals as health professional shortage areas if necessary for this  
23   purpose. The office shall coordinate with the department of social  
24   and health services to effectively incorporate three conditional loan  
25   repayments into the department's advanced psychiatric professional  
26   recruitment and retention strategies. The office may use these  
27   targeted amounts for other program participants should there be any  
28   remaining amounts after eligible psychiatrists and advanced  
29   registered nurse practitioners have been served. The office shall  
30   also work to prioritize loan repayments to professionals working at  
31   health care delivery sites that demonstrate a commitment to serving  
32   uninsured clients. It is the intent of the legislature to provide  
33   funding to maintain the current number and amount of awards for the  
34   program in the 2027-2029 fiscal biennium on the basis of these  
35   contractual obligations.

36        (3) Funding may be used for the forensic pathologist loan  
37   repayment program established in RCW 28B.115.030.

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 726.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
**RURAL JOBS PROGRAM MATCH TRANSFER ACCOUNT**

Workforce Education Investment Account—State

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Appropriation. . . . .       | \$400,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | \$400,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the rural jobs program match transfer account created in RCW 28B.145.120.

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 727.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
**OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP MATCH TRANSFER ACCOUNT**

Workforce Education Investment Account—State

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Appropriation. . . . .       | \$11,471,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | \$11,471,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the opportunity scholarship match transfer account created in RCW 28B.145.050.

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 728.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
**EDUCATOR CONDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Workforce Education Investment Account—State

|                              |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation. . . . .       | \$2,000,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | \$2,000,000 |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriation is provided solely for expenditure into the educator conditional scholarship account created in RCW 28B.102.080 for the teacher shortage conditional grant program.

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 729.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
**HOME VISITING SERVICES ACCOUNT**

|                                                     |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . | \$12,847,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . | \$12,847,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | \$25,694,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely

for expenditure into the home visiting services account created in  
RCW 43.216.130 for the home visiting program.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 730. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR ALL ACCOUNT**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$18,500,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$22,166,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$40,666,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the affordable housing for all account created in RCW 43.185C.190 for operations, maintenance, and services for permanent supportive housing as defined in RCW 36.70A.030.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 731. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
JUDICIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM ACCOUNT**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$10,000,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$10,000,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$20,000,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the judicial information systems account created in RCW 2.68.020.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 732. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
WASHINGTON STATE LEADERSHIP BOARD ACCOUNT**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$743,000   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$820,000   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$1,563,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the Washington state leadership board account created in RCW 43.388.020.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 733. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
CRIME VICTIM AND WITNESS ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026) | \$2,000,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027) | \$2,000,000 |

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$4,000,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the state crime victim and witness assistance account created in RCW 7.68.047.

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 734.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
DNA DATABASE ACCOUNT**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$482,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$482,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$964,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the state DNA database account created in RCW 43.43.7532.

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 735.    FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACCOUNT**

Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State

Appropriation. . . . . \$1,486,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$1,486,000

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriation is provided solely for expenditure into the health professions account created in RCW 43.70.320 to implement chapter 366, Laws of 2024 (substance use treatment).

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 736.    FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—COMMUNITY  
REINVESTMENT ACCOUNT**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$25,000,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$25,000,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$50,000,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the community reinvestment account created in RCW 43.79.567.

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 737.      FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE  
SERVICES—PRESCRIBED FIRE CLAIMS ACCOUNT**

Natural Climate Solutions Account—State

Appropriation. . . . . \$2,000,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$2,000,000

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriation is provided solely for expenditure into the prescribed fire claims account created in Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1563 (prescribed fire claims). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this section shall lapse.

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 738.      FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
OUTDOOR EDUCATION AND RECREATION PROGRAM ACCOUNT**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$563,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$563,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$1,126,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the outdoor education and recreation program account for the purposes identified in RCW 79A.05.351.

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 739.      FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE PATROL—STATE  
FIREARMS BACKGROUND CHECK SYSTEM ACCOUNT**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . \$8,728,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$8,728,000

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriation is provided solely for expenditure into the state firearms background check system account pursuant to Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1163 (firearm purchase) for the initial establishment of the permit to purchase firearms program. If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this section shall lapse.

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 740.      FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—  
EXTRAORDINARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COSTS**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$300,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$300,000

1       The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations: The director of financial management  
3 shall distribute \$300,000 to Kitsap county for extraordinary criminal  
4 justice costs pursuant to RCW 43.330.190.

5       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 741.   FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
6 **PERSONNEL SERVICES FEE RATE REDUCTION**

7       General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . (\$839,000)  
8       General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2027). . . . . (\$839,000)  
9       TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . (\$1,678,000)

10      The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
11 conditions and limitations: The appropriations in this section  
12 reflect a reduction in the amount charged to the operations  
13 appropriations of each agency pursuant to RCW 41.06.280. The office  
14 of financial management shall adjust allotments to agencies as  
15 necessary to achieve this reduction.

16      NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 742.   FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—**  
17 **SUPPLEMENTAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACCOUNT**

18      General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2026). . . . . \$100,000,000  
19      TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . \$100,000,000

20      The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
21 conditions and limitations: The appropriation is provided solely for  
22 expenditures into the supplemental criminal justice account created  
23 in Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2015 (public safety funding).  
24 If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in  
25 this section shall lapse.

(End of part)

PART VIII

OTHER TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS

NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 801.    FOR THE STATE TREASURER—STATE REVENUES**  
**FOR DISTRIBUTION**

General Fund Appropriation for fire insurance  
premium distributions. . . . . \$16,905,000

General Fund Appropriation for prosecuting attorney  
distributions. . . . . \$9,778,000

General Fund Appropriation for boating safety and  
education distributions. . . . . \$3,230,000

General Fund Appropriation for public utility  
district excise tax distributions. . . . . \$72,286,000

Death Investigations Account Appropriation for  
distribution to counties for publicly funded  
autopsies. . . . . \$6,329,000

Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account Appropriation for  
harbor improvement revenue distributions. . . . . \$150,000

Timber Tax Distribution Account Appropriation for  
distribution to "timber" counties. . . . . \$81,852,000

County Criminal Justice Assistance Appropriation. . . . . \$152,169,000

Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance Appropriation. . . . . \$60,343,000

City-County Assistance Appropriation. . . . . \$43,751,000

Liquor Excise Tax Account Appropriation for liquor  
excise tax distribution. . . . . \$87,960,000

Columbia River Water Delivery Account Appropriation  
for the Confederated Tribes of the Colville  
Reservation. . . . . \$10,140,000

Columbia River Water Delivery Account Appropriation  
for the Spokane Tribe of Indians. . . . . \$7,489,000

Liquor Revolving Account Appropriation for liquor  
profits distribution. . . . . \$98,876,000

General Fund Appropriation for other tax  
distributions. . . . . \$104,000

Dedicated Cannabis Account Appropriation for  
Cannabis Excise Tax distributions pursuant to  
chapter 169, Laws of 2022 (cannabis revenue). . . . . \$44,177,000

General Fund Appropriation for Habitat Conservation  
Program distributions. . . . . \$3,596,000

General Fund Appropriation for payment in lieu of



|    |                                                     |               |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | taxes to counties under Department of Fish and      |               |
| 2  | Wildlife Program. . . . .                           | \$3,882,000   |
| 3  | Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Account         |               |
| 4  | Appropriation for distribution to counties in       |               |
| 5  | amounts not to exceed actual deposits into the      |               |
| 6  | account and attributable to those counties'         |               |
| 7  | share pursuant to RCW 43.79.520. . . . .            | \$25,430,000  |
| 8  | Manufacturing and Warehousing Job Centers Account   |               |
| 9  | Appropriation for distribution to local taxing      |               |
| 10 | jurisdictions to mitigate the unintended            |               |
| 11 | revenue redistributions effect of sourcing law      |               |
| 12 | changes pursuant to chapter 83, Laws of 2021        |               |
| 13 | (warehousing & manufacturing jobs). . . . .         | \$2,770,000   |
| 14 | State Crime Victim and Witness Assistance Account   |               |
| 15 | Appropriation for distribution to counties. . . . . | \$4,000,000   |
| 16 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | \$735,217,000 |

17 The total expenditures from the state treasury under the  
18 appropriations in this section shall not exceed the funds available  
19 under statutory distributions for the stated purposes.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 802. FOR THE STATE TREASURER—FOR THE COUNTY**  
21 **CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT**

|    |                                                |             |
|----|------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 22 | Impaired Driving Safety Appropriation. . . . . | \$1,860,000 |
| 23 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                   | \$1,860,000 |

24 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
25 conditions and limitations: The amount appropriated in this section  
26 shall be distributed quarterly during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium  
27 in accordance with RCW 82.14.310. This funding is provided to  
28 counties for the costs of implementing criminal justice legislation  
29 including, but not limited to: Chapter 206, Laws of 1998 (drunk  
30 driving penalties); chapter 207, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties);  
31 chapter 208, Laws of 1998 (deferred prosecution); chapter 209, Laws  
32 of 1998 (DUI/license suspension); chapter 210, Laws of 1998 (ignition  
33 interlock violations); chapter 211, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties);  
34 chapter 212, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties); chapter 213, Laws of 1998  
35 (intoxication levels lowered); chapter 214, Laws of 1998 (DUI  
36 penalties); and chapter 215, Laws of 1998 (DUI provisions).

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 803.      FOR THE STATE TREASURER—MUNICIPAL  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT**

|                                                |             |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Impaired Driving Safety Appropriation. . . . . | \$1,240,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                   | \$1,240,000 |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: The amount appropriated in this section shall be distributed quarterly during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium to all cities ratably based on population as last determined by the office of financial management. The distributions to any city that substantially decriminalizes or repeals its criminal code after July 1, 1990, and that does not reimburse the county for costs associated with criminal cases under RCW 3.50.800 or 3.50.805(2), shall be made to the county in which the city is located. This funding is provided to cities for the costs of implementing criminal justice legislation including, but not limited to: Chapter 206, Laws of 1998 (drunk driving penalties); chapter 207, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties); chapter 208, Laws of 1998 (deferred prosecution); chapter 209, Laws of 1998 (DUI/license suspension); chapter 210, Laws of 1998 (ignition interlock violations); chapter 211, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties); chapter 212, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties); chapter 213, Laws of 1998 (intoxication levels lowered); chapter 214, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties); and chapter 215, Laws of 1998 (DUI provisions).

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 804.      FOR THE STATE TREASURER—FEDERAL REVENUES  
FOR DISTRIBUTION**

|                                                                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund Appropriation for federal flood control<br>funds distribution. . . . .        | \$48,000     |
| General Fund Appropriation for federal grazing fees<br>distribution. . . . .               | \$54,000     |
| General Fund Appropriation for federal military fees<br>distribution. . . . .              | \$1,180,000  |
| Forest Reserve Fund Appropriation for federal forest<br>reserve fund distribution. . . . . | \$28,982,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                                               | \$30,264,000 |

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 805.      FOR THE STATE TREASURER—TRANSFERS**

|                                                                                                                                    |             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Administrative Hearings Revolving Account: For<br>transfer to the state general fund,<br>\$6,000,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . . | \$6,000,000 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|

|    |                                                     |               |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Apple Health and Homes Account: For transfer to the |               |
| 2  | state general fund, \$7,500,000 for fiscal year     |               |
| 3  | 2026 and \$7,500,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . .  | \$15,000,000  |
| 4  | Business and Professions Account: For transfer      |               |
| 5  | to the state general fund, \$5,000,000 for          |               |
| 6  | fiscal year 2026. . . . .                           | \$5,000,000   |
| 7  | Certified Public Accountants' Account: For          |               |
| 8  | transfer to the state general fund,                 |               |
| 9  | \$1,060,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . .           | \$1,060,000   |
| 10 | Climate Investment Account: For transfer to the     |               |
| 11 | carbon emissions reduction account,                 |               |
| 12 | \$40,000,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . .          | \$40,000,000  |
| 13 | Climate Investment Account: For transfer to the     |               |
| 14 | carbon emissions reduction account,                 |               |
| 15 | \$154,153,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . .         | \$154,153,000 |
| 16 | Climate Investment Account: For transfer to the     |               |
| 17 | carbon emissions reduction account,                 |               |
| 18 | \$162,000,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . .         | \$162,000,000 |
| 19 | Climate Investment Account: For transfer to the     |               |
| 20 | natural climate solutions account,                  |               |
| 21 | \$33,000,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . .          | \$33,000,000  |
| 22 | Construction Registration Inspection Account:       |               |
| 23 | For transfer to the state general fund,             |               |
| 24 | \$2,000,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . .           | \$2,000,000   |
| 25 | Dedicated Cannabis Account: For transfer to the     |               |
| 26 | basic health plan trust account, the lesser of      |               |
| 27 | the amount determined pursuant to RCW 69.50.540     |               |
| 28 | or this amount for fiscal year 2026,                |               |
| 29 | \$250,000,000 and this amount for fiscal year       |               |
| 30 | 2027, \$250,000,000. . . . .                        | \$500,000,000 |
| 31 | Dedicated Cannabis Account: For transfer to the     |               |
| 32 | state general fund, the lesser of the amount        |               |
| 33 | determined pursuant to RCW 69.50.540 or this        |               |
| 34 | amount for fiscal year 2026, \$155,000,000          |               |
| 35 | and this amount for fiscal year 2027,               |               |
| 36 | \$155,000,000. . . . .                              | \$310,000,000 |
| 37 | Department of Retirement Systems Expense Account:   |               |
| 38 | For transfer to the state general fund,             |               |
| 39 | \$3,052,000 for fiscal year 2026 and \$3,000,000    |               |
| 40 | for fiscal year 2027. . . . .                       | \$6,052,000   |

1 Economic Development Strategic Reserve Account:  
 2 For transfer to the state general fund,  
 3 \$142,000 for fiscal year 2026 and  
 4 \$17,000,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . . \$17,142,000  
 5 Electrical License Account: For transfer to the  
 6 state general fund, \$6,000,000 for fiscal  
 7 year 2026. . . . . \$6,000,000  
 8 Enterprise Services Account: For transfer to  
 9 the state general fund, \$35,000,000 for  
 10 fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$35,000,000  
 11 Financial Services Regulation Account: For transfer  
 12 to the state general fund, \$6,880,000 for  
 13 fiscal year 2026 and \$3,500,000 for fiscal year  
 14 2027. . . . . \$10,380,000  
 15 From auction proceeds received under RCW  
 16 70A.65.100(7)(b): For transfer to the air  
 17 quality and health disparities improvement  
 18 account, \$2,600,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$2,600,000  
 19 From auction proceeds received under RCW  
 20 70A.65.100(7)(c): For transfer to the air  
 21 quality and health disparities improvement  
 22 account, \$2,600,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . . \$2,600,000  
 23 Gambling Revolving Account: For transfer to the  
 24 state general fund, \$2,200,000 for fiscal year  
 25 2026. . . . . \$2,200,000  
 26 General Fund: For transfer to the death  
 27 investigations account, \$2,050,000 for  
 28 fiscal year 2026 and \$2,050,000 for fiscal  
 29 year 2027. . . . . \$4,100,000  
 30 General Fund: For transfer to the disaster response  
 31 account, \$30,000,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . . \$30,000,000  
 32 General Fund: For transfer to the fair fund under  
 33 RCW 15.76.115, \$2,250,000 for fiscal year 2026  
 34 and \$2,250,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . . \$4,500,000  
 35 General Fund: For transfer to the flood control  
 36 assistance account under RCW 86.26.007,  
 37 \$1,850,000 for fiscal year 2026 and  
 38 \$1,850,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . . \$3,700,000  
 39 General Fund: For transfer to the home security  
 40 fund, \$20,227,000 for fiscal year 2026 and

1       \$49,868,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . . \$70,095,000  
 2   General Fund: For transfer to the manufacturing and  
 3       warehousing job centers account pursuant to RCW  
 4       82.14.545 for distribution in section 801 of  
 5       this act, \$2,770,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$2,770,000  
 6   General Fund: For transfer to the wildfire response,  
 7       forest restoration, and community resilience  
 8       account, solely for the implementation of  
 9       chapter 298, Laws of 2021 (2SHB 1168)  
 10       (long-term forest health), \$20,000,000 for  
 11       fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$20,000,000  
 12   Higher Education Personnel Services Account: For  
 13       transfer to the state general fund, \$98,000  
 14       for fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$98,000  
 15   Horse Racing Commission Class C Purse Fund  
 16       Account: For transfer to the horse racing  
 17       commission operating account, \$340,000 for  
 18       fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$340,000  
 19   Limited Fish and Wildlife Account: For transfer  
 20       to the fish, wildlife, and conservation  
 21       account, \$3,950,000 for fiscal year 2026  
 22       and \$3,100,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . . \$7,050,000  
 23   Medical Student Loan Account: For transfer to the  
 24       state general fund, \$1,751,000 for fiscal  
 25       year 2026. . . . . \$1,751,000  
 26   Model Toxics Control Capital Account: For  
 27       transfer to the state general fund,  
 28       \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$60,000,000  
 29   Model Toxics Control Operating Account: For  
 30       transfer to the state general fund,  
 31       \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$10,000,000  
 32   Municipal Revolving Account: For transfer to  
 33       the state general fund, \$5,000,000 for  
 34       fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$5,000,000  
 35   Natural Climate Solutions Account: For transfer  
 36       to the wildfire response, forest restoration,  
 37       and community resilience account, solely for  
 38       the implementation of chapter 298, Laws of  
 39       2021 (2SHB 1168) (long-term forest health),  
 40       \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2026 and

1       \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . . \$40,000,000  
 2 OFM Central Services Account: For transfer to the  
 3       state general fund, \$1,000,000 for fiscal  
 4       year 2026 and \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . . \$2,000,000  
 5 Opioid Abatement Settlement Account: For  
 6       transfer to the tribal opioid prevention  
 7       and treatment account, the lesser of the  
 8       amount determined pursuant to RCW 43.79.483  
 9       or this amount for fiscal year 2026,  
 10       \$10,000,000 and this amount for fiscal year  
 11       2027, \$8,500,000. . . . . \$18,500,000  
 12 Performance Audits of Government Account: For  
 13       transfer to the state general fund,  
 14       \$2,536,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$2,536,000  
 15 Personnel Service Account: For transfer to the  
 16       state general fund, \$3,827,000 for fiscal  
 17       year 2026. . . . . \$3,827,000  
 18 Pipeline Safety Account: For transfer to the  
 19       state general fund, \$1,000,000 for fiscal  
 20       year 2026. . . . . \$1,000,000  
 21 Pressure Systems Safety Account: For transfer to  
 22       the state general fund, \$260,000 for fiscal  
 23       year 2026. . . . . \$260,000  
 24 Professional Engineers' Account: For transfer to  
 25       the state general fund, \$440,000 for fiscal  
 26       year 2026. . . . . \$440,000  
 27 Public Employees' and Retirees' Insurance Account:  
 28       For transfer to the state general fund,  
 29       \$18,187,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$18,187,000  
 30 Public Service Revolving Account: For transfer to  
 31       the state general fund, \$7,167,000 for fiscal  
 32       year 2026 and \$2,167,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . . \$9,334,000  
 33 Public Works Administration Account: For  
 34       transfer to the state general fund,  
 35       \$1,800,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$1,800,000  
 36 Public Works Assistance Account: For transfer to  
 37       the state general fund on June 30, 2026,  
 38       \$288,000,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . . \$288,000,000  
 39 Real Estate Commission Account: For transfer to  
 40       the state general fund, \$3,500,000 for

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| 1  | fiscal year 2026. . . . .                            | \$3,500,000   |
| 2  | Recreational Fisheries Enhancement Account: For      |               |
| 3  | transfer to the fish, wildlife, and                  |               |
| 4  | conservation account, \$300,000 for fiscal           |               |
| 5  | year 2026. . . . .                                   | \$300,000     |
| 6  | School Employees' Insurance Account: For transfer to |               |
| 7  | the state general fund, \$2,551,000 for fiscal       |               |
| 8  | year 2026. . . . .                                   | \$2,551,000   |
| 9  | Shared Game Lottery Account: For transfer to         |               |
| 10 | the education legacy trust account,                  |               |
| 11 | \$8,000,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . .            | \$8,000,000   |
| 12 | State Drought Preparedness Account: For transfer     |               |
| 13 | to the state general fund, \$4,000,000 for           |               |
| 14 | fiscal year 2026. . . . .                            | \$4,000,000   |
| 15 | State Financial Aid Account: For transfer to the     |               |
| 16 | state general fund, \$945,000 for fiscal year        |               |
| 17 | 2026. . . . .                                        | \$945,000     |
| 18 | State Seizure Account: For transfer to the           |               |
| 19 | state general fund, \$500,000 for fiscal             |               |
| 20 | year 2026. . . . .                                   | \$500,000     |
| 21 | State Treasurer's Service Account: For transfer to   |               |
| 22 | the state general fund, \$50,000,000 for fiscal      |               |
| 23 | year 2026 and \$60,000,000 for fiscal year           |               |
| 24 | 2027. . . . .                                        | \$110,000,000 |
| 25 | Tobacco Settlement Account: For transfer to the      |               |
| 26 | state general fund, in an amount not to exceed       |               |
| 27 | the actual amount of the annual base payment to      |               |
| 28 | the tobacco settlement account for fiscal year       |               |
| 29 | 2026. . . . .                                        | \$92,000,000  |
| 30 | Tobacco Settlement Account: For transfer to the      |               |
| 31 | state general fund, in an amount not to exceed       |               |
| 32 | the actual amount of the annual base payment to      |               |
| 33 | the tobacco settlement account for fiscal year       |               |
| 34 | 2027. . . . .                                        | \$92,000,000  |
| 35 | Traumatic Brain Injury Account: For transfer to      |               |
| 36 | the state general fund, \$1,111,000 for fiscal       |               |
| 37 | year 2026. . . . .                                   | \$1,111,000   |
| 38 | Warm Water Game Fish Account: For transfer to        |               |
| 39 | the fish, wildlife, and conservation                 |               |
| 40 | account, \$930,000 for fiscal year 2026 and          |               |

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| 1  | \$380,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . .          | \$1,310,000  |
| 2  | Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority       |              |
| 3  | Account: For transfer to the state general       |              |
| 4  | fund, \$900,000 for fiscal year 2026 and         |              |
| 5  | \$900,000 for fiscal year 2027. . . . .          | \$1,800,000  |
| 6  | Washington State Library-Archives Building       |              |
| 7  | Account: For transfer to the state general       |              |
| 8  | fund, \$18,000,000 for fiscal year 2026. . . . . | \$18,000,000 |
| 9  | Washington Student Loan Account: For transfer to |              |
| 10 | the state general fund, \$88,967,000 for         |              |
| 11 | fiscal year 2026. . . . .                        | \$88,967,000 |
| 12 | Water Pollution Control Revolving Administration |              |
| 13 | Account: For transfer to the water pollution     |              |
| 14 | control revolving account, \$3,000,000 for       |              |
| 15 | fiscal year 2026 and \$3,000,000 for fiscal      |              |
| 16 | year 2027. . . . .                               | \$6,000,000  |

(End of part)



**PART IX**  
**MISCELLANEOUS**

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 901. EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATIONS**

The appropriations contained in this act are maximum expenditure authorizations. Pursuant to RCW 43.88.037, moneys disbursed from the treasury on the basis of a formal loan agreement shall be recorded as loans receivable and not as expenditures for accounting purposes. To the extent that moneys are disbursed on a loan basis, the corresponding appropriation shall be reduced by the amount of loan moneys disbursed from the treasury during the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 902. EMERGENCY FUND ALLOCATIONS**

Whenever allocations are made from the governor's emergency fund appropriation to an agency that is financed in whole or in part by other than general fund moneys, the director of financial management may direct the repayment of such allocated amount to the general fund from any balance in the fund or funds which finance the agency. An appropriation is not necessary to effect such repayment.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 903. STATUTORY APPROPRIATIONS**

In addition to the amounts appropriated in this act for revenues for distribution, state contributions to the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2 and bond retirement and interest, including ongoing bond registration and transfer charges, transfers, interest on registered warrants, and certificates of indebtedness, there is also appropriated such further amounts as may be required or available for these purposes under any statutory formula or under chapters 39.94, 39.96, and 39.98 RCW or any proper bond covenant made under law.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 904. BOND EXPENSES**

In addition to such other appropriations as are made by this act, there is hereby appropriated to the state finance committee from legally available bond proceeds in the applicable construction or building funds and accounts such amounts as are necessary to pay the expenses incurred in the issuance and sale of the subject bonds.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 905. VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT AND SEPARATION**

(1) As a management tool to reduce costs and make more effective use of resources, while improving employee productivity and morale, agencies may implement either a voluntary retirement or separation program, or both, that is cost neutral or results in cost savings, including costs to the state pension systems, over a two-year period following the commencement of the program, provided that such a program is approved by the director of financial management. Agencies participating in this authorization may offer voluntary retirement and/or separation incentives and options according to procedures and guidelines established by the office of financial management in consultation with the department of retirement systems. The options may include, but are not limited to, financial incentives for voluntary separation or retirement. An employee does not have a contractual right to a financial incentive offered under this section. The office of financial management and the department of retirement systems may review and monitor incentive offers. Agencies are required to submit a report by the date established by the office of financial management in the guidelines required in this section to the legislature and the office of financial management on the outcome of their approved incentive program. The report should include information on the details of the program, including the incentive payment amount for each participant, the total cost to the state, and the projected or actual net dollar savings over the two-year period.

(2) The department of retirement systems may collect from employers the actuarial cost of any incentive provided under this program, or any other incentive to retire provided by employers to members of the state's pension systems, for deposit in the appropriate pension account.

**NEW SECTION.     Sec. 906.     COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS NOT IMPAIRED**

Nothing in this act prohibits the expenditure of any funds by an agency or institution of the state for benefits guaranteed by any collective bargaining agreement in effect on the effective date of this section.

**NEW SECTION.     Sec. 907.     COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS**

(1) In accordance with chapters 41.80 and 41.56 RCW, agreements have been reached between the governor and organizations representing state employee bargaining units and nonstate employee bargaining

units for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium presented to the legislature during the 2025 legislative session. Funding is not provided for compensation and fringe benefit provisions not presented to the legislature by the end of the 2025 legislative session. Funding is approved for agreements and awards with the following organizations:

- (a) Washington federation of state employees, general government;
- (b) Teamsters local 117, department of corrections;
- (c) Service employees international union, healthcare 1199NW;
- (d) Professional and technical engineers, local 17;
- (e) Washington association of fish and wildlife professionals;
- (f) The coalition of unions;
- (g) Association of Washington assistant attorneys general;
- (h) Washington federation of state employees, administrative law judges;
- (i) Washington state patrol troopers association;
- (j) Washington state patrol lieutenants and captains association;
- (k) Fish and wildlife officers guild;
- (l) Teamsters 760, fish and wildlife sergeants;
- (m) Washington federation of state employees, higher education community college coalition;
- (n) Service employees international union local 925, family child care providers;
- (o) Adult family home council, adult family home providers; and
- (p) Washington federation of state employees, language access providers.

(2) In accordance with chapters 41.80 and 41.56 RCW, agreements have been reached between institutions of higher education and employee organizations representing state employee bargaining units for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium and funding is provided in Part VI of this act for agreements and awards with the following organizations:

- (a) University of Washington:
  - (i) Washington federation of state employees;
  - (ii) Service employees international union local 925;
  - (iii) Teamsters local 117, police; and
  - (iv) Washington federation of state employees, police management;
- (b) Washington State University:
  - (i) Washington federation of state employees;
  - (ii) Police guild; and
  - (iii) International union of operating engineers;

1 (c) Central Washington University:  
2 (i) Washington federation of state employees;  
3 (ii) Public school employees; and  
4 (iii) Teamsters local 760 police and sergeants;  
5 (d) The Evergreen State College:  
6 (i) Washington federation of state employees; and  
7 (ii) Washington federation of state employees, uniformed  
8 personnel;  
9 (e) Western Washington University:  
10 (i) Washington federation of state employees;  
11 (ii) Fraternal order of police, lodge no. 24; and  
12 (iii) Public school employees;  
13 (f) Eastern Washington University:  
14 (i) Washington federation of state employees;  
15 (ii) Washington federation of state employees, uniformed  
16 personnel; and  
17 (iii) Public school employees; and  
18 (g) Yakima Valley College: Public school employees [Washington  
19 public employees association].  
20 (3) Expenditures for agreements in subsections (1) and (2) of  
21 this section may also be funded from nonappropriated accounts. If  
22 positions are funded with lidded grants or dedicated fund sources  
23 with insufficient revenue, additional funding from other sources is  
24 not provided.  
25 (4) Collective bargaining agreements that are not required to be  
26 approved by the legislature under RCW 41.80.010(4)(c)(ii)(A) are not  
27 rejected but are left to the institutions delegated to manage those  
28 bargained relationships under state employee collective bargaining  
29 law. The following agreements are not rejected, but do not require  
30 legislative approval:  
31 (a) Service employees international union local 1199, research/  
32 hall health;  
33 (b) Service employees international union local 1199, Harborview  
34 medical center/airlift northwest;  
35 (c) Service employees international union local 1199, UW medical  
36 center—northwest;  
37 (d) Washington state nurses association, UW medical center—  
38 northwest; and

(e) Washington state nurses association, UW medical center—  
Montlake.

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 908.      LEGISLATIVE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**  
**AGREEMENTS**

In accordance with chapter 44.90 RCW, the first agreements have been reached between the employer and organizations representing legislative employee bargaining units for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium and presented to the legislature during the 2025 legislative session. Funding is approved for agreements with the legislative professionals association and the Washington public employees association.

NEW SECTION.      **Sec. 909.      COMPENSATION—INSURANCE BENEFITS**

(1)(a) An agreement was reached for the 2025-2027 biennium between the governor and the health care coalition under the provisions of chapter 41.80 RCW. Appropriations in this act for state agencies, including institutions of higher education, are sufficient to implement the provisions of the 2025-2027 collective bargaining agreement, which maintains the provisions of the prior agreement.

(b) Appropriations for state agencies in this act are sufficient for represented employees outside the coalition and for nonrepresented state employee health benefits.

(2) The appropriations for state agencies in this act are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The monthly employer funding rate for insurance benefit premiums, public employees' benefits board administration, and the uniform medical plan, shall not exceed \$1,333 per eligible employee for fiscal year 2026.

(b) For fiscal year 2027, the monthly employer funding rate shall not exceed \$1,350 per eligible employee.

(c) The health care authority, subject to the approval of the public employees' benefits board, shall provide subsidies for health benefit premiums to eligible retired or disabled public employees and school district employees who are eligible for medicare, pursuant to RCW 41.05.085. For calendar years 2026 and 2027, the subsidy shall be up to \$183 per month. Funds from reserves accumulated for future adverse claims experience, from past favorable claims experience, or otherwise, may not be used to increase this retiree subsidy beyond what is authorized in this subsection.

(d) The monthly employer funding rate paid by school districts and educational service districts to the health care authority includes \$67.61 per month beginning September 1, 2025, and \$77.56 beginning September 1, 2026, for deposit into the public employees' and retirees' insurance account established in RCW 41.05.120.

(3) The funding rates in subsection (2) of this section are sufficient to cover, effective January 1, 2026, the following:

(a) In the uniform medical plan, coverage for doula services;

(b) In the uniform dental plan, the following:

(i) Increasing the temporomandibular joint benefit to \$1,000 annually and \$5,000 per lifetime;

(ii) Eliminating the deductible for children up to age 15; and

(c) Implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5083 (hospital affordability); and

(d) Elimination of the smart health program as provided in Senate Bill No. 5807 (health plan incentives).

(4) The funding rates in subsection (2) of this section are not sufficient to continue offering an accountable care plan as of plan year 2026.

(5) The rates are not sufficient to add coverage of prescription drugs for the treatment of obesity or weight loss. The authority shall not add coverage of prescription drugs for the treatment of obesity or weight loss without a specific appropriation from the legislature. Nothing in this section requires removal of any existing coverage of prescription drugs to treat diabetes.

(6) Current funding allows for the public employees' benefits board to adjust the employer paid long term disability benefit to a maximum monthly benefit of \$450 within the current funding resources.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 910. COMPENSATION—SCHOOL EMPLOYEES—INSURANCE BENEFITS**

An agreement was reached for the 2025-2027 biennium between the governor and the school employee coalition under the provisions of chapters 41.56 and 41.59 RCW. Appropriations in this act for allocations to school districts are sufficient to implement the provisions of the 2025-2027 collective bargaining agreement, which maintains the provisions of the prior agreement, and are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The monthly employer funding rate for insurance benefit premiums, school employees' benefits board administration, retiree

1 remittance, and the uniform medical plan, shall not exceed the rates  
2 identified in section 506(4) of this act.

3 (a) These rates are sufficient to cover:

4 (i) In the uniform medical plan, effective January 1, 2026,  
5 coverage for doula services;

6 (ii) Implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill  
7 No. 5083 (hospital affordability); and

8 (iii) Elimination of the smart health program as provided in  
9 Senate Bill No. 5807 (health plan incentives).

10 (b) The funding rates in section 506(4) of this act are not  
11 sufficient to continue offering an accountable care plan as of plan  
12 year 2026.

13 (2) Current funding allows for the school employees' benefits  
14 board to adjust the employer paid long term disability benefit to a  
15 maximum monthly benefit of \$450 within the current funding resources.

16 (3) Except as provided by the parties' health care agreement, in  
17 order to achieve the level of funding provided for health benefits,  
18 the school employees' benefits board shall require any or all of the  
19 following: Employee premium copayments, increases in point-of-service  
20 cost sharing, the implementation of managed competition, or other  
21 changes to benefits consistent with RCW 41.05.740.

22 (4) The funding rates in section 506(4) of this act are not  
23 sufficient to add coverage of prescription drugs for the treatment of  
24 obesity or weight loss. The authority shall not add coverage of  
25 prescription drugs for the treatment of obesity or weight loss  
26 without a specific appropriation from the legislature. Nothing in  
27 this section requires removal of any existing coverage of  
28 prescription drugs to treat diabetes.

29 (5) When bargaining for funding for school employees health  
30 benefits for subsequent fiscal biennia, any proposal agreed upon must  
31 assume the imposition of a \$25 per month surcharge payment from  
32 members who use tobacco products and a surcharge payment of not less  
33 than \$50 per month from members who cover a spouse or domestic  
34 partner where the spouse or domestic partner has chosen not to enroll  
35 in another employer-based group health insurance that has benefits  
36 and premiums with an actuarial value of not less than 95 percent of  
37 the actuarial value of the public employees' benefits board plan with  
38 the largest enrollment. The surcharge payments shall be collected in  
39 addition to the member premium payment.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 911.    GENERAL WAGE INCREASES**

2        (1) Appropriations for state agency employee compensation in this  
3 act are sufficient to provide general wage increases to state agency  
4 employees and employees of institutions of higher education, who are  
5 not represented or who bargain under statutory authority other than  
6 chapter 41.80 or 47.64 RCW or RCW 41.56.473 or 41.56.475.

7        (2) Funding is provided for a three percent general wage increase  
8 effective July 1, 2025, for all classified employees as specified in  
9 subsection (1) of this section, employees in the Washington  
10 management service, and exempt employees under the jurisdiction of  
11 the office of financial management. The appropriations are also  
12 sufficient to fund a three percent salary increase effective July 1,  
13 2025, for executive, legislative, and judicial branch employees  
14 exempt from merit system rules whose maximum salaries are not set by  
15 the commission on salaries for elected officials.

16        (3) Funding is provided for a two percent general wage increase  
17 effective July 1, 2026, for all classified employees as specified in  
18 subsection (1) of this section, employees in the Washington  
19 management service, and exempt employees under the jurisdiction of  
20 the office of financial management. The appropriations are also  
21 sufficient to fund a two percent salary increase effective July 1,  
22 2026, for executive, legislative, and judicial branch employees  
23 exempt from merit system rules whose maximum salaries are not set by  
24 the commission on salaries for elected officials.

25        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 912.    COMPENSATION—PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS**

26        (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, appropriations  
27 in this act for school districts and state agencies, including  
28 institutions of higher education, are adjusted to reflect changes to  
29 agency appropriations to reflect pension contribution rates adopted  
30 by the pension funding council and the law enforcement officers' and  
31 firefighters' retirement system plan 2 board.

32        (2) Appropriations for school districts and state agencies are  
33 adjusted to reflect savings resulting from changes to pension funding  
34 as provided in Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5357 (actuarial  
35 pension funding).

36        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 913.    INITIATIVE 732 COST-OF-LIVING INCREASES**

37        Part VI of this act includes funding for the greater of the  
38 general wage increase identified in section 911 of this act or a cost



1 of living adjustment for state employees pursuant to RCW 28B.50.465  
2 and 28B.50.468, as amended by Senate Bill No. 5790 (CTC employee  
3 COLAs), for a total increase of 3.0 percent, effective July 1, 2025,  
4 and 2.7 percent, effective July 1, 2026.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 914.** (1) During the 2025-2027 fiscal  
6 biennium, the health care authority, department of commerce,  
7 department of corrections, and department of children, youth, and  
8 families must revise their agreements and contracts with vendors to  
9 include a provision to require that each vendor agrees to equality  
10 among its workers by ensuring similarly employed individuals are  
11 compensated as equals as follows:

12 (a) Employees are similarly employed if the individuals work for  
13 the same employer, the performance of the job requires comparable  
14 skill, effort, and responsibility, and the jobs are performed under  
15 similar working conditions. Job titles alone are not determinative of  
16 whether employees are similarly employed.

17 (b) Vendors may allow differentials in compensation for their  
18 workers based in good faith on any of the following: A seniority  
19 system, a merit system, a system that measures earnings by quantity  
20 or quality of production, a bona fide job-related factor or factors,  
21 or a bona fide regional difference in compensation levels.

22 (c) A bona fide job-related factor or factors may include, but is  
23 not limited to, education, training, or experience, that is  
24 consistent with business necessity, not based on or derived from a  
25 gender-based differential, and accounts for the entire differential.

26 (d) A bona fide regional difference in compensation level must be  
27 consistent with business necessity, not based on or derived from a  
28 gender-based differential, and account for the entire differential.

29 (2) The provision must allow for the termination of the contract  
30 if the agency or the department of enterprise services determines  
31 that the vendor is not in compliance with this agreement or contract  
32 term.

33 (3) Agencies must implement this provision with any new contract  
34 and at the time of renewal of any existing contract.

35 (4) The department of enterprise services must revise its master  
36 contracts with vendors, including cooperative purchasing agreements  
37 under RCW 39.26.060, in accordance with this section. Any cost  
38 incurred by the department of enterprise services to implement this

section must be recouped from the fees charged to master contract vendors.

NEW SECTION.     **Sec. 915.**     (1) The jail modernization task force established in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium continues to be composed of the following members:

(a) One member from each of the two largest caucuses of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate;

(b) One member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(c) A representative from the caseload forecast council, as an advisory member;

(d) One member appointed by and representing each of the following:

(i) The governor;

(ii) The department of corrections;

(iii) The sentencing guidelines commission;

(iv) The department of social and health services, representing the behavioral health administration's state hospitals;

(v) The health care authority;

(vi) The criminal justice training commission;

(vii) The superior court judges association;

(viii) The district and municipal court judges association;

(ix) The Washington association of criminal defense attorneys or the Washington defender association;

(x) The Washington association of prosecuting attorneys;

(xi) The Washington state minority and justice commission;

(xii) Disability rights Washington;

(xiii) A behavioral health administrative service organization; and

(xiv) An individual with lived experience; and

(e) Two members appointed by and representing each of the following:

(i) The Washington state association of counties, with one representative from east of the crest of the Cascades and one representative from west of the crest of the Cascades; and

(ii) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, with one representative from east of the crest of the Cascades and one representative from west of the crest of the Cascades.

1 (2) Any additions or modifications to the membership provided in  
2 subsection (1) of this section will be informed by the analysis  
3 performed by the Washington state institute for public policy and the  
4 convening assessment performed by the William D. Ruckelshaus center.

5 (3) The task force shall review the Washington state institute  
6 for public policy's report on jail characteristics, any resulting  
7 legislation from the criminal sentencing task force, and any  
8 resulting legislation from the Washington state joint legislative  
9 task force on jail standards. At a minimum, the task force shall also  
10 discuss the following:

11 (a) Employee retention issues and potential solutions;

12 (b) The impact of overtime, jail atmosphere, emergency response  
13 time, and inexperienced corrections officers, and how to overcome  
14 these challenges;

15 (c) The type of facility needed to house those with behavioral  
16 health needs and associated costs of these facilities;

17 (d) Available diversion programs and their costs;

18 (e) Types of existing behavioral health facilities for those  
19 involved in the criminal justice system, the costs of building and  
20 running these facilities, how these facilities vary by location, the  
21 viability of offering facilities in every county, and potential  
22 system improvements to the types of services and supports offered and  
23 delivered to those with behavioral health needs;

24 (f) The types of services and supports provided to those exiting  
25 the jail system; and

26 (g) What reforms are necessary to create and enhance a seamless  
27 transition back to the community following jail confinement.

28 (4) The task force shall develop a set of statewide jail  
29 modernization recommendations to include, at a minimum, identifying  
30 existing facilities in need of upgrades or remodel and any need for  
31 building new facilities, and potential funding sources or mechanisms  
32 to make the recommendations feasible.

33 (5) Legislative members of the task force are reimbursed for  
34 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative  
35 members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they  
36 are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer,  
37 governmental entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for  
38 other nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

39 (6) The task force shall submit an initial report, including  
40 findings and recommendations, to the governor and the appropriate

committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by July 1, 2025. The task force shall submit a final report by December 31, 2025.

**Sec. 916.** 2023 c 475 s 912 (uncodified) is reenacted and amended to read as follows:

The Washington state missing and murdered indigenous women and people task force is established.

(1) The task force is composed of members as provided in this subsection.

(a) The president of the senate shall appoint one member from each of the two largest caucuses of the senate.

(b) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint one member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of representatives.

(c) The governor's office of Indian affairs shall appoint five representatives from federally recognized Indian tribes in Washington state.

(d) The president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives jointly shall appoint the following:

(i) One member representing the Seattle Indian health board;

(ii) One member representing the NATIVE project;

(iii) One member representing Northwest Portland area Indian health board;

(iv) One member representing the American Indian health commission;

(v) Two indigenous women or family members of indigenous women that have experienced violence;

(vi) One member representing the governor's office of Indian affairs;

(vii) The chief of the Washington state patrol or his or her representative;

(viii) One member representing the Washington state office of the attorney general;

(ix) One member representing the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs;

(x) One member representing the Washington state association of counties;

(xi) One member representing the association of Washington cities;

1 (xii) One member representing the Washington association of  
2 prosecuting attorneys; and

3 (xiii) One representative of the Washington association of  
4 criminal defense lawyers.

5 ~~((e) Where feasible, the task force may invite and consult with~~  
6 ~~any entity, agency, or individual deemed necessary.))~~

7 (2) ~~((The legislative members shall convene the initial meeting~~  
8 ~~of the task force no later than the end of 2023 and thereafter~~  
9 ~~convene:~~

10 ~~(a) A minimum of two subsequent meetings annually. The membership~~  
11 ~~shall select the task force's cochair, which must include one~~  
12 ~~legislator and one nonlegislative member; and~~

13 ~~(b) One summit annually.~~

14 ~~(3))~~ The task force shall review ~~((the))~~ current laws and  
15 policies relating to missing and murdered American Indian and Alaska  
16 Native people~~((. The task force shall review current policies and~~  
17 ~~develop recommendations))~~ for the purpose of:

18 (a) Assessing systemic causes behind violence including patterns  
19 and underlying historical, social and economic, institutional, and  
20 cultural factors which may contribute to disproportionately high  
21 levels of violence that occur against American Indian and Alaska  
22 Native people and recommending changes to address these systemic  
23 causes;

24 (b) Identifying ways to improve cross-border coordination between  
25 law enforcement and federally recognized tribes that share a border  
26 with Washington state;

27 (c) Assessing and recommending improvements to data tracking and  
28 reporting practices relating to violence against American Indian and  
29 Alaska Native people in Washington state;

30 (d) Making recommendations and best practices for improving:

31 (i) The collection and reporting of data by tribal, local, and  
32 state law enforcement agencies to more effectively understand and  
33 address issues of violence facing American Indian and Alaska Native  
34 people;

35 (ii) Jurisdictional and data-sharing issues on tribal reservation  
36 land and urban areas that impact gender-based violence against  
37 American Indian and Alaska Native people;

38 (iii) The collaboration and coordination between law enforcement  
39 agencies and federal, state, county, local, and tribal social and  
40 health services; and

1 (iv) Strategies and practices to improve communication and  
2 transparency with family members in missing and murdered indigenous  
3 women and people cases;

4 (e) Reviewing prosecutorial trends and practices relating to  
5 crimes of violence against American Indian and Alaska Native people  
6 in Washington state, identifying disparities, and recommending  
7 changes to address such disparities;

8 (f) Identifying barriers to providing more state resources in  
9 tracking and addressing violence against American Indian and Alaska  
10 Native people and reducing the incidences of violence;

11 (g) Assessing and identifying state resources to support programs  
12 and services for survivors, impacted family members, and tribal and  
13 urban Indian service providers working with American Indian and  
14 Alaska Native people who have experienced violence and identifying  
15 needs of survivors, impacted family members, and tribal and urban  
16 Indian service providers that are not currently being met;

17 (h) Identifying and making recommendations for increasing state  
18 resources for trainings on culturally attuned best practices for  
19 working with American Indian and Alaska Native communities for  
20 tribal, local, and state law enforcement personnel in Washington  
21 state; ((and))

22 (i) Supporting efforts led by American Indian and Alaska Native  
23 people to address this crisis, with the recognition that those  
24 personally impacted are already doing critical work to address the  
25 impacts of the missing and murdered indigenous women and people  
26 crisis in communities and that community-led work must be centered in  
27 order to identify and fully address the scope of the issue; and

28 (j) Developing best practices for law enforcement agencies,  
29 county coroners, and medical examiners on collecting indigenous  
30 demographic data. The task force shall submit a report including  
31 findings and recommendations to the appropriate committees of the  
32 legislature by June 30, 2026.

33 (3) The task force shall conduct a feasibility study to  
34 determine the potential impact and effectiveness of a commission  
35 focused on missing and murdered indigenous women and people. The  
36 feasibility study shall be submitted to the governor and appropriate  
37 committees of the legislature by June 30, 2026.

38 (4) The truth and healing tribal advisory committee shall conduct  
39 research and outreach to understand the operations and impact of  
40 Indian boarding schools in Washington run by public and faith-based

1 institutions, and to develop recommendations for the state to  
2 acknowledge and address the historical and intergenerational harms  
3 caused by Indian boarding schools and other cultural and linguistic  
4 termination practices. By June 30, 2026, the office must submit a  
5 report to the appropriate committees of the legislature that  
6 includes, but is not limited to:

7 (a) A summary of activities undertaken by the advisory committee;

8 (b) Findings regarding the extent and types of support provided  
9 by the state to Indian boarding schools;

10 (c) Findings regarding current state policies and practices that  
11 originate from Indian boarding schools or other assimilationist  
12 policies and practices and that cause disproportionate harm to  
13 American Indian and Alaska Native people and communities; and

14 (d) Recommendations regarding how the state can address the harm  
15 done by Indian boarding schools and other cultural and linguistic  
16 termination practices through a truth and reconciliation model,  
17 including but not limited to:

18 (i) Resources and assistance that the state may provide to aid in  
19 the healing of trauma caused by Indian boarding school policies; and

20 (ii) Actions to correct current state policies and practices with  
21 origins in assimilationist policies or that cause disproportionate  
22 harm to Native people and communities.

23 (5)(a) The office of the attorney general shall administer and  
24 provide staff support to the task force and advisory committee and  
25 oversee the development of the reports and study required under  
26 subsections (2), (3), and (4) of this section.

27 ~~((4))~~ (b) Where feasible, the task force may invite and consult  
28 with any entity, agency, or individual deemed necessary. The task  
29 force and tribal advisory committee, with the assistance of the  
30 Washington state office of the attorney general, must consult with  
31 federally recognized tribes in Washington state and in states  
32 bordering Washington state, and engage with urban Indian  
33 organizations to submit reports to the governor and the appropriate  
34 committees of the legislature by ~~((December 1, 2023, and June 1,~~  
35 2025)) June 1, 2026.

36 ~~((5)(a) The office of the attorney general administers and~~  
37 ~~provides staff support to the task force, organizes the summit~~  
38 ~~required under subsection (2)(b) of this section, and oversees the~~  
39 ~~development of the task force reports required under subsection (4)~~  
40 ~~of this section. The task force and the office of the attorney~~

1 ~~general shall conduct four site visits in different locations across~~  
2 ~~the state in collaboration with tribes and native-led organizations.~~  
3 ~~The office of the attorney general may contract for the summit.~~

4 ~~(b) The office of the attorney general may, when deemed necessary~~  
5 ~~by the task force, retain consultants to provide data analysis,~~  
6 ~~research, recommendations, training, and other services to the task~~  
7 ~~force for the purposes provided in subsection (3) of this section.~~

8 ~~(c) The office of the attorney general may share and exchange~~  
9 ~~information received or created on behalf of the task force with~~  
10 ~~other states, federally recognized Indian tribes, urban Indian~~  
11 ~~organizations, and other national groups working on missing and~~  
12 ~~murdered indigenous women and people issues.~~

13 ~~(d) The office of the attorney general must coordinate with the~~  
14 ~~task force to create and update a missing and murdered indigenous~~  
15 ~~women and people resource. The resource must include:~~

16 ~~(i) Instructions on how to report a missing indigenous woman or~~  
17 ~~person;~~

18 ~~(ii) General information about the investigative processes in~~  
19 ~~missing and murdered indigenous women and people cases;~~

20 ~~(iii) Best practices for family members in missing and murdered~~  
21 ~~indigenous women and people cases when working with law enforcement;~~  
22 ~~and~~

23 ~~(iv) Other useful information and resources.~~

24 ~~(6) Legislative members of the task force are reimbursed for~~  
25 ~~travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative~~  
26 ~~members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they~~  
27 ~~are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer,~~  
28 ~~governmental entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for~~  
29 ~~other nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.~~

30 ~~(7))~~ (6) To ensure that the task force ~~((has))~~ and tribal  
31 advisory committee have diverse and inclusive representation of those  
32 affected by its work, task force members whose participation in the  
33 task force may be hampered by financial hardship may be compensated  
34 as provided in RCW 43.03.220.

35 ~~((8) This section expires June 30, 2025.))~~

36 **Sec. 917.** 2024 c 376 s 906 (uncodified) is reenacted and amended  
37 to read as follows:

38 (1) The task force on the underground economy in the Washington  
39 state construction industry is established.



1       (2) For purposes of this section, "underground economy" means  
2     contracting and construction activities in which payroll is  
3     unreported or underreported with consequent nonpayment of payroll  
4     taxes to federal and state agencies including nonpayment of workers'  
5     compensation and unemployment compensation taxes.

6       (3) The task force shall study the nature and scope of the  
7     underground economy and recommend what policy changes, if any, are  
8     needed to address the underground economy, including whether greater  
9     cohesion and transparency among state agencies is needed. To assist  
10    the task force in achieving this goal, the department of labor and  
11    industries may contract with the institute for public policy, or, if  
12    the institute is unavailable, another entity with expertise capable  
13    of providing such assistance.

14       (4)(a) The task force shall consist of the following members:

15       (i) A member from each of the two largest caucuses of the senate  
16     appointed by the president of the senate;

17       (ii) A member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house  
18     of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of  
19     representatives;

20       (iii) Four members representing the construction business,  
21     selected from nominations submitted by statewide construction  
22     business organizations and appointed jointly by the president of the  
23     senate and the speaker of the house of representatives;

24       (iv) Four members representing construction workers, selected  
25     from nominations submitted by statewide labor organizations and  
26     appointed jointly by the president of the senate and the speaker of  
27     the house of representatives; and

28       (v) One representative from the office of the attorney general.

29       (b) In addition, the employment security department, the  
30     department of labor and industries, and the department of revenue  
31     shall cooperate with the task force and shall each maintain a liaison  
32     representative, who will be a nonvoting member of the task force. The  
33     departments shall cooperate with the task force and the institute for  
34     public policy, or other entity as appropriate, and shall provide  
35     information and data as the task force or the institute, or other  
36     entity as appropriate, may reasonably request.

37       (c) The task force will choose the chair or cochairs of the task  
38     force from among its membership at the initial meeting. The  
39     department of labor and industries is responsible for scheduling the  
40     initial meeting of the task force.

1 (5) (a) Legislative members of the task force shall be reimbursed  
2 for travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative  
3 members, except those representing an employer or organization, are  
4 entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with RCW  
5 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

6 (b) The expenses of the task force will be paid by the department  
7 of labor and industries. Task force expenditures are subject to  
8 approval by the department of labor and industries.

9 (6) The task force shall report its findings and recommendations  
10 to the legislature by ~~((June 30))~~ December 31, 2025.

11 **Sec. 918.** RCW 9.46.100 and 2004 c 276 s 903 are each amended to  
12 read as follows:

13 There is hereby created the gambling revolving fund which shall  
14 consist of all moneys receivable for licensing, penalties,  
15 forfeitures, and all other moneys, income, or revenue received by the  
16 commission. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. All  
17 moneys received by the commission or any employee thereof, except for  
18 change funds and an amount of petty cash as fixed by rule or  
19 regulation of the commission, shall be deposited each day in a  
20 depository approved by the state treasurer and transferred to the  
21 state treasurer to be credited to the gambling revolving fund.  
22 Disbursements from the revolving fund shall be on authorization of  
23 the commission or a duly authorized representative thereof. In order  
24 to maintain an effective expenditure and revenue control the gambling  
25 revolving fund shall be subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW  
26 but no appropriation shall be required to permit expenditures and  
27 payment of obligations from such fund. All expenses relative to  
28 commission business, including but not limited to salaries and  
29 expenses of the director and other commission employees shall be paid  
30 from the gambling revolving fund.

31 ~~((During the 2003-2005 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
32 transfer from the gambling revolving fund to the problem gambling  
33 treatment account, contingent on enactment of chapter ..., Laws of  
34 2004 (Second Substitute House Bill No. 2776, problem gambling  
35 treatment). Also during))~~ During the 2003-2005 and 2025-2027 fiscal  
36 ~~((biennium))~~ biennia, the legislature may transfer from the gambling  
37 revolving fund to the state general fund such amounts as reflect the  
38 excess nontribal fund balance of the fund. The commission shall not

1 increase fees during the 2003-2005 fiscal biennium for the purpose of  
2 restoring the excess fund balance transferred under this section.

3 **Sec. 919.** RCW 15.76.115 and 2021 c 245 s 2 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 (1) The fair fund is created in the custody of the state  
6 treasury.

7 (2) ~~(a)~~ All moneys received by the department of agriculture for  
8 the purposes of this fund and from RCW 67.16.105 shall be deposited  
9 into the fund. Each fiscal year, the state treasurer shall transfer  
10 into the fair fund from the general fund an amount appropriated in  
11 the omnibus operating appropriations act equal to:

12 ~~((a))~~ (i) \$2,000,000 for fiscal year 2021;  
13 ~~((b))~~ (ii) \$2,750,000 in each fiscal year 2022 and 2023;  
14 ~~((c))~~ (iii) \$3,500,000 in each fiscal year 2024 and 2025; ~~((and~~  
15 ~~(d))~~ (iv) \$2,250,000 in each fiscal year 2026 and 2027; and  
16 (v) \$4,000,000 in fiscal year ~~((2026))~~ 2028 and each fiscal year  
17 thereafter.

18 ~~((e))~~ (b) To support inclusiveness at fair events, a portion of  
19 the additional funds provided to fairs as a result of chapter 245,  
20 Laws of 2021 must be prioritized to be spent on educational programs  
21 and outreach that are reflective of the diversity within a fair's  
22 local population.

23 (3) Expenditures from the fund may be used only for assisting  
24 fairs in the manner provided in this chapter. Only the director of  
25 agriculture or the director's designee may authorize expenditures  
26 from the fund. The fund is subject to allotment procedures under  
27 chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for expenditures.

28 **Sec. 920.** RCW 18.04.105 and 2024 c 13 s 3 are each amended to  
29 read as follows:

30 (1) A license to practice public accounting shall be granted by  
31 the board to any person:

32 (a) Who is of good character. Good character, for purposes of  
33 this section, means lack of a history of dishonest or felonious acts.  
34 The board may refuse to grant a license on the ground of failure to  
35 satisfy this requirement only if there is a substantial connection  
36 between the lack of good character of the applicant and the  
37 professional and ethical responsibilities of a licensee and if the  
38 finding by the board of lack of good character is supported by a

preponderance of evidence. When an applicant is found to be unqualified for a license because of a lack of good character, the board shall furnish the applicant a statement containing the findings of the board and a notice of the applicant's right of appeal;

(b) Who has met the educational standards established by rule as the board determines to be appropriate;

(c) Who has passed an examination;

(d) Who has met the experience requirements established by rule by the board as it deems appropriate, which is gained:

(i) Through the use of accounting, issuing reports, management advisory, financial advisory, tax, tax advisory, or consulting skills;

(ii) While employed in government, industry, academia, or public practice; and

(iii) Meeting the competency requirements in a manner as determined by the board to be appropriate and established by board rule; and

(e) Who has paid appropriate application fees as established by rule by the board.

(2) The examination described in subsection (1)(c) of this section shall test the applicant's knowledge of the subjects of accounting and auditing, and other related fields the board may specify by rule. The time for holding the examination is fixed by the board and may be changed from time to time. The board shall prescribe by rule the methods of applying for and taking the examination, including methods for grading examinations and determining a passing grade required of an applicant for a license. The board shall to the extent possible see to it that the grading of the examination, and the passing grades, are uniform with those applicable to all other states. The board may make use of all or a part of the uniform certified public accountant examination and advisory grading service of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and may contract with third parties to perform administrative services with respect to the examination as the board deems appropriate to assist it in performing its duties under this chapter. The board shall establish by rule provisions for transitioning to a new examination structure or to a new media for administering the examination.

(3) The board shall charge each applicant an examination fee for the initial examination or for reexamination. The applicable fee shall be paid at the time an individual applies for examination,

1 reexamination, or evaluation of educational qualifications. Fees for  
2 examination, reexamination, or evaluation of educational  
3 qualifications shall be determined by the board under this chapter.  
4 There is established in the state treasury an account to be known as  
5 the certified public accountants' account. All fees received from  
6 candidates to take any or all sections of the certified public  
7 accountant examination shall be used only for costs related to the  
8 examination, except during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, when the  
9 legislature may direct the state treasurer to make transfers of  
10 moneys in the certified public accountants' account to the general  
11 fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the account.

12 (4) Individuals whose certificates are current and valid on June  
13 30, 2024, will automatically be converted to a licensee in an  
14 inactive status. To activate a license and become an active licensee,  
15 the individual must apply to the board to activate the license and:

16 (a) For applications to activate, the licensees must submit to  
17 the board documentation that they have gained one year of experience  
18 through the use of accounting, issuing reports, management advisory,  
19 financial advisory, tax, tax advisory, or consulting skills, without  
20 regard to the eight-year limitation set forth in (b) of this  
21 subsection, while employed in government, industry, academia, or  
22 public practice;

23 (b) For applications submitted to the board before January 1,  
24 2024, the individual must provide documentation to the board that  
25 they have one year of experience acquired within eight years prior to  
26 applying for a license through the use of accounting, issuing  
27 reports, management advisory, financial advisory, tax, tax advisory,  
28 or consulting skills in government, industry, academia, or public  
29 practice;

30 (c) Meet competency requirements in a manner as determined by the  
31 board to be appropriate and established by board rule;

32 (d) Submit to the board satisfactory proof of having completed an  
33 accumulation of one hundred twenty hours of CPE during the thirty-six  
34 months preceding the date of filing the petition;

35 (e) Pay the appropriate fees established by rule by the board.

36 (5) Individuals who did not hold a valid certificate on the  
37 conversion date of June 30, 2024, and who wish to apply for a license  
38 must apply as a new licensee and meet the requirements under  
39 subsection (1) of this section for initial licensure.

(6) Licensees in good standing may request to have their license placed on inactive status. All licensees in inactive status, including those who converted from certificate to a license, are subject to the following conditions:

(a) The licensee is prohibited from practicing public accounting;

(b) The licensee must pay a renewal fee to maintain this status;

(c) The licensee must comply with the applicable CPE requirements;

(d) The licensee is subject to the requirements of this chapter and the rules adopted by the board.

**Sec. 921.** RCW 18.20.430 and 2018 c 173 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

The assisted living facility temporary management account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from civil penalties imposed under this chapter must be deposited into the account. Only the director or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures. Expenditures from the account may be used only for the protection of the health, safety, welfare, or property of residents of assisted living facilities found to be deficient. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the account may be expended for funding costs associated with the assisted living program. Uses of the account include, but are not limited to:

(1) Payment for the costs of relocation of residents to other facilities;

(2) Payment to maintain operation of an assisted living facility pending correction of deficiencies or closure, including payment of costs associated with temporary management authorized under this chapter;

(3) Reimbursement of residents for personal funds or property lost or stolen when the resident's personal funds or property cannot be recovered from the assisted living facility or third-party insurer; and

(4) The protection of the health, safety, welfare, and property of residents of assisted living facilities found to be noncompliant with licensing standards.

1       **Sec. 922.** RCW 18.43.150 and 2019 c 442 s 14 are each amended to  
2 read as follows:

3       The board shall set fees at a level adequate to pay the costs of  
4 administering this chapter. All fees collected under the provisions  
5 of RCW 18.43.050, 18.43.060, 18.43.080, 18.43.100, and 18.43.130 and  
6 fines collected under RCW 18.43.110 shall be paid into the  
7 professional engineers' account, which account is hereby established  
8 in the state treasury to be used to carry out the purposes and  
9 provisions of RCW 18.43.050, 18.43.060, 18.43.080, 18.43.100,  
10 18.43.110, 18.43.120, 18.43.130, and all other duties required for  
11 operation and enforcement of this chapter. During the 2013-2015  
12 ~~((and))~~, 2015-2017, and 2025-2027 fiscal biennia, the legislature may  
13 transfer moneys from the professional engineers' account to the state  
14 general fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the  
15 fund.

16       **Sec. 923.** RCW 18.51.060 and 2011 c 336 s 486 are each amended to  
17 read as follows:

18       (1) In any case in which the department finds that a licensee, or  
19 any partner, officer, director, owner of five percent or more of the  
20 assets of the nursing home, or managing employee failed or refused to  
21 comply with the requirements of this chapter or of chapter 74.42 RCW,  
22 or the standards, rules, and regulations established under them or,  
23 in the case of a medicaid contractor, failed or refused to comply  
24 with the medicaid requirements of Title XIX of the social security  
25 act, as amended, and regulations promulgated thereunder, the  
26 department may take any or all of the following actions:

27       (a) Suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew a license;

28       (b) Order stop placement;

29       (c) Assess monetary penalties of a civil nature;

30       (d) Deny payment to a nursing home for any medicaid resident  
31 admitted after notice to deny payment. Residents who are medicaid  
32 recipients shall not be responsible for payment when the department  
33 takes action under this subsection;

34       (e) Appoint temporary management as provided in subsection (7) of  
35 this section.

36       (2) The department may suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew a  
37 license, assess monetary penalties of a civil nature, or both, in any  
38 case in which it finds that the licensee, or any partner, officer,

1 director, owner of five percent or more of the assets of the nursing  
2 home, or managing employee:

3 (a) Operated a nursing home without a license or under a revoked  
4 or suspended license; or

5 (b) Knowingly or with reason to know made a false statement of a  
6 material fact in his or her application for license or any data  
7 attached thereto, or in any matter under investigation by the  
8 department; or

9 (c) Refused to allow representatives or agents of the department  
10 to inspect all books, records, and files required to be maintained or  
11 any portion of the premises of the nursing home; or

12 (d) Willfully prevented, interfered with, or attempted to impede  
13 in any way the work of any duly authorized representative of the  
14 department and the lawful enforcement of any provision of this  
15 chapter or of chapter 74.42 RCW; or

16 (e) Willfully prevented or interfered with any representative of  
17 the department in the preservation of evidence of any violation of  
18 any of the provisions of this chapter or of chapter 74.42 RCW or the  
19 standards, rules, and regulations adopted under them; or

20 (f) Failed to report patient abuse or neglect in violation of  
21 chapter 70.124 RCW; or

22 (g) Fails to pay any civil monetary penalty assessed by the  
23 department pursuant to this chapter within ten days after such  
24 assessment becomes final.

25 (3) The department shall deny payment to a nursing home having a  
26 medicaid contract with respect to any medicaid-eligible individual  
27 admitted to the nursing home when:

28 (a) The department finds the nursing home not in compliance with  
29 the requirements of Title XIX of the social security act, as amended,  
30 and regulations promulgated thereunder, and the facility has not  
31 complied with such requirements within three months; in such case,  
32 the department shall deny payment until correction has been achieved;  
33 or

34 (b) The department finds on three consecutive standard surveys  
35 that the nursing home provided substandard quality of care; in such  
36 case, the department shall deny payment for new admissions until the  
37 facility has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the department that  
38 it is in compliance with medicaid requirements and that it will  
39 remain in compliance with such requirements.



1 (4)(a) Civil penalties collected under this section or under  
2 chapter 74.42 RCW shall be deposited into a special fund administered  
3 by the department to be applied to the protection of the health or  
4 property of residents of nursing homes found to be deficient,  
5 including payment for the costs of relocation of residents to other  
6 facilities, maintenance of operation of a facility pending correction  
7 of deficiencies or closure, and reimbursement of residents for  
8 personal funds lost. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the fund  
9 may be expended for costs associated with nursing facilities.

10 (b) Civil monetary penalties, if imposed, may be assessed and  
11 collected, with interest, for each day a nursing home is or was out  
12 of compliance. Civil monetary penalties shall not exceed three  
13 thousand dollars per violation. Each day upon which the same or a  
14 substantially similar action occurs is a separate violation subject  
15 to the assessment of a separate penalty.

16 (c) Any civil penalty assessed under this section or chapter  
17 74.46 RCW shall be a nonreimbursable item under chapter 74.46 RCW.

18 (5)(a) The department shall order stop placement on a nursing  
19 home, effective upon oral or written notice, when the department  
20 determines:

21 (i) The nursing home no longer substantially meets the  
22 requirements of chapter 18.51 or 74.42 RCW, or in the case of  
23 medicaid contractors, the requirements of Title XIX of the social  
24 security act, as amended, and any regulations promulgated under such  
25 statutes; and

26 (ii) The deficiency or deficiencies in the nursing home:

27 (A) Jeopardize the health and safety of the residents, or

28 (B) Seriously limit the nursing home's capacity to provide  
29 adequate care.

30 (b) When the department has ordered a stop placement, the  
31 department may approve a readmission to the nursing home from a  
32 hospital when the department determines the readmission would be in  
33 the best interest of the individual seeking readmission.

34 (c) The department shall terminate the stop placement when:

35 (i) The provider states in writing that the deficiencies  
36 necessitating the stop placement action have been corrected; and

37 (ii) The department staff confirms in a timely fashion not to  
38 exceed fifteen working days that:

39 (A) The deficiencies necessitating stop placement action have  
40 been corrected, and

1 (B) The provider exhibits the capacity to maintain adequate care  
2 and service.

3 (d) A nursing home provider shall have the right to an informal  
4 review to present written evidence to refute the deficiencies cited  
5 as the basis for the stop placement. A request for an informal review  
6 must be made in writing within ten days of the effective date of the  
7 stop placement.

8 (e) A stop placement shall not be delayed or suspended because  
9 the nursing home requests a hearing pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW or  
10 an informal review. The stop placement shall remain in effect until:

11 (i) The department terminates the stop placement; or

12 (ii) The stop placement is terminated by a final agency order,  
13 after a hearing, pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW.

14 (6) If the department determines that an emergency exists as a  
15 result of a nursing home's failure or refusal to comply with  
16 requirements of this chapter or, in the case of a medicaid  
17 contractor, its failure or refusal to comply with medicaid  
18 requirements of Title XIX of the social security act, as amended, and  
19 rules adopted thereunder, the department may suspend the nursing  
20 home's license and order the immediate closure of the nursing home,  
21 the immediate transfer of residents, or both.

22 (7) If the department determines that the health or safety of  
23 residents is immediately jeopardized as a result of a nursing home's  
24 failure or refusal to comply with requirements of this chapter or, in  
25 the case of a medicaid contractor, its failure or refusal to comply  
26 with medicaid requirements of Title XIX of the social security act,  
27 as amended, and rules adopted thereunder, the department may appoint  
28 temporary management to:

29 (a) Oversee the operation of the facility; and

30 (b) Ensure the health and safety of the facilities residents  
31 while:

32 (i) Orderly closure of the facility occurs; or

33 (ii) The deficiencies necessitating temporary management are  
34 corrected.

35 (8) The department shall by rule specify criteria as to when and  
36 how the sanctions specified in this section shall be applied. Such  
37 criteria shall provide for the imposition of incrementally more  
38 severe penalties for deficiencies that are repeated, uncorrected,  
39 pervasive, or present a threat to the health, safety, or welfare of  
40 the residents.

1       **Sec. 924.**   RCW 18.85.061 and 2016 sp.s. c 36 s 914 are each  
2 amended to read as follows:

3       All fees required under this chapter shall be set by the director  
4 in accordance with RCW 43.24.086 and shall be paid to the state  
5 treasurer. All fees paid under the provisions of this chapter shall  
6 be placed in the real estate commission account in the state  
7 treasury. All money derived from fines imposed under this chapter  
8 shall be deposited in the real estate education program account  
9 created in RCW 18.85.321. During the 2013-2015 ~~((and))~~, 2015-2017,  
10 and 2025-2027 fiscal ~~((biennium [biennia]))~~ biennia, the legislature  
11 may transfer to the state general fund such amounts as reflect the  
12 excess fund balance in the real estate commission account.

13       **Sec. 925.**   RCW 19.28.351 and 2013 2nd sp.s. c 4 s 956 are each  
14 amended to read as follows:

15       All sums received from licenses, permit fees, or other sources,  
16 herein shall be paid to the state treasurer and placed in a special  
17 fund designated as the "electrical license fund," and paid out upon  
18 vouchers duly and regularly issued therefor and approved by the  
19 director of labor and industries or the director's designee following  
20 determination by the board that the sums are necessary to accomplish  
21 the intent of this chapter ~~((19.28 RCW))~~. The treasurer shall keep an  
22 accurate record of payments into, or receipts of, the fund, and of  
23 all disbursements therefrom.

24       During the 2013-2015 ~~((biennium))~~ and 2025-2027 fiscal biennia,  
25 the legislature may transfer moneys from the electrical license fund  
26 to the state general fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund  
27 balance of the fund.

28       **Sec. 926.**   RCW 28B.76.525 and 2020 c 357 s 910 are each amended  
29 to read as follows:

30       (1) The state financial aid account is created in the custody of  
31 the state treasurer. The primary purpose of the account is to ensure  
32 that all appropriations designated for financial aid through  
33 statewide student financial aid programs are made available to  
34 eligible students. The account shall be a nontreasury account.

35       (2) The office shall deposit in the account all money received  
36 for the Washington college grant program established under chapter  
37 28B.92 RCW, the state work-study program established under chapter  
38 28B.12 RCW, the Washington scholars program established under RCW

1 28A.600.110, the Washington award for vocational excellence program  
2 established under RCW 28C.04.525, and the educational opportunity  
3 grant program established under chapter 28B.101 RCW. The account  
4 shall consist of funds appropriated by the legislature for the  
5 programs listed in this subsection and private contributions to the  
6 programs. Moneys deposited in the account do not lapse at the close  
7 of the fiscal period for which they were appropriated. Both during  
8 and after the fiscal period in which moneys were deposited in the  
9 account, the office may expend moneys in the account only for the  
10 purposes for which they were appropriated, and the expenditures are  
11 subject to any other conditions or limitations placed on the  
12 appropriations.

13 (3) Expenditures from the account shall be used for scholarships  
14 to students eligible for the programs according to program rules and  
15 policies. For the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium, expenditures may also be  
16 used for scholarship awards in the passport to career program  
17 established under chapter 28B.117 RCW. It is the intent of the  
18 legislature that this policy will be continued in subsequent fiscal  
19 biennia.

20 (4) Disbursements from the account are exempt from appropriations  
21 and the allotment provisions of chapter 43.88 RCW.

22 (5) Only the director of the office or the director's designee  
23 may authorize expenditures from the account.

24 (6) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
25 direct the state treasurer to transfer money in the state financial  
26 aid account to the state general fund.

27 **Sec. 927.** RCW 28B.93.060 and 2023 c 475 s 924 and 2023 c 389 s 7  
28 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

29 (1) The Washington student loan account is created in the state  
30 treasury. All receipts from the Washington student loan program must  
31 be deposited in the account. Expenditures from the account may be  
32 used only for administration and the issuance of new student loans.  
33 Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation. During  
34 the 2023-2025 and 2025-2027 fiscal ~~((biennium))~~ biennia, the  
35 legislature may direct the state treasurer to make transfers of  
36 moneys in the Washington student loan account to the state general  
37 fund.

38 (2)(a) The legislature may appropriate no more than a total of  
39 \$40,000,000 for the program during four consecutive fiscal years,

beginning with the first fiscal year from which loans are issued from the account. In the fifth fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the first student loan was issued, the legislature may appropriate up to \$10,000,000 for the program.

(b) The legislature may appropriate moneys from the account for the administrative and implementation costs of the program in the fiscal years prior to the first fiscal year in which loans are issued from the account.

**Sec. 928.** RCW 28B.99.030 and 2018 c 209 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The medical student loan account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. Only the executive director of the office or the executive director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. No appropriation is required for expenditures from the account for medical student loans. An appropriation is required for expenditures from the account for costs associated with program administration by the office.

(2) The office shall deposit into the account all moneys received for the program. Revenues to the account consist of moneys received for the program by the office, including grants and donations, and receipts from participant repayments, including principal and interest.

(3) Expenditures from the account may be used solely for medical student loans to participants in the program established by this chapter and costs associated with program administration by the office.

(4) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to transfer money in the medical student loan account to the state general fund.

**Sec. 929.** RCW 28C.04.535 and 2019 c 415 s 955 are each amended to read as follows:

Except for the 2018-19, 2019-20, ~~((and))~~ 2020-21, and 2026-27 school years, the Washington award for vocational excellence shall be granted annually. It is the intent of the legislature to continue the policy of not granting the Washington award for vocational excellence in the 2019-20 ~~((and))~~, 2020-21, 2027-28, and 2028-29 school years. The workforce training and education coordinating board shall notify the students receiving the award, their vocational instructors, local

1 chambers of commerce, the legislators of their respective districts,  
2 and the governor, after final selections have been made. The  
3 workforce training and education coordinating board, in conjunction  
4 with the governor's office, shall prepare appropriate certificates to  
5 be presented to the selected students. Awards shall be presented in  
6 public ceremonies at times and places determined by the workforce  
7 training and education coordinating board in cooperation with the  
8 office of the governor.

9       **Sec. 930.** RCW 28C.10.082 and 2014 c 11 s 4 are each amended to  
10 read as follows:

11       The tuition recovery trust fund is hereby established in the  
12 custody of the state treasurer. The agency shall deposit in the fund  
13 all moneys received under RCW 28C.10.084. Moneys in the fund may be  
14 spent only for the purposes under RCW 28C.10.084. Disbursements from  
15 the fund shall be on authorization of the agency. Disbursements from  
16 the fund shall only be used to reimburse students who are Washington  
17 state residents, or agencies or businesses that pay tuition and fees  
18 on behalf of Washington students. During the 2013-2015 fiscal  
19 biennium, the legislature may transfer from the tuition recovery  
20 trust fund to the state general fund such amounts as reflect the  
21 excess fund balance in the fund. During the 2025-2027 fiscal  
22 biennium, moneys in the fund may also be used to cover the costs  
23 associated with the agency's administration, including private  
24 vocational school licensing and the veterans program. The fund is  
25 subject to the allotment procedure provided under chapter 43.88 RCW,  
26 but no appropriation is required for disbursements.

27       **Sec. 931.** RCW 34.12.130 and 1982 c 189 s 9 are each amended to  
28 read as follows:

29       The administrative hearings revolving fund is hereby created in  
30 the state treasury for the purpose of centralized funding,  
31 accounting, and distribution of the actual costs of the services  
32 provided to agencies of the state government by the office of  
33 administrative hearings. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the  
34 legislature may direct the state treasurer to make transfers of  
35 moneys in the administrative hearings revolving fund to the general  
36 fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the fund.

1       **Sec. 932.** RCW 36.22.175 and 2019 c 448 s 5 and 2019 c 372 s 3  
2 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

3       (1)(a) In addition to any other charge authorized by law, the  
4 county auditor shall charge a surcharge of one dollar per instrument  
5 for each document recorded. Revenue generated through this surcharge  
6 shall be transmitted monthly to the state treasurer for deposit in  
7 the local government archives account under RCW 40.14.024. These  
8 funds shall be used solely for providing records scheduling, security  
9 microfilm inspection and storage, archival preservation, cataloging,  
10 and indexing for local government records and digital data and access  
11 to those records and data through the regional branch archives of the  
12 division of archives and records management.

13       (b) The division of archives and records management within the  
14 office of the secretary of state shall provide records management  
15 training for local governments and shall establish a competitive  
16 grant program to solicit and prioritize project proposals from local  
17 governments for potential funding to be paid for by funds from the  
18 auditor surcharge and tax warrant surcharge revenues. Application for  
19 specific projects may be made by local government agencies only. The  
20 state archivist in consultation with the advisory committee  
21 established under RCW 40.14.027 shall adopt rules governing project  
22 eligibility, evaluation, awarding of grants, and other criteria  
23 including requirements for records management training for grant  
24 recipients.

25       (2) The advisory committee established under RCW 40.14.027 shall  
26 review grant proposals and establish a prioritized list of projects  
27 to be considered for funding by January 1st of each even-numbered  
28 year, beginning in 2002. The evaluation of proposals and development  
29 of the prioritized list must be developed through open public  
30 meetings. Funding for projects shall be granted according to the  
31 ranking of each application on the prioritized list and projects will  
32 be funded only to the extent that funds are available. A grant award  
33 may have an effective date other than the date the project is placed  
34 on the prioritized list.

35       (3) In addition to any other surcharge authorized by law, the  
36 county auditor shall charge a surcharge of one dollar per instrument  
37 for every document recorded after January 1, 2002. Revenue generated  
38 through this surcharge shall be transmitted to the state treasurer  
39 monthly for deposit in the following accounts, fifty percent of the  
40 surcharge authorized by this subsection shall be reverted to the

1 local government archives account as prescribed in RCW 40.14.024 for  
2 maintenance and operation of the specialized regional archive  
3 facility located in eastern Washington and fifty percent of the  
4 surcharge authorized by this section shall be reverted to the account  
5 created in RCW 43.07.410 for payment of the financing contract  
6 entered into by the secretary of state for the Washington state  
7 library-archives building.

8 (4) In addition to any other surcharge authorized by law, the  
9 county auditor shall charge a surcharge of one dollar per instrument  
10 for every document recorded. Revenue generated through this surcharge  
11 shall be transmitted to the state treasurer monthly for deposit in  
12 the local government archives account under RCW 40.14.024 to be used  
13 exclusively for the competitive grant program in RCW 40.14.026 or,  
14 during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the administrative costs of the  
15 state archives, and for the attorney general's consultation program  
16 and state archivist's training services authorized in RCW 42.56.570.

17 **Sec. 933.** RCW 39.12.080 and 2018 c 299 s 923 are each amended to  
18 read as follows:

19 The public works administration account is created in the state  
20 treasury. The department of labor and industries shall deposit in the  
21 account all moneys received from fees or civil penalties collected  
22 under RCW 39.12.050, 39.12.065, and 39.12.070. Appropriations from  
23 the account may be made only for the purposes of administration of  
24 this chapter, including, but not limited to, the performance of  
25 adequate wage surveys, and for the investigation and enforcement of  
26 all alleged violations of this chapter as provided for in this  
27 chapter and chapters 49.48 and 49.52 RCW. During the 2017-2019 fiscal  
28 biennium the legislature may direct the state treasurer to make  
29 transfers of moneys in the public works administration account to the  
30 state general fund. It is the intent of the legislature to use the  
31 moneys transferred in the 2017-2019 biennium to support  
32 apprenticeship programs. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the  
33 legislature may direct the state treasurer to make transfers of  
34 moneys in the public works administration account to the general fund  
35 such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the account.

36 **Sec. 934.** RCW 40.14.024 and 2017 c 303 s 5 are each amended to  
37 read as follows:



1 The local government archives account is created in the state  
2 treasury. All receipts collected by the county auditors under RCW  
3 40.14.027 and 36.22.175 for local government services, such as  
4 providing records schedule compliance, security microfilm inspection  
5 and storage, archival preservation, cataloging, and indexing for  
6 local government records and digital data and access to those records  
7 and data through the regional branch archives of the division of  
8 archives and records management, must be deposited into the account,  
9 and expenditures from the account may be used only for these  
10 purposes. Any amounts deposited in the account in accordance with RCW  
11 36.22.175(4) may only be expended for the purposes authorized under  
12 that provision as follows: No more than fifty percent of funding may  
13 be used for the attorney general's consultation program and the state  
14 archivist's training services, and the remainder is to be used for  
15 the competitive grant program, except that during the 2025-2027  
16 fiscal biennium the competitive grant program may be suspended or  
17 reduced and the remainder used for administrative costs of the state  
18 archives.

19 **Sec. 935.** RCW 40.14.025 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 50 s 932 are each  
20 amended to read as follows:

21 (1) The secretary of state and the director of financial  
22 management shall jointly establish a procedure and formula for  
23 allocating the costs of services provided by the division of archives  
24 and records management to state agencies. The total amount allotted  
25 for services to state agencies shall not exceed the appropriation to  
26 the archives and records management account during any allotment  
27 period.

28 (2) There is created the public records efficiency, preservation,  
29 and access account in the state treasury which shall consist of all  
30 fees and charges collected under this section. The account shall be  
31 appropriated exclusively for the payment of costs and expenses  
32 incurred in the operation of the division of archives and records  
33 management as specified by law.

34 (3) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys in the account  
35 may also be transferred into the Washington state library operations  
36 fund.

37 **Sec. 936.** RCW 40.14.026 and 2019 c 372 s 1 are each amended to  
38 read as follows:

1 (1) The division of archives and records management in the office  
2 of the secretary of state must establish and administer a competitive  
3 grant program for local agencies to improve technology information  
4 systems for public record retention, management, and disclosure, and  
5 any related training, except that during the 2025-2027 fiscal  
6 biennium the competitive grant program may be suspended or reduced.  
7 The division of archives and records management may use up to six  
8 percent of amounts appropriated for the program for administration of  
9 the grant program.

10 (2) Any local agency may apply to the grant program. The division  
11 of archives and records management in the office of the secretary of  
12 state must award grants annually. The division of archives and  
13 records management must consult with the chief information officer to  
14 develop the criteria for grant recipient selection with a preference  
15 given to small local governmental agencies based on the applicant  
16 agency's need and ability to improve its information technology  
17 systems for public record retention, management, and disclosure. The  
18 division of archives and records management may award grants for  
19 specific hardware, software, equipment, technology services  
20 management and training needs, indexing for local records and digital  
21 data, and other resources for improving information technology  
22 systems. To the extent possible, information technology systems,  
23 processes, training, and other resources for improving information  
24 technology systems for records retention and distribution may be  
25 replicated and shared with other governmental entities. Grants are  
26 provided for one-time investments and are not an ongoing source of  
27 revenue for operation or management costs. A grantee may not supplant  
28 local funding with grant funding provided by the office of the  
29 secretary of state.

30 (3) The joint legislative audit and review committee must conduct  
31 a review of the attorney general's consultation program and the state  
32 archivist's training services created under section 4, chapter 303,  
33 Laws of 2017, and the local government competitive grant program  
34 created under this section. The review must include:

35 (a)(i) Information on the number of local governments served, the  
36 types of consultation and training provided, and the implementation  
37 of any practices adopted from the attorney general's consultation  
38 program and the state archivist's training services; and

39 (ii) The effectiveness of the consultation program and the  
40 training services in providing assistance for local governments; and

1 (b)(i) Information on the number of local governments that  
2 applied for and participated in the competitive grant program under  
3 this section, the amount of funding awarded through the grant  
4 program, and how such funding was used; and

5 (ii) The effectiveness of the grant program in improving local  
6 government technology information systems for public records  
7 retention, management, disclosure, and training.

8 (4) Each agency shall maintain a log of public records requests  
9 submitted to and processed by the agency, which shall include but not  
10 be limited to the following information for each request: The  
11 identity of the requestor if provided by the requestor, the date the  
12 request was received, the text of the original request, a description  
13 of the records produced in response to the request, a description of  
14 the records redacted or withheld and the reasons therefor, and the  
15 date of the final disposition of the request. The log must be  
16 retained by the agency in accordance with the relevant record  
17 retention schedule established under this chapter, and shall be a  
18 public record subject to disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.

19 (5) To improve best practices for dissemination of public  
20 records, each agency with actual staff and legal costs associated  
21 with fulfilling public records requests of at least one hundred  
22 thousand dollars during the prior fiscal year must, and each agency  
23 with such estimated costs of less than one hundred thousand dollars  
24 during the prior fiscal year may, report to the joint legislative  
25 audit and review committee by July 1st of each subsequent year the  
26 following metrics, measured over the preceding year:

27 (a) The number of requests where the agency provided the  
28 requested records within five days of receiving the request.

29 (b) The number of requests where the agency provided a time  
30 estimate for providing responsive records beyond five days after  
31 receiving the request.

32 (c) The average and median number of days from receipt of request  
33 to the date the request is closed.

34 (d) The number of requests where the agency formally sought  
35 additional clarification from the requestor;

36 (e) The number of requests denied in full or in part and the most  
37 common reasons for denying requests;

38 (f) The number of requests abandoned by requestors;

39 (g) To the extent the information is known by the agency,  
40 requests by type of requestor, including individuals, law firms,

1 organizations, insurers, governments, incarcerated persons, the  
2 media, anonymous requestors, current or former employees, and others;

3 (h) Which portion of requests were fulfilled electronically  
4 compared to requests fulfilled by physical records;

5 (i) The number of requests where the agency scanned physical  
6 records electronically to fulfill disclosure;

7 (j) The total estimated agency staff time spent on each  
8 individual request;

9 (k) The estimated costs incurred by the agency in fulfilling  
10 records requests, including costs for staff compensation and legal  
11 review, and a measure of the average cost per request;

12 (l) The number of claims filed alleging a violation of chapter  
13 42.56 RCW or other public records statutes in the past year involving  
14 the agency, categorized by type and exemption at issue, if  
15 applicable;

16 (m) The costs incurred by the agency litigating claims alleging a  
17 violation of chapter 42.56 RCW or other public records statutes in  
18 the past year, including any penalties imposed on the agency;

19 (n) The costs incurred by the agency with managing and retaining  
20 records, including staff compensation and purchases of equipment,  
21 hardware, software, and services to manage and retain public records;  
22 and

23 (o) Expenses recovered by the agency from requestors for  
24 fulfilling public records requests, including any customized service  
25 charges.

26 (6) The joint legislative audit and review committee must consult  
27 with state and local agencies to develop a reporting method and  
28 clearly define standardized metrics in accordance with this section.

29 (7) By December 1, 2019, the joint legislative audit and review  
30 committee must report to the legislature on its findings from the  
31 review, including recommendations on whether the competitive grant  
32 program, the attorney general's consultation program, and the state  
33 archivist's training services should continue or be allowed to  
34 expire.

35 **Sec. 937.** RCW 41.05.120 and 2023 c 435 s 10 are each amended to  
36 read as follows:

37 (1) The public employees' and retirees' insurance account is  
38 hereby established in the custody of the state treasurer, to be used  
39 by the director for the deposit of contributions, the remittance paid

1 by school districts and educational service districts under RCW  
2 28A.400.410, reserves, dividends, and refunds, for payment of  
3 premiums and claims for employee and retiree insurance benefit  
4 contracts and subsidy amounts provided under RCW 41.05.085, and  
5 transfers from the flexible spending administrative account as  
6 authorized in RCW 41.05.123. Moneys from the account shall be  
7 disbursed by the state treasurer by warrants on vouchers duly  
8 authorized by the director. Moneys from the account may be  
9 transferred to the flexible spending administrative account to  
10 provide reserves and start-up costs for the operation of the flexible  
11 spending administrative account program. During the 2025-2027 fiscal  
12 biennium, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to transfer  
13 money in the public employees' and retirees' insurance account to the  
14 state general fund.

15 (2) The state treasurer and the state investment board may invest  
16 moneys in the public employees' and retirees' insurance account. All  
17 such investments shall be in accordance with RCW 43.84.080 or  
18 43.84.150, whichever is applicable. The director shall determine  
19 whether the state treasurer or the state investment board or both  
20 shall invest moneys in the public employees' and retirees' insurance  
21 account.

22 (3) The school employees' insurance account is hereby established  
23 in the custody of the state treasurer, to be used by the director for  
24 the deposit of contributions, reserves, dividends, and refunds, for  
25 payment of premiums and claims for school employee insurance benefit  
26 contracts, and for transfers from the school employees' benefits  
27 board flexible spending and dependent care administrative account as  
28 authorized in this subsection. Moneys from the account shall be  
29 disbursed by the state treasurer by warrants on vouchers duly  
30 authorized by the director. Moneys from the account may be  
31 transferred to the school employees' benefits board flexible spending  
32 and dependent care administrative account to provide reserves and  
33 start-up costs for the operation of the school employees' benefits  
34 board flexible spending arrangement and dependent care assistance  
35 program. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
36 direct the state treasurer to transfer money in the school employees'  
37 insurance account to the state general fund.

38 (4) The state treasurer and the state investment board may invest  
39 moneys in the school employees' insurance account. These investments  
40 must be in accordance with RCW 43.84.080 or 43.84.150, whichever is

1 applicable. The director shall determine whether the state treasurer  
2 or the state investment board or both shall invest moneys in the  
3 school employees' insurance account.

4 (5) Moneys may be transferred between the public employees' and  
5 retirees' insurance account and the school employees' insurance  
6 account for short-term cash management and cash balance purposes.

7 **Sec. 938.** RCW 41.06.280 and 2023 c 435 s 2 are each amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 (1) The personnel service fund is created in the state treasury,  
10 to be used by the office of financial management as a revolving fund  
11 for the payment of salaries, wages, and operations required for the  
12 administration of the provisions of this chapter, applicable  
13 provisions of chapter 41.04 RCW, and chapter 41.60 RCW. An amount not  
14 to exceed one and one-half percent of the salaries and wages for all  
15 positions in each of the agencies subject to this chapter, except the  
16 institutions of higher education, shall be charged to the operations  
17 appropriations of each agency and credited to the personnel service  
18 fund as the allotments are approved pursuant to chapter 43.88 RCW.  
19 Subject to the above limitations, the amount shall be charged against  
20 the allotments pro rata, at a rate to be fixed by the director from  
21 time to time which, together with income derived from services  
22 rendered under RCW 41.06.080, will provide the office of financial  
23 management with funds to meet its anticipated expenditures during the  
24 allotment period, including the training requirements in RCW  
25 41.06.500 and 41.06.530.

26 (2) The director shall fix the terms and charges for services  
27 rendered by the office of financial management pursuant to RCW  
28 41.06.080, which amounts shall be credited to the personnel service  
29 fund and charged against the proper fund or appropriation of the  
30 recipient of such services no longer than on a quarterly basis.  
31 Payment for services so rendered under RCW 41.06.080 shall be made  
32 according to the state administrative and accounting manual (SAAM) to  
33 the state treasurer and deposited in the personnel service fund.

34 (3) The office of financial management may use the personnel  
35 service fund to administer an employee transit pass program and other  
36 employment benefits. The office of financial management must bill  
37 state agencies for the total cost of administering the program and  
38 payments received from agencies must be deposited in the personnel  
39 service fund.

1       (4) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys in the account  
2       may also be transferred into the state general fund.

3       **Sec. 939.** RCW 41.06.285 and 2023 c 435 s 3 are each amended to  
4       read as follows:

5       (1) The higher education personnel service fund is created in the  
6       state treasury, to be used by the office of financial management as a  
7       revolving fund for the payment of salaries, wages, and operations  
8       required for the administration of the provisions of this chapter and  
9       applicable provisions of chapters 41.04 and 41.60 RCW. An amount not  
10      to exceed one-half of one percent of the salaries and wages for all  
11      positions in the classified service shall be contributed from the  
12      operations appropriations of each institution and the state board for  
13      community and technical colleges and credited to the higher education  
14      personnel service fund as such allotments are approved pursuant to  
15      chapter 43.88 RCW. Subject to the above limitations, such amount  
16      shall be charged against the allotments pro rata, at a rate to be  
17      fixed by the director of financial management from time to time,  
18      which will provide the office of financial management with funds to  
19      meet its anticipated expenditures during the allotment period.

20      (2) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys in the account  
21      may also be transferred into the state general fund.

22      **Sec. 940.** RCW 41.26.450 and 2023 c 475 s 927 and 2023 c 77 s 3  
23      are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

24      (1) Port districts established under Title 53 RCW, institutions  
25      of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016, and tribal  
26      governments participating through a state-tribal compact as defined  
27      in RCW 41.26.565 shall contribute both the employer and state shares  
28      of the cost of the retirement system for any of their employees who  
29      are law enforcement officers.

30      (2) Institutions of higher education shall contribute both the  
31      employer and the state shares of the cost of the retirement system  
32      for any of their employees who are firefighters.

33      (3) During fiscal years 2018 and 2019 and during the 2019-2021,  
34      2021-2023, ~~((and))~~ 2023-2025, and 2025-2027 fiscal biennia:

35      When an employer charges a fee or recovers costs for work  
36      performed by a plan member where:

37      (a) The member receives compensation that is includable as basic  
38      salary under RCW 41.26.030(4)(b); and

1 (b) The service is provided, whether directly or indirectly, to  
2 an entity that is not an "employer" under RCW 41.26.030(14)(b);  
3 the employer shall contribute both the employer and state shares of  
4 the cost of the retirement system contributions for that  
5 compensation. Nothing in this subsection prevents an employer from  
6 recovering the cost of the contribution from the entity receiving  
7 services from the member.

8 **Sec. 941.** RCW 41.50.110 and 2015 3rd sp.s. c 4 s 951 are each  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 (1) Except as provided by RCW 41.50.255 and subsection (6) of  
11 this section, all expenses of the administration of the department,  
12 the expenses of administration of the retirement systems, and the  
13 expenses of the administration of the office of the state actuary  
14 created in chapters 2.10, 2.12, 28B.10, 41.26, 41.32, 41.40, 41.34,  
15 41.35, 41.37, 43.43, and 44.44 RCW shall be paid from the department  
16 of retirement systems expense fund.

17 (2) In order to reimburse the department of retirement systems  
18 expense fund on an equitable basis the department shall ascertain and  
19 report to each employer, as defined in RCW 28B.10.400, 41.26.030,  
20 41.32.010, 41.35.010, 41.37.010, or 41.40.010, the sum necessary to  
21 defray its proportional share of the entire expense of the  
22 administration of the retirement system that the employer  
23 participates in during the ensuing biennium or fiscal year whichever  
24 may be required. Such sum is to be computed in an amount directly  
25 proportional to the estimated entire expense of the administration as  
26 the ratio of monthly salaries of the employer's members bears to the  
27 total salaries of all members in the entire system. It shall then be  
28 the duty of all such employers to include in their budgets or  
29 otherwise provide the amounts so required.

30 (3) The department shall compute and bill each employer, as  
31 defined in RCW 28B.10.400, 41.26.030, 41.32.010, 41.35.010,  
32 41.37.010, or 41.40.010, at the end of each month for the amount due  
33 for that month to the department of retirement systems expense fund  
34 and the same shall be paid as are its other obligations. Such  
35 computation as to each employer shall be made on a percentage rate of  
36 salary established by the department. However, the department may at  
37 its discretion establish a system of billing based upon calendar year  
38 quarters in which event the said billing shall be at the end of each  
39 such quarter.



1 (4) The director may adjust the expense fund contribution rate  
2 for each system at any time when necessary to reflect unanticipated  
3 costs or savings in administering the department.

4 (5) An employer who fails to submit timely and accurate reports  
5 to the department may be assessed an additional fee related to the  
6 increased costs incurred by the department in processing the  
7 deficient reports. Fees paid under this subsection shall be deposited  
8 in the retirement system expense fund.

9 (a) Every six months the department shall determine the amount of  
10 an employer's fee by reviewing the timeliness and accuracy of the  
11 reports submitted by the employer in the preceding six months. If  
12 those reports were not both timely and accurate the department may  
13 prospectively assess an additional fee under this subsection.

14 (b) An additional fee assessed by the department under this  
15 subsection shall not exceed fifty percent of the standard fee.

16 (c) The department shall adopt rules implementing this section.

17 (6) Expenses other than those under RCW 41.34.060(4) shall be  
18 paid pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.

19 (7) During the ~~((2009-2011 and 2011-2013 fiscal biennia))~~  
20 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct the state  
21 treasurer to transfer ((from)) money in the department of retirement  
22 systems' expense fund to the state general fund ~~((such amounts as~~  
23 ~~reflect the excess fund balance of the fund. During the 2015-2017~~  
24 ~~fiscal biennium, state contributions to the judicial retirement~~  
25 ~~system may be made in part by appropriations from the department of~~  
26 ~~retirement systems expense fund))~~).

27 **\*Sec. 942. RCW 41.50.150 and 2004 c 242 s 47 are each amended to**  
28 **read as follows:**

29 **(1) The employer of any employee whose retirement benefits are**  
30 **based in part on excess compensation, as defined in this section,**  
31 **shall, upon receipt of a billing from the department, pay into the**  
32 **appropriate retirement system the present value at the time of the**  
33 **employee's retirement of the total estimated cost of all present and**  
34 **future benefits from the retirement system attributable to the excess**  
35 **compensation. The state actuary shall determine the estimated cost**  
36 **using the same method and procedure as is used in preparing fiscal**  
37 **note costs for the legislature. However, the director may in the**  
38 **director's discretion decline to bill the employer if the amount due**  
39 **is less than fifty dollars. Accounts unsettled within thirty days of**

1 the receipt of the billing shall be assessed an interest penalty of  
2 one percent of the amount due for each month or fraction thereof  
3 beyond the original thirty-day period.

4 (2) "Excess compensation," as used in this section, includes the  
5 following payments, if used in the calculation of the employee's  
6 retirement allowance:

7 (a) A cash out of unused annual leave in excess of two hundred  
8 forty hours of such leave. "Cash out" for purposes of this subsection  
9 means:

10 (i) Any payment in lieu of an accrual of annual leave; or

11 (ii) Any payment added to salary or wages, concurrent with a  
12 reduction of annual leave;

13 (b) A cash out of any other form of leave;

14 (c) A payment for, or in lieu of, any personal expense or  
15 transportation allowance to the extent that payment qualifies as  
16 reportable compensation in the member's retirement system;

17 (d) (i) The portion of any payment, including overtime payments,  
18 that exceeds twice the regular daily or hourly rate of pay; and

19 (ii) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the portion of any  
20 payment, including overtime payments, that exceeds one and one-half  
21 the regular daily or hourly rate of pay; and

22 (e) Any termination or severance payment.

23 (3) This section applies to the retirement systems listed in RCW  
24 41.50.030 and to retirements occurring on or after March 15, 1984.  
25 Nothing in this section is intended to amend or determine the meaning  
26 of any definition in chapter 2.10, 2.12, 41.26, 41.32, 41.40, 41.35,  
27 41.37, or 43.43 RCW or to determine in any manner what payments are  
28 includable in the calculation of a retirement allowance under such  
29 chapters.

30 (4) An employer is not relieved of liability under this section  
31 because of the death of any person either before or after the billing  
32 from the department.

\*Sec. 942 was vetoed. See message at end of chapter.

33 **Sec. 943.** RCW 41.50.255 and 2004 c 242 s 49 are each amended to  
34 read as follows:

35 The director is authorized to pay from the interest earnings of  
36 the trust funds of the public employees' retirement system, the  
37 teachers' retirement system, the Washington state patrol retirement  
38 system, the Washington judicial retirement system, the judges'

1 retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, the  
2 public safety employees' retirement system, or the law enforcement  
3 officers' and firefighters' retirement system lawful obligations of  
4 the appropriate system for legal ~~((expenses and))~~, medical, and,  
5 during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, administrative expenses, which  
6 expenses are primarily incurred for the purpose of protecting or  
7 preventing losses from the appropriate trust fund or are incurred in  
8 compliance with statutes governing such funds.

9 The term "legal expense" includes, but is not limited to, legal  
10 services provided through the legal services revolving fund, fees for  
11 expert witnesses, travel expenses, fees for court reporters, cost of  
12 transcript preparation, and reproduction of documents.

13 The term "medical ~~((costs))~~ expense" includes, but is not limited  
14 to, expenses for the medical examination or reexamination of members  
15 or retirees, the costs of preparation of medical reports, and fees  
16 charged by medical professionals for attendance at discovery  
17 proceedings or hearings.

18 The term "administrative expenses" includes, but is not limited  
19 to, expenses incurred to prevent losses to the trust funds such as  
20 audits, cybersecurity, petition decisions, departmental liaison work  
21 with the attorney general's office, and other similar expenses  
22 incurred by the department to ensure that trust funds are protected  
23 against risks that might lead to losses from the trust funds.

24 The director may also pay from the interest earnings of the trust  
25 funds specified in this section costs incurred in investigating fraud  
26 and collecting overpayments, including expenses incurred to review  
27 and investigate cases of possible fraud against the trust funds and  
28 collection agency fees and other costs incurred in recovering  
29 overpayments. Recovered funds must be returned to the appropriate  
30 trust funds.

31 **Sec. 944.** RCW 41.80.010 and 2022 c 297 s 951 are each amended to  
32 read as follows:

33 (1) For the purpose of negotiating collective bargaining  
34 agreements under this chapter, the employer shall be represented by  
35 the governor or governor's designee, except as provided for  
36 institutions of higher education in subsection (4) of this section.

37 (2) (a) (i) Except as otherwise provided, if an exclusive  
38 bargaining representative represents more than one bargaining unit,  
39 the exclusive bargaining representative shall negotiate with each

1 employer representative as designated in subsection (1) of this  
2 section one master collective bargaining agreement on behalf of all  
3 the employees in bargaining units that the exclusive bargaining  
4 representative represents.

5 (ii) For those exclusive bargaining representatives who represent  
6 fewer than a total of five hundred employees each, negotiation shall  
7 be by a coalition of all those exclusive bargaining representatives.  
8 The coalition shall bargain for a master collective bargaining  
9 agreement covering all of the employees represented by the coalition.  
10 The governor's designee and the exclusive bargaining representative  
11 or representatives are authorized to enter into supplemental  
12 bargaining of agency-specific issues for inclusion in or as an  
13 addendum to the master collective bargaining agreement, subject to  
14 the parties' agreement regarding the issues and procedures for  
15 supplemental bargaining. Exclusive bargaining representatives that  
16 represent employees covered under chapter 41.06 RCW and exclusive  
17 bargaining representatives that represent employees exempt under  
18 chapter 41.06 RCW shall constitute separate coalitions and must  
19 negotiate separate master collective bargaining agreements. This  
20 subsection does not prohibit cooperation and coordination of  
21 bargaining between two or more exclusive bargaining representatives.

22 (b) This subsection does not apply to exclusive bargaining  
23 representatives who represent employees of institutions of higher  
24 education, except when the institution of higher education has  
25 elected to exercise its option under subsection (4) of this section  
26 to have its negotiations conducted by the governor or governor's  
27 designee under the procedures provided for general government  
28 agencies in subsections (1) through (3) of this section.

29 (c) If five hundred or more employees of an independent state  
30 elected official listed in RCW 43.01.010 are organized in a  
31 bargaining unit or bargaining units under RCW 41.80.070, the official  
32 shall be consulted by the governor or the governor's designee before  
33 any agreement is reached under (a) of this subsection concerning  
34 supplemental bargaining of agency specific issues affecting the  
35 employees in such bargaining unit.

36 (d) For assistant attorneys general, the governor or the  
37 governor's designee and an exclusive bargaining representative shall  
38 negotiate one master collective bargaining agreement.

39 (3) The governor shall submit a request for funds necessary to  
40 implement the compensation and fringe benefit provisions in the

1 master collective bargaining agreement or for legislation necessary  
2 to implement the agreement. Requests for funds necessary to implement  
3 the provisions of bargaining agreements shall not be submitted to the  
4 legislature by the governor unless such requests:

5 (a) Have been submitted to the director of the office of  
6 financial management by October 1 prior to the legislative session at  
7 which the requests are to be considered; and

8 (b) Have been certified by the director of the office of  
9 financial management as being feasible financially for the state.

10 The legislature shall approve or reject the submission of the  
11 request for funds as a whole. The legislature shall not consider a  
12 request for funds to implement a collective bargaining agreement  
13 unless the request is transmitted to the legislature as part of the  
14 governor's budget document submitted under RCW 43.88.030 and  
15 43.88.060. If the legislature rejects or fails to act on the  
16 submission, either party may reopen all or part of the agreement or  
17 the exclusive bargaining representative may seek to implement the  
18 procedures provided for in RCW 41.80.090.

19 (4)(a)(i) For the purpose of negotiating agreements for  
20 institutions of higher education, the employer shall be the  
21 respective governing board of each of the universities, colleges, or  
22 community colleges or a designee chosen by the board to negotiate on  
23 its behalf.

24 (ii) A governing board of a university or college may elect to  
25 have its negotiations conducted by the governor or governor's  
26 designee under the procedures provided for general government  
27 agencies in subsections (1) through (3) of this section, except that:

28 (A) The governor or the governor's designee and an exclusive  
29 bargaining representative shall negotiate one master collective  
30 bargaining agreement for all of the bargaining units of employees of  
31 a university or college that the representative represents; or

32 (B) If the parties mutually agree, the governor or the governor's  
33 designee and an exclusive bargaining representative shall negotiate  
34 one master collective bargaining agreement for all of the bargaining  
35 units of employees of more than one university or college that the  
36 representative represents.

37 (iii) A governing board of a community college may elect to have  
38 its negotiations conducted by the governor or governor's designee  
39 under the procedures provided for general government agencies in  
40 subsections (1) through (3) of this section.

1 (b) Prior to entering into negotiations under this chapter, the  
2 institutions of higher education or their designees shall consult  
3 with the director of the office of financial management regarding  
4 financial and budgetary issues that are likely to arise in the  
5 impending negotiations.

6 (c)(i) In the case of bargaining agreements reached between  
7 institutions of higher education other than the University of  
8 Washington and exclusive bargaining representatives agreed to under  
9 the provisions of this chapter, if appropriations are necessary to  
10 implement the compensation and fringe benefit provisions of the  
11 bargaining agreements, the governor shall submit a request for such  
12 funds to the legislature according to the provisions of subsection  
13 (3) of this section, except as provided in (c)(iii) of this  
14 subsection.

15 (ii) In the case of bargaining agreements reached between the  
16 University of Washington and exclusive bargaining representatives  
17 agreed to under the provisions of this chapter, if appropriations are  
18 necessary to implement the compensation and fringe benefit provisions  
19 of a bargaining agreement, the governor shall submit a request for  
20 such funds to the legislature according to the provisions of  
21 subsection (3) of this section, except as provided in this subsection  
22 (4)(c)(ii) and as provided in (c)(iii) of this subsection.

23 (A) If appropriations of less than ten thousand dollars are  
24 necessary to implement the provisions of a bargaining agreement, a  
25 request for such funds shall not be submitted to the legislature by  
26 the governor unless the request has been submitted to the director of  
27 the office of financial management by October 1 prior to the  
28 legislative session at which the request is to be considered.

29 (B) If appropriations of ten thousand dollars or more are  
30 necessary to implement the provisions of a bargaining agreement, a  
31 request for such funds shall not be submitted to the legislature by  
32 the governor unless the request:

33 (I) Has been submitted to the director of the office of financial  
34 management by October 1 prior to the legislative session at which the  
35 request is to be considered; and

36 (II) Has been certified by the director of the office of  
37 financial management as being feasible financially for the state.

38 (C) If the director of the office of financial management does  
39 not certify a request under (c)(ii)(B) of this subsection as being  
40 feasible financially for the state, the parties shall enter into

1 collective bargaining solely for the purpose of reaching a mutually  
2 agreed upon modification of the agreement necessary to address the  
3 absence of those requested funds. The legislature may act upon the  
4 compensation and fringe benefit provisions of the modified collective  
5 bargaining agreement if those provisions are agreed upon and  
6 submitted to the office of financial management and legislative  
7 budget committees before final legislative action on the biennial or  
8 supplemental operating budget by the sitting legislature.

9 (iii) In the case of a bargaining unit of employees of  
10 institutions of higher education in which the exclusive bargaining  
11 representative is certified during or after the conclusion of a  
12 legislative session, the legislature may act upon the compensation  
13 and fringe benefit provisions of the unit's initial collective  
14 bargaining agreement if those provisions are agreed upon and  
15 submitted to the office of financial management and legislative  
16 budget committees before final legislative action on the biennial or  
17 supplemental operating budget by the sitting legislature.

18 (5) If, after the compensation and fringe benefit provisions of  
19 an agreement are approved by the legislature, a significant revenue  
20 shortfall occurs resulting in reduced appropriations, as declared by  
21 proclamation of the governor or by resolution of the legislature,  
22 both parties shall immediately enter into collective bargaining for a  
23 mutually agreed upon modification of the agreement.

24 (6) After the expiration date of a collective bargaining  
25 agreement negotiated under this chapter, all of the terms and  
26 conditions specified in the collective bargaining agreement remain in  
27 effect until the effective date of a subsequently negotiated  
28 agreement, not to exceed one year from the expiration date stated in  
29 the agreement. Thereafter, the employer may unilaterally implement  
30 according to law.

31 ~~(7) (a) ((For the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium, the legislature may~~  
32 ~~approve funding for a collective bargaining agreement negotiated by a~~  
33 ~~higher education institution and the Washington federation of state~~  
34 ~~employees and ratified by the exclusive bargaining representative~~  
35 ~~before final legislative action on the omnibus appropriations act by~~  
36 ~~the sitting legislature.~~

37 ~~(b) Subsection (3) (a) and (b) of this section do not apply to~~  
38 ~~requests for funding made pursuant to this subsection.~~

39 ~~(8) (a) For the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, the legislature may~~  
40 ~~approve funding for a collective bargaining agreement negotiated by~~

~~the governor or governor's designee and the Washington public employees association community college coalition and the general government agencies and ratified by the exclusive bargaining representative before final legislative action on the omnibus appropriations act by the sitting legislature.~~

~~(b) For the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, the legislature may approve funding for a collective bargaining agreement negotiated between Highline Community College and the Washington public employees association and ratified by the exclusive bargaining representative before final legislative action on the omnibus appropriations act by the sitting legislature.~~

~~(c) For the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, the legislature may approve funding for collective bargaining agreements negotiated between Eastern Washington University and bargaining units of the Washington federation of state employees and the public school employees association, and between Yakima Valley College and the Washington public employees association, and ratified by the exclusive bargaining representatives before final legislative action on the omnibus appropriations act by the sitting legislature.~~

~~(d)) For the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may approve funding for a collective bargaining agreement negotiated by a higher education institution and the western Washington university fraternal order of police and ratified by the exclusive bargaining representative by October 5, 2024.~~

~~(b) Subsection (3)(a) and (b) of this section ((does)) do not apply to requests for funding made pursuant to this subsection.~~

**Sec. 945.** RCW 43.07.410 and 2023 c 474 s 8030 are each amended to read as follows:

The Washington state library-archives building account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. All moneys received under RCW 36.18.010(12), 36.22.175(3), and 43.07.370(3) must be deposited in the account. Except for during the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, expenditures from the account may be made only for the purposes of payment of the financing contract entered into by the secretary of state for the Washington state library-archives building. During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the secretary of state may spend up to \$8,000,000 from the account for costs associated with the design and construction of the state library-archives building and for costs necessary to prepare the building for occupancy. Only the secretary



1 of state or the secretary of state's designee may authorize  
2 expenditures from the account. An appropriation is not required for  
3 expenditures, but the account is subject to allotment procedures  
4 under chapter 43.88 RCW. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys  
5 in the account may also be transferred into the state general fund.

6 **Sec. 946.** RCW 43.09.282 and 2009 c 564 s 928 are each amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 For the purposes of centralized funding, accounting, and  
9 distribution of the costs of the audits performed on local  
10 governments by the state auditor, there is hereby created an account  
11 entitled the municipal revolving account. The state treasurer shall  
12 be custodian of the account. All moneys received by the state auditor  
13 or by any officer or employee thereof shall be deposited with the  
14 state treasurer and credited to the municipal revolving account. Only  
15 the state auditor or the auditor's designee may authorize  
16 expenditures from the account. No appropriation is required for  
17 expenditures. The state auditor shall keep such records as are  
18 necessary to detail the auditing costs attributable to the various  
19 types of local governments. During the 2009-2011 fiscal biennium, the  
20 state auditor shall reduce the municipal revolving account charges  
21 for financial audits performed on local governments by five percent.  
22 During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct the  
23 state treasurer to make transfers of moneys in the municipal  
24 revolving account to the general fund such amounts as reflect the  
25 excess fund balance of the account.

26 **Sec. 947.** RCW 43.09.475 and 2023 c 475 s 928 are each amended to  
27 read as follows:

28 The performance audits of government account is hereby created in  
29 the custody of the state treasurer. Revenue identified in RCW  
30 82.08.020(5) and 82.12.0201 shall be deposited in the account. Money  
31 in the account shall be used to fund the performance audits and  
32 follow-up performance audits under RCW 43.09.470 and shall be  
33 expended by the state auditor in accordance with chapter 1, Laws of  
34 2006. Only the state auditor or the state auditor's designee may  
35 authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to  
36 allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is  
37 not required for expenditures. The performance audits of government  
38 account may be appropriated for the joint legislative audit and

1 review committee, the legislative evaluation and accountability  
2 program committee, and for the office of financial management's  
3 performance audit and compliance audit activities. During the  
4 2019-2021, 2021-2023, and 2023-2025 fiscal biennia, the performance  
5 audits of government account may be appropriated for the  
6 superintendent of public instruction, the office of the governor, and  
7 audits of school districts. In addition, during the 2019-2021 and  
8 2021-2023 fiscal biennia the account may be used to fund the office  
9 of financial management's contract for the compliance audit of the  
10 state auditor and audit activities at the department of revenue.  
11 During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct the  
12 state treasurer to make transfers of moneys in the performance audits  
13 of government account to the general fund such amounts as reflect the  
14 excess fund balance of the account.

15 **Sec. 948.** RCW 43.19.025 and 2014 c 221 s 915 are each amended to  
16 read as follows:

17 The enterprise services account is created in the custody of the  
18 state treasurer and shall be used for all activities conducted by the  
19 department, except information technology services. Only the director  
20 or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the  
21 account. The account is subject to the allotment procedures under  
22 chapter 43.88 RCW. During the 2013-2015 fiscal biennium, the director  
23 of the office of financial management may authorize expenditures from  
24 the account for the provision of small agency client services. During  
25 the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct the state  
26 treasurer to transfer money in the enterprise services account to the  
27 state general fund.

28 **Sec. 949.** RCW 43.24.150 and 2017 c 281 s 40 are each amended to  
29 read as follows:

30 (1) The business and professions account is created in the state  
31 treasury. All receipts from business or professional licenses,  
32 registrations, certifications, renewals, examinations, or civil  
33 penalties assessed and collected by the department from the following  
34 chapters must be deposited into the account:

- 35 (a) Chapter 18.11 RCW, auctioneers;
- 36 (b) Chapter 18.16 RCW, cosmetologists, barbers, and manicurists;
- 37 (c) Chapter 18.145 RCW, court reporters;
- 38 (d) Chapter 18.165 RCW, private investigators;

- (e) Chapter 18.170 RCW, security guards;
- (f) Chapter 18.185 RCW, bail bond agents;
- (g) Chapter 18.280 RCW, home inspectors;
- (h) Chapter 19.16 RCW, collection agencies;
- (i) Chapter 19.31 RCW, employment agencies;
- (j) Chapter 19.105 RCW, camping resorts;
- (k) Chapter 19.138 RCW, sellers of travel;
- (l) Chapter 42.45 RCW, notaries public;
- (m) Chapter 64.36 RCW, timeshares;
- (n) Chapter 67.08 RCW, boxing, martial arts, and wrestling;
- (o) Chapter 18.300 RCW, body art, body piercing, and tattooing;
- (p) Chapter 79A.60 RCW, whitewater river outfitters;
- (q) Chapter 19.158 RCW, commercial telephone solicitation; and
- (r) Chapter 19.290 RCW, scrap metal businesses.

Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used only for expenses incurred in carrying out these business and professions licensing activities of the department. Any residue in the account must be accumulated and may not revert to the general fund at the end of the biennium. However, during the 2013-2015 and 2025-2027 fiscal ~~((biennium))~~ biennia the legislature may transfer to the state general fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance in the account.

(2) The director must biennially prepare a budget request based on the anticipated costs of administering the business and professions licensing activities listed in subsection (1) of this section, which must include the estimated income from these business and professions fees.

**Sec. 950.** RCW 43.41.450 and 2023 c 435 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

The office of financial management central service account is created in the state treasury. The account is to be used by the office as a revolving fund for the payment of salaries, wages, and other costs required for the operation and maintenance of statewide budgeting, accounting, forecasting, and functions and activities in the office. All receipts from agency fees and charges for services collected from public agencies must be deposited into the account. The director shall fix the terms and charges to agencies based on each agency's share of the office statewide cost allocation plan for federal funds. Moneys in the account may be spent only after

1 appropriation. During the 2021-2023 and 2023-2025 fiscal biennia, the  
2 account may be used as a revolving fund for the payment of salaries,  
3 wages, and other costs related to policy activities in the office.  
4 During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys in the account may also  
5 be transferred into the state general fund.

6 **Sec. 951.** RCW 43.79.195 and 2021 c 334 s 971 and 2021 c 170 s 6  
7 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

8 (1) The workforce education investment account is created in the  
9 state treasury. All revenues from the workforce investment surcharge  
10 created in RCW 82.04.299 and those revenues as specified under RCW  
11 82.04.290(2)(c) must be deposited directly into the account. Moneys  
12 in the account may be spent only after appropriation. Expenditures  
13 from the account may be used only for higher education programs,  
14 higher education operations, higher education compensation, state-  
15 funded student aid programs, and workforce development including  
16 career connected learning as defined by RCW 28C.30.020.

17 (2) (~~Expenditures~~) Except in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium,  
18 expenditures from the workforce education investment account must be  
19 used to supplement, not supplant, other federal, state, and local  
20 funding for higher education. It is the intent of the legislature to  
21 continue this policy in the 2027-2029 fiscal biennium.

22 **Sec. 952.** RCW 43.79.567 and 2023 c 435 s 7 are each amended to  
23 read as follows:

24 (1) The community reinvestment account is created in the state  
25 treasury. Revenues to the account shall consist of appropriations and  
26 transfers by the legislature and all other moneys directed for  
27 deposit into the account. Moneys in the account may be spent only  
28 after appropriation.

29 (2) Expenditures from the account may be used by the department  
30 of commerce for:

31 (a) Economic development, which includes addressing wealth  
32 disparities to promote asset building such as home ownership and  
33 expanding access to financial resources including, but not limited  
34 to, grants and loans for small businesses and entrepreneurs,  
35 financial literacy training, and other small business training and  
36 support activities;

1 (b) Civil and criminal legal assistance to provide postconviction  
2 relief and case assistance, including the expungement of criminal  
3 records and vacation of criminal convictions;

4 (c) Community-based violence intervention and prevention  
5 services, which may include after-school programs focused on  
6 providing education and mentorship to youths;

7 (d) Reentry services to facilitate successful transitions for  
8 persons formerly incarcerated in an adult correctional facility or  
9 juvenile residential facility in Washington; and

10 (e) Beginning July 1, 2025, agricultural and economic support and  
11 services available to historically marginalized communities.

12 (3) The distribution of the grants under this section must be  
13 done in collaboration with "by and for community organizations" as  
14 defined by the department of commerce and the office of equity. For  
15 the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, "by and for community organizations"  
16 include, but are not limited to, those operated by and for Black,  
17 Latino, Native American, Asian, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander  
18 communities.

19 **Sec. 953.** RCW 43.83B.430 and 2023 c 474 s 8033 and 2023 c 287 s  
20 2 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

21 The state drought preparedness account is created in the state  
22 treasury. All receipts from appropriated funds designated for the  
23 account and all cost recovery revenues collected under RCW  
24 43.83B.410(5) must be deposited into the account. Expenditures from  
25 the account may be used for drought planning and preparedness  
26 activities under this chapter, including grants issued under RCW  
27 43.83B.415. Moneys in the account may be spent only after  
28 appropriation. During the 2021-2023 ((and)), 2023-2025, and 2025-2027  
29 fiscal biennia, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the  
30 account for activities related to water banking. During the 2025-2027  
31 fiscal biennium, the legislature may transfer from the state drought  
32 preparedness account to the state general fund.

33 **Sec. 954.** RCW 43.101.200 and 2024 c 376 s 908 are each amended  
34 to read as follows:

35 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, all law  
36 enforcement personnel, except volunteers, and reserve officers  
37 whether paid or unpaid, initially employed on or after January 1,  
38 1978, shall engage in basic law enforcement training which complies

1 with standards adopted by the commission pursuant to RCW 43.101.080.  
2 For personnel initially employed before January 1, 1990, such  
3 training shall be successfully completed during the first fifteen  
4 months of employment of such personnel unless otherwise extended or  
5 waived by the commission and shall be requisite to the continuation  
6 of such employment. Personnel initially employed on or after January  
7 1, 1990, shall commence basic training during the first six months of  
8 employment unless the basic training requirement is otherwise waived  
9 or extended by the commission. Successful completion of basic  
10 training is requisite to the continuation of employment of such  
11 personnel initially employed on or after January 1, 1990.

12 (2)(a) All law enforcement personnel who are limited authority  
13 Washington peace officers and whose employment commences on or after  
14 July 1, 2023, shall commence basic training during the first 12  
15 months of employment unless the basic training requirement is  
16 otherwise waived or extended by the commission. Successful completion  
17 of basic training is requisite to the continuation of employment of  
18 such personnel initially employed on or after July 1, 2023.

19 (b)(i) The commission shall review the training files of all law  
20 enforcement personnel who are limited authority Washington peace  
21 officers, whose employment commenced prior to July 1, 2023, and who  
22 have not successfully completed training that complies with standards  
23 adopted by the commission, to determine what, if any, supplemental  
24 training is required to appropriately carry out the officers' duties  
25 and responsibilities.

26 (ii) Nothing in this section may be interpreted to require law  
27 enforcement personnel who are limited authority Washington peace  
28 officers, whose employment commenced prior to July 1, 2023, to  
29 complete the basic law enforcement training academy as a condition of  
30 continuing employment as a limited authority Washington peace  
31 officer.

32 (iii) Law enforcement personnel who are limited authority  
33 Washington peace officers are not required to complete the basic law  
34 enforcement academy or an equivalent basic academy upon transferring  
35 to a general authority Washington law enforcement agency or limited  
36 authority Washington law enforcement agency, as defined in RCW  
37 10.93.020, if they have:

38 (A) Been employed as a special agent with the Washington state  
39 gambling commission, been a natural resource investigator with the  
40 department of natural resources, been a liquor enforcement officer

1 with the liquor and cannabis board, been an investigator with the  
2 office of the insurance commissioner, or been a park ranger with the  
3 Washington state parks and recreation commission, before or after  
4 July 1, 2023; and

5 (B) Received a certificate of successful completion from the  
6 basic law enforcement academy or the basic law enforcement  
7 equivalency academy and thereafter engaged in regular and  
8 commissioned law enforcement employment with an agency listed in  
9 (b)(iii)(A) of this subsection without a break or interruption in  
10 excess of 24 months; and

11 (C) Remained current with the in-service training requirements as  
12 adopted by the commission by rule.

13 (3) Except as provided in RCW 43.101.170, the commission shall  
14 provide the aforementioned training and shall have the sole authority  
15 to do so. The commission shall provide necessary facilities,  
16 supplies, materials, and the board and room of noncommuting attendees  
17 for seven days per week, except (~~during the 2017-2019, 2019-2021,~~  
18 ~~and 2021-2023 fiscal biennia, and~~) during fiscal year 2024 and  
19 during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, when the employing, county,  
20 city, or state law enforcement agency shall reimburse the commission  
21 for twenty-five percent of the cost of training its personnel.  
22 Additionally, to the extent funds are provided for this purpose, the  
23 commission shall reimburse to participating law enforcement agencies  
24 with ten or less full-time commissioned patrol officers the cost of  
25 temporary replacement of each officer who is enrolled in basic law  
26 enforcement training: PROVIDED, That such reimbursement shall include  
27 only the actual cost of temporary replacement not to exceed the total  
28 amount of salary and benefits received by the replaced officer during  
29 his or her training period:

30 PROVIDED FURTHER, That limited authority Washington law  
31 enforcement agencies as defined in RCW 10.93.020 shall reimburse the  
32 commission for the full cost of training their personnel.

33 **Sec. 955.** RCW 43.101.220 and 2024 c 376 s 909 are each amended  
34 to read as follows:

35 (1) The corrections personnel of the state and all counties and  
36 municipal corporations initially employed on or after January 1,  
37 1982, shall engage in basic corrections training which complies with  
38 standards adopted by the commission. The standards adopted must  
39 provide for basic corrections training of at least ten weeks in

length for any corrections officers subject to the certification requirement under RCW 43.101.095 who are hired on or after July 1, 2021, or on an earlier date set by the commission. The training shall be successfully completed during the first six months of employment of the personnel, unless otherwise extended or waived by the commission, and shall be requisite to the continuation of employment.

(2) The commission shall provide the training required in this section, together with facilities, supplies, materials, and the room and board for noncommuting attendees, except ~~((during the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, and))~~ during fiscal year 2025 and during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, when the employing county, municipal corporation, or state agency shall reimburse the commission for twenty-five percent of the cost of training its personnel.

(3)(a) Subsections (1) and (2) of this section do not apply to the Washington state department of corrections prisons division. The Washington state department of corrections is responsible for identifying training standards, designing curricula and programs, and providing the training for those corrections personnel employed by it. In doing so, the secretary of the department of corrections shall consult with staff development experts and correctional professionals both inside and outside of the agency, to include soliciting input from labor organizations.

(b) The commission and the department of corrections share the responsibility of developing and defining training standards and providing training for community corrections officers employed within the community corrections division of the department of corrections.

**Sec. 956.** RCW 43.155.050 and 2023 c 475 s 932 and 2023 c 474 s 8037 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1) The public works assistance account is hereby established in the state treasury. Money may be placed in the public works assistance account from the proceeds of bonds when authorized by the legislature or from any other lawful source. Money in the public works assistance account shall be used to make loans and grants and to give financial guarantees to local governments for public works projects. Moneys in the account may also be appropriated or transferred to the water pollution control revolving fund and the drinking water assistance account to provide for state match requirements under federal law. Moneys in the account may be transferred to the move ahead WA account to provide support of public



works projects funded in the move ahead WA program. Not more than 20 percent of the biennial capital budget appropriation to the public works board from this account may be expended or obligated for preconstruction loans and grants, emergency loans and grants, or loans and grants for capital facility planning under this chapter. Not more than 10 percent of the biennial capital budget appropriation to the public works board from this account may be expended or obligated as grants for preconstruction, emergency, capital facility planning, and construction projects. During the 2017-2019 and 2019-2021 fiscal biennia, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the account for activities related to rural economic development, the growth management act, the aviation revitalization loan program, the community economic revitalization board broadband program, and the voluntary stewardship program. During the 2021-2023 and 2023-2025 fiscal biennia, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the account for activities related to the community aviation revitalization board. During the 2019-2021 fiscal biennia, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to make transfers of moneys in the public works assistance account to the education legacy trust account. During the 2019-2021 and 2021-2023 fiscal biennia, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to make transfers of moneys in the public works assistance account to the statewide broadband account. The legislature may appropriate moneys from the public works assistance account for activities related to the voluntary stewardship program, rural economic development, and the growth management act. During the 2021-2023 biennium, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the account for projects identified in section 1033, chapter 296, Laws of 2022. During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the public works assistance account for an evaluation of the costs of relocating public utilities related to fish barrier removal projects. During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the account for activities related to developing a data dashboard to map investments made by the public works board, the department of commerce, the department of health, the department of ecology, the department of transportation, the transportation improvement board, and by board partners to the system improvement team created in RCW 43.155.150.

(2) For fiscal year 2024 through fiscal year 2038, the state treasurer must transfer from the public works assistance account to

1 the move ahead WA account created in RCW 46.68.510 \$57,000,000 each  
2 fiscal year in four equal quarterly transfers.

3 (3) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
4 direct the state treasurer to transfer money from the public works  
5 assistance account to the state general fund.

6 **Sec. 957.** RCW 43.216.828 and 2021 c 199 s 301 are each amended  
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) It is the intent of the legislature to systemically increase  
9 child care subsidy rates over time until rates are equal to the full  
10 cost of providing high quality child care.

11 (2) Beginning July 1, (~~(2021)~~) 2026, child care subsidy base  
12 rates must achieve the 85th percentile of market, as established by  
13 the most recent market rate survey published before the effective  
14 date of this section, for licensed or certified child care providers.  
15 The state and the exclusive representative for family child care  
16 providers must enter into bargaining over the implementation of the  
17 subsidy rate increase under this subsection.

18 (3)(a) The department shall build upon the work of the child care  
19 collaborative task force to develop and implement a child care cost  
20 estimate model and use the completed child care cost model to  
21 recommend subsidy rates at levels that are sufficient to compensate  
22 licensed or certified child care providers for the full costs of  
23 providing high quality child care. The department shall consider:

24 (i) Adjusting rates to reflect cost of living such as area median  
25 income, cost of living by zip code, and grouping by categories such  
26 as rural, suburban, or urban; and

27 (ii) Incorporating the rate model for nonstandard child care  
28 hours developed under section 306, chapter 199, Laws of 2021.

29 (b) The department shall build upon the work of the child care  
30 collaborative task force to evaluate options to support access to  
31 affordable health care insurance coverage for licensed or certified  
32 child care providers.

33 (4) This section does not interfere with, impede, or in any way  
34 diminish the right of family child care providers to bargain  
35 collectively with the state through the exclusive bargaining  
36 representatives as provided for under RCW 41.56.028.

37 **Sec. 958.** RCW 43.320.110 and 2023 c 475 s 933 are each amended  
38 to read as follows:

1 (1) There is created in the custody of the state treasurer a  
2 local fund known as the "financial services regulation fund" which  
3 shall consist of all moneys received by the divisions of the  
4 department of financial institutions, except as provided in  
5 subsection (2) of this section.

6 (2) The division of securities shall deposit thirteen percent of  
7 all moneys received, except as provided in RCW 43.320.115 and  
8 subsection (3) of this section, and which shall be used for the  
9 purchase of supplies and necessary equipment; the payment of  
10 salaries, wages, and utilities; the establishment of reserves; and  
11 other incidental costs required for the proper regulation of  
12 individuals and entities subject to regulation by the department.

13 (3) The division of securities shall deposit one hundred percent  
14 of all moneys received that are attributable to increases in fees  
15 implemented by rule pursuant to RCW 21.20.340(15).

16 (4) Disbursements from the fund shall be on authorization of the  
17 director of financial institutions or the director's designee. In  
18 order to maintain an effective expenditure and revenue control, the  
19 fund shall be subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no  
20 appropriation is required to permit expenditures and payment of  
21 obligations from the fund.

22 (5) During the 2017-2019 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
23 transfer from the financial services regulation fund to the state  
24 general fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the  
25 fund. During the 2017-2019 and 2021-2023 fiscal biennia, moneys from  
26 the financial services regulation fund may be appropriated for the  
27 family prosperity account program at the department of commerce and  
28 for the operations of the department of revenue.

29 (6)(a) Beginning in the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the state  
30 treasurer shall annually transfer from the fund to the student loan  
31 advocate account created in RCW 28B.77.008, the greater of one  
32 hundred seventy-five thousand dollars or twenty percent of the annual  
33 assessment derived from student education loan servicing.

34 (b) The department must provide information to the state  
35 treasurer regarding the amount of the annual assessment derived from  
36 student education loan servicing.

37 (7) The director's obligations or duties under chapter 62, Laws  
38 of 2018 are subject to section 21, chapter 62, Laws of 2018.

1 (8) During the 2019-2021 (~~and~~), 2023-2025, and 2025-2027 fiscal  
2 biennia, moneys in the financial services regulation fund may be  
3 appropriated for the operations of the department of revenue.

4 (9) During the 2021-2023 (~~and~~), 2023-2025, and 2025-2027 fiscal  
5 biennia, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to make  
6 transfers of moneys in the financial services regulation fund to the  
7 general fund. It is the intent of the legislature to continue this  
8 policy in subsequent biennia.

9 **Sec. 959.** RCW 43.330.184 and 2022 c 216 s 6 are each amended to  
10 read as follows:

11 The apple health and homes account is created in the state  
12 treasury. Moneys in the account may be spent only after  
13 appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used only for  
14 permanent supportive housing programs administered by the office  
15 created in RCW 43.330.181, including acquisition and development of  
16 permanent supportive housing units, operations, maintenance, and  
17 services costs of permanent supportive housing units, project-based  
18 vouchers, provider grants, and other purposes authorized by  
19 appropriations made in the operating budget. The department must  
20 prioritize allocating at least 10 percent of the expenditures from  
21 the account to organizations that serve and are substantially  
22 governed by individuals disproportionately impacted by homelessness  
23 and behavioral health conditions, including black, indigenous, and  
24 other people of color, lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer, transgender,  
25 and other gender diverse individuals. When selecting projects  
26 supported by funds from the account, the office shall balance the  
27 state's interest in quickly approving and financing projects, the  
28 degree to which the project will leverage other funds, the extent to  
29 which the project promotes racial equity, and the extent to which the  
30 project will promote priorities of chapter 216, Laws of 2022 on a  
31 statewide basis, including in rural areas and in geographically  
32 diverse parts of the state. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the  
33 legislature may direct the state treasurer to transfer money in the  
34 apple health and homes account to the state general fund.

35 **Sec. 960.** RCW 43.330.250 and 2019 c 415 s 974 are each amended  
36 to read as follows:

1 (1) The economic development strategic reserve account is created  
2 in the state treasury to be used only for the purposes of this  
3 section.

4 (2) Only the governor, with the recommendation of the director of  
5 the department of commerce, may authorize expenditures from the  
6 account.

7 (3) During the 2009-2011 (~~and~~), 2011-2013, and 2025-2027 fiscal  
8 biennia, moneys in the account may also be transferred into the state  
9 general fund.

10 (4) Expenditures from the account may be made to prevent closure  
11 of a business or facility, to prevent relocation of a business or  
12 facility in the state to a location outside the state, or to recruit  
13 a business or facility to the state. Expenditures may be authorized  
14 for:

15 (a) Workforce development;

16 (b) Public infrastructure needed to support or sustain the  
17 operations of the business or facility;

18 (c) Other lawfully provided assistance including, but not limited  
19 to, technical assistance, environmental analysis, relocation  
20 assistance, and planning assistance. Funding may be provided for such  
21 assistance only when it is in the public interest and may only be  
22 provided under a contractual arrangement ensuring that the state will  
23 receive appropriate consideration, such as an assurance of job  
24 creation or retention; and

25 (d) The joint center for aerospace technology innovation.

26 (5) The funds shall not be expended from the account unless:

27 (a) The circumstances are such that time does not permit the  
28 director of the department of commerce or the business or facility to  
29 secure funding from other state sources;

30 (b) The business or facility produces or will produce significant  
31 long-term economic benefits to the state, a region of the state, or a  
32 particular community in the state;

33 (c) The business or facility does not require continuing state  
34 support;

35 (d) The expenditure will result in new jobs, job retention, or  
36 higher incomes for citizens of the state;

37 (e) The expenditure will not supplant private investment; and

38 (f) The expenditure is accompanied by private investment.

1 (6) No more than three million dollars per year may be expended  
2 from the account for the purpose of assisting an individual business  
3 or facility pursuant to the authority specified in this section.

4 (7) If the account balance in the strategic reserve account  
5 exceeds fifteen million dollars at any time, the amount in excess of  
6 fifteen million dollars shall be transferred to the education  
7 construction account.

8 (8) During the 2017-2019 (~~and~~), 2019-2021, and 2025-2027 fiscal  
9 biennia, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the account to  
10 fund programs and grants at the department of commerce. It is the  
11 intent of the legislature that this policy will be continued in  
12 subsequent fiscal biennia.

13 **Sec. 961.** RCW 44.90.070 and 2024 c 333 s 9 are each amended to  
14 read as follows:

15 (1) Collective bargaining negotiations under this chapter must  
16 commence no later than July 1st of each even-numbered year after a  
17 bargaining unit has been certified.

18 (2) The duration of any collective bargaining agreement shall not  
19 exceed one fiscal biennium.

20 (3) (a) (i) The director must submit ratified collective bargaining  
21 agreements, with cost estimates, to the employer by October 1st  
22 before the legislative session at which the request for funds is to  
23 be considered. The transmission by the legislature to the governor  
24 under RCW 43.88.090 must include a request for funds necessary to  
25 implement the provisions of all collective bargaining agreements  
26 covering legislative employees.

27 (ii) For the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
28 approve funding for collective bargaining agreements with the  
29 Washington public employees association on behalf of legislative  
30 staff that ratified after October 1, 2024, and before December 31,  
31 2024. Subsequent agreements must be submitted to the employer by  
32 October 1st before the legislative session at which the request for  
33 funds is to be considered in order to be included in the omnibus  
34 operating appropriations act.

35 (b) If the legislature or governor fails to provide the funds for  
36 a collective bargaining agreement for legislative employees, either  
37 party may reopen all or part of the agreement or the exclusive  
38 bargaining representative may seek to implement the procedures  
39 provided for in RCW 44.90.075.

1 (4) Negotiation for economic terms will be by a coalition of all  
2 exclusive bargaining representatives. Any such provisions agreed to  
3 by the employer and the coalition must be included in all collective  
4 bargaining agreements negotiated by the parties. The director and the  
5 exclusive bargaining representative or representatives are authorized  
6 to enter into supplemental bargaining of bargaining unit specific  
7 issues for inclusion in the collective bargaining agreement, subject  
8 to the parties' agreement regarding the issues and procedures for  
9 supplemental bargaining. This subsection does not prohibit  
10 cooperation and coordination of bargaining between two or more  
11 exclusive bargaining representatives.

12 (5) If a significant revenue shortfall occurs resulting in  
13 reduced appropriations, as declared by proclamation of the governor  
14 or by resolution of the legislature, both parties must immediately  
15 enter into collective bargaining for a mutually agreed-upon  
16 modification of the agreement.

17 **Sec. 962.** RCW 46.09.510 and 2007 c 241 s 15 are each amended to  
18 read as follows:

19 The nonhighway and off-road vehicle activities program account is  
20 created in the state treasury. Moneys in this account are subject to  
21 legislative appropriation. The recreation and conservation funding  
22 board shall administer the account for purposes specified in this  
23 chapter and shall hold it separate and apart from all other money,  
24 funds, and accounts of the board. Grants, gifts, or other financial  
25 assistance, proceeds received from public bodies as administrative  
26 cost contributions, and any moneys made available to the state of  
27 Washington by the federal government for outdoor recreation may be  
28 deposited into the account. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium,  
29 funds may be used for recreation-based appropriations at the  
30 department of natural resources.

31 **Sec. 963.** RCW 46.09.520 and 2021 c 334 s 985 are each amended to  
32 read as follows:

33 (1) From time to time, but at least once each year, the state  
34 treasurer must refund from the motor vehicle fund one percent of the  
35 motor vehicle fuel tax revenues collected under chapter 82.38 RCW,  
36 based on: (a) A tax rate of: (i) Nineteen cents per gallon of motor  
37 vehicle fuel from July 1, 2003, through June 30, 2005; (ii) twenty  
38 cents per gallon of motor vehicle fuel from July 1, 2005, through

June 30, 2007; (iii) twenty-one cents per gallon of motor vehicle fuel from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2009; (iv) twenty-two cents per gallon of motor vehicle fuel from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011; (v) twenty-three cents per gallon of motor vehicle fuel from July 1, 2011, through July 31, 2015; (vi) thirty cents per gallon of motor vehicle fuel from August 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016; and (vii) thirty-four and nine-tenths cents per gallon of motor vehicle fuel from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2031; and (b) beginning July 1, 2031, and thereafter, the state's motor vehicle fuel tax rate in existence at the time of the fuel purchase, less proper deductions for refunds and costs of collection as provided in RCW 46.68.090.

(2) The treasurer must place these funds in the general fund as follows:

(a) Thirty-six percent must be credited to the ORV and nonhighway vehicle account and administered by the department of natural resources solely for acquisition, planning, development, maintenance, and management of ORV, nonmotorized, and nonhighway road recreation facilities, and information programs and maintenance of nonhighway roads;

(b) Three and one-half percent must be credited to the ORV and nonhighway vehicle account and administered by the department of fish and wildlife solely for the acquisition, planning, development, maintenance, and management of ORV, nonmotorized, and nonhighway road recreation facilities and the maintenance of nonhighway roads;

(c) Two percent must be credited to the ORV and nonhighway vehicle account and administered by the parks and recreation commission solely for the acquisition, planning, development, maintenance, and management of ORV, nonmotorized, and nonhighway road recreation facilities; and

(d) Fifty-eight and one-half percent must be credited to the nonhighway and off-road vehicle activities program account to be administered by the board for planning, acquisition, development, maintenance, and management of ORV, nonmotorized, and nonhighway road recreation facilities and for education, information, and law enforcement programs. The funds under this subsection must be expended in accordance with the following limitations:

(i) Not more than thirty percent may be expended for education, information, and law enforcement programs under this chapter;



1 (ii) Not less than seventy percent may be expended for ORV,  
2 nonmotorized, and nonhighway road recreation facilities. Except as  
3 provided in (d)(iii) of this subsection, of this amount:

4 (A) Not less than thirty percent, together with the funds the  
5 board receives under RCW 46.68.045, may be expended for ORV  
6 recreation facilities;

7 (B) Not less than thirty percent may be expended for nonmotorized  
8 recreation facilities. Funds expended under this subsection  
9 (2)(d)(ii)(B) are known as Ira Spring outdoor recreation facilities  
10 funds; and

11 (C) Not less than thirty percent may be expended for nonhighway  
12 road recreation facilities;

13 (iii) The board may waive the minimum percentage cited in (d)(ii)  
14 of this subsection due to insufficient requests for funds or projects  
15 that score low in the board's project evaluation. Funds remaining  
16 after such a waiver must be allocated in accordance with board  
17 policy.

18 (3) On a yearly basis an agency may not, except as provided in  
19 RCW 46.68.045, expend more than ten percent of the funds it receives  
20 under this chapter for general administration expenses incurred in  
21 carrying out this chapter.

22 (4) During the 2009-2011 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
23 appropriate such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance in the  
24 NOVA account to the department of natural resources to install  
25 consistent off-road vehicle signage at department-managed recreation  
26 sites, and to implement the recreation opportunities on department-  
27 managed lands in the Reiter block and Ahtanum state forest, and to  
28 the state parks and recreation commission. The legislature finds that  
29 the appropriation of funds from the NOVA account during the 2009-2011  
30 fiscal biennium for maintenance and operation of state parks or to  
31 improve accessibility for boaters and off-road vehicle users at state  
32 parks will benefit boaters and off-road vehicle users and others who  
33 use nonhighway and nonmotorized recreational facilities. The  
34 appropriations under this subsection are not required to follow the  
35 specific distribution specified in subsection (2) of this section.

36 (5) During the 2021-2023 and 2025-2027 fiscal ~~((biennium))~~  
37 biennia, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the NOVA account  
38 to the department of natural resources to support programs that  
39 benefit ORV, nonhighway road~~((+r+))~~, and nonmotorized recreational  
40 facilities.

1       **Sec. 964.** RCW 46.66.080 and 2023 c 388 s 3 are each amended to  
2 read as follows:

3       (1) The Washington auto theft prevention authority account is  
4 created in the state treasury, subject to appropriation. Revenues  
5 consist of deposits to the account under RCW 48.14.020(1)(b) and all  
6 receipts from gifts, grants, bequests, devises, or other funds from  
7 public and private sources to support the activities of the auto  
8 theft prevention authority must be deposited into the account.  
9 Expenditures from the account may be used only for activities  
10 relating to motor vehicle theft, including education, prevention, law  
11 enforcement, investigation, prosecution, and confinement.

12       (2) The authority shall allocate moneys appropriated from the  
13 account to public agencies for the purpose of establishing,  
14 maintaining, and supporting programs that are designed to prevent  
15 motor vehicle theft, including:

16       (a) Financial support to prosecution agencies to increase the  
17 effectiveness of motor vehicle theft prosecution;

18       (b) Financial support to a unit of local government or a team  
19 consisting of units of local governments to increase the  
20 effectiveness of motor vehicle theft enforcement;

21       (c) Financial support for the procurement of equipment and  
22 technologies for use by law enforcement agencies for the purpose of  
23 enforcing motor vehicle theft laws; and

24       (d) Financial support for programs that are designed to educate  
25 and assist the public in the prevention of motor vehicle theft.

26       (3) The costs of administration shall not exceed 10 percent of  
27 the moneys in the account in any one year so that the greatest  
28 possible portion of the moneys available to the authority is expended  
29 on combating motor vehicle theft.

30       (4) Prior to awarding any moneys from the Washington auto theft  
31 prevention authority account for motor vehicle theft enforcement, the  
32 auto theft prevention authority must verify that the financial award  
33 includes sufficient funding to cover proposed activities.

34       (5) Moneys expended from the Washington auto theft prevention  
35 authority account under subsection (2) of this section shall be used  
36 to supplement, not supplant, other moneys that are available for  
37 motor vehicle theft prevention.

38       (6) Grants provided under subsection (2) of this section  
39 constitute reimbursement for purposes of RCW 43.135.060(1).

1       (7) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys in the account  
2       may also be transferred into the state general fund.

3       **Sec. 965.** RCW 50.16.010 and 2019 c 415 s 977 are each amended to  
4       read as follows:

5       (1) There shall be maintained as special funds, separate and  
6       apart from all public moneys or funds of this state an unemployment  
7       compensation fund and an administrative contingency fund, which shall  
8       be administered by the commissioner exclusively for the purposes of  
9       this title, and to which RCW 43.01.050 shall not be applicable.

10       (2)(a) The unemployment compensation fund shall consist of:

11       (i) All contributions collected under RCW 50.24.010 and payments  
12       in lieu of contributions collected pursuant to the provisions of this  
13       title;

14       (ii) Any property or securities acquired through the use of  
15       moneys belonging to the fund;

16       (iii) All earnings of such property or securities;

17       (iv) Any moneys received from the federal unemployment account in  
18       the unemployment trust fund in accordance with Title XII of the  
19       social security act, as amended;

20       (v) All money recovered on official bonds for losses sustained by  
21       the fund;

22       (vi) All money credited to this state's account in the  
23       unemployment trust fund pursuant to section 903 of the social  
24       security act, as amended;

25       (vii) All money received from the federal government as  
26       reimbursement pursuant to section 204 of the federal-state extended  
27       compensation act of 1970 (84 Stat. 708-712; 26 U.S.C. Sec. 3304);

28       (viii) The portion of the additional penalties as provided in RCW  
29       50.20.070(2) that is fifteen percent of the amount of benefits  
30       overpaid or deemed overpaid; and

31       (ix) All moneys received for the fund from any other source.

32       (b) All moneys in the unemployment compensation fund shall be  
33       commingled and undivided.

34       (3)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, the  
35       administrative contingency fund shall consist of:

36       (i) All interest on delinquent contributions collected pursuant  
37       to this title;

38       (ii) All fines and penalties collected pursuant to the provisions  
39       of this title, except the portion of the additional penalties as

1 provided in RCW 50.20.070(2) that is fifteen percent of the amount of  
2 benefits overpaid or deemed overpaid;

3 (iii) All sums recovered on official bonds for losses sustained  
4 by the fund; and

5 (iv) Revenue received under RCW 50.24.014.

6 (b) All fees, fines, forfeitures, and penalties collected or  
7 assessed by a district court because of the violation of this title  
8 or rules adopted under this title shall be remitted as provided in  
9 chapter 3.62 RCW.

10 (c) Except as provided in (d) of this subsection, moneys  
11 available in the administrative contingency fund, other than money in  
12 the special account created under RCW 50.24.014, shall be expended  
13 upon the direction of the commissioner, with the approval of the  
14 governor, whenever it appears to him or her that such expenditure is  
15 necessary solely for:

16 (i) The proper administration of this title and that insufficient  
17 federal funds are available for the specific purpose to which such  
18 expenditure is to be made, provided, the moneys are not substituted  
19 for appropriations from federal funds which, in the absence of such  
20 moneys, would be made available.

21 (ii) The proper administration of this title for which purpose  
22 appropriations from federal funds have been requested but not yet  
23 received, provided, the administrative contingency fund will be  
24 reimbursed upon receipt of the requested federal appropriation.

25 (iii) The proper administration of this title for which  
26 compliance and audit issues have been identified that establish  
27 federal claims requiring the expenditure of state resources in  
28 resolution. Claims must be resolved in the following priority: First  
29 priority is to provide services to eligible participants within the  
30 state; second priority is to provide substitute services or program  
31 support; and last priority is the direct payment of funds to the  
32 federal government.

33 (d)(i) During the 2007-2009 fiscal biennium, moneys available in  
34 the administrative contingency fund, other than money in the special  
35 account created under RCW 50.24.014(1)(a), shall be expended as  
36 appropriated by the legislature for: (A) The cost of the job skills  
37 or worker retraining programs at the community and technical colleges  
38 and administrative costs at the state board for community and  
39 technical colleges; and (B) reemployment services such as business  
40 and project development assistance, local economic development

1 capacity building, and local economic development financial  
2 assistance at the department of commerce. The remaining appropriation  
3 may be expended as specified in (c) of this subsection.

4 (ii) During the 2015-2017, 2017-2019, ~~((and))~~ 2019-2021, and  
5 2025-2027 fiscal biennia, moneys available in the administrative  
6 contingency fund, other than money in the special account created  
7 under RCW 50.24.014(1)(a), shall be expended as appropriated by the  
8 legislature: (A) For the department of social and health services for  
9 employment and training services and programs in the WorkFirst  
10 program; (B) for the administrative costs of state agencies  
11 participating in the WorkFirst program; and (C) by the commissioner  
12 for the work group on agricultural and agricultural-related issues as  
13 provided in the 2013-2015 omnibus operating appropriations act. The  
14 remaining appropriation may be expended as specified in (c) of this  
15 subsection.

16 (iii) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys available in  
17 the administrative contingency fund, other than money in the special  
18 account created under RCW 50.24.014(1)(a), shall be expended as  
19 appropriated by the legislature for the career connected learning  
20 grant program authorized in RCW 28C.30.040 and 28C.30.050, and for  
21 additional audit support staff due to an increase in the workload  
22 associated with audits. The remaining appropriation may be expended  
23 as specified in (c) of this subsection.

24 (4) Money in the special account created under RCW  
25 50.24.014(1)(a) may only be expended, after appropriation, for the  
26 purposes specified in this section and RCW 50.62.010, 50.62.020,  
27 50.62.030, 50.24.014, 50.44.053, and 50.22.010.

28 **Sec. 966.** RCW 50.24.014 and 2023 c 475 s 934 are each amended to  
29 read as follows:

30 (1)(a) A separate and identifiable account to provide for the  
31 financing of special programs to assist the unemployed is established  
32 in the administrative contingency fund. All money in this account  
33 shall be expended solely for the purposes of this title and for no  
34 other purposes whatsoever, except as provided in subsection (4) of  
35 this section. Contributions to this account shall accrue and become  
36 payable by each employer, except employers as described in RCW  
37 50.44.010 and 50.44.030 who have properly elected to make payments in  
38 lieu of contributions, taxable local government employers as  
39 described in RCW 50.44.035, and those employers who are required to

1 make payments in lieu of contributions, at a basic rate of two one-  
2 hundredths of one percent. The amount of wages subject to tax shall  
3 be determined under RCW 50.24.010.

4 (b) A separate and identifiable account is established in the  
5 administrative contingency fund for financing the employment security  
6 department's administrative costs under RCW 50.22.150 and 50.22.155  
7 and the costs under RCW 50.22.150(11) and 50.22.155 (1)(m) and  
8 (2)(m). All money in this account shall be expended solely for the  
9 purposes of this title and for no other purposes whatsoever.  
10 Contributions to this account shall accrue and become payable by each  
11 employer, except employers as described in RCW 50.44.010 and  
12 50.44.030 who have properly elected to make payments in lieu of  
13 contributions, taxable local government employers as described in RCW  
14 50.44.035, those employers who are required to make payments in lieu  
15 of contributions, those employers described under RCW  
16 50.29.025(1)(d), and those qualified employers assigned rate class 20  
17 or rate class 40, as applicable, under RCW 50.29.025, at a basic rate  
18 of one one-hundredth of one percent. The amount of wages subject to  
19 tax shall be determined under RCW 50.24.010. Any amount of  
20 contributions payable under this subsection (1)(b) that exceeds the  
21 amount that would have been collected at a rate of four one-  
22 thousandths of one percent must be deposited in the account created  
23 in (a) of this subsection.

24 (2)(a) Contributions under this section shall become due and be  
25 paid by each employer under rules as the commissioner may prescribe,  
26 and shall not be deducted, in whole or in part, from the remuneration  
27 of individuals in the employ of the employer. Any deduction in  
28 violation of this section is unlawful.

29 (b) In the payment of any contributions under this section, a  
30 fractional part of a cent shall be disregarded unless it amounts to  
31 one-half cent or more, in which case it shall be increased to one  
32 cent.

33 (3) If the commissioner determines that federal funding has been  
34 increased to provide financing for the services specified in chapter  
35 50.62 RCW, the commissioner shall direct that collection of  
36 contributions under this section be terminated on the following  
37 January 1st.

38 (4) During the 2023-2025 and 2025-2027 fiscal ~~((biennium))~~  
39 biennia, moneys in the account in subsection (1)(a) of this section  
40 may be appropriated for poverty reduction programs that coordinate

1 employment, training, education, and other existing systems designed  
2 to assist low-income individuals attain self-sufficiency.

3       **Sec. 967.** RCW 51.44.190 and 2023 c 213 s 10 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5       (1) The construction registration inspection account is created  
6 in the state treasury. All moneys, except fines and penalties,  
7 received or collected under the terms of chapters 18.27 and 70.87 RCW  
8 and under the terms of RCW 43.22.335 through 43.22.430 and 43.22.432  
9 through 43.22.495 must be deposited into the account. Moneys in the  
10 account may only be spent after appropriation. Expenditures from the  
11 account, not including moneys transferred to the general fund, may be  
12 used only to carry out the purposes of chapters 18.27 and 70.87 RCW  
13 and RCW 43.22.335 through 43.22.430 and 43.22.432 through 43.22.495.

14       (2) The department shall set the fees deposited in the account at  
15 a level that generates revenue that is as near as practicable to the  
16 amount of the appropriation to carry out the duties specified in this  
17 section.

18       (3) On the last working day of the first month following each  
19 quarterly period, three and one-half percent of all revenues received  
20 into the account during the previous quarter from licenses, permits,  
21 and registrations, net of refunds paid to customers, must be  
22 transferred into the general fund. During the 2025-2027 fiscal  
23 biennium, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to make  
24 transfers of moneys in the construction registration inspection  
25 account to the general fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund  
26 balance of the account.

27       **Sec. 968.** RCW 67.16.285 and 2004 c 246 s 4 are each amended to  
28 read as follows:

29       The Washington horse racing commission class C purse fund account  
30 is created in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from  
31 RCW 67.16.105(3) must be deposited into the account. Expenditures  
32 from the account may be used only for the purposes provided in RCW  
33 67.16.105(3). Only the secretary of the commission or the secretary's  
34 designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is  
35 subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an  
36 appropriation is not required for expenditures. During the 2025-2027  
37 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to  
38 make transfers of moneys in the horse racing commission class C purse

1 fund account to the Washington horse racing commission operating  
2 account such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the  
3 account.

4 **Sec. 969.** RCW 67.70.044 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 37 s 940 are each  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 (1) Pursuant to RCW 67.70.040(1)(a), the commission may enter  
7 into the multistate agreement establishing a shared game lottery  
8 known as "The Big Game," that was entered into by party state  
9 lotteries in August 1996 and subsequently amended and a shared game  
10 lottery known as "Powerball."

11 (2) The shared game lottery account is created as a separate  
12 account outside the state treasury. The account is managed,  
13 maintained, and controlled by the commission and consists of all  
14 revenues received from the sale of shared game lottery tickets or  
15 shares, and all other moneys credited or transferred to it from any  
16 other fund or source under law. The account is allotted according to  
17 chapter 43.88 RCW. During the 2009-2011 and 2025-2027 fiscal  
18 (~~(biennium)~~) biennia, the legislature may transfer from the shared  
19 game lottery account to the education legacy trust account such  
20 amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the account.

21 **Sec. 970.** RCW 70.79.350 and 2003 1st sp.s. c 25 s 931 are each  
22 amended to read as follows:

23 The chief inspector shall give an official receipt for all fees  
24 required by chapter 70.79 RCW and shall transfer all sums so received  
25 to the treasurer of the state of Washington as ex officio custodian  
26 thereof and the treasurer shall place all sums in a special fund  
27 hereby created and designated as the "pressure systems safety fund."  
28 Funds shall be paid out upon vouchers duly and regularly issued  
29 therefor and approved by the director of the department of labor and  
30 industries. The treasurer, as ex officio custodian of the fund, shall  
31 keep an accurate record of any payments into the fund, and of all  
32 disbursements therefrom. The fund shall be used exclusively to defray  
33 only the expenses of administering chapter 70.79 RCW by the chief  
34 inspector as authorized by law and the expenses incident to the  
35 maintenance of the office. The fund shall be charged with its pro  
36 rata share of the cost of administering the fund which is to be  
37 determined by the director of financial management and by the  
38 director of the department of labor and industries.



1 During the 2003-2005 and 2025-2027 fiscal (~~biennium~~) biennia,  
2 the legislature may transfer from the pressure systems safety fund to  
3 the state general fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund  
4 balance of the fund.

5 **Sec. 971.** RCW 70.128.160 and 2016 sp.s. c 36 s 944 are each  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (1) The department is authorized to take one or more of the  
8 actions listed in subsection (2) of this section in any case in which  
9 the department finds that an adult family home provider has:

10 (a) Failed or refused to comply with the requirements of this  
11 chapter or the rules adopted under this chapter;

12 (b) Operated an adult family home without a license or under a  
13 revoked license;

14 (c) Knowingly or with reason to know made a false statement of  
15 material fact on his or her application for license or any data  
16 attached thereto, or in any matter under investigation by the  
17 department; or

18 (d) Willfully prevented or interfered with any inspection or  
19 investigation by the department.

20 (2) When authorized by subsection (1) of this section, the  
21 department may take one or more of the following actions:

22 (a) Refuse to issue a license;

23 (b) Impose reasonable conditions on a license, such as correction  
24 within a specified time, training, and limits on the type of clients  
25 the provider may admit or serve;

26 (c) Impose civil penalties of at least one hundred dollars per  
27 day per violation;

28 (d) Impose civil penalties of up to three thousand dollars for  
29 each incident that violates adult family home licensing laws and  
30 rules, including, but not limited to, chapters 70.128, 70.129, 74.34,  
31 and 74.39A RCW and related rules. Each day upon which the same or  
32 substantially similar action occurs is a separate violation subject  
33 to the assessment of a separate penalty;

34 (e) Impose civil penalties of up to ten thousand dollars for a  
35 current or former licensed provider who is operating an unlicensed  
36 home;

37 (f) Suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew a license; or

38 (g) Suspend admissions to the adult family home by imposing stop  
39 placement.

1       (3) When the department orders stop placement, the facility shall  
2 not admit any person until the stop placement order is terminated.  
3 The department may approve readmission of a resident to the facility  
4 from a hospital or nursing home during the stop placement. The  
5 department shall terminate the stop placement only after: (a) The  
6 violations necessitating the stop placement have been corrected; and  
7 (b) the provider exhibits the capacity to maintain correction of the  
8 violations previously found deficient. However, if upon the revisit  
9 the department finds new violations that the department reasonably  
10 believes will result in a new stop placement, the previous stop  
11 placement shall remain in effect until the new stop placement is  
12 imposed. In order to protect the home's existing residents from  
13 potential ongoing neglect, when the provider has been cited for a  
14 violation that is repeated, uncorrected, pervasive, or presents a  
15 threat to the health, safety, or welfare of one or more residents,  
16 and the department has imposed a stop placement, the department shall  
17 also impose a condition on license or other remedy to facilitate or  
18 spur prompter compliance if the violation has not been corrected, and  
19 the provider has not exhibited the capacity to maintain correction,  
20 within sixty days of the stop placement.

21       (4) Nothing in subsection (3) of this section is intended to  
22 apply to stop placement imposed in conjunction with a license  
23 revocation or summary suspension or to prevent the department from  
24 imposing a condition on license or other remedy prior to sixty days  
25 after a stop placement, if the department considers it necessary to  
26 protect one or more residents' well-being. After a department finding  
27 of a violation for which a stop placement has been imposed, the  
28 department shall make an on-site revisit of the provider within  
29 fifteen working days from the request for revisit, to ensure  
30 correction of the violation. For violations that are serious or  
31 recurring or uncorrected following a previous citation, and create  
32 actual or threatened harm to one or more residents' well-being,  
33 including violations of residents' rights, the department shall make  
34 an on-site revisit as soon as appropriate to ensure correction of the  
35 violation. Verification of correction of all other violations may be  
36 made by either a department on-site revisit or by written or  
37 photographic documentation found by the department to be credible.  
38 This subsection does not prevent the department from enforcing  
39 license suspensions or revocations. Nothing in this subsection shall  
40 interfere with or diminish the department's authority and duty to

1 ensure that the provider adequately cares for residents, including to  
2 make departmental on-site revisits as needed to ensure that the  
3 provider protects residents, and to enforce compliance with this  
4 chapter.

5 (5) Chapter 34.05 RCW applies to department actions under this  
6 section, except that orders of the department imposing license  
7 suspension, stop placement, or conditions for continuation of a  
8 license are effective immediately upon notice and shall continue in  
9 effect pending a hearing, which must commence no later than sixty  
10 days after receipt of a request for a hearing. The time for  
11 commencement of a hearing may be extended by agreement of the parties  
12 or by the presiding officer for good cause shown by either party, but  
13 must commence no later than one hundred twenty days after receipt of  
14 a request for a hearing.

15 (6) A separate adult family home account is created in the  
16 custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from civil penalties  
17 imposed under this chapter must be deposited into the account. Only  
18 the director or the director's designee may authorize expenditures  
19 from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures  
20 under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for  
21 expenditures. The department shall use the special account only for  
22 promoting the quality of life and care of residents living in adult  
23 family homes. During the ((2015-2017)) 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the  
24 account may be expended for funding costs associated with the adult  
25 family home program.

26 (7) The department shall by rule specify criteria as to when and  
27 how the sanctions specified in this section must be applied. The  
28 criteria must provide for the imposition of incrementally more severe  
29 penalties for deficiencies that are repeated, uncorrected, pervasive,  
30 or present a threat to the health, safety, or welfare of one or more  
31 residents. The criteria shall be tiered such that those homes  
32 consistently found to have deficiencies will be subjected to  
33 increasingly severe penalties. The department shall implement prompt  
34 and specific enforcement remedies without delay for providers found  
35 to have delivered care or failed to deliver care resulting in  
36 problems that are repeated, uncorrected, pervasive, or present a  
37 threat to the health, safety, or welfare of one or more residents. In  
38 the selection of remedies, the health, safety, and well-being of  
39 residents must be of paramount importance.

**Sec. 972.** RCW 70A.65.030 and 2023 c 475 s 936 and 2023 c 475 s 1902 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, each year or biennium, as appropriate, when allocating funds from the carbon emissions reduction account created in RCW 70A.65.240, the climate commitment account created in RCW 70A.65.260, the natural climate solutions account created in RCW 70A.65.270, the climate investment account created in RCW 70A.65.250, the air quality and health disparities improvement account created in RCW 70A.65.280, the climate transit programs account created in RCW 46.68.500, or the climate active transportation account created in RCW 46.68.490, or administering grants or programs funded by the accounts, agencies shall conduct an environmental justice assessment consistent with the requirements of RCW 70A.02.060 and establish a minimum of not less than 35 percent and a goal of 40 percent of total investments that provide direct and meaningful benefits to vulnerable populations within the boundaries of overburdened communities through: (a) The direct reduction of environmental burdens in overburdened communities; (b) the reduction of disproportionate, cumulative risk from environmental burdens, including those associated with climate change; (c) the support of community led project development, planning, and participation costs; or (d) meeting a community need identified by the community that is consistent with the intent of this chapter or RCW 70A.02.010.

(2) The allocation of funding under subsection (1) of this section must adhere to the following principles, additional to the requirements of RCW 70A.02.080: (a) Benefits and programs should be directed to areas and targeted to vulnerable populations and overburdened communities to reduce statewide disparities; (b) investments and benefits should be made roughly proportional to the health disparities that a specific community experiences, with a goal of eliminating the disparities; (c) investments and programs should focus on creating environmental benefits, including eliminating health burdens, creating community and population resilience, and raising the quality of life of those in the community; and (d) efforts should be made to balance investments and benefits across the state and within counties, local jurisdictions, and unincorporated areas as appropriate to reduce disparities by location and to ensure efforts contribute to a reduction in disparities that exist based on race or ethnicity, socioeconomic status, or other factors.

(3) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, state agencies allocating funds or administering grants or programs from the carbon emissions reduction account created in RCW 70A.65.240, the climate commitment account created in RCW 70A.65.260, the natural climate solutions account created in RCW 70A.65.270, the climate investment account created in RCW 70A.65.250, the air quality and health disparities improvement account created in RCW 70A.65.280, the climate transit programs account created in RCW 46.68.500, or the climate active transportation account created in RCW 46.68.490, must:

(a) Report annually to the environmental justice council created in RCW 70A.02.110 regarding progress toward meeting environmental justice and environmental health goals;

(b) Consider recommendations by the environmental justice council; and

(c)(i) If the agency is not a covered agency subject to the requirements of chapter 70A.02 RCW, create and adopt a community engagement plan to describe how it will engage with overburdened communities and vulnerable populations in allocating funds or administering grants or programs from the climate investment account.

(ii) The plan must include methods for outreach and communication with those who face barriers, language or otherwise, to participation.

(4) During the 2023-2025 and 2025-2027 fiscal ~~((biennium))~~ biennia:

(a) The requirement of subsection (1) of this section to conduct an environmental justice assessment applies only to covered agencies as defined in RCW 70A.02.010 and to significant agency actions as defined in RCW 70A.02.010.

(b) Agencies shall coordinate with the department and the office of financial management to achieve total statewide spending from the accounts listed in subsection (1) of this section of not less than 35 percent and a goal of 40 percent of total investments that provide direct and meaningful benefits to vulnerable populations within the boundaries of overburdened communities as otherwise described in subsection (1)(a) through (d) of this section and in accordance with RCW 70A.65.230.

(c) The requirements of subsection (3)(c) of this section for agencies other than covered agencies to create and adopt community engagement plans apply only to executive branch agencies and institutions of higher education, as defined in RCW 28B.10.016,

1 receiving total appropriations of more than \$2,000,000 for the  
2 2023-2025 fiscal biennium from the accounts listed in subsection (1)  
3 of this section.

4 **Sec. 973.** RCW 70A.65.250 and 2024 c 376 s 911 are each amended  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1)(a) The climate investment account is created in the state  
7 treasury. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 316, Laws of 2021,  
8 all receipts from the auction of allowances authorized in this  
9 chapter must be deposited into the account. Moneys in the account may  
10 be spent only after appropriation.

11 (b) Projects or activities funded from the account must meet high  
12 labor standards, including family sustaining wages, providing  
13 benefits including health care and employer-contributed retirement  
14 plans, career development opportunities, and maximize access to  
15 economic benefits from such projects for local workers and diverse  
16 businesses. Each contracting entity's proposal must be reviewed for  
17 equity and opportunity improvement efforts, including: (i) Employer  
18 paid sick leave programs; (ii) pay practices in relation to living  
19 wage indicators such as the federal poverty level; (iii) efforts to  
20 evaluate pay equity based on gender identity, race, and other  
21 protected status under Washington law; (iv) facilitating career  
22 development opportunities, such as apprenticeship programs,  
23 internships, job-shadowing, and on-the-job training; and (v)  
24 employment assistance and employment barriers for justice affected  
25 individuals.

26 (2) Moneys in the account may be used only for projects and  
27 programs that achieve the purposes of the greenhouse gas emissions  
28 cap and invest program established under this chapter and for tribal  
29 capacity grants under RCW 70A.65.305. During the 2023-2025 fiscal  
30 biennium, moneys in the account may also be used for tribal capacity  
31 grant activities supporting climate resilience and adaptation,  
32 developing tribal clean energy projects, applying for state or  
33 federal grant funding, and other related work; and for providing  
34 payments to agricultural fuel purchasers. During the 2025-2027 fiscal  
35 biennium, moneys in the account may also be used for tribal capacity  
36 grant activities supporting climate resilience and adaptation,  
37 developing tribal clean energy projects, applying for state or  
38 federal grant funding, and other related work. Moneys in the account  
39 as described in this subsection must first be appropriated for the

1 administration of the requirements of this chapter, in an amount not  
2 to exceed five percent of the total receipt of funds from allowance  
3 auction proceeds under this chapter. Beginning July 1, 2023, and  
4 annually thereafter, the state treasurer shall distribute funds in  
5 the account that exceed the amounts appropriated for the purposes of  
6 this subsection (2) as follows:

7 (a) Seventy-five percent of the moneys to the climate commitment  
8 account created in RCW 70A.65.260; and

9 (b) Twenty-five percent of the moneys to the natural climate  
10 solutions account created in RCW 70A.65.270.

11 (3) The allocations specified in subsection (2)(a) and (b) of  
12 this section must be reviewed by the legislature on a biennial basis  
13 based on the changing needs of the state in meeting its clean economy  
14 and greenhouse gas reduction goals in a timely, economically  
15 advantageous, and equitable manner.

16 (4) During the 2023-2025 and 2025-2027 fiscal (~~biennium~~)  
17 biennia, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to make  
18 transfers of moneys in the climate investment account to the carbon  
19 emissions reduction account, the climate commitment account, and the  
20 natural climate solutions account.

21 **Sec. 974.** RCW 70A.65.260 and 2023 c 475 s 939 are each amended  
22 to read as follows:

23 (1) The climate commitment account is created in the state  
24 treasury. The account must receive moneys distributed to the account  
25 from the climate investment account created in RCW 70A.65.250. Moneys  
26 in the account may be spent only after appropriation. Projects,  
27 activities, and programs eligible for funding from the account must  
28 be physically located in Washington state and include, but are not  
29 limited to, the following:

30 (a) Implementing the working families' tax credit in RCW  
31 82.08.0206;

32 (b) Supplementing the growth management planning and  
33 environmental review fund established in RCW 36.70A.490 for the  
34 purpose of making grants or loans to local governments for the  
35 purposes set forth in RCW 43.21C.240, 43.21C.031, 36.70A.500, and  
36 36.70A.600, for costs associated with RCW 36.70A.610, and to cover  
37 costs associated with the adoption of optional elements of  
38 comprehensive plans consistent with RCW 43.21C.420;

1 (c) Programs, activities, or projects that reduce and mitigate  
2 impacts from greenhouse gases and copollutants in overburdened  
3 communities, including strengthening the air quality monitoring  
4 network to measure, track, and better understand air pollution levels  
5 and trends and to inform the analysis, monitoring, and pollution  
6 reduction measures required in RCW 70A.65.020;

7 (d) Programs, activities, or projects that deploy renewable  
8 energy resources, such as solar and wind power, and projects to  
9 deploy distributed generation, energy storage, demand-side  
10 technologies and strategies, and other grid modernization projects;

11 (e) Programs, activities, or projects that increase the energy  
12 efficiency or reduce greenhouse gas emissions of industrial  
13 facilities including, but not limited to, proposals to implement  
14 combined heat and power, district energy, or on-site renewables, such  
15 as solar and wind power, to upgrade the energy efficiency of existing  
16 equipment, to reduce process emissions, and to switch to less  
17 emissions intensive fuel sources;

18 (f) Programs, activities, or projects that achieve energy  
19 efficiency or emissions reductions in the agricultural sector  
20 including:

21 (i) Fertilizer management;

22 (ii) Soil management;

23 (iii) Bioenergy;

24 (iv) Biofuels;

25 (v) Grants, rebates, and other financial incentives for  
26 agricultural harvesting equipment, heavy duty trucks, agricultural  
27 pump engines, tractors, and other equipment used in agricultural  
28 operations;

29 (vi) Grants, loans, or any financial incentives to food  
30 processors to implement projects that reduce greenhouse gas  
31 emissions;

32 (vii) Renewable energy projects;

33 (viii) Farmworker housing weatherization programs;

34 (ix) Dairy digester research and development;

35 (x) Alternative manure management; and

36 (xi) Eligible fund uses under RCW 89.08.615;

37 (g) Programs, activities, or projects that increase energy  
38 efficiency in new and existing buildings, or that promote low carbon  
39 architecture, including use of newly emerging alternative building  
40 materials that result in a lower carbon footprint in the built



1 environment over the life cycle of the building and component  
2 building materials;

3 (h) Programs, activities, or projects that promote the  
4 electrification and decarbonization of new and existing buildings,  
5 including residential, commercial, and industrial buildings;

6 (i) Programs, activities, or projects that improve energy  
7 efficiency, including district energy, and investments in market  
8 transformation of high efficiency electric appliances and equipment  
9 for space and water heating;

10 (j) Clean energy transition and assistance programs, activities,  
11 or projects that assist affected workers or people with lower incomes  
12 during the transition to a clean energy economy, or grow and expand  
13 clean manufacturing capacity in communities across Washington state  
14 including, but not limited to:

15 (i) Programs, activities, or projects that directly improve  
16 energy affordability and reduce the energy burden of people with  
17 lower incomes, as well as the higher transportation fuel burden of  
18 rural residents, such as bill assistance, energy efficiency, and  
19 weatherization programs;

20 (ii) Community renewable energy projects that allow qualifying  
21 participants to own or receive the benefits of those projects at  
22 reduced or no cost;

23 (iii) Programs, activities, or other worker-support projects for  
24 bargaining unit and nonsupervisory fossil fuel workers who are  
25 affected by the transition away from fossil fuels to a clean energy  
26 economy. Worker support may include, but is not limited to: (A) Full  
27 wage replacement, health benefits, and pension contributions for  
28 every worker within five years of retirement; (B) full wage  
29 replacement, health benefits, and pension contributions for every  
30 worker with at least one year of service for each year of service up  
31 to five years of service; (C) wage insurance for up to five years for  
32 workers reemployed who have more than five years of service; (D) up  
33 to two years of retraining costs, including tuition and related  
34 costs, based on in-state community and technical college costs; (E)  
35 peer counseling services during transition; (F) employment placement  
36 services, prioritizing employment in the clean energy sector; and (G)  
37 relocation expenses;

38 (iv) Direct investment in workforce development, via technical  
39 education, community college, institutions of higher education,  
40 apprenticeships, and other programs including, but not limited to:

1 (A) Initiatives to develop a forest health workforce established  
2 under RCW 76.04.521; and

3 (B) Initiatives to develop new education programs, emerging  
4 fields, or jobs pertaining to the clean energy economy;

5 (v) Transportation, municipal service delivery, and technology  
6 investments that increase a community's capacity for clean  
7 manufacturing, with an emphasis on communities in greatest need of  
8 job creation and economic development and potential for commute  
9 reduction;

10 (k) Programs, activities, or projects that reduce emissions from  
11 landfills and waste-to-energy facilities through diversion of organic  
12 materials, methane capture or conversion strategies, installation of  
13 gas collection devices and gas control systems, monitoring and  
14 reporting of methane emissions, or other means, prioritizing funding  
15 needed for any activities by local governments to comply with chapter  
16 70A.540 RCW;

17 (l) Carbon dioxide removal projects, programs, and activities;  
18 and

19 (m) Activities to support efforts to mitigate and adapt to the  
20 effects of climate change affecting Indian tribes, including capital  
21 investments in support of the relocation of Indian tribes located in  
22 areas at heightened risk due to anticipated sea level rise, flooding,  
23 or other disturbances caused by climate change. The legislature  
24 intends to dedicate at least \$50,000,000 per biennium from the  
25 account for purposes of this subsection.

26 (2) Moneys in the account may not be used for projects or  
27 activities that would violate tribal treaty rights or result in  
28 significant long-term damage to critical habitat or ecological  
29 functions. Investments from this account must result in long-term  
30 environmental benefits and increased resilience to the impacts of  
31 climate change.

32 (3) During the 2023-2025 and 2025-2027 fiscal (~~biennium~~)  
33 biennia, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the climate  
34 commitment account for activities related to environmental justice,  
35 including implementation of chapter 314, Laws of 2021.

36 **Sec. 975.** RCW 70A.65.300 and 2024 c 376 s 912 are each amended  
37 to read as follows:

38 (1) The department shall prepare, post on the department website,  
39 and submit to the appropriate committees of the legislature an annual

1 report that identifies all distributions of moneys from the accounts  
2 created in RCW 70A.65.240 through 70A.65.280.

3 (2) The report must identify, at a minimum, the recipient of the  
4 funding, the amount of the funding, the purpose of the funding, the  
5 actual end result or use of the funding, whether the project that  
6 received the funding produced any verifiable reduction in greenhouse  
7 gas emissions or other long-term impact to emissions, and if so, the  
8 quantity of reduced greenhouse gas emissions, the cost per carbon  
9 dioxide equivalent metric ton of reduced greenhouse gas emissions,  
10 and a comparison to other greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects  
11 in order to facilitate the development of cost-benefit ratios for  
12 greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects.

13 (3) The department shall require by rule that recipients of funds  
14 from the accounts created in RCW 70A.65.240 through 70A.65.280 report  
15 to the department, in a form and manner prescribed by the department,  
16 the information required for the department to carry out the  
17 department's duties established in this section.

18 (4) The department shall update its website with the information  
19 described in subsection (2) of this section as appropriate but no  
20 less frequently than once per calendar year.

21 (5) The department shall submit its report to the appropriate  
22 committees of the legislature with the information described in  
23 subsection (2) of this section no later than September 30 of each  
24 year. For fiscal year 2025, the report must be submitted no later  
25 than November 30, 2024. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the  
26 report must be submitted no later than November 30 of each fiscal  
27 year.

28 **Sec. 976.** RCW 70A.200.140 and 2022 c 297 s 963 are each amended  
29 to read as follows:

30 (1) There is hereby created an account within the state treasury  
31 to be known as the waste reduction, recycling, and litter control  
32 account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.  
33 Expenditures from the waste reduction, recycling, and litter control  
34 account shall be used as follows:

35 (a) Forty percent to the department of ecology, primarily for use  
36 by the departments of ecology, natural resources, revenue,  
37 transportation, and corrections, and the parks and recreation  
38 commission, for litter collection programs under RCW 70A.200.170. The  
39 amount to the department of ecology shall also be used for a central

1 coordination function for litter control efforts statewide; to  
2 support employment of youth in litter cleanup as intended in RCW  
3 70A.200.020, and for litter pick up using other authorized agencies;  
4 and for statewide public awareness programs under RCW 70A.200.150(7).  
5 The amount to the department shall also be used to defray the costs  
6 of administering the funding, coordination, and oversight of local  
7 government programs for waste reduction, litter control, recycling,  
8 and composting so that local governments can apply one hundred  
9 percent of their funding to achieving program goals. The amount to  
10 the department of revenue shall be used to enforce compliance with  
11 the litter tax imposed in chapter 82.19 RCW;

12 (b)(i) Twenty percent to the department for local government  
13 funding programs for waste reduction, litter control, recycling  
14 activities, and composting activities by cities and counties under  
15 RCW 70A.200.190, to be administered by the department of ecology;  
16 (ii) any unspent funds under (b)(i) of this subsection may be used to  
17 create and pay for a matching fund competitive grant program to be  
18 used by local governments for the development and implementation of  
19 contamination reduction and outreach plans for inclusion in  
20 comprehensive solid waste management plans or by local governments  
21 and nonprofit organizations for local or statewide education programs  
22 designed to help the public with litter control, waste reduction,  
23 recycling, and composting of primarily the products taxed under  
24 chapter 82.19 RCW. Recipients under this subsection include programs  
25 to reduce wasted food and food waste that are designed to achieve the  
26 goals established in RCW 70A.205.715(1) and that are consistent with  
27 the plan developed in RCW 70A.205.715(3). Grants must adhere to the  
28 following requirements: (A) No grant may exceed sixty thousand  
29 dollars; (B) grant recipients shall match the grant funding allocated  
30 by the department by an amount equal to twenty-five percent of  
31 eligible expenses. A local government's share of these costs may be  
32 met by cash or contributed services; (C) the obligation of the  
33 department to make grant payments is contingent upon the availability  
34 of the amount of money appropriated for this subsection (1)(b); and  
35 (D) grants are managed under the guidelines for existing grant  
36 programs; and

37 (c) Forty percent to the department of ecology to: (i) Implement  
38 activities under RCW 70A.200.150 for waste reduction, recycling, and  
39 composting efforts; (ii) provide technical assistance to local  
40 governments and commercial businesses to increase recycling markets

1 and recycling and composting programs primarily for the products  
2 taxed under chapter 82.19 RCW designed to educate citizens about  
3 waste reduction, litter control, and recyclable and compostable  
4 products and programs; (iii) increase access to waste reduction,  
5 composting, and recycling programs, particularly for food packaging  
6 and plastic bags and appropriate composting techniques; and (iv) for  
7 programs to reduce wasted food and food waste that are designed to  
8 achieve the goals established in RCW 70A.205.715(1) and that are  
9 consistent with the plan developed in RCW 70A.205.715(3).

10 (2) All taxes imposed in RCW 82.19.010 and fines and bail  
11 forfeitures collected or received pursuant to this chapter shall be  
12 deposited in the waste reduction, recycling, and litter control  
13 account and used for the programs under subsection (1) of this  
14 section.

15 (3) Not less than five percent and no more than ten percent of  
16 the amount appropriated into the waste reduction, recycling, and  
17 litter control account every biennium shall be reserved for capital  
18 needs, including the purchase of vehicles for transporting crews and  
19 for collecting litter and solid waste. Capital funds shall be  
20 distributed among state agencies and local governments according to  
21 the same criteria provided in RCW 70A.200.170 for the remainder of  
22 the funds, so that the most effective waste reduction, litter  
23 control, recycling, and composting programs receive the most funding.  
24 The intent of this subsection is to provide funds for the purchase of  
25 equipment that will enable the department to account for the greatest  
26 return on investment in terms of reaching a zero litter goal.

27 (4) Funds in the waste reduction, recycling, and litter control  
28 account, collected under chapter 82.19 RCW, must be prioritized for  
29 the products identified under RCW 82.19.020 solely for the purposes  
30 of recycling, composting, and litter collection, reduction, and  
31 control programs.

32 (5) During the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, Washington State  
33 University may use funds in the waste reduction, recycling, and  
34 litter control account, collected under chapter 82.19 RCW, to conduct  
35 an organic waste study.

36 (6) During the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, and as an exception to  
37 the distribution of expenditures otherwise required in this section,  
38 the department of ecology may use funds in the waste reduction,  
39 recycling, and litter control account to continue a series of food  
40 waste reduction campaigns, to continue to invest in litter prevention

1 campaigns, to conduct a recycling study, and to increase litter  
2 control on state highways.

3 (7) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium the legislature may  
4 appropriate funding for general administrative purposes at the  
5 department of ecology. In addition, during the 2025-2027 fiscal  
6 biennium, subsection (1)(a), (b), and (c) of this section is  
7 suspended.

8 **Sec. 977.** RCW 70A.305.180 and 2023 c 475 s 940 are each amended  
9 to read as follows:

10 (1) The model toxics control operating account is hereby created  
11 in the state treasury.

12 (2) Moneys in the model toxics control operating account must be  
13 used only to carry out the purposes of this chapter, including but  
14 not limited to the following:

15 (a) The state's responsibility for hazardous waste planning,  
16 management, regulation, enforcement, technical assistance, and public  
17 education required under chapter 70A.300 RCW;

18 (b) The state's responsibility for solid waste planning,  
19 management, regulation, enforcement, technical assistance, and public  
20 education required under chapter 70A.205 RCW;

21 (c) The hazardous waste clean-up program required under this  
22 chapter;

23 (d) State matching funds required under federal cleanup law;

24 (e) Financial assistance for local programs and plans, including  
25 local solid waste financial assistance, in accordance with chapters  
26 70A.405, 70A.205, 70A.214, 70A.224, and 70A.300 RCW;

27 (f) State government programs for the safe reduction, recycling,  
28 or disposal of paint and hazardous wastes from households, small  
29 businesses, and agriculture;

30 (g) Oil and hazardous materials spill prevention, preparedness,  
31 training, and response activities;

32 (h) Water and environmental health protection and monitoring  
33 programs;

34 (i) Programs authorized under chapter 70A.135 RCW;

35 (j) A public participation program;

36 (k) Development and demonstration of alternative management  
37 technologies designed to carry out the hazardous waste management  
38 priorities of RCW 70A.300.260;

(l) State agriculture and health programs for the safe use, reduction, recycling, or disposal of pesticides;

(m) Funding requirements to maintain receipt of federal funds under the federal solid waste disposal act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 6901 et seq.);

(n) Air quality programs and actions for reducing public exposure to toxic air pollution;

(o) Petroleum-based plastic or expanded polystyrene foam debris clean-up activities in fresh or marine waters; and

(p) For the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, and solely to continue the policy of previous biennia, forest practices at the department of natural resources.

(3) Except for unanticipated receipts under RCW 43.79.260 through 43.79.282, moneys in model toxics control operating account may be spent only after appropriation by statute.

(4) One percent of the moneys collected under RCW 82.21.030 must be allocated only for public participation grants to persons who may be adversely affected by a release or threatened release of a hazardous substance and to not-for-profit public interest organizations. The primary purpose of these grants is to facilitate the participation by persons and organizations in the investigation and remedying of releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances and to implement the state's solid and hazardous waste management priorities. No grant may exceed sixty thousand dollars. Grants may be renewed annually. Moneys appropriated for public participation that are not expended at the close of any biennium revert to the model toxics control operating account.

(5) The department must adopt rules for grant or loan issuance and performance.

(6) During the 2023-2025 and 2025-2027 fiscal ~~((biennium))~~ biennia, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to make transfers of moneys in the model toxics control operating account to the state general fund.

**Sec. 978.** RCW 70A.305.190 and 2024 c 375 s 8009 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The model toxics control capital account is hereby created in the state treasury.

(2) In addition to the funds deposited into the model toxics control capital account required under RCW 82.21.030, the following

1 moneys must be deposited into the model toxics control capital  
2 account:

3 (a) The costs of remedial actions recovered under this chapter,  
4 except as provided under RCW 70A.305.170(7);

5 (b) Penalties collected or recovered under this chapter; and

6 (c) Any other money appropriated or transferred to the account by  
7 the legislature.

8 (3) Moneys in the model toxics control capital account must be  
9 used for the improvement, rehabilitation, remediation, and cleanup of  
10 toxic sites and other capital-related expenditures for programs and  
11 activities identified in subsection (4) of this section.

12 (4) Moneys in the model toxics control capital account may be  
13 used only for capital projects and activities that carry out the  
14 purposes of this chapter and for financial assistance to local  
15 governments or other persons to carry out those projects or  
16 activities, including but not limited to the following, generally in  
17 descending order of priority:

18 (a) Remedial actions, including the following generally in  
19 descending order of priority:

20 (i) Extended grant agreements entered into under subsection  
21 (5)(a) of this section;

22 (ii) Grants or loans to local governments for remedial actions,  
23 including planning for adaptive reuse of properties as provided for  
24 under subsection (5)(d) of this section. The department must  
25 prioritize funding of remedial actions at:

26 (A) Facilities on the department's hazardous sites list with a  
27 high hazard ranking for which there is an approved remedial action  
28 work plan or an equivalent document under federal cleanup law;

29 (B) Brownfield properties within a redevelopment opportunity zone  
30 if the local government is a prospective purchaser of the property  
31 and there is a department-approved remedial action work plan or  
32 equivalent document under the federal cleanup law;

33 (iii) Department-conducted remedial actions;

34 (iv) Grants to persons intending to remediate contaminated real  
35 property for development of affordable housing;

36 (v) Public funding to assist potentially liable persons to pay  
37 for the costs of remedial action in compliance with clean-up  
38 standards under RCW 70A.305.030(2)(e) if:

39 (A) The amount and terms of the funding are established under a  
40 settlement agreement under RCW 70A.305.040(4); and



1 (B) The director has found that the funding will achieve both a  
2 substantially more expeditious or enhanced cleanup than would  
3 otherwise occur, and the prevention or mitigation of unfair economic  
4 hardship;

5 (vi) Public funding to assist prospective purchasers to pay for  
6 the costs of remedial action in compliance with clean-up standards  
7 under RCW 70A.305.030(2)(e) if:

8 (A) The facility is located within a redevelopment opportunity  
9 zone designated under RCW 70A.305.150;

10 (B) The amount and terms of the funding are established under a  
11 settlement agreement under RCW 70A.305.040(5); and

12 (C) The director has found the funding will achieve a  
13 substantially more expeditious or enhanced cleanup than would  
14 otherwise occur, provide a public benefit in addition to cleanup  
15 commensurate with the scope of the public funding; and meet any  
16 additional criteria established in rule by the department; and

17 (vii) To expedite multiparty clean-up efforts, purchase of  
18 remedial action cost-cap insurance;

19 (b) Grants, or loans, or contracts to local governments for solid  
20 waste plans and programs under chapters 70A.205, 70A.214, 70A.224,  
21 70A.222, 70A.230, and 70A.300 RCW. Funds must be allocated consistent  
22 with priorities and matching requirements in the respective chapters;

23 (c) Toxic air pollutant reduction programs, including grants or  
24 loans to local governments for woodstoves and diesel;

25 (d) Grants, loans, or contracts to local governments for  
26 hazardous waste plans and programs under chapters 70A.405 and 70A.300  
27 RCW, including chemical action plan implementation. Funds must be  
28 allocated consistent with priorities and matching requirements in the  
29 respective chapters; and

30 (e) Petroleum-based plastic or expanded polystyrene foam debris  
31 clean-up activities in fresh or marine waters.

32 (5) The department may establish and administer a program to  
33 provide grants and loans to local governments for remedial actions,  
34 including planning for adaptive reuse of contaminated properties. To  
35 expedite cleanups throughout the state, the department may use the  
36 following strategies when providing grants to local governments under  
37 this subsection:

38 (a) Enter into an extended grant agreement with a local  
39 government conducting remedial actions at a facility where those  
40 actions extend over multiple biennia and the total eligible cost of

1 those actions exceeds \$20,000,000. The agreement is subject to the  
2 following limitations:

3 (i) The initial duration of such an agreement may not exceed 10  
4 years. The department may extend the duration of such an agreement  
5 upon finding substantial progress has been made on remedial actions  
6 at the facility;

7 (ii) Extended grant agreements may not exceed 50 percent of the  
8 total eligible remedial action costs at the facility; and

9 (iii) The department may not allocate future funding to an  
10 extended grant agreement unless the local government has demonstrated  
11 to the department that funds awarded under the agreement during the  
12 previous biennium have been substantially expended or contracts have  
13 been entered into to substantially expend the funds;

14 (b) Enter into a grant agreement with a local government  
15 conducting a remedial action that provides for periodic reimbursement  
16 of remedial action costs as they are incurred as established in the  
17 agreement;

18 (c) Enter into a grant agreement with a local government prior to  
19 it acquiring a property or obtaining necessary access to conduct  
20 remedial actions, provided the agreement is conditioned upon the  
21 local government acquiring the property or obtaining the access in  
22 accordance with a schedule specified in the agreement;

23 (d) Provide integrated planning grants to local governments to  
24 fund studies necessary to facilitate remedial actions at brownfield  
25 properties and adaptive reuse of properties following remediation.  
26 Eligible activities include, but are not limited to: Environmental  
27 site assessments; remedial investigations; health assessments;  
28 feasibility studies; site planning; community involvement; land use  
29 and regulatory analyses; building and infrastructure assessments;  
30 economic and fiscal analyses; and any environmental analyses under  
31 chapter 43.21C RCW;

32 (e) Provide grants to local governments for remedial actions  
33 related to area-wide groundwater contamination. To receive the  
34 funding, the local government does not need to be a potentially  
35 liable person or be required to seek reimbursement of grant funds  
36 from a potentially liable person;

37 (f) The director may alter grant matching requirements to create  
38 incentives for local governments to expedite cleanups when one of the  
39 following conditions exists:

1 (i) Funding would prevent or mitigate unfair economic hardship  
2 imposed by the clean-up liability;

3 (ii) Funding would create new substantial economic development,  
4 public recreational opportunities, or habitat restoration  
5 opportunities that would not otherwise occur; or

6 (iii) Funding would create an opportunity for acquisition and  
7 redevelopment of brownfield property under RCW 70A.305.040(5) that  
8 would not otherwise occur; and

9 (g) When pending grant applications under subsection (4)(d) and  
10 (e) of this section exceed the amount of funds available, designated  
11 redevelopment opportunity zones must receive priority for  
12 distribution of available funds.

13 (6) Except for unanticipated receipts under RCW 43.79.260 through  
14 43.79.282, moneys in model toxics control capital account may be  
15 spent only after appropriation by statute.

16 (7) The legislature finds that, in 2023, wildfires in Spokane and  
17 Pend Oreille counties resulted in a loss of approximately 366 homes  
18 as well as secondary buildings. The burning of these structures has  
19 resulted in a large toxic debris field containing asbestos, heavy  
20 metals, plastics, and fuel which are at risk of leaching into the  
21 soil and groundwater. During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, moneys in  
22 the model toxics control capital account may be used for financial  
23 assistance to local governments for the testing of hazardous  
24 materials, removal of debris, and remediation of soil necessary to  
25 support the rebuilding of communities impacted by these wildfires.

26 (8) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
27 direct the state treasurer to make transfers of moneys in the model  
28 toxics control capital account to the state general fund.

29 **Sec. 979.** RCW 71.24.580 and 2024 c 179 s 1 are each amended to  
30 read as follows:

31 (1) The criminal justice treatment account is created in the  
32 state treasury. Moneys in the account may be expended solely for: (a)  
33 Substance use disorder treatment and treatment support services for  
34 offenders with a substance use disorder that, if not treated, would  
35 result in addiction, against whom charges are filed by a prosecuting  
36 attorney in Washington state; (b) the provision of substance use  
37 disorder treatment services and treatment support services for  
38 nonviolent offenders within a drug court program and for 180 days  
39 following graduation from the drug court program; and (c) the

1 administrative and overhead costs associated with the operation of a  
2 drug court. Amounts provided in this subsection must be used for  
3 treatment and recovery support services for criminally involved  
4 offenders and authorization of these services shall not be subject to  
5 determinations of medical necessity. Moneys in the account may be  
6 spent only after appropriation.

7 (2) For purposes of this section:

8 (a) "Treatment" means services that are critical to a  
9 participant's successful completion of his or her substance use  
10 disorder treatment program, including but not limited to the recovery  
11 support and other programmatic elements outlined in RCW 2.30.030  
12 authorizing therapeutic courts; and

13 (b) "Treatment support" includes transportation to or from  
14 inpatient or outpatient treatment services when no viable alternative  
15 exists, and child care services that are necessary to ensure a  
16 participant's ability to attend outpatient treatment sessions.

17 (3) Revenues to the criminal justice treatment account consist  
18 of: (a) Funds transferred to the account pursuant to this section;  
19 and (b) any other revenues appropriated to or deposited in the  
20 account.

21 (4)(a) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and each  
22 subsequent fiscal year, the state treasurer shall transfer eight  
23 million two hundred fifty thousand dollars from the general fund to  
24 the criminal justice treatment account, divided into four equal  
25 quarterly payments. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, and  
26 each subsequent fiscal year, the amount transferred shall be  
27 increased on an annual basis by the implicit price deflator as  
28 published by the federal bureau of labor statistics.

29 (b) In each odd-numbered year, the legislature shall appropriate  
30 the amount transferred to the criminal justice treatment account in  
31 (a) of this subsection to the department for the purposes of  
32 subsection (5) of this section.

33 (5) Moneys appropriated to the authority from the criminal  
34 justice treatment account shall be distributed as specified in this  
35 subsection. The authority may retain up to three percent of the  
36 amount appropriated under subsection (4)(b) of this section for its  
37 administrative costs.

38 (a) Seventy percent of amounts appropriated to the authority from  
39 the account shall be distributed to counties pursuant to the  
40 distribution formula adopted under this section. The authority, in

1 consultation with the department of corrections, the Washington state  
2 association of counties, the Washington state association of drug  
3 court professionals, the superior court judges' association, the  
4 Washington association of prosecuting attorneys, representatives of  
5 the criminal defense bar, representatives of substance use disorder  
6 treatment providers, and any other person deemed by the authority to  
7 be necessary, shall establish a fair and reasonable methodology for  
8 distribution to counties of moneys in the criminal justice treatment  
9 account. County or regional plans submitted for the expenditure of  
10 formula funds must be approved by the panel established in (b) of  
11 this subsection.

12 (b) Thirty percent of the amounts appropriated to the authority  
13 from the account shall be distributed as grants for purposes of  
14 treating offenders against whom charges are filed by a county  
15 prosecuting attorney. The authority shall appoint a panel of  
16 representatives from the Washington association of prosecuting  
17 attorneys, the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs,  
18 the superior court judges' association, the Washington state  
19 association of counties, the Washington defender's association or the  
20 Washington association of criminal defense lawyers, the department of  
21 corrections, the Washington state association of drug court  
22 professionals, and substance use disorder treatment providers. The  
23 panel shall review county or regional plans for funding under (a) of  
24 this subsection and grants approved under this subsection. The panel  
25 shall attempt to ensure that treatment as funded by the grants is  
26 available to offenders statewide.

27 (6) The county alcohol and drug coordinator, county prosecutor,  
28 county sheriff, county superior court, a substance abuse treatment  
29 provider appointed by the county legislative authority, a member of  
30 the criminal defense bar appointed by the county legislative  
31 authority, and, in counties with a drug court, a representative of  
32 the drug court shall jointly submit a plan, approved by the county  
33 legislative authority or authorities, to the panel established in  
34 subsection (5)(b) of this section, for disposition of all the funds  
35 provided from the criminal justice treatment account within that  
36 county. The submitted plan should incorporate current evidence-based  
37 practices in substance use disorder treatment. The funds shall be  
38 used solely to provide approved alcohol and substance use disorder  
39 treatment pursuant to RCW 71.24.560 and treatment support services.  
40 No more than ten percent of the total moneys received under

1 subsections (4) and (5) of this section by a county or group of  
2 counties participating in a regional agreement shall be spent for  
3 treatment support services.

4 (7) Counties are encouraged to consider regional agreements and  
5 submit regional plans for the efficient delivery of treatment under  
6 this section.

7 (8) Moneys allocated under this section shall be used to  
8 supplement, not supplant, other federal, state, and local funds used  
9 for substance abuse treatment.

10 (9) If a region or county uses criminal justice treatment account  
11 funds to support a therapeutic court, the therapeutic court must  
12 allow the use of all medications approved by the federal food and  
13 drug administration for the treatment of opioid use disorder as  
14 deemed medically appropriate for a participant by a medical  
15 professional. If appropriate medication-assisted treatment resources  
16 are not available or accessible within the jurisdiction, the health  
17 care authority's designee for assistance must assist the court with  
18 acquiring the resource.

19 (10) Counties must meet the criteria established in RCW  
20 2.30.030(3).

21 (11) The authority shall annually review and monitor the  
22 expenditures made by any county or group of counties that receives  
23 appropriated funds distributed under this section. Counties shall  
24 repay any funds that are not spent in accordance with the  
25 requirements of its contract with the authority.

26 (12) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
27 appropriate moneys from the criminal justice treatment account to  
28 provide access to medications for opioid use disorders and alcohol  
29 use disorders to individuals in city, county, regional, and tribal  
30 jails, and for short-term housing vouchers for individuals with  
31 substance use disorders that may also interact with the criminal  
32 justice system. Appropriations made under this subsection are not  
33 subject to the distribution methodology or other requirements and  
34 limitations outlined in subsection (1) through subsection (11) of  
35 this section. It is the intent of the legislature to continue this  
36 policy in subsequent fiscal biennia.

37 **Sec. 980.** RCW 71.24.890 and 2024 c 368 s 4 and 2024 c 364 s 1  
38 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

1 (1) Establishing the state designated 988 contact hubs and  
2 enhancing the crisis response system will require collaborative work  
3 between the department, the authority, and regional system partners  
4 within their respective roles. The department shall have primary  
5 responsibility for designating 988 contact hubs, and shall seek  
6 recommendations from the behavioral health administrative services  
7 organizations to determine which 988 contact hubs best meet regional  
8 needs. The authority shall have primary responsibility for  
9 developing, implementing, and facilitating coordination of the crisis  
10 response system and services to support the work of the designated  
11 988 contact hubs, regional crisis lines, and other coordinated  
12 regional behavioral health crisis response system partners. In any  
13 instance in which one agency is identified as the lead, the  
14 expectation is that agency will communicate and collaborate with the  
15 other to ensure seamless, continuous, and effective service delivery  
16 within the statewide crisis response system.

17 (2) The department shall provide adequate funding for the state's  
18 crisis call centers to meet an expected increase in the use of the  
19 988 contact hubs based on the implementation of the 988 crisis  
20 hotline. The funding level shall be established at a level  
21 anticipated to achieve an in-state call response rate of at least 90  
22 percent by July 22, 2022. The funding level shall be determined by  
23 considering standards and cost per call predictions provided by the  
24 administrator of the national suicide prevention lifeline, call  
25 volume predictions, guidance on crisis call center performance  
26 metrics, and necessary technology upgrades. Contracts with the 988  
27 contact hubs:

28 (a) May provide funding to support designated 988 contact hubs to  
29 enter into limited partnerships with the public safety answering  
30 point to increase the coordination and transfer of behavioral health  
31 calls received by certified public safety telecommunicators that are  
32 better addressed by clinic interventions provided by the 988 system.  
33 Tax revenue may be used to support partnerships. These partnerships  
34 with 988 and public safety may be expanded to include regional crisis  
35 lines administered by behavioral health administrative services  
36 organizations;

37 (b) Shall require that 988 contact hubs enter into data-sharing  
38 agreements, when appropriate, with the department, the authority,  
39 regional crisis lines, and applicable regional behavioral health  
40 administrative services organizations to provide reports and client

1 level data regarding 988 contact hub calls, as allowed by and in  
2 compliance with existing federal and state law governing the sharing  
3 and use of protected health information. Data-sharing agreements with  
4 regional crisis lines must include real-time information sharing. All  
5 coordinated regional behavioral health crisis response system  
6 partners must share dispatch time, arrival time, and disposition for  
7 behavioral health calls referred for outreach by each region  
8 consistent with any regional protocols developed under RCW 71.24.432.  
9 The department and the authority shall establish requirements for 988  
10 contact hubs to report data to regional behavioral health  
11 administrative services organizations for the purposes of maximizing  
12 medicaid reimbursement, as appropriate, and implementing this chapter  
13 and chapters 71.05 and 71.34 RCW. The behavioral health  
14 administrative services organization may use information received  
15 from the 988 contact hubs in administering crisis services for the  
16 assigned regional service area, contracting with a sufficient number  
17 of licensed or certified providers for crisis services, establishing  
18 and maintaining quality assurance processes, maintaining patient  
19 tracking, and developing and implementing strategies to coordinate  
20 care for individuals with a history of frequent crisis system  
21 utilization.

22 (3) The department shall adopt rules by January 1, 2025, to  
23 establish standards for designation of crisis call centers as  
24 designated 988 contact hubs. The department shall collaborate with  
25 the authority, other agencies, and coordinated regional behavioral  
26 health crisis response system partners to assure coordination and  
27 availability of services, and shall consider national guidelines for  
28 behavioral health crisis care as determined by the federal substance  
29 abuse and mental health services administration, national behavioral  
30 health accrediting bodies, and national behavioral health provider  
31 associations to the extent they are appropriate, and recommendations  
32 from behavioral health administrative services organizations and the  
33 crisis response improvement strategy committee created in RCW  
34 71.24.892.

35 (4) The department shall designate 988 contact hubs considering  
36 the recommendations of behavioral health administrative services  
37 organizations by January 1, 2026. The designated 988 contact hubs  
38 shall provide connections to crisis intervention services, triage,  
39 care coordination, and referrals for individuals contacting the 988  
40 contact hubs from any jurisdiction within Washington 24 hours a day,



1 seven days a week, using the system platform developed under  
2 subsection (5) of this section. The department may not designate more  
3 than a total of four 988 contact hubs without legislative approval.

4 (a) To be designated as a 988 contact hub, the applicant must  
5 demonstrate to the department the ability to comply with the  
6 requirements of this section and to contract to provide 988 contact  
7 hub services. If a 988 contact hub fails to substantially comply with  
8 the contract, data-sharing requirements, or approved regional  
9 protocols developed under RCW 71.24.432, the department may revoke  
10 the designation of the 988 contact hub and, after consulting with the  
11 affected behavioral health administrative services organization, may  
12 designate a 988 contact hub recommended by a behavioral health  
13 administrative services organization which is able to meet necessary  
14 state and federal requirements.

15 (b) The contracts entered shall require designated 988 contact  
16 hubs to:

17 (i) Have an active agreement with the administrator of the  
18 national suicide prevention lifeline for participation within its  
19 network;

20 (ii) Meet the requirements for operational and clinical standards  
21 established by the department and based upon the national suicide  
22 prevention lifeline best practices guidelines and other recognized  
23 best practices;

24 (iii) Employ highly qualified, skilled, and trained clinical  
25 staff who have sufficient training and resources to provide empathy  
26 to callers in acute distress, de-escalate crises, assess behavioral  
27 health disorders and suicide risk, triage to system partners for  
28 callers that need additional clinical interventions, and provide case  
29 management and documentation. Call center staff shall be trained to  
30 make every effort to resolve cases in the least restrictive  
31 environment and without law enforcement involvement whenever  
32 possible. Call center staff shall coordinate with certified peer  
33 counselors to provide follow-up and outreach to callers in distress  
34 as available. It is intended for transition planning to include a  
35 pathway for continued employment and skill advancement as needed for  
36 experienced crisis call center employees;

37 (iv) Train employees on agricultural community cultural  
38 competencies for suicide prevention, which may include sharing  
39 resources with callers that are specific to members from the  
40 agricultural community. The training must prepare staff to provide

1 appropriate assessments, interventions, and resources to members of  
2 the agricultural community. Employees may make warm transfers and  
3 referrals to a crisis hotline that specializes in working with  
4 members from the agricultural community, provided that no person  
5 contacting 988 shall be transferred or referred to another service if  
6 they are currently in crisis and in need of emotional support;

7 (v) Prominently display 988 crisis hotline information on their  
8 websites and social media, including a description of what the caller  
9 should expect when contacting the crisis call center and a  
10 description of the various options available to the caller, including  
11 call lines specialized in the behavioral health needs of veterans,  
12 American Indian and Alaska Native persons, Spanish-speaking persons,  
13 and LGBTQ populations. The website may also include resources for  
14 programs and services related to suicide prevention for the  
15 agricultural community;

16 (vi) Collaborate with the authority, the national suicide  
17 prevention lifeline, and veterans crisis line networks to assure  
18 consistency of public messaging about the 988 crisis hotline;

19 (vii) Collaborate with coordinated regional behavioral health  
20 crisis response system partners within the 988 contact hub's regional  
21 service area to develop protocols under RCW 71.24.432, including  
22 protocols related to the dispatching of mobile rapid response crisis  
23 teams and community-based crisis teams endorsed under RCW 71.24.903;

24 (viii) Provide data and reports and participate in evaluations  
25 and related quality improvement activities, according to standards  
26 established by the department in collaboration with the authority;  
27 and

28 (ix) Enter into data-sharing agreements with the department, the  
29 authority, regional crisis lines, and applicable behavioral health  
30 administrative services organizations to provide reports and client  
31 level data regarding 988 contact hub calls, as allowed by and in  
32 compliance with existing federal and state law governing the sharing  
33 and use of protected health information, which shall include sharing  
34 real-time information with regional crisis lines. The department and  
35 the authority shall establish requirements that the designated 988  
36 contact hubs report data to regional behavioral health administrative  
37 services organizations for the purposes of maximizing medicaid  
38 reimbursement, as appropriate, and implementing this chapter and  
39 chapters 71.05 and 71.34 RCW including, but not limited to,  
40 administering crisis services for the assigned regional service area,

1 contracting with a sufficient number of licensed or certified  
2 providers for crisis services, establishing and maintaining quality  
3 assurance processes, maintaining patient tracking, and developing and  
4 implementing strategies to coordinate care for individuals with a  
5 history of frequent crisis system utilization.

6 (c) The department and the authority shall incorporate  
7 recommendations from the crisis response improvement strategy  
8 committee created under RCW 71.24.892 in its agreements with  
9 designated 988 contact hubs, as appropriate.

10 (5) The department and authority must coordinate to develop the  
11 technology and platforms necessary to manage and operate the  
12 behavioral health crisis response and suicide prevention system. The  
13 department and the authority must include designated 988 contact  
14 hubs, regional crisis lines, and behavioral health administrative  
15 services organizations in the decision-making process for selecting  
16 any technology platforms that will be used to operate the system. No  
17 decisions made by the department or the authority shall interfere  
18 with the routing of the 988 contact hubs calls, texts, or chat as  
19 part of Washington's active agreement with the administrator of the  
20 national suicide prevention lifeline or 988 administrator that routes  
21 988 contacts into Washington's system. The technologies developed  
22 must include:

23 (a) A new technologically advanced behavioral health and suicide  
24 prevention crisis call center system platform for use in 988 contact  
25 hubs designated by the department under subsection (4) of this  
26 section. This platform, which shall be implemented as soon as  
27 possible and fully funded by (~~(January 1, 2026)~~) June 30, 2027, shall  
28 be developed by the department and must include the capacity to  
29 receive crisis assistance requests through phone calls, texts, chats,  
30 and other similar methods of communication that may be developed in  
31 the future that promote access to the behavioral health crisis  
32 system; and

33 (b) A behavioral health integrated client referral system capable  
34 of providing system coordination information to designated 988  
35 contact hubs and the other entities involved in behavioral health  
36 care. This system shall be developed by the authority.

37 (6) In developing the new technologies under subsection (5) of  
38 this section, the department and the authority must coordinate to  
39 designate a primary technology system to provide each of the  
40 following:

1 (a) Access to real-time information relevant to the coordination  
2 of behavioral health crisis response and suicide prevention services,  
3 including:

4 (i) Real-time bed availability for all behavioral health bed  
5 types and recliner chairs, including but not limited to crisis  
6 stabilization services, 23-hour crisis relief centers, psychiatric  
7 inpatient, substance use disorder inpatient, withdrawal management,  
8 peer-run respite centers, and crisis respite services, inclusive of  
9 both voluntary and involuntary beds, for use by crisis response  
10 workers, first responders, health care providers, emergency  
11 departments, and individuals in crisis; and

12 (ii) Real-time information relevant to the coordination of  
13 behavioral health crisis response and suicide prevention services for  
14 a person, including the means to access:

15 (A) Information about any less restrictive alternative treatment  
16 orders or mental health advance directives related to the person; and

17 (B) Information necessary to enable the designated 988 contact  
18 hubs to actively collaborate with regional crisis lines, emergency  
19 departments, primary care providers and behavioral health providers  
20 within managed care organizations, behavioral health administrative  
21 services organizations, and other health care payers to establish a  
22 safety plan for the person in accordance with best practices and  
23 provide the next steps for the person's transition to follow-up  
24 noncrisis care. To establish information-sharing guidelines that  
25 fulfill the intent of this section the authority shall consider input  
26 from the confidential information compliance and coordination  
27 subcommittee established under RCW 71.24.892;

28 (b) The means to track the outcome of the 988 call to enable  
29 appropriate follow-up, cross-system coordination, and accountability,  
30 including as appropriate: (i) Any immediate services dispatched and  
31 reports generated from the encounter; (ii) the validation of a safety  
32 plan established for the caller in accordance with best practices;  
33 (iii) the next steps for the caller to follow in transition to  
34 noncrisis follow-up care, including a next-day appointment for  
35 callers experiencing urgent, symptomatic behavioral health care  
36 needs; and (iv) the means to verify and document whether the caller  
37 was successful in making the transition to appropriate noncrisis  
38 follow-up care indicated in the safety plan for the person, to be  
39 completed either by the care coordinator provided through the  
40 person's managed care organization, health plan, or behavioral health

1 administrative services organization, or if such a care coordinator  
2 is not available or does not follow through, by the staff of the  
3 designated 988 contact hub;

4 (c) A means to facilitate actions to verify and document whether  
5 the person's transition to follow-up noncrisis care was completed and  
6 services offered, to be performed by a care coordinator provided  
7 through the person's managed care organization, health plan, or  
8 behavioral health administrative services organization, or if such a  
9 care coordinator is not available or does not follow through, by the  
10 staff of the designated 988 contact hub;

11 (d) The means to provide geographically, culturally, and  
12 linguistically appropriate services to persons who are part of high-  
13 risk populations or otherwise have need of specialized services or  
14 accommodations, and to document these services or accommodations; and

15 (e) When appropriate, consultation with tribal governments to  
16 ensure coordinated care in government-to-government relationships,  
17 and access to dedicated services to tribal members.

18 (7) The authority shall:

19 (a) Collaborate with county authorities and behavioral health  
20 administrative services organizations to develop procedures to  
21 dispatch behavioral health crisis services in coordination with  
22 designated 988 contact hubs to effectuate the intent of this section;

23 (b) Establish formal agreements with managed care organizations  
24 and behavioral health administrative services organizations by  
25 January 1, 2023, to provide for the services, capacities, and  
26 coordination necessary to effectuate the intent of this section,  
27 which shall include a requirement to arrange next-day appointments  
28 for persons contacting the 988 contact hub or a regional crisis line  
29 experiencing urgent, symptomatic behavioral health care needs with  
30 geographically, culturally, and linguistically appropriate primary  
31 care or behavioral health providers within the person's provider  
32 network, or, if uninsured, through the person's behavioral health  
33 administrative services organization;

34 (c) Create best practices guidelines by July 1, 2023, for  
35 deployment of appropriate and available crisis response services by  
36 behavioral health administrative services organizations in  
37 coordination with designated 988 contact hubs to assist 988 hotline  
38 callers to minimize nonessential reliance on emergency room services  
39 and the use of law enforcement, considering input from relevant

1 stakeholders and recommendations made by the crisis response  
2 improvement strategy committee created under RCW 71.24.892;

3 (d) Develop procedures to allow appropriate information sharing  
4 and communication between and across crisis and emergency response  
5 systems for the purpose of real-time crisis care coordination  
6 including, but not limited to, deployment of crisis and outgoing  
7 services, follow-up care, and linked, flexible services specific to  
8 crisis response; and

9 (e) Establish guidelines to appropriately serve high-risk  
10 populations who request crisis services. The authority shall design  
11 these guidelines to promote behavioral health equity for all  
12 populations with attention to circumstances of race, ethnicity,  
13 gender, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, and geographic  
14 location, and include components such as training requirements for  
15 call response workers, policies for transferring such callers to an  
16 appropriate specialized center or subnetwork within or external to  
17 the national suicide prevention lifeline network, and procedures for  
18 referring persons who access the 988 contact hubs to linguistically  
19 and culturally competent care.

20 (8) The department shall monitor trends in 988 crisis hotline  
21 caller data, as reported by designated 988 contact hubs under  
22 subsection (4)(b)(ix) of this section, and submit an annual report to  
23 the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature  
24 summarizing the data and trends beginning December 1, 2027.

25 (9) Subject to authorization by the national 988 administrator  
26 and the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific  
27 purpose, any Washington state subnetwork of the 988 crisis hotline  
28 dedicated to the crisis assistance needs of American Indian and  
29 Alaska Native persons shall offer services by text, chat, and other  
30 similar methods of communication to the same extent as does the  
31 general 988 crisis hotline. The department shall coordinate with the  
32 substance abuse and mental health services administration for the  
33 authorization.

34 **Sec. 981.** RCW 74.31.060 and 2019 c 181 s 2 are each amended to  
35 read as follows:

36 The traumatic brain injury account is created in the state  
37 treasury. The fee imposed under RCW 46.63.110(7)(c) must be deposited  
38 into the account. ~~((Moneys))~~ Except for the 2025-2027 fiscal  
39 biennium, when the treasurer shall transfer \$1,111,000 to the general

1 fund—state, moneys in the account may be spent only after  
2 appropriation, and may be used only to support the activities in the  
3 statewide traumatic brain injury comprehensive plan, to provide a  
4 public awareness campaign and services relating to traumatic brain  
5 injury under RCW 74.31.040 and 74.31.050, for information and  
6 referral services, and for costs of required department staff who are  
7 providing support for the council under RCW 74.31.020 and 74.31.030.  
8 The secretary of the department of social and health services has the  
9 authority to administer the funds. The department must make every  
10 effort to disburse the incremental revenue that is the result of the  
11 fee increased under RCW 46.63.110(7)(c) in a diverse manner to  
12 include rural areas of the state.

13 **Sec. 982.** RCW 74.46.581 and 2016 c 131 s 7 are each amended to  
14 read as follows:

15 A separate nursing facility quality enhancement account is  
16 created in the custody of the state treasurer. Beginning July 1,  
17 2015, all net receipts from the reconciliation and settlement process  
18 provided in RCW 74.46.022(6), as described within RCW 74.46.561, must  
19 be deposited into the account. Beginning July 1, 2016, all receipts  
20 from the system of financial penalties for facilities out of  
21 compliance with minimum staffing standards, as described within RCW  
22 74.42.360, must be deposited into the account. Only the secretary, or  
23 the secretary's designee, may authorize expenditures from the  
24 account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter  
25 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.  
26 ~~((The))~~ Except during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the department  
27 shall use the special account only for technical assistance for  
28 nursing facilities, specialized training for nursing facilities, or  
29 an increase to the quality enhancement established in RCW 74.46.561,  
30 or as necessary for the reconciliation and settlement process, which  
31 requires deposits and withdrawals to complete both the preliminary  
32 and final settlement net receipt amounts for this account. During the  
33 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the account may be expended for funding  
34 costs associated with nursing facilities.

35 **Sec. 983.** RCW 76.04.511 and 2021 c 298 s 2 are each amended to  
36 read as follows:

37 (1) The wildfire response, forest restoration, and community  
38 resilience account is created in the state treasury. All receipts

1 from moneys directed to the account must be deposited in the account.  
2 Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.  
3 Expenditures from the account may be used only for carrying out the  
4 purposes of chapter 298, Laws of 2021 and for no other purposes.

5 (2) Expenditures from the account may be made to state agencies,  
6 federally recognized tribes, local governments, fire and conservation  
7 districts, nonprofit organizations, forest collaboratives, and small  
8 forestland owners, consistent with the 20-year forest health  
9 strategic plan, the wildland fire protection 10-year strategic plan,  
10 and the Washington state forest action plan.

11 (3) The wildfire response, forest restoration, and community  
12 resilience account may only be used to monitor, track, and implement  
13 the following purposes:

14 (a) Fire preparedness activities consistent with the goals  
15 contained in the state's wildland fire protection 10-year strategic  
16 plan including, but not limited to, funding for firefighting capacity  
17 and investments in ground and aerial firefighting resources,  
18 equipment, and technology, and the development and implementation of  
19 a wildland fire aviation support plan in order to expand and improve  
20 the effectiveness and cost-efficiency of the department's wildland  
21 fire aviation program;

22 (b) Fire prevention activities to restore and improve forest  
23 health and reduce vulnerability to drought, insect infestation,  
24 disease, and other threats to healthy forests including, but not  
25 limited to, silvicultural treatments, seedling development, thinning  
26 and prescribed fire, and postfire recovery activities to stabilize  
27 and prevent unacceptable degradation to natural and cultural  
28 resources and minimize threats to life and property resulting from  
29 the effects of a wildfire. Funding priority under this subsection  
30 must be given to programs, activities, or projects aligned with the  
31 20-year forest health strategic plan, the wildland fire protection  
32 10-year strategic plan, and the Washington state forest action plan  
33 across any combination of local, state, federal, tribal, and private  
34 ownerships;

35 (c) Fire protection activities for homes, properties,  
36 communities, and values at risk including, but not limited to:  
37 Potential control lines or strategic fuel breaks in forests and  
38 rangelands near communities; improved warning and communications  
39 systems to prepare for wildfires; increased engagement with non-  
40 English speaking communities in their home language for community



1 preparedness; and the national fire protection association's fire  
2 wise USA and the fire-adapted communities network programs to help  
3 communities take action before wildfires;

4 (d) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, activities related to  
5 post-wildland fire response including post-wildfire debris flow  
6 monitoring.

7 (4) Appropriations for forest health activities funded by the  
8 wildfire response, forest restoration, and community resilience  
9 account shall not be less than 25 percent of the biennial  
10 appropriated funding.

11 (5) Appropriations for community resilience activities funded by  
12 the wildfire response, forest restoration, and community resilience  
13 account shall not be less than 15 percent of the biennial  
14 appropriated funding.

15 (6) Funding may not be used for emergency fire costs or  
16 suppression costs as defined in RCW 76.04.005.

17 (7) To the maximum extent possible, workforce development  
18 investments from the wildfire response, forest restoration, and  
19 community resilience account should prioritize historically  
20 marginalized, underrepresented, rural, and low-income communities.

21 (8) Any expenditures from the wildfire response, forest  
22 restoration, and community resilience account for forest health  
23 treatments on federal lands must be additive to the baseline  
24 accomplishments and outputs already funded through the federal  
25 government and outlined in the annual work plans of the United States  
26 forest service, bureau of land management, the national park service,  
27 and/or the United States fish and wildlife service.

28 (9) The department may solicit the forest health advisory  
29 committee established in RCW 76.06.200 and wildland fire advisory  
30 committee established in RCW 76.04.179 to provide recommendations for  
31 investments under this section. In assessing investments and  
32 developing recommendations for communities that will be impacted  
33 based on ecological, public infrastructure, and life safety needs as  
34 set forth in the 20-year forest health strategic plan and the  
35 wildland fire protection 10-year strategic plan, the forest health  
36 advisory committee and wildland fire advisory committee must use  
37 environmental justice or equity focused tools, such as the Washington  
38 tracking network's environmental health disparities tool to identify  
39 highly impacted communities. This identification must be used as a  
40 factor in determining recommendations for investments under this

1 section. "Highly impacted communities" has the same meaning as  
2 defined in RCW 19.405.020.

3 (10) To the maximum extent practicable and where consistent with  
4 the 20-year forest health strategic plan, the wildland fire  
5 protection 10-year strategic plan, or the Washington state forest  
6 action plan and landowner objectives, forest health treatments funded  
7 through the wildfire response, forest restoration, and community  
8 resilience account shall seek to utilize the value of any  
9 merchantable materials to help offset treatment costs.

10 **Sec. 984.** RCW 77.12.170 and 2020 c 148 s 5 are each amended to  
11 read as follows:

12 (1) There is established in the state treasury the limited fish  
13 and wildlife account which consists of moneys received from:

14 (a) Fees for personalized vehicle, Wild on Washington, and  
15 Endangered Wildlife license plates, Washington's Wildlife license  
16 plate collection, and Washington's fish license plate collection as  
17 provided in chapter 46.17 RCW;

18 (b) The department's share of revenues from auctions and raffles  
19 authorized by the commission;

20 (c) The sale of watchable wildlife decals under RCW 77.32.560;

21 (d) Moneys received from the recreation access pass account  
22 created in RCW 79A.80.090 must be dedicated to stewardship,  
23 operations, and maintenance of department lands used for public  
24 recreation purposes;

25 (e) Fees for informational materials published by the department;

26 (f) Those portions of the sale of licenses, permits, tags,  
27 stamps, endorsements, and application fees that are specified for a  
28 limited purpose within chapters 77.32, 77.65, and 77.70 RCW; and

29 (g) Income directed to the limited fish and wildlife account by  
30 any other statute not listed in this subsection.

31 (2) State and county officers receiving any moneys listed in  
32 subsection (1) of this section shall deposit them in the state  
33 treasury to be credited to the limited fish and wildlife account.

34 (3) There is established in the state treasury the fish,  
35 wildlife, and conservation account that consists of moneys received  
36 from:

37 (a) Rentals or concessions of the department;

1 (b) The sale of real or personal property held for department  
2 purposes, unless the property is seized or recovered through a fish,  
3 shellfish, or wildlife enforcement action;

4 (c) The assessment of administrative penalties;

5 (d) Those portions of the sale of licenses, permits, tags,  
6 stamps, endorsements, and application fees that are not specified for  
7 a limited purpose within chapters 77.32, 77.65, and 77.70 RCW;

8 (e) Articles or wildlife sold by the director under RCW  
9 77.12.140;

10 (f) Excise tax on anadromous game fish collected under chapter  
11 82.27 RCW;

12 (g) Donations received by the director under RCW 77.12.039;

13 (h) Income directed to the fish, wildlife, and conservation  
14 account by any other statute not listed in this subsection.

15 (4) State and county officers receiving any moneys listed in  
16 subsection (3) of this section shall deposit them in the state  
17 treasury to be credited to the fish, wildlife, and conservation  
18 account.

19 (5) Compensation for damage to department property or wildlife  
20 losses or contributions, gifts, or grants received under RCW  
21 77.12.320 must be deposited into the special wildlife account created  
22 in RCW 77.12.323. However, this excludes fish and shellfish overages  
23 and court-ordered restitution or donations associated with any fish,  
24 shellfish, or wildlife enforcement action, as such moneys must be  
25 deposited in the enforcement reward account pursuant to RCW  
26 77.15.425.

27 (6) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys from the limited  
28 fish and wildlife account may be transferred to the fish, wildlife,  
29 and conservation account.

30 **Sec. 985.** RCW 77.44.050 and 2020 c 148 s 25 are each amended to  
31 read as follows:

32 The warm water game fish account is created in the state  
33 treasury. Moneys in the account are subject to legislative  
34 appropriation and shall be used for the purpose of funding the warm  
35 water game fish enhancement program, including the development of  
36 warm water pond and lake habitat, culture of warm water game fish,  
37 improvement of warm water fish habitat, management of warm water fish  
38 populations, and other practical activities that will improve the  
39 fishing for warm water fish. Funds for warm water game fish as

provided in RCW 77.32.440 shall not serve as replacement funding for department-operated warm water fish projects existing on December 31, 1994. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys from the warm water game fish account may be transferred to the fish, wildlife, and conservation account.

**Sec. 986.** RCW 77.105.150 and 2003 c 173 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

The recreational fisheries enhancement account is created in the state treasury. All receipts from RCW 77.105.140 shall be deposited into the account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used only for recreational fisheries enhancement programs identified in this chapter. ~~((Under))~~ Except during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, in which moneys may be transferred to the fish, wildlife, and conservation account, under no circumstances may moneys from the account be used to backfill shortfalls in other state funding sources.

**Sec. 987.** RCW 79.64.040 and 2023 c 475 s 943 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The board shall determine the amount deemed necessary in order to achieve the purposes of this chapter and shall provide by rule for the deduction of this amount from the moneys received from all leases, sales, contracts, licenses, permits, easements, and rights-of-way issued by the department and affecting state lands and aquatic lands, except as provided in RCW 79.64.130, provided that no deduction shall be made from the proceeds from agricultural college lands.

(2) Moneys received as deposits from successful bidders, advance payments, and security under RCW 79.15.100, 79.15.080, and 79.11.150 prior to December 1, 1981, which have not been subjected to deduction under this section are not subject to deduction under this section.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5) of this section, the deductions authorized under this section shall not exceed twenty-five percent of the moneys received by the department in connection with any one transaction pertaining to state lands and aquatic lands other than second-class tide and shore lands and the beds of navigable waters, and fifty percent of the moneys received by

1 the department pertaining to second-class tide and shore lands and  
2 the beds of navigable waters.

3 (4) In the event that the department sells logs using the  
4 contract harvesting process described in RCW 79.15.500 through  
5 79.15.530, the moneys received subject to this section are the net  
6 proceeds from the contract harvesting sale.

7 (5) During the 2015-2017, 2017-2019, 2019-2021, 2021-2023,  
8 (~~and~~) 2023-2025, and 2025-2027 fiscal biennia, the board may  
9 increase the twenty-five percent limitation up to thirty-two percent.

10 **Sec. 988.** RCW 79.64.110 and 2023 c 475 s 944 and 2023 c 383 s 8  
11 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

12 (1) Any moneys derived from the lease of state forestlands or  
13 from the sale of valuable materials, oils, gases, coal, minerals, or  
14 fossils from those lands, except as provided in RCW 79.64.130, or the  
15 appraised value of these resources when transferred to a public  
16 agency under RCW 79.22.060, must be distributed as follows:

17 (a) For state forestlands acquired through RCW 79.22.040 or by  
18 exchange or as replacement for lands acquired through RCW 79.22.040:

19 (i) The expense incurred by the state for administration,  
20 reforestation, and protection, not to exceed 25 percent, which rate  
21 of percentage shall be determined by the board, must be returned to  
22 the forest development account created in RCW 79.64.100. During the  
23 2017-2019, 2019-2021, 2021-2023, (~~and~~) 2023-2025, and 2025-2027  
24 fiscal biennia, the board may increase the 25 percent limitation up  
25 to 27 percent.

26 (ii) Any balance remaining must be paid to the county in which  
27 the land is located or, if the land acquired under RCW 79.22.040 was  
28 exchanged, transferred, or disposed, payment must be made to the  
29 county from which the land was exchanged, transferred, or disposed.  
30 For counties participating in a land pool created under RCW  
31 79.22.140, to each participating county proportionate to its  
32 contribution of asset value to the land pool as determined by the  
33 board. Payments made under this subsection are to be paid,  
34 distributed, and prorated to the various funds in the same manner as  
35 general taxes are paid and distributed during the year of payment.  
36 However, a county may in its discretion pay, distribute, and prorate  
37 payments made under this subsection of moneys derived from state  
38 forestlands acquired by exchange or as replacement lands, for lands  
39 acquired through RCW 79.22.040, in the same manner as general taxes

1 are paid and distributed during the year of payment for the former  
2 state forestlands that were subject to the exchange.

3 (iii) Any balance remaining, paid to a county with a population  
4 of less than 16,000, must first be applied to the reduction of any  
5 indebtedness existing in the current expense fund of the county  
6 during the year of payment.

7 (iv) With regard to moneys remaining under this subsection  
8 (1)(a), within seven working days of receipt of these moneys, the  
9 department shall certify to the state treasurer the amounts to be  
10 distributed to the counties. The state treasurer shall distribute  
11 funds to the counties four times per month, with no more than 10 days  
12 between each payment date.

13 (b) For state forestlands acquired through RCW 79.22.010 or by  
14 exchange or as replacement lands for lands acquired through RCW  
15 79.22.010, except as provided in RCW 79.64.120:

16 (i) Fifty percent shall be placed in the forest development  
17 account.

18 (ii) Fifty percent shall be prorated and distributed to the state  
19 general fund, to be dedicated for the benefit of the public schools,  
20 to the county in which the land is located or, for counties  
21 participating in a land pool created under RCW 79.22.140, to each  
22 participating county proportionate to its contribution of asset value  
23 to the land pool as determined by the board, and according to the  
24 relative proportions of tax levies of all taxing districts in the  
25 county. The portion to be distributed to the state general fund shall  
26 be based on the regular school levy rate under RCW 84.52.065 (1) and  
27 (2) and the levy rate for any school district enrichment levies. With  
28 regard to the portion to be distributed to the counties, the  
29 department shall certify to the state treasurer the amounts to be  
30 distributed within seven working days of receipt of the money. The  
31 state treasurer shall distribute funds to the counties four times per  
32 month, with no more than 10 days between each payment date. The money  
33 distributed to the county must be paid, distributed, and prorated to  
34 the various other funds in the same manner as general taxes are paid  
35 and distributed during the year of payment.

36 (2) A school district may transfer amounts deposited in its debt  
37 service fund pursuant to this section into its capital projects fund  
38 as authorized in RCW 28A.320.330.

1       **Sec. 989.** RCW 80.01.080 and 2017 3rd sp.s. c 25 s 11 are each  
2 amended to read as follows:

3       There is created in the state treasury a public service revolving  
4 fund. Regulatory fees payable by all types of public service  
5 companies shall be deposited to the credit of the public service  
6 revolving fund. Except for expenses payable out of the pipeline  
7 safety account, all expense of operation of the Washington utilities  
8 and transportation commission shall be payable out of the public  
9 service revolving fund. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys  
10 in the account may also be transferred into the state general fund.

11       **Sec. 990.** RCW 81.88.050 and 2007 c 142 s 3 are each amended to  
12 read as follows:

13       The pipeline safety account is created in the custody of the  
14 state treasurer. All fees received by the commission for the pipeline  
15 safety program according to RCW 80.24.060 and 81.24.090 and all  
16 receipts from the federal office of pipeline safety and any other  
17 state or federal funds provided for pipeline safety shall be  
18 deposited in the account. Any penalties collected under this chapter,  
19 or otherwise designated to this account must be deposited in the  
20 account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.  
21 Expenditures from the account may be used only for funding pipeline  
22 safety. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, moneys in the account  
23 may also be transferred into the state general fund.

24       **Sec. 991.** RCW 82.86.050 and 2023 c 454 s 10 are each amended to  
25 read as follows:

26       (1) The statewide 988 behavioral health crisis response and  
27 suicide prevention line account is created in the state treasury. All  
28 receipts from the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis response and  
29 suicide prevention line tax imposed pursuant to this chapter must be  
30 deposited into the account. Moneys may only be spent after  
31 appropriation.

32       (2) Expenditures from the account may only be used for:

33       (a) Ensuring the efficient and effective routing of calls made to  
34 the 988 crisis hotline to an appropriate crisis hotline center or  
35 designated 988 contact hub; ~~((and))~~

36       (b) Personnel and the provision of acute behavioral health,  
37 crisis outreach, and crisis stabilization services, as defined in RCW  
38 71.24.025, by directly responding to the 988 crisis hotline and

enhancing mobile crisis service standards and performance provided through mobile rapid response crisis teams and community-based crisis teams endorsed under RCW 71.24.903. Ten percent of the annual receipts from the tax must be dedicated to the establishment grants, performance payments, and supplemental performance payments for mobile rapid response crisis teams and community-based crisis teams endorsed under RCW 71.24.903 and endorsement activities in RCW 71.24.903, up to 30 percent of which is dedicated to mobile rapid response crisis teams and community-based crisis teams endorsed under RCW 71.24.903 that are affiliated with a tribe in Washington; and

(c) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis response and suicide prevention line account to maintain and expand behavioral health crisis response services including services provided by mobile crisis response teams, 23-hour crisis relief centers, and other community settings providing services to individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis. Appropriations made for these purposes are not subject to the limitation in subsection (3) of this section. It is the intent of the legislature that this policy will be continued in subsequent fiscal biennia.

(3) Moneys in the account may not be used to supplant general fund appropriations for behavioral health services or for medicaid covered services to individuals enrolled in the medicaid program.

**Sec. 992.** RCW 86.26.007 and 2019 c 415 s 991 are each amended to read as follows:

The flood control assistance account is hereby established in the state treasury. At the beginning of the 2005-2007 fiscal biennium, the state treasurer shall transfer three million dollars from the general fund to the flood control assistance account. Each biennium thereafter the state treasurer shall transfer four million dollars from the general fund to the flood control assistance account, except for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, when the treasurer shall transfer \$3,700,000 to the flood control assistance account. Moneys in the flood control assistance account may be spent only after appropriation for purposes specified under this chapter. During the 2017-2019 and 2019-2021 fiscal biennia, the legislature may appropriate moneys from the account for the purposes specified under chapter 90.94 RCW.



1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 993.**    During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium,  
2    the legislature may direct the state treasurer to make transfers of  
3    moneys in the state seizure account to the general fund such amounts  
4    as reflect the excess fund balance of the account.

5        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 994.**    Section 940 of this act takes effect  
6    July 1, 2025.

(End of part)

**PART XI**  
**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

**Sec. 1101.** 2024 c 376 s 101 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

|                                            |                            |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$60,051,000               |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(\$62,841,000)</del>  |
|                                            | <u>\$58,741,000</u>        |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(\$122,892,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$118,792,000</u>       |

**Sec. 1102.** 2024 c 376 s 102 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SENATE**

|                                            |                           |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$44,379,000              |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(\$48,193,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$45,193,000</u>       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(\$92,572,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$89,572,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$260,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$270,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the payment of membership dues to the council of state governments, the national conference of state legislatures, the pacific northwest economic region, the pacific fisheries legislative task force, and the western legislative forestry task force.

**Sec. 1103.** 2024 c 376 s 112 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE COURT OF APPEALS**

|                                            |                           |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$28,173,000              |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(\$27,771,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$28,649,000</u>       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(\$55,944,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$56,822,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$764,000 of the general fund—state

appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$764,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5046 (postconviction counsel).

**Sec. 1104.** 2024 c 376 s 113 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE COURTS**

|                                            |                               |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$125,457,000                 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(((\$125,109,000))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$124,787,000</u>          |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$2,209,000                   |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$681,000                     |
| Judicial Stabilization Trust Account—State |                               |
| Appropriation                              | \$122,817,000                 |
| Judicial Information Systems Account—State |                               |
| Appropriation                              | \$79,530,000                  |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State  |                               |
| Appropriation                              | \$479,000                     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(((\$456,282,000))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$455,960,000</u>          |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The distributions made under this section and distributions from the county criminal justice assistance account made pursuant to section 801 of this act constitute appropriate reimbursement for costs for any new programs or increased level of service for purposes of RCW 43.135.060.

(2)(a) \$7,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$7,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for distribution to county juvenile court administrators for the costs associated with processing and case management of truancy, children in need of services, and at-risk youth referrals. The administrator for the courts, in conjunction with the juvenile court administrators, shall develop an equitable funding distribution formula. The formula must neither reward counties with higher than average per-petition/referral processing costs nor shall it penalize

1 counties with lower than average per-petition/referral processing  
2 costs.

3 (b) Each fiscal year during the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, each  
4 county shall report the number of petitions processed and the total  
5 actual costs of processing truancy, children in need of services, and  
6 at-risk youth petitions. Counties shall submit the reports to the  
7 administrator for the courts no later than 45 days after the end of  
8 the fiscal year. The administrator for the courts shall  
9 electronically transmit this information to the chairs and ranking  
10 minority members of the house of representatives and senate fiscal  
11 committees no later than 60 days after a fiscal year ends. These  
12 reports are informational in nature and are not for the purpose of  
13 distributing funds.

14 (3) \$1,094,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$1,094,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the statewide fiscal impact  
17 on Thurston county courts. It is the intent of the legislature that  
18 this policy will be continued in subsequent fiscal biennia.

19 (4) \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$3,000,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—  
21 state appropriation are provided solely for distribution to local  
22 courts for costs associated with the court-appointed attorney and  
23 visitor requirements set forth in the uniform guardianship act,  
24 chapter 11.130 RCW. If the amount provided in this subsection is  
25 insufficient to fully fund the local court costs, distributions must  
26 be reduced on a proportional basis to ensure that expenditures remain  
27 within the available funds provided in this subsection. No later than  
28 December 31, 2023, the administrative office of the courts will  
29 provide a report on distributions to local courts including, but not  
30 limited to, the amount provided to each court, the number of  
31 guardianship cases funded at each court, costs segregated by attorney  
32 appointments and court visitor appointments, the amount of any pro  
33 rata reductions, and a recommendation on how to forecast  
34 distributions for potential future funding by the legislature.

35 (5) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the administrative office of  
38 the courts to use as matching funds to distribute to small municipal  
39 and county courts, located in a rural county as defined in RCW

1 43.160.020, for the purpose of increasing security for court  
2 facilities. Grants must be used solely for security equipment and  
3 services for municipal, district, and superior courts and may not be  
4 used for staffing or administrative costs.

5 (6) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 is provided solely for the administrative office of the  
7 courts to provide grants to superior courts for the purpose of  
8 creating or expanding sanitary lactation spaces or pods that provide  
9 privacy for courthouse visitors needing to breastfeed or express  
10 breast milk.

11 (7)(a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,100,000 of the judicial stabilization trust  
13 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the  
14 administrative office of the courts to contract with an equity and  
15 justice nonprofit organization to expand the capacity of the existing  
16 equity dashboard program. The contract must review and organize newly  
17 available criminal case data with the goal of consolidating and  
18 collecting adult felony case data to determine disparities in the  
19 legal justice system. The equity dashboard program must be expanded  
20 to include adult felony case data that is consolidated, interactable,  
21 transparent, and accessible to the public.

22 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection for fiscal year  
23 2025, the \$1,000,000 in funding shall be split evenly between two  
24 equity and justice nonprofit organizations for the purpose of  
25 continuing the work of the existing public equity data dashboard on  
26 the collection of sentencing data and expanding their work to partner  
27 with a nonprofit organization that advocates for equity in technology  
28 and education to provide the public with data on social determinants  
29 that impact education outcomes. The organization that promotes equity  
30 in education must be a coalition that advocates for an educational  
31 system that promotes racial equity and focuses on ensuring that the  
32 race of a child and the child's address are not the predicated  
33 factors in defining their success.

34 (8) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
37 Substitute House Bill No. 1766 (protection orders/hope cards).

38 (9) \$1,090,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024 and \$1,090,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to address data quality issues across Washington state court management systems.

(10) \$51,428,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state appropriation is provided solely to establish a direct refund process to individuals to refund legal financial obligations, collection costs, and document-verified costs paid to third parties previously paid by defendants whose convictions have been vacated by court order due to the *State v. Blake* ruling. Superior court clerks, district court administrators, and municipal court administrators must certify and send to the office the amount of any refund ordered by the court. The court order must either contain the amount of the refund or provide language for the clerk or court administrator to certify to the office the amount to be refunded to the individual.

(11) \$1,627,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,812,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for activities of the office relating to the resentencing or vacating convictions of individuals and refund of legal financial obligations and costs associated with the *State v. Blake* ruling. In addition to contracting with cities and counties for the disbursement of funds appropriated for resentencing costs, the office must:

(a) Collaborate with superior court clerks, district court administrators, and municipal court administrators to prepare comprehensive reports, based on available court records, of all cause numbers impacted by *State v. Blake* going back to 1971. Such reports must include the refund amount related to each cause number;

(b) In collaboration with the office of public defense and the office of civil legal aid, establish a process that can be used by individuals seeking a refund, provide individuals information regarding the application process necessary to claim a refund, and issue payments from the refund bureau to individuals certified in subsection (10) of this section; and

(c) Collaborate with counties and municipalities to adopt standard coding for application to *State v. Blake* convictions and to develop a standardized practice regarding vacated convictions.

(12) \$38,000,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state appropriation is provided solely to assist counties with costs of complying with the *State v. Blake* decision that arise from the county's role in operating the state's criminal justice system,

1 including resentencing, vacating prior convictions for simple drug  
2 possession, and certifying refunds of legal financial obligations and  
3 collections costs. The office shall contract with counties for  
4 judicial, clerk, defense, and prosecution expenses for these purposes  
5 if requested by a county. A county may designate the office to use  
6 available funding to administer a vacate process, or a portion of the  
7 vacate process, on behalf of the county. The office must collaborate  
8 with counties to adopt standard coding for application to *Blake*  
9 convictions and to develop a standardized practice regarding vacated  
10 convictions.

11 (13) \$11,500,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—  
12 state appropriation is provided solely to assist cities with costs of  
13 complying with the *State v. Blake* decision that arise from the city's  
14 role in operating the city's criminal justice system, including  
15 vacating prior convictions for simple drug possession, to include  
16 cannabis and possession of paraphernalia, and certifying refunds of  
17 legal financial obligations and collections costs. The office shall  
18 contract with cities for judicial, clerk, defense, and prosecution  
19 expenses for these purposes if requested by a city. A city may  
20 designate the office to use available funding to administer a vacate  
21 process, or a portion of the vacate process, on behalf of the city.  
22 The office must collaborate with cities to adopt standard coding for  
23 application to *Blake* convictions and to develop a standardized  
24 practice regarding vacated convictions.

25 (14) \$439,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$304,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
28 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5128 (jury diversity).

29 (15) \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024, \$1,520,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025, and \$169,000 of the judicial stabilization trust  
32 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the office to  
33 administer a jury pay pilot program in Pierce county. Funding must be  
34 used to increase jury pay up to \$100 for each day served in Pierce  
35 county superior court. The funds provided in this subsection must  
36 supplement, and not supplant, existing local funding for juror pay.  
37 The office must compare juror demographics after the pay increase as  
38 compared to data collected from the 2022 jury demographic survey to

1 measure the impact increasing juror pay has on jury diversity and  
2 juror response rates.

3 (16) \$1,800,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for distribution to counties to help  
5 cover the cost of electronic monitoring with victim notification  
6 technology when an individual seeking a protection order requests  
7 electronic monitoring with victim notification technology from the  
8 court and the respondent is unable to pay. Of the amount provided in  
9 this subsection, up to five percent of the funding each fiscal year  
10 may be used by the office for education and outreach to the courts  
11 regarding this technology.

12 (17) \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of House Bill  
15 No. 1102 (judge pro tempore compensation).

16 (18) \$20,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House  
18 Bill No. 1562 (violence).

19 (19) \$109,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed House  
21 Bill No. 1324 (prior juvenile offenses).

22 (20) \$659,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$639,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the development and  
25 expansion of online and on-demand eLearning courses offered through  
26 the WACOURTS education portal for judicial officers, administrators,  
27 clerks, assistants, and other staff employed in state and local  
28 courts.

29 (21) \$686,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$686,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the administrative office of  
32 the courts to fund public guardianship services provided by the  
33 office of public guardianship.

34 (22) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the administrative office of  
37 the courts to develop a sequential intercept model pilot program. The  
38 intercept model pilot program must include the establishment of a  
39 coordinated care and services network in courts of limited



1 jurisdiction located in two counties, one county east of the crest of  
2 the Cascade mountains and one county west of the crest of the Cascade  
3 mountains.

4 (a) In developing the pilot program, the administrative office of  
5 the courts must consult local government, the district and municipal  
6 court judges' association, the health care authority, the department  
7 of social and health services, the department of health, law  
8 enforcement agencies, and other impacted stakeholders as identified  
9 by the administrative office of the courts.

10 ~~((+ii+))~~ (b) The pilot project shall include any sequential  
11 intercept mapping that is necessary to determine the availability of  
12 willing stakeholders and to determine gaps in services and programs  
13 in the geographic area served by the proposed coordinated care and  
14 services network.

15 ~~((+iii+))~~ (c) The pilot project may include the use of a common  
16 source of peer support services as the means to link affected persons  
17 to the coordinated care and services network from the various  
18 intercepts in the sequential intercept model.

19 ~~((+iv+))~~ (d) No court may be required by the administrative  
20 office of the courts to participate in the pilot program.

21 ~~((+v+))~~ (e) For the purposes of this pilot project, "stakeholder"  
22 may include any public or private entity or individual that provides  
23 services, funds, or goods related to housing, shelter, education,  
24 employment, substance use disorder treatment or other behavioral  
25 health treatment, medical treatment, dental treatment, peer support,  
26 self-help, crisis care, income assistance, nutritional assistance,  
27 clothing, assistance with public benefits, or financial management  
28 and other life skills education.

29 ~~((+vi+))~~ (f) The pilot project ends June 1, 2025. The  
30 administrative office of the courts shall submit a report to the  
31 legislature detailing the work of the pilot program project, which  
32 must include recommendations, if any, for continuation, modification,  
33 or expansion of the pilot program to other regions of the state, no  
34 later than June 30, 2025.

35 (23) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 is provided solely for the Washington state center for  
37 court research of the administrative office of the courts to conduct  
38 a study of legal financial obligations (LFO) charged by superior  
39 courts, juvenile courts, and courts of limited jurisdiction,  
40 including the reviews required in Engrossed Substitute House Bill No.

1 1169 (legal financial obligations). The administrative office of the  
2 courts must submit a report of the findings to the appropriate  
3 committees of the legislature by November 30, 2023. At a minimum, the  
4 study must include statewide and county-level data that shows, during  
5 the previous five state fiscal years that data is available:

6 (a) The total number of juvenile and criminal cases handled by  
7 court, the number of cases where legal financial obligations were  
8 imposed pursuant to chapter 13.40 RCW, the percentage of cases where  
9 legal financial obligations were not imposed, and the total amount of  
10 legal financial obligations that were collected;

11 (b) The total amount assessed to, collected from, and waived for  
12 all individuals, in fees, court costs, fines, and restitution,  
13 disaggregated by the defendants' age at the time of adjudication or  
14 conviction, the underlying charge, race, gender, LFO type, and  
15 charging court, for each of the last five years data is available;

16 (c) The average amount assessed, collected, and waived per case  
17 by fines, fees, and restitution, disaggregated by defendants' age at  
18 the time of adjudication or conviction, the underlying charge, race,  
19 gender, LFO type, and charging court for each of the last five years  
20 data is available;

21 (d) The average amount collected per case by fines, fees, and  
22 restitution, disaggregated by defendants' age at the time of  
23 adjudication or conviction, race, gender, LFO type, and charging  
24 court, for each of the last five years data is available;

25 (e) The estimated annual collection rate for restitution and  
26 nonrestitution LFOs for the last five years data is available;

27 (f) An estimate of the proportion of restitution assessed,  
28 disaggregated by victim type including natural persons, businesses,  
29 state agencies, and insurance companies, for each of the last five  
30 years data is available;

31 (g) The percentage, number of cases, and total amount of legal  
32 financial obligations that are uncollectible pursuant to RCW  
33 13.40.190 or 13.40.192, or other statutory authority for the  
34 expiration of legal financial obligation debt including debt assessed  
35 in criminal cases; and

36 (h) The total amount of outstanding debt owed in fees, court  
37 costs, fines, and restitution, disaggregated by the defendants' age  
38 at the time of adjudication or conviction, race, gender, legal  
39 financial obligation type, charging court, and date of assessment.

1 (24) \$653,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$264,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
4 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1715 (domestic violence).

5 (25) Funding in this section is sufficient to reimburse courts  
6 participating in the interpreter program for up to 100 percent of  
7 interpreter costs in fiscal years 2024 and 2025.

8 (26) \$60,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2025 is provided solely for the administrative office of the  
10 courts to compile and submit a report to the fiscal and appropriate  
11 committees of the legislature by December 1, 2024. The report must  
12 include:

13 (a) A summary of the count of individuals whose juvenile points  
14 were used in calculating their current offender score in total, and  
15 by county, as identified by the department of corrections in section  
16 223(2)(v) of this act;

17 (b) The estimated cost per county on how much resentencing for  
18 the individuals identified by the department of corrections in  
19 section 223(2)(v) of this act, would cost the county;

20 (c) Each county's assumptions for the cost per individual case,  
21 how long each case is estimated to take, and how many cases the  
22 county assumes they can complete by fiscal year given staffing levels  
23 in fiscal years 2025 through 2027.

24 (27)(a) \$165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the Washington state center  
26 for court research of the administrative office of the courts to  
27 continue the study on legal financial obligations (LFO) charged by  
28 superior courts and courts of limited jurisdiction. The  
29 administrative office of the courts must submit a preliminary report  
30 to the appropriate committees of the legislature by November 30,  
31 2024, and a final report by June 30, 2025. At a minimum, the report  
32 must include statewide data that shows, disaggregated by court type,  
33 LFO type, charge type, court user demographics, and community  
34 characteristics, during the previous five state fiscal years that  
35 data is available:

36 (i) The total number of juvenile and criminal cases handled by  
37 court, the number of cases where legal financial obligations were  
38 imposed pursuant to chapter 13.40 RCW, the percentage of cases where  
39 LFOs were imposed, and the total amount of LFOs that were collected;

1 (ii) The total amount assessed to, collected from, and waived for  
2 all individuals, in fees, court costs, fines, and restitution  
3 disaggregated by the defendants' age at the time of adjudication or  
4 conviction, the underlying charge, race, gender, LFO type, and  
5 charging court;

6 (iii) An estimate of the proportion of restitution owed in all  
7 cases, disaggregated by victim type including natural persons,  
8 businesses, state agencies, and insurance companies; and

9 (iv) A description of community level impact of LFO imposition  
10 measured as a ratio of aggregate debt to household income.

11 (b) Superior courts and courts of limited jurisdiction that do  
12 not enter their LFO data into a statewide data management system must  
13 provide their LFO data to the administrative office of the courts at  
14 dates to be set by the office to be included in the statewide report.

15 (c) Within the amounts provided in this subsection, the  
16 administrative office of the courts shall form a stakeholder group to  
17 review the report and make recommendations for data development and  
18 reporting topics.

19 (28) \$218,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No.  
21 5836 (Clark county superior court). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by~~  
22 ~~June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

23 (29) \$850,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely for additional education and  
25 training for judicial officers and staff, and partial reimbursement  
26 for pro tempore coverage for judicial officers' education attendance.  
27 Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$350,000 shall be solely  
28 used for the training and education activities of the courts of  
29 limited jurisdiction and \$500,000 shall be solely used for the  
30 training and education activities for superior courts.

31 (30) \$8,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
33 House Bill No. 1241 (harassment). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by~~  
34 ~~June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

35 (31) \$70,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed House  
37 Bill No. 1964 (prorate & fuel tax collect). ~~((If the bill is not~~  
38 ~~enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
39 ~~shall lapse.))~~

1 (32) \$218,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
3 1992 (superior court/Whatcom). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June~~  
4 ~~30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

5 (33) \$560,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
7 Substitute House Bill No. 2384 (traffic safety cameras). ~~((If the~~  
8 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
9 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

10 (34) \$2,094,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
12 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5825 (guardianship). During the fiscal  
13 biennium, in conformity with RCW 2.72.030, the administrative office  
14 of the courts shall collect uniform and consistent data on decision  
15 making assistance to include, but not limited to: The number of  
16 requests for decision making assistance received from hospitals, the  
17 number of guardianships and less restrictive alternatives to  
18 guardianships provided, the support and housing provided, and any  
19 other data related to case monitoring and management. ~~((If the bill~~  
20 ~~is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
21 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

22 (35) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
24 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5828 (water rights commissioners). ~~((If~~  
25 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
26 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

27 (36) \$51,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
29 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5974 (unenforceable LFOs). ~~((If the bill~~  
30 ~~is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
31 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

32 (37) \$248,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
34 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6068 (dependency outcome  
35 reporting). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount~~  
36 ~~provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

37 (38) \$479,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
39 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6109 (children and families). ~~((If~~

the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))

**Sec. 1105.** 2024 c 376 s 114 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC DEFENSE**

|                                            |                                |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$66,902,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(( \$70,781,000 ))</del>  |
|                                            | <u>\$72,188,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$385,000                      |
| Judicial Stabilization Trust Account—State |                                |
| Appropriation                              | <del>(( \$16,218,000 ))</del>  |
|                                            | <u>\$15,318,000</u>            |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(( \$154,286,000 ))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$154,793,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the purpose of improving the quality of trial court public defense services as authorized by chapter 10.101 RCW. The office of public defense must allocate these amounts so that \$450,000 per fiscal year is distributed to counties, and \$450,000 per fiscal year is distributed to cities, for grants under chapter 10.101 RCW.

(2) ~~(( \$8,863,000 ))~~ \$8,363,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state appropriation is provided solely to assist counties with public defense services related to vacating the convictions of defendants and/or resentencing for defendants whose convictions or sentences are affected by the *State v. Blake* decision. Of the amount provided in this subsection:

(a) ~~(( \$1,863,000 ))~~ \$1,763,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state appropriation is provided solely for the office of public defense to provide statewide attorney training, technical assistance, data analysis and reporting, and quality oversight, to administer financial assistance for public defense costs related to *State v. Blake* impacts, and to maintain a triage team to provide statewide support to the management and flow of hearings for individuals impacted by the *State v. Blake* decision.

1 (b) (~~(\$7,000,000)~~) \$6,600,000 of the judicial stabilization trust  
2 account—state appropriation is provided solely to assist counties in  
3 providing counsel for defendants seeking to vacate a conviction  
4 and/or be resentenced under *State v. Blake*. Assistance shall be  
5 allocated to all counties based upon a formula established by the  
6 office of public defense. Counties may receive assistance by: (i)  
7 Applying for grant funding; and/or (ii) designating the office of  
8 public defense to contract directly with counsel.

9 (3) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to provide prefiling legal  
12 representation to pregnant parents and parents of newborns at risk of  
13 removal by the department of children, youth, and families.

14 (4) \$623,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$1,165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
17 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5046 (postconviction counsel).

18 (5) \$6,863,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and (~~(\$6,602,000)~~) \$6,102,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
21 implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5415 (public defense/  
22 insanity).

23 (6) \$1,434,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$1,434,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the parents for parents  
26 program.

27 (7) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of public defense  
30 to establish and operate a telephone consultation line to provide  
31 contracted legal counsel for parents, guardians, or legal custodians  
32 when the department of children, youth, and families proposes a  
33 voluntary placement agreement when there is no pending dependency  
34 proceeding under chapter 13.34 RCW pursuant to RCW 13.34.090(4).

35 (8) \$442,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for the office of public defense to  
37 administer a public defense recruitment program to recruit and retain  
38 a sufficient pool of qualified attorneys and other public defense  
39 professionals. The recruitment program shall engage with students and

1 faculty at colleges and law schools on topics relating to public  
2 defense and other public law practices; provide technical assistance  
3 and training to county and city public defense coordinators on  
4 recruitment strategies including establishment of law clerk programs;  
5 and administer a public defense internship program.

6 (9) \$10,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of public defense  
9 to address emergency safety assistance and other urgent needs for  
10 clients served by the parents representation program. Temporary,  
11 limited assistance may be made available for short-term housing,  
12 utilities, transportation, food assistance, and other urgent needs  
13 that, if unaddressed, could adversely impact case outcomes and impede  
14 successful family reunification. The office of public defense shall  
15 establish eligibility criteria and an expedited process for reviewing  
16 financial assistance requests submitted by parents representation  
17 program contractors.

18 ~~((+11+))~~ (10) \$1,108,000 of the judicial stabilization trust  
19 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
20 Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6109 (children and  
21 families). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount  
22 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

23 ~~((+12+))~~ (11) \$611,000 of the judicial stabilization trust  
24 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
25 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5780 (public defense &  
26 prosecution). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount  
27 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

28 (12) \$2,002,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of public defense  
30 to administer contracts for appellate attorneys to cover a backlog of  
31 case assignments and increasing workload associated with indigent  
32 appeals. The office shall provide training for contracted attorneys.

33 **Sec. 1106.** 2024 c 376 s 115 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
34 follows:

35 **FOR THE OFFICE OF CIVIL LEGAL AID**

|    |                                                     |                              |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 36 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . | \$54,376,000                 |
| 37 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | <del>((+\$62,001,000))</del> |
| 38 |                                                     | <u>\$62,851,000</u>          |



Judicial Stabilization Trust Account—State

Appropriation. . . . . \$6,698,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . (~~(\$123,075,000)~~)

\$123,925,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) (a) \$3,917,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$7,711,000)~~) \$8,561,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the appointed counsel program for children and youth in dependency cases under RCW 13.34.212(3) in accordance with revised practice, caseload, and training standards adopted by the supreme court commission on children in foster care and includes a vendor rate increase for contracted attorneys. Sufficient funding is provided for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5761 (dependency/attorney appt.).

(b) By October 1, 2023, the office must develop a revised implementation schedule based on a caseload assumption of adding no more than 1,250 new dependency cases to the program each fiscal year for consideration by the governor and the legislature.

(2) \$2,408,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,579,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the provision of civil legal information, advice, and representation for tenants at risk of eviction but not yet eligible for appointed counsel services under RCW 59.18.640.

(3) \$16,542,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$17,965,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the appointed counsel program for tenants in unlawful detainer cases established in RCW 59.18.640 and includes a vendor rate increase for contracted attorneys. The office of civil legal aid shall assign priority to providing legal representation to indigent tenants in those counties in which the most evictions occur and to indigent tenants who are disproportionately at risk of eviction, as provided in RCW 59.18.640.

(4) \$5,234,000 of the judicial stabilization trust account—state appropriation is provided solely to continue legal information, advice, assistance, and representation for individuals eligible for civil relief under the supreme court's ruling in *State v. Blake*.

(5) An amount not to exceed \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and an amount not to exceed \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 may be used to provide telephonic legal advice and assistance to otherwise eligible persons who are 60 years of age or older on matters authorized by RCW 2.53.030(2) (a) through (k) regardless of household income or asset level.

(6) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to the office of civil legal aid to establish a legal advice phone line to provide guidance and legal advice for kinship caregivers. The phone line must be staffed by two FTE contracted attorneys that have experience with kinship care, guardianship statutes, the child welfare system, and issues relating to legal custody.

(7) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of civil legal aid to expand civil legal aid services for survivors of domestic violence, including legal services for protection order proceedings, family law cases, immigration assistance, and other civil legal issues arising from or related to the domestic violence they experienced.

(8) \$1,009,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,022,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of civil legal aid to continue the statewide reentry legal aid project as established in section 115(12), chapter 357, Laws of 2020.

(9) \$156,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6109 (children and families). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1107.** 2024 c 376 s 116 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

|                                            |                           |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$24,808,000              |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(\$30,250,000)</del> |

|    |                                                      |                               |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1  |                                                      | <u>\$28,578,000</u>           |
| 2  | Economic Development Strategic Reserve Account—State |                               |
| 3  | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$10,850,000                  |
| 4  | GOV Central Service Account—State Appropriation. . . | (( <del>\$19,538,000</del> )) |
| 5  |                                                      | <u>\$19,038,000</u>           |
| 6  | Performance Audits of Government Account—State       |                               |
| 7  | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$827,000                     |
| 8  | Workforce Education Investment Account—State         |                               |
| 9  | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$100,000                     |
| 10 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | (( <del>\$86,373,000</del> )) |
| 11 |                                                      | <u>\$84,201,000</u>           |

12       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
13 conditions and limitations:

14       (1) \$1,146,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and ((~~\$1,841,000~~)) \$1,146,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office  
17 of the education ombuds.

18       (2) ((~~\$19,238,000~~)) \$18,738,000 of the GOV central service  
19 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the office of  
20 equity. Within the amounts provided in this subsection, \$571,000 of  
21 the GOV central service account—state appropriation is provided  
22 solely for the office of equity for additional staffing resources to  
23 provide effective communication and meaningful access to state  
24 information and services.

25       (3) \$100,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely to the office of the governor to  
27 implement career connected learning.

28       (4) (a) \$554,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2024 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
30 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the governor to invite  
31 federally recognized tribes, local governments, agricultural  
32 producers, commercial and recreational fisher organizations, business  
33 organizations, salmon recovery organizations, forestry and  
34 agricultural organizations, and environmental organizations to  
35 participate in a process facilitated by an independent entity to  
36 develop recommendations on proposed changes in policy and spending  
37 priorities to improve riparian habitat to ensure salmon and steelhead  
38 recovery.

1 (i) The independent entity must develop recommendations on  
2 furthering riparian funding and policy, including but not limited to,  
3 strategies that can attract private investment in improving riparian  
4 habitat, and developing a regulatory or compensation strategy if  
5 voluntary programs do not achieve concrete targets.

6 (ii) Preliminary recommendations shall be submitted to the  
7 legislature and governor by May 1, 2024, with a final report by June  
8 30, 2024.

9 (b) The amounts provided in fiscal year 2025 are provided solely  
10 for the task force to develop proposals to implement the  
11 recommendations submitted in (a) of this subsection. The independent  
12 entity must convene a group of interested members of the legislature  
13 to provide the task force with background information regarding the  
14 recommendations submitted to the legislature, and to support the  
15 development of the implementation proposals. A report outlining the  
16 implementation proposals is due to the governor and the appropriate  
17 committees of the legislature by November 15, 2024.

18 (c) The office of the governor may contract for an independent  
19 facilitator. The contract is exempt from the competitive procurement  
20 requirements in chapter 39.26 RCW.

21 (5) \$3,020,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$2,980,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
24 Substitute House Bill No. 1580 (children in crisis). Within the  
25 amounts provided in this subsection:

26 (a) \$2,359,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$2,359,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for flexible funding to support  
29 children in crisis. Uses of the flexible funding include, but are not  
30 limited to:

31 (i) Residential, housing, or wraparound supports that facilitate  
32 the safe discharge of children in crisis from hospitals;

33 (ii) Support for families and caregivers to mitigate the risk of  
34 a child going into or returning to a state of crisis;

35 (iii) Respite and relief services for families and caregivers  
36 that would assist in the safe discharge of a child in crisis from a  
37 hospital, or prevent or mitigate a child's future hospitalization due  
38 to crisis; or

1 (iv) Any support or service that would expedite a safe discharge  
2 of a child in crisis from an acute care hospital or that would  
3 prevent or mitigate a child's future hospitalization due to crisis.

4 (b) Flexible funding expenditures may not be used for  
5 administrative expenses.

6 (c) The care coordinator created in Second Substitute House Bill  
7 No. 1580 (children in crisis) must approve any expenditures of  
8 flexible funding.

9 (6) \$300,000 of the GOV central service account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for the office of equity to conduct  
11 community engagement and develop an equity toolkit. Within the  
12 amounts provided in this subsection:

13 (a) The office of equity must consult with state boards and  
14 commissions that support the participation of people from  
15 underrepresented populations in policy-making processes, and may  
16 consult with other relevant state agencies, departments, and offices,  
17 to identify:

18 (i) Barriers to access and meaningful participation in  
19 stakeholder engagement by people from underrepresented populations  
20 who have lived experience;

21 (ii) Tools to support access and meaningful participation in  
22 stakeholder engagement;

23 (iii) Modifications to stakeholder engagement processes that  
24 promote an increase in access and opportunities for participation by  
25 people from underrepresented populations who have lived experience in  
26 policy-making processes. Any modifications identified may not  
27 restrict or otherwise prevent compliance with requirements under  
28 federal statute or regulations; and

29 (iv) Changes to law or agency rules that will promote increased  
30 access and participation in the policy-making process.

31 (b) The office of equity must submit a report, in compliance with  
32 RCW 43.01.036, to the appropriate committees of the legislature that  
33 details its findings under (a) of this subsection by July 1, 2024.

34 (c) By November 30, 2024, the office of equity must develop a  
35 toolkit on best practices for supporting meaningful engagement of  
36 underrepresented individuals with lived experience participating on  
37 statutory entities. The toolkit must be transmitted to all state  
38 agencies, including the office of the governor, members of the  
39 legislature, the secretary of the senate, and the chief clerk of the  
40 house of representatives. The toolkit must include:

1 (i) Best practices for identifying and recruiting  
2 underrepresented individuals with lived experience;

3 (ii) Best practices for appropriately and meaningfully engaging  
4 individuals from underrepresented populations with lived experience.  
5 Recommendations of these best practices may include suggestions from  
6 engagement conducted under (a) of this subsection;

7 (iii) Information on how to plan the work of a statutory entity  
8 using the principles of universal design, which may include  
9 suggestions from community engagement conducted under (a) of this  
10 subsection;

11 (iv) Best practices for onboarding all statutory entity members  
12 including how to support underrepresented individuals with lived  
13 experience in accessing compensation in accordance with chapter 43.03  
14 RCW; and

15 (v) A list of state entities that appointing authorities may  
16 consult with when considering appointments to statutory entities for  
17 the purpose of increasing meaningful participation by people from  
18 underrepresented populations who have lived experience.

19 (d) For purposes of this subsection:

20 (i) "Lived experience" has the same meaning as provided in RCW  
21 43.03.220.

22 (ii) "Statutory entity" means a multimember task force, work  
23 group, or advisory committee, that is temporary, established by  
24 legislation adopted after January 1, 2025, established for the  
25 specific purpose of examining a particular policy or issue which  
26 directly and tangibly affects one or more underrepresented  
27 populations, and is required to report to the legislature on the  
28 policy or issues it is tasked with examining. "Statutory entity" does  
29 not include legislative select committees or other statutorily  
30 created legislative entities composed of only legislative members.

31 (iii) "Underrepresented population" means a population group that  
32 is more likely to be at higher risk for disenfranchisement due to  
33 adverse socioeconomic factors such as unemployment, high housing and  
34 transportation costs relative to income, effects of environmental  
35 harms, limited access to nutritious food and adequate health care,  
36 linguistic isolation, and any other factors that may be barriers for  
37 participating in policy-making processes.

38 (7) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
39 Washington state office of equity must cofacilitate the Washington  
40 digital equity forum with the statewide broadband office.

1       (8)(a) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the office of the corrections  
3 ombuds to prepare a report on incarcerated persons who have been in  
4 solitary confinement or any other form of restrictive housing more  
5 than 120 days in total during their period of incarceration or have  
6 been in solitary confinement or any other form of restrictive housing  
7 more than 45 consecutive days in the prior fiscal year. The report  
8 must:

9       (i) Include the basis on which each person was placed in  
10 restrictive housing;

11       (ii) Define the types of restrictive housing used by the  
12 department of corrections including, but not limited to, solitary  
13 confinement, administrative segregation, disciplinary segregation,  
14 protective custody, and maximum custody;

15       (iii) Identify the specific type of restrictive housing each  
16 incarcerated person was placed in and the reason for such placement;

17       (iv) Provide information regarding each incarcerated person's  
18 underlying offenses;

19       (v) Identify any sanctions imposed during the incarceration of  
20 each person;

21       (vi) State the amount of time each person has remaining in total  
22 confinement;

23       (vii) Document any attempted suicides by each individual in  
24 restrictive housing over the past 10 years and the reason, if known;

25       (viii) Describe the programming offered to and accepted by each  
26 incarcerated person during the person's period of restrictive  
27 confinement; and

28       (ix) Identify any short-term policies identified, implemented, or  
29 improved by the department for the restrictive housing population  
30 including, but not limited to, lighting, ventilation, and access to  
31 personal property, communication, and visitation.

32       (b) The department shall provide a report to the governor and  
33 appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2024.

34       (9) Within existing resources, the governor's office of results  
35 Washington must conduct a review of the provisions in state law  
36 relating to statewide performance management in RCW 43.88.090 and  
37 43.17.380 through 43.17.390 and other statutes as applicable. The  
38 office must produce a report to the governor and appropriate  
39 committees of the legislature by October 31, 2024, including  
40 recommendations for legislative actions to provide meaningful

performance information and oversight for decision makers in the governor's office and other agencies responsible for enterprise-wide initiatives. Results Washington should consult with the office of financial management and other agencies as applicable to ensure that recommendations minimize duplication of effort and support their statutory oversight roles.

(10) \$559,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Fourth Substitute House Bill No. 1239 (educator ethics & complaints). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(11) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2000 (international leadership). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(12) \$225,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2071 (residential housing). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(13) \$618,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2084 (construction training/DOC). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

**Sec. 1108.** 2024 c 376 s 118 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

|                                              |                              |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)   | \$6,108,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)   | <del>(((\$6,186,000))</del>  |
|                                              | <u>\$6,099,000</u>           |
| Public Disclosure Transparency Account—State |                              |
| Appropriation                                | <del>(((\$2,300,000))</del>  |
|                                              | <u>\$2,161,000</u>           |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                          | <del>(((\$14,594,000))</del> |
|                                              | <u>\$14,368,000</u>          |



1       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3       (1) No moneys may be expended from the appropriations in this  
4 section to establish an electronic directory, archive, or other  
5 compilation of political advertising unless explicitly authorized by  
6 the legislature.

7       (2) \$2,170,000 of the public disclosure transparency account—  
8 state appropriation is provided solely for the public disclosure  
9 commission for the purpose of improving the ability of the public to  
10 access information about political campaigns, lobbying, and elected  
11 officials, and facilitating accurate and timely reporting by the  
12 regulated community. The commission must report to the office of  
13 financial management and fiscal committees of the legislature by  
14 October 31st of each year detailing information on the public  
15 disclosure transparency account. The report shall include, but is not  
16 limited to:

17       (a) An investment plan of how funds would be used to improve the  
18 ability of the public to access information about political  
19 campaigns, lobbying, and elected officials, and facilitate accurate  
20 and timely reporting by the regulated community;

21       (b) A list of active projects as of July 1st of the fiscal year.  
22 This must include a breakdown of expenditures by project and expense  
23 type for all current and ongoing projects;

24       (c) A list of projects that are planned in the current and  
25 following fiscal year and projects the commission would recommend for  
26 future funding. The commission must identify priorities, and develop  
27 accountability measures to ensure the projects meet intended  
28 purposes; and

29       (d) Any other metric or measure the commission deems appropriate  
30 to track the outcome of the use of the funds.

31       **Sec. 1109.** 2024 c 376 s 119 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
32 follows:

33 **FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE**

|    |                                                     |                               |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 34 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . | \$56,190,000                  |
| 35 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | (( <del>\$62,517,000</del> )) |
| 36 |                                                     | <u>\$67,262,000</u>           |
| 37 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .         | \$8,606,000                   |
| 38 | Public Records Efficiency, Preservation, and Access |                               |

|    |                                                        |                                |
|----|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1  | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                   | \$11,702,000                   |
| 2  | Charitable Organization Education Account—State        |                                |
| 3  | Appropriation. . . . .                                 | \$1,233,000                    |
| 4  | Washington State Library Operations Account—State      |                                |
| 5  | Appropriation. . . . .                                 | \$14,765,000                   |
| 6  | Local Government Archives Account—State                |                                |
| 7  | Appropriation. . . . .                                 | \$12,089,000                   |
| 8  | Election Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .        | \$4,487,000                    |
| 9  | Personnel Service Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$2,262,000                    |
| 10 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                           | (( <del>\$173,851,000</del> )) |
| 11 |                                                        | <u>\$178,596,000</u>           |

12 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
13 conditions and limitations:

14 (1) \$16,998,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024 and ((~~\$21,450,000~~)) \$25,943,000 of the general fund—  
16 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to  
17 reimburse counties for the state's share of primary and general  
18 election costs, the state's share of presidential primary costs, and  
19 the costs of conducting mandatory recounts on state measures. Funds  
20 may also be used by the secretary of state for costs associated with  
21 the printing and distribution of the presidential primary voters  
22 pamphlet. Counties shall be reimbursed only for those costs that the  
23 secretary of state validates as eligible for reimbursement.

24 (2)(a) \$4,052,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024 and \$6,052,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
27 contracting with a nonprofit organization to produce gavel-to-gavel  
28 television coverage of state government deliberations and other  
29 events statewide. The funding level for each year of the contract  
30 shall be based on the amount provided in this subsection. The  
31 nonprofit organization shall be required to raise contributions or  
32 commitments to make contributions, in cash or in kind, in an amount  
33 equal to forty percent of the state contribution. The office of the  
34 secretary of state may make full or partial payment once all criteria  
35 in this subsection have been satisfactorily documented.

36 (b) The legislature finds that the commitment of on-going funding  
37 is necessary to ensure continuous, autonomous, and independent  
38 coverage of public affairs. For that purpose, the secretary of state

1 shall enter into a contract with the nonprofit organization to  
2 provide public affairs coverage.

3 (c) The nonprofit organization shall prepare an annual  
4 independent audit, an annual financial statement, and an annual  
5 report, including benchmarks that measure the success of the  
6 nonprofit organization in meeting the intent of the program.

7 (d) No portion of any amounts disbursed pursuant to this  
8 subsection may be used, directly or indirectly, for any of the  
9 following purposes:

10 (i) Attempting to influence the passage or defeat of any  
11 legislation by the legislature of the state of Washington, by any  
12 county, city, town, or other political subdivision of the state of  
13 Washington, or by the congress, or the adoption or rejection of any  
14 rule, standard, rate, or other legislative enactment of any state  
15 agency;

16 (ii) Making contributions reportable under chapter 42.17 RCW; or

17 (iii) Providing any: (A) Gift; (B) honoraria; or (C) travel,  
18 lodging, meals, or entertainment to a public officer or employee.

19 (3) Any reductions to funding for the Washington talking book and  
20 Braille library may not exceed in proportion any reductions taken to  
21 the funding for the library as a whole.

22 (4) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for humanities Washington  
25 speaker's bureau community conversations.

26 (5) \$114,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$114,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for election reconciliation  
29 reporting. Funding provides for one staff to compile county  
30 reconciliation reports, analyze the data, and to complete an annual  
31 statewide election reconciliation report for every state primary and  
32 general election. The report must be submitted annually on July 31,  
33 to legislative policy and fiscal committees. The annual report must  
34 include statewide analysis and by county analysis on the reasons for  
35 ballot rejection and an analysis of the ways ballots are received,  
36 counted, rejected and cure data that can be used by policymakers to  
37 better understand election administration.

38 (6) \$896,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024 and \$870,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for staff dedicated to the  
2 maintenance and operations of the voter registration and election  
3 management system. These staff will manage database upgrades,  
4 database maintenance, system training and support to counties, and  
5 triage and customer service to system users.

6 (7) \$8,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$8,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for:

9 (a) Funding the security operations center, including identified  
10 needs for expanded operations, systems, technology tools, training  
11 resources;

12 (b) Additional staff dedicated to the cyber and physical security  
13 of election operations at the office and county election offices;

14 (c) Expanding security assessments, threat monitoring, enhanced  
15 security training; and

16 (d) Providing grants to county partners to address identified  
17 threats and expand existing grants and contracts with other public  
18 and private organizations such as the Washington military department,  
19 national guard, private companies providing cyber security, and  
20 county election offices.

21 (8) \$148,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
23 Senate Bill No. 5128 (jury diversity).

24 (9) \$148,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second  
26 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5112 (voter registration).

27 (10) \$148,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
29 Bill No. 5182 (candidate filing).

30 (11) \$148,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
32 Bill No. 5208 (online voter registration).

33 (12) \$616,000 of the personnel service account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
35 Senate Bill No. 5015 (productivity board).

36 (13) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a contract with humanities  
39 Washington to expand the prime time family reading program.

1 (14) The office of the secretary of state must conduct a  
2 feasibility study of replacing the combined fund drive donor  
3 management system. The office must report its findings and a plan for  
4 replacement to the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
5 December 31, 2023.

6 (15) \$850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 is provided solely for legal services costs for *Vet Voice*  
8 *Foundation et al. v. Hobbs*.

9 (16) \$3,724,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,674,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the agency  
12 to design and implement strategies and products to counter false  
13 narratives surrounding election security and integrity, including  
14 community engagement with underserved populations such as young  
15 voters, voters with disabilities, tribal communities, and non-  
16 English-speaking voters. Of the amounts provided in this subsection,  
17 \$500,000 per fiscal year are provided solely for grants to county  
18 auditors for the same purposes.

19 (17) The office of the secretary of state must work with the  
20 office of the chief information officer to evaluate the office of the  
21 secretary of state's information technology infrastructure and  
22 applications to determine the appropriate candidates for the location  
23 of data and the systems that could be exempt from consolidated  
24 technology services oversight. The office shall report its findings  
25 to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31,  
26 2023.

27 (18) \$83,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and \$67,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely the office of the secretary of  
30 state to assist businesses and nonprofits providing therapeutic  
31 rehabilitation within Washington state's juvenile secure residential  
32 facilities. It is well established that providing outreach and  
33 therapeutic education among incarcerated youth remains critical to  
34 successful community reentry. The amounts provided under this  
35 subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:  
36 To be eligible for a grant under this subsection, a business must (a)  
37 apply for or have applied for the grant; (b) be registered as a  
38 Washington state business or non-profit; (c) reported annual gross  
39 receipts are no more than \$1,000,000 in the most recent calendar

1 year; (d) must have ability to conduct in-person business operations  
2 at one of Washington's juvenile correctional facilities; (e) of the  
3 total grant amount awarded, no more than 10 percent may be awarded  
4 for travel expenses; (f) agree to operate in-person, in accordance  
5 with the requirements of applicable federal, state, and local  
6 directives and guidance; and (g) at least one principal of entity  
7 must demonstrate the following educational credential, minimum  
8 masters degree in related field, and professional experience of  
9 conducting therapeutic gaming. The office of the secretary of state  
10 may use up to 10 percent of the amount provided in this subsection  
11 for administrative costs.

12 (19) \$730,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$580,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office's migration of  
15 its applications and systems to Azure cloud environments, and is  
16 subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of  
17 section 701 of this act.

18 (20) \$160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 is provided solely for a contract with the University of  
20 Washington Evans school of public policy and governance to complete a  
21 study based on the preliminary report and research design submitted  
22 to the office on June 30, 2022. The preliminary report analyzed the  
23 2022 state auditor's performance audit titled "evaluating  
24 Washington's ballot rejection rates." The study must be reported to  
25 the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
26 November 1, 2023.

27 (21) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office to continue  
30 developing a statewide digital assessment tool and protocol for the  
31 tool's usage. The office must use the tool and protocol it developed  
32 to reach additional underserved audiences and make improvements to  
33 the tool and protocol. The office must develop and publish  
34 recommendations to improve implementation of the tool by June 30,  
35 2025.

36 (22) \$198,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 (~~and \$154,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~  
38 ~~fiscal year 2025 are~~) is provided solely to establish a Washington  
39 state library branch at Green Hill school.

1 (23) \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office to contract with  
4 the University of Washington Evans school of public policy and  
5 governance to examine processes for providing voting registration,  
6 voting materials, and voting assistance for people held in Washington  
7 jails.

8 (a) The study must:

9 (i) Identify challenges and obstacles to voting in Washington  
10 jails;

11 (ii) Examine how election offices and jails can ensure that voter  
12 registration, materials, and assistance are provided to registered  
13 voters and eligible citizens who are in jail prior to each election;

14 (iii) Develop recommendations for facilitating voter registration  
15 for eligible citizens and voting for registered voters in Washington  
16 jails; and

17 (iv) Develop recommendations for identifying individuals who are  
18 registered to vote upon jail admission and for providing voter  
19 assistance upon release from jail.

20 (b) The study is due to the office, the governor, and the  
21 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2024.

22 (24) \$148,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
24 1962 (voter address changes). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June~~  
25 ~~30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

26 (25) \$137,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 is provided solely for costs associated with verifying  
28 signatures on initiatives to the legislature.

29 ~~(26) ((\$81,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal~~  
30 ~~year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No.~~  
31 ~~5843 (election security breaches). If the bill is not enacted by June~~  
32 ~~30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

33 ~~(+27+))~~ \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
35 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5890 (ballot rejections). ~~((If the bill is~~  
36 ~~not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
37 ~~shall lapse.~~

38 ~~(+28+))~~ (27) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute

Senate Bill No. 6125 (Lakeland Village records). ((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))

**Sec. 1110.** 2024 c 376 s 120 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS**

|                                                |                          |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)     | \$802,000                |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)     | <del>(\$987,000)</del>   |
|                                                | <u>\$787,000</u>         |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation | \$658,000                |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                            | <del>(\$2,447,000)</del> |
|                                                | <u>\$2,247,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The office shall assist the department of enterprise services on providing the government-to-government training sessions for federal, state, local, and tribal government employees. The training sessions shall cover tribal historical perspectives, legal issues, tribal sovereignty, and tribal governments. Costs of the training sessions shall be recouped through a fee charged to the participants of each session. The department of enterprise services shall be responsible for all of the administrative aspects of the training, including the billing and collection of the fees for the training.

(2)(a) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office to engage a contractor to:

(i) Conduct a detailed analysis of the opportunity gap for native American students;

(ii) Analyze the progress in developing effective government-to-government relations and identification and adoption of curriculum regarding tribal history, culture, and government as provided under RCW 28A.345.070;

(iii) Develop recommendations for continuing efforts to close the educational opportunity gap while meeting the state's academic achievement indicators as identified in the state's every student succeeds act consolidated plan; and



(iv) Identify performance measures to monitor adequate yearly progress.

(b) The contractor shall submit a study update by December 1, 2024, and submit a final report by June 30, 2025, to the educational opportunity gap oversight and accountability committee, the governor, the superintendent of public instruction, the state board of education, and the education committees of the legislature.

(3)(a) \$404,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (clean energy siting). Within amounts provided in this subsection, the governor's office of Indian affairs, in consultation with the department of ecology, the department of commerce, and the department of archaeology and historic preservation, must coordinate government-to-government engagement with federally recognized Indian tribes who have treaty rights in Washington. Topics of engagement may include:

(i) Implementation of environmental and energy laws, policy regulations, programs, and finances;

(ii) The climate commitment act, chapter 316, Laws of 2021;

(iii) Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (clean energy siting); and

(iv) Other related policy.

(b) Funding provided within this subsection may support:

(i) Participation on the interagency clean energy siting coordinating council;

(ii) Creation and maintenance of a list of contacts of federally recognized tribes, and tribal preferences regarding outreach about clean energy siting and permitting; and

(iii) Development and delivery of training to clean energy project developers on consultation and engagement processes for federally recognized Indian tribes.

(4) The office must report to and coordinate with the department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section 302(13) of this act.

**Sec. 1111.** 2024 c 376 s 121 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE COMMISSION ON ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN AFFAIRS**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . . \$943,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . (~~\$920,000~~)  
\$1,020,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . (~~\$1,863,000~~)  
\$1,963,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the commission to engage a contractor to:

(i) Conduct a detailed analysis of the opportunity gap for Asian American students;

(ii) Develop recommendations for continuing efforts to close the educational opportunity gap while meeting the state's academic achievement indicators as identified in the state's every student succeeds act consolidated plan; and

(iii) Identify performance measures to monitor adequate yearly progress.

(b) The contractor shall submit a study update by December 1, 2024, and submit a final report by June 30, 2025, to the educational opportunity gap oversight and accountability committee, the governor, the superintendent of public instruction, the state board of education, and the education committees of the legislature.

(2)(a) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the commission to engage a contractor to:

(i) Conduct a detailed analysis of the opportunity gap for Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander students;

(ii) Develop recommendations for continuing efforts to close the educational opportunity gap while meeting the state's academic achievement indicators as identified in the state's every student succeeds act consolidated plan; and

(iii) Identify performance measures to monitor adequate yearly progress.

(b) The contractor shall submit a study update by December 1, 2024, and submit a final report by June 30, 2025, to the educational opportunity gap oversight and accountability committee, the governor,

the superintendent of public instruction, the state board of education, and the education committees of the legislature.

**Sec. 1112.** 2024 c 376 s 122 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE TREASURER**

State Treasurer's Service Account—State

|                              |                               |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Appropriation. . . . .       | (( <del>\$24,541,000</del> )) |
|                              | <u>\$24,591,000</u>           |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | (( <del>\$24,541,000</del> )) |
|                              | <u>\$24,591,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$500,000 of the state treasurer's service account—state appropriation is provided solely for the office to study existing and proposed laws in other jurisdictions that limit consideration of material factors in public financing and investments. The study must consider any investment risk and economic risk to Washington associated with identified laws. Authorized uses of the amount provided in this subsection include, but are not limited to, staffing, consulting fees, travel expenditures, or other goods and services. The office must submit the study to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2024.

(2) Pursuant to RCW 82.08.225, the legislature authorizes the state treasurer to deposit up to \$3,000,000 of taxes collected pursuant to RCW 82.08.020(1) into the statewide tourism marketing account created in RCW 43.384.040 for the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.

(3) \$280,000 of the state treasurer's service account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6069 (retirement savings). (~~If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~)

**Sec. 1113.** 2024 c 376 s 125 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

|                                                     |                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . | \$48,659,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | (( <del>\$42,377,000</del> )) |
|                                                     | <u>\$41,822,000</u>           |

|    |                                                                                     |                                |
|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1  | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                                         | (( <del>\$25,263,000</del> ))  |
| 2  |                                                                                     | <u>\$25,838,000</u>            |
| 3  | <u>General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .</u>                            | <u>\$50,000</u>                |
| 4  | Public Service Revolving Account—State Appropriation. (( <del>\$4,742,000</del> ))  |                                |
| 5  |                                                                                     | <u>\$5,242,000</u>             |
| 6  | New Motor Vehicle Arbitration Account—State                                         |                                |
| 7  | Appropriation. . . . .                                                              | \$1,897,000                    |
| 8  | Medicaid Fraud Penalty Account—State Appropriation. . . .                           | \$6,584,000                    |
| 9  | Child Rescue Fund—State Appropriation. . . . .                                      | \$200,000                      |
| 10 | Legal Services Revolving Account—State Appropriation (( <del>\$409,394,000</del> )) |                                |
| 11 |                                                                                     | <u>\$409,854,000</u>           |
| 12 | Local Government Archives Account—State                                             |                                |
| 13 | Appropriation. . . . .                                                              | \$1,123,000                    |
| 14 | Tobacco Prevention and Control Account—State                                        |                                |
| 15 | Appropriation. . . . .                                                              | \$276,000                      |
| 16 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                                        | (( <del>\$540,515,000</del> )) |
| 17 |                                                                                     | <u>\$541,545,000</u>           |

18 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
19 conditions and limitations:

20 (1) The attorney general shall report each fiscal year on actual  
21 legal services expenditures and actual attorney staffing levels for  
22 each agency receiving legal services. The report shall be submitted  
23 to the office of financial management and the fiscal committees of  
24 the senate and house of representatives no later than ninety days  
25 after the end of each fiscal year. As part of its by agency report to  
26 the legislative fiscal committees and the office of financial  
27 management, the office of the attorney general shall include  
28 information detailing the agency's expenditures for its agency-wide  
29 overhead and a breakdown by division of division administration  
30 expenses.

31 (2) Prior to entering into any negotiated settlement of a claim  
32 against the state that exceeds five million dollars, the attorney  
33 general shall notify the director of the office of financial  
34 management and the chairs and ranking members of the senate committee  
35 on ways and means and the house of representatives committee on  
36 appropriations.

37 (3) The attorney general shall annually report to the fiscal  
38 committees of the legislature all new cy pres awards and settlements  
39 and all new accounts, disclosing their intended uses, balances, the

1 nature of the claim or account, proposals, and intended timeframes  
2 for the expenditure of each amount. The report shall be distributed  
3 electronically and posted on the attorney general's web site. The  
4 report shall not be printed on paper or distributed physically.

5 (4) \$1,806,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$1,981,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for multi-year arbitrations of  
8 the state's diligent enforcement of its obligations to receive  
9 amounts withheld from tobacco master settlement agreement payments.

10 (5) \$6,189,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
13 326, Laws of 2021 (law enforcement data).

14 (6) \$1,458,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$1,458,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of a program  
17 for receiving and responding to tips from the public regarding risks  
18 or potential risks to the safety or well-being of youth, called the  
19 YES tip line program. Risks to safety or well-being may include, but  
20 are not limited to, harm or threats of harm to self or others, sexual  
21 abuse, assault, rape, bullying or cyberbullying, substance use, and  
22 criminal acts. Any person contacting the YES tip line, whether for  
23 themselves or for another person, must receive timely assistance and  
24 not be turned away. The program must operate within the guidelines of  
25 this subsection.

26 (a) During the development and implementation of the YES tip line  
27 program the attorney general shall convene an advisory committee  
28 consisting of representatives from the Washington state patrol, the  
29 department of health, the health care authority, the office of the  
30 superintendent of public instruction, the Washington student  
31 achievement council, the Washington association of educational  
32 service districts, and other participants the attorney general  
33 appoints.

34 (b) The attorney general shall develop and implement policies and  
35 processes for:

36 (i) Assessing tips based on the level of severity, urgency, and  
37 assistance needed using best triage practices including the YES tip  
38 line;

1 (ii) Risk assessment for referral of persons contacting the YES  
2 tip line to service providers;

3 (iii) Threat assessment that identifies circumstances requiring  
4 the YES tip line to alert law enforcement, mental health services, or  
5 other first responders immediately when immediate emergency response  
6 to a tip is warranted;

7 (iv) Referral and follow-up on tips to schools or postsecondary  
8 institution teams, local crisis services, law enforcement, and other  
9 entities;

10 (v) YES tip line information data retention and reporting  
11 requirements;

12 (vi) Ensuring the confidentiality of persons submitting a tip and  
13 to allow for disclosure when necessary to respond to a specific  
14 emergency threat to life; and

15 (vii) Systematic review, analysis, and reporting by the YES tip  
16 line program of YES tip line data including, but not limited to,  
17 reporting program utilization and evaluating whether the YES tip line  
18 is being implemented equitably across the state.

19 (c) The YES tip line shall be operated by a vendor selected by  
20 the attorney general through a competitive contracting process. The  
21 attorney general shall ensure that the YES tip line program vendor  
22 and its personnel are properly trained and resourced. The contract  
23 must require the vendor to be bound by confidentiality policies  
24 developed by the office. The contract must also provide that the  
25 state of Washington owns the data and information produced from the  
26 YES tip line and that vendor must comply with the state's data  
27 retention, use, and security requirements.

28 (d) The YES tip line program must develop and maintain a  
29 reference and best practices tool kit for law enforcement and mental  
30 health officials that identifies statewide and community mental  
31 health resources, services, and contacts, and provides best practices  
32 and strategies for investigators to use in investigating cases and  
33 assisting youths and their parents and guardians.

34 (e) The YES tip line program must promote and market the program  
35 and YES tip line to youth, families, community members, schools, and  
36 others statewide to build awareness of the program's resources and  
37 the YES tip line. Youth perspectives must be included and consulted  
38 in tip line development and implementation including creating  
39 marketing campaigns and materials required for the YES tip line  
40 program. The insights of youth representing marginalized and minority

1 communities must be prioritized for their invaluable insight. Youths  
2 are eligible for stipends and reasonable allowances for  
3 reimbursement, lodging, and travel expenses as provided in RCW  
4 43.03.220.

5 (7) \$561,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and (~~(\$508,000)~~) \$158,000 of the general fund—state  
7 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office  
8 of the attorney general to support the Washington state missing and  
9 murdered indigenous women and people task force in section 912 of  
10 this act.

11 (8) \$9,188,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for additional legal services to  
13 address additional legal services necessary for dependency actions  
14 where the state and federal Indian child welfare act apply. The  
15 office must report to the fiscal committees of the legislature within  
16 90 days of the close of the fiscal year the following information for  
17 new cases initiated in the previous fiscal year to measure quantity  
18 and use of this funding:

19 (a) The number and proportion of cases where the state and  
20 federal Indian child welfare act (ICWA) applies as compared to non-  
21 ICWA new cases;

22 (b) The amount of time spent advising on, preparing for court,  
23 and litigating issues and elements related to ICWA's requirements as  
24 compared to the amount of time advising on, preparing for court, and  
25 litigating issues and elements that are not related to ICWA's  
26 requirements;

27 (c) The length of state and federal Indian child welfare act  
28 cases as compared to non-ICWA cases measured by time or number of  
29 court hearings; and

30 (d) Any other information or metric the office determines is  
31 appropriate to measure the quantity and use of the funding in this  
32 subsection.

33 (9)(a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
35 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the establishment of a  
36 truth and reconciliation tribal advisory committee to conduct  
37 research and outreach to understand the operations and impact of  
38 Indian boarding schools in Washington run by public and faith-based  
39 institutions, and to develop recommendations for the state to

1 acknowledge and address the historical and intergenerational harms  
2 caused by Indian boarding schools and other cultural and linguistic  
3 termination practices.

4 (b) The advisory committee shall consist of five members  
5 nominated by the attorney general. The committee members must be  
6 citizens from federally recognized tribes in diverse geographic areas  
7 across the state that possess personal, policy, or specific expertise  
8 with Indian boarding school history and policies, or who have  
9 expertise in truth and healing endeavors that are traditionally and  
10 culturally appropriate.

11 (c) The advisory committee must hold its first meeting by  
12 September 30, 2023, and shall meet at least quarterly. The advisory  
13 committee may conduct meetings in person or virtually and must accept  
14 written testimony. The advisory committee may, when feasible, invite  
15 and consult with any entity, agency, or individual deemed necessary  
16 to further its work, or with experts or professionals involved,  
17 having expertise, or having lived experience regarding Indian  
18 boarding schools or tribal engagement.

19 (d) The office and the advisory committee must conduct at least  
20 six listening sessions in collaboration with tribes and Native-led  
21 organizations. The listening sessions must be held with consideration  
22 of the cultural, emotional, spiritual, and psychological well-being  
23 of survivors, family members, and community members. In planning and  
24 facilitating the listening sessions, the office must seek to avoid  
25 imposing undue burdens on survivors, family members, or community  
26 members.

27 (e) The office of the attorney general must administer and  
28 provide staff support for the advisory committee.

29 (f) By June 30, 2025, the office must submit a final report to  
30 the appropriate committees of the legislature that includes, but is  
31 not limited to:

32 (i) A summary of activities undertaken by the advisory committee;

33 (ii) Findings regarding the extent and types of support provided  
34 by the state to Indian boarding schools;

35 (iii) Findings regarding current state policies and practices  
36 that originate from Indian boarding schools or other assimilationist  
37 policies and practices and that cause disproportionate harm to  
38 American Indian and Alaska Native people and communities; and

39 (iv) Recommendations regarding how the state can address the harm  
40 done by Indian boarding schools and other cultural and linguistic



1 termination practices through a truth and reconciliation model,  
2 including but not limited to:

3 (A) Resources and assistance that the state may provide to aid in  
4 the healing of trauma caused by Indian boarding school policies; and

5 (B) Actions to correct current state policies and practices with  
6 origins in assimilationist policies or that cause disproportionate  
7 harm to Native people and communities.

8 (10) \$1,381,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for legal services and other  
10 costs related to voter rights and redistricting commission  
11 litigation.

12 (11) \$566,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$436,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for legal services related to  
15 litigation challenging chapter 104, Laws of 2022 (ESSB 5078).

16 (12) \$749,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 and \$689,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for legal services related to  
19 the defense of the state and its agencies in a federal environmental  
20 cleanup action involving the Quendall terminals superfund site.

21 (13) \$731,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$1,462,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for additional resources for the  
24 prosecution of sexually violent predator cases pursuant to chapter  
25 71.09 RCW.

26 (14) \$699,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$699,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for additional resources for the  
29 criminal litigation unit to address increased wrongfully convicted  
30 person claims under chapter 4.100 RCW and increased workload and  
31 complexity of cases referred to the unit.

32 (15) \$755,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$1,510,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office to create a  
35 centralized statewide organized retail crime task force to  
36 coordinate, investigate, and prosecute multijurisdictional retail  
37 crime.

38 (16) \$1,399,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,399,000 of the general fund—state

1 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
2 implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5078 (firearms industry  
3 duties).

4 (17) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year (~~(2024))~~ 2025 is provided solely for the office of the attorney  
6 general to update the introduction to Washington water law legal  
7 primer. The updated primer must cover subjects including, but not  
8 limited to, municipal water law, the trusts water rights program,  
9 instream flows, and significant appellate water law cases that have  
10 been decided since the previous introduction to Washington water law  
11 was prepared in 2000. The office must complete the updated primer by  
12 June 30, 2025.

13 (18) \$39,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024, \$39,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2025, and \$30,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
16 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
17 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263 (psilocybin).

18 (19) \$2,071,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
19 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
20 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5080 (cannabis social equity).

21 (20) \$204,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
22 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
23 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5236 (hospital staffing standards).

24 (21) \$2,316,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
26 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5272 (speed safety cameras).

27 (22) \$138,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 is provided solely for staff support to the joint  
29 legislative task force on jail standards authorized by RCW 70.48.801.  
30 The task force shall report finding and recommendations to the  
31 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature no later  
32 than December 1, 2023.

33 (23) \$463,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024, \$454,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2025, \$398,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation,  
36 \$91,000 of the public service revolving account—state appropriation,  
37 \$133,000 of the medicaid fraud penalty account—state appropriation,  
38 and \$6,740,000 of the legal services revolving fund—state  
39 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of the legal

1 matter management system and is subject to the conditions,  
2 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

3 (24) \$50,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
5 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1181 (climate change/planning).

6 (25) \$138,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$138,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
9 Substitute House Bill No. 1028 (crime victims and witnesses).

10 (26) \$213,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$213,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
13 Substitute House Bill No. 1469 (health care services/access).

14 (27) \$158,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$153,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of House Bill  
17 No. 1512 (missing persons).

18 (28) \$1,005,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,005,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
21 implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1177 (indigenous women).

22 (29) \$26,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
24 Substitute House Bill No. 1470 (private detention facilities).

25 (30) \$75,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
27 House Bill No. 1570 (TNC insurance programs).

28 (31) \$106,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
30 Substitute House Bill No. 1762 (warehouse employees).

31 (32) \$338,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
33 Substitute House Bill No. 1175 (petroleum storage tanks).

34 (33)(a) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2024 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
36 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the attorney general, in  
37 collaboration with the office of the insurance commissioner, to study  
38 approaches to improve health care affordability including, but not  
39 limited to:

1 (i) Health provider price or rate regulation policies or  
2 programs, other than traditional health plan rate review, in use or  
3 under consideration in other states to increase affordability for  
4 health insurance purchasers and enrollees. At a minimum, this shall  
5 include:

6 (A) Analysis of payment rate or payment rate increase caps and  
7 reference pricing strategies;

8 (B) Analysis of research or other findings related to the  
9 outcomes of the policy or program, including experience in other  
10 states;

11 (C) A preliminary analysis of the regulatory authority and  
12 administrative capacity necessary to implement each policy or program  
13 reviewed in Washington state;

14 (D) Analysis of such approaches used in Washington state  
15 including, but not limited to, the operation of the hospital  
16 commission, formerly established under chapter 70.39 RCW; and

17 (E) A feasibility analysis of implementing a global hospital  
18 budget strategy in one or more counties or regions in Washington  
19 state, including potential impacts on spending and access to health  
20 care services if such a strategy were adopted;

21 (ii) Regulatory approaches in use or under consideration by other  
22 states to address any anticompetitive impacts of horizontal  
23 consolidation and vertical integration in the health care marketplace  
24 to supplement federal antitrust law. At a minimum, this regulatory  
25 review shall include:

26 (A) Analysis of research, case law, or other findings related to  
27 the outcomes of the state's activities to encourage competition,  
28 including implementation experience;

29 (B) A preliminary analysis of regulatory authority and  
30 administrative capacity necessary to implement each policy or program  
31 reviewed in Washington state; and

32 (C) Analysis of recent health care consolidation and vertical  
33 consolidation activity in Washington state, to the extent information  
34 is available;

35 (iii) Recommended actions based on other state approaches and  
36 Washington data, if any; and

37 (iv) Additional related areas of data or study needed, if any.

38 (b) The office of the insurance commissioner or office of the  
39 attorney general may contract with third parties and consult with  
40 other state entities to conduct all or any portion of the study.

1 (c) The attorney general and office of the insurance commissioner  
2 shall submit a preliminary report to the relevant policy and fiscal  
3 committees of the legislature by December 1, 2023, and a final report  
4 by August 1, 2024.

5 (34) \$9,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
7 House Bill No. 1069 (mental health counselor compensation).

8 (35) \$526,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
10 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (clean energy siting).

11 (36) \$801,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2025 is provided solely for the office to create a permanent  
13 sexual assault kit initiative program.

14 (37)(a) \$247,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the attorney  
16 general, jointly with the department of health, to form a task force  
17 to provide recommendations to establish a comprehensive public health  
18 and community-based framework to combat extremism and mass violence.

19 (b) The office of the attorney general must, in consultation with  
20 the department of health, appoint a minimum of 10 members to the task  
21 force representing different stakeholder groups including, but not  
22 limited to:

23 (i) Community organizations working to address the impacts of or  
24 to assist those who are affected by extremism and mass violence;

25 (ii) Law enforcement organizations that gather data about or work  
26 to combat extremism and mass violence; and

27 (iii) Public health and nonprofit organizations that work to  
28 address the impacts of extremism and mass violence.

29 (c) The office of the attorney general and the department of  
30 health may each have no more than one voting member on the task  
31 force.

32 (d) The office of the attorney general must provide staff support  
33 for the task force.

34 (e) Any reimbursement for nonlegislative members of the task  
35 force is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

36 (f) The first meeting of the task force must be held by December  
37 31, 2024. The task force must submit a preliminary report to the  
38 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 1,  
39 2025, and a final report by December 1, 2026. The final report must

1 include legislative and policy recommendations for establishing the  
2 comprehensive framework. It is the intent of the legislature to  
3 provide funding for the task force to complete the final report in  
4 the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

5 (g) No aspect of this subsection should be construed as a  
6 directive to alter any aspect of criminal law, create new criminal  
7 penalties, or increase criminal law enforcement.

8 (38) \$61,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
10 House Bill No. 1905 (equal pay/protected classes). ~~((If the bill is  
11 not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
12 shall lapse.))~~

13 (39) \$30,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
15 House Bill No. 2061 (health employees/overtime). ~~((If the bill is not  
16 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
17 shall lapse.))~~

18 (40) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second  
20 Substitute House Bill No. 1618 (childhood sexual abuse/SOL). ~~((If the  
21 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
22 subsection shall lapse.))~~

23 (41) \$73,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
25 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6058 (carbon market linkage). ~~((If  
26 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
27 subsection shall lapse.))~~

28 (42) \$1,100,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
30 Substitute House Bill No. 1205 (service by pub./dependency). ~~((If the  
31 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
32 subsection shall lapse.))~~

33 (43) \$106,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
35 Second Substitute House Bill No. 2301 (waste material management).  
36 ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in  
37 this subsection shall lapse.))~~

38 (44) \$33,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
39 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute

House Bill No. 2467 (LTSS portability). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(45) \$216,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for personnel and associated costs to implement and maintain functional operations such as support, records management and disclosure, victim liaisons, and information technology for the clemency and pardons board.

(46) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office, in collaboration with the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, to support the Washington state indigenous demographic data collection work group of the Washington state missing and murdered indigenous women and people task force established in section 912, chapter 475, Laws of 2023.

(47) \$743,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5427 (hate crimes & bias incidents). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(48) \$131,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$528,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5838 (AI task force). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(49) ~~(((\$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office to support the underground economy task force created in section 906 of this act.~~

~~(50)))~~ \$3,000 of the legal services revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5271 (DOH/facilities enforcement). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

~~(51)))~~ (50) \$30,000 of the legal services revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5793 (paid sick leave). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

1       ~~(52))~~ (51) \$40,000 of the legal services revolving account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
3 Substitute Senate Bill No. 6105 (adult entertainment workers). ~~((If~~  
4 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
5 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

6       **Sec. 1114.** 2023 c 475 s 128 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
7 follows:

8       **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

9       The appropriations in sections 129 through 133 of this act are  
10 subject to the following conditions and limitations:

11       (1) Repayments of outstanding mortgage and rental assistance  
12 program loans administered by the department under RCW 43.63A.640  
13 shall be remitted to the department, including any current revolving  
14 account balances. The department shall collect payments on  
15 outstanding loans, and deposit them into the state general fund.  
16 Repayments of funds owed under the program shall be remitted to the  
17 department according to the terms included in the original loan  
18 agreements.

19       (2) The department is authorized to suspend issuing any  
20 nonstatutorily required grants or contracts of an amount less than  
21 \$1,000,000 per year.

22       (3)(a) The appropriations to the department of commerce in this  
23 act must be expended for the programs and in the amounts specified in  
24 this act. However, after May 1, ~~((2024))~~ 2025, unless prohibited by  
25 this act, the department may transfer general fund—state  
26 appropriations for fiscal year ~~((2024))~~ 2025 among programs after  
27 approval by the director of the office of financial management.  
28 However, the department may not transfer state appropriations that  
29 are provided solely for a specified purpose, except that provisoed  
30 amounts may be transferred among programs if they are transferred in  
31 their entirety.

32       (b) Within 30 days after the close of fiscal year ~~((2024))~~ 2025,  
33 the department must provide the office of financial management and  
34 the fiscal committees of the legislature with an accounting of any  
35 transfers under this subsection. The accounting shall include a  
36 narrative explanation and justification of the changes, along with  
37 expenditures and allotments by budget unit and appropriation, both  
38 before and after any allotment modifications or transfers. The  
39 department must also provide recommendations for revisions to



1 appropriations to better align funding with the new budget structure  
2 for the department in this act and to eliminate the need for the  
3 transfer authority in future budgets.

4 (4) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
5 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
6 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
7 302(13) of this act.

8 **Sec. 1115.** 2024 c 376 s 127 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
9 follows:

10 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HOUSING**

|    |                                                           |                                  |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 11 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .       | \$409,465,000                    |
| 12 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .       | (( <del>\$492,261,000</del> ))   |
| 13 |                                                           | <u>\$491,636,000</u>             |
| 14 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .               | (( <del>\$281,789,000</del> ))   |
| 15 |                                                           | <u>\$310,257,000</u>             |
| 16 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .         | \$5,252,000                      |
| 17 | Affordable Housing for All Account—State                  |                                  |
| 18 | Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$109,227,000                    |
| 19 | Apple Health and Homes Account—State Appropriation. . . . | \$28,452,000                     |
| 20 | Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .   | \$35,000,000                     |
| 21 | Community Reinvestment Account—State Appropriation. . .   | \$200,000,000                    |
| 22 | Community and Economic Development Fee Account—State      |                                  |
| 23 | Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$3,159,000                      |
| 24 | Covenant Homeownership Account—State Appropriation. . .   | \$150,000,000                    |
| 25 | Financial Fraud and Identity Theft Crimes                 |                                  |
| 26 | Investigation and Prosecution Account—State               |                                  |
| 27 | Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$2,631,000                      |
| 28 | Home Security Fund Account—State Appropriation. . . . .   | \$290,410,000                    |
| 29 | Lead Paint Account—State Appropriation. . . . .           | \$233,000                        |
| 30 | Prostitution Prevention and Intervention Account—         |                                  |
| 31 | State Appropriation. . . . .                              | \$26,000                         |
| 32 | Washington Housing Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . | \$9,863,000                      |
| 33 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | (( <del>\$2,017,768,000</del> )) |
| 34 |                                                           | <u>\$2,045,611,000</u>           |

35 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
36 conditions and limitations:

1       (1) \$10,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$10,500,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to  
4 resolution Washington to build statewide capacity for alternative  
5 dispute resolution centers and dispute resolution programs that  
6 guarantee that citizens have access to low-cost resolution as an  
7 alternative to litigation.

8       (2) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024 and \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to the retired  
11 senior volunteer program.

12       (3) Within existing resources, the department shall provide  
13 administrative and other indirect support to the developmental  
14 disabilities council.

15       (4) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Washington new Americans  
18 program. The department may require a cash match or in-kind  
19 contributions to be eligible for state funding.

20       (5) \$768,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$797,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract  
23 with a private, nonprofit organization to provide developmental  
24 disability ombuds services.

25       (6) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024, \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025, \$1,000,000 of the home security fund—state  
28 appropriation, \$2,000,000 of the Washington housing trust account—  
29 state appropriation, and \$1,000,000 of the affordable housing for all  
30 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the department of  
31 commerce for services to homeless families and youth through the  
32 Washington youth and families fund.

33       (7) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2025, and \$2,000,000 of the home security fund—state  
36 appropriation are provided solely for the administration of the grant  
37 program required in chapter 43.185C RCW, linking homeless students  
38 and their families with stable housing.

1 (8) \$11,844,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$11,844,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for housing assistance,  
4 including long-term rental subsidies, permanent supportive housing,  
5 and low and no barrier housing beds, for unhoused individuals.  
6 Priority must be given to individuals with a mental health disorder,  
7 substance use disorder, or other complex conditions; individuals with  
8 a criminal history; and individuals transitioning from behavioral  
9 health treatment facilities or local jails.

10 (9) \$557,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$557,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to design and  
13 administer the achieving a better life experience program.

14 (10) \$8,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024 and \$8,000,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
17 department to contract with organizations and attorneys to provide  
18 either legal representation or referral services for legal  
19 representation, or both, to indigent persons who are in need of legal  
20 services for matters related to their immigration status. Persons  
21 eligible for assistance under any contract entered into pursuant to  
22 this subsection must be determined to be indigent under standards  
23 developed under chapter 10.101 RCW.

24 (11)(a) \$12,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024, \$12,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
26 for fiscal year 2025, and \$37,000,000 of the affordable housing for  
27 all account—state appropriation are provided solely for grants to  
28 support the building operation, maintenance, and service costs of  
29 permanent supportive housing projects or units within housing  
30 projects that have or will receive funding from the housing trust  
31 fund—state account or other public capital funding that:

- 32 (i) Is dedicated as permanent supportive housing units;  
33 (ii) Is occupied by low-income households with incomes at or  
34 below 30 percent of the area median income; and  
35 (iii) Requires a supplement to rent income to cover ongoing  
36 property operating, maintenance, and service expenses.

37 (b) Permanent supportive housing projects receiving federal  
38 operating subsidies that do not fully cover the operation,

1 maintenance, and service costs of the projects are eligible to  
2 receive grants as described in this subsection.

3 (c) The department may use a reasonable amount of funding  
4 provided in this subsection to administer the grants.

5 (d) Within amounts provided in this subsection, the department  
6 must provide staff support for the permanent supportive housing  
7 operations, maintenance, and services forecast. The department must  
8 develop a model to estimate demand for operating, maintenance, and  
9 services costs for permanent supportive housing units that qualify  
10 for grant funding under (a) of this subsection. The model shall  
11 incorporate factors including the number of qualifying units  
12 currently in operation; the number of new qualifying units assumed to  
13 come online since the previous forecast and the timing of when those  
14 units will become operational; the impacts of enacted or proposed  
15 investments in the capital budget on the number of new potentially  
16 qualifying units; the number of units supported through a grant  
17 awarded under (a) of this subsection; the historical actuals for per  
18 unit average grant awards under (a) of this subsection; reported data  
19 from housing providers on actual costs for operations, maintenance,  
20 and services; and other factors identified as appropriate for  
21 estimating the demand for maintenance, operations, and services for  
22 qualifying permanent supportive housing units. The forecast  
23 methodology, updates, and methodology changes must be conducted in  
24 coordination with staff from the department, the office of financial  
25 management, and the appropriate fiscal committees of the state  
26 legislature. The forecast must be updated each February and November  
27 during the fiscal biennium and the department must submit a report to  
28 the legislature summarizing the updated forecast based on actual  
29 awards made under (a) of this subsection and the completed  
30 construction of new qualifying units.

31 (12) \$7,000,000 of the home security fund—state appropriation is  
32 provided solely for the office of homeless youth prevention and  
33 protection programs to:

34 (a) Expand outreach, services, and housing for homeless youth and  
35 young adults including but not limited to secure crisis residential  
36 centers, crisis residential centers, and HOPE beds, so that resources  
37 are equitably distributed across the state;

38 (b) Contract with other public agency partners to test innovative  
39 program models that prevent youth from exiting public systems into  
40 homelessness; and

1 (c) Support the development of an integrated services model,  
2 increase performance outcomes, and enable providers to have the  
3 necessary skills and expertise to effectively operate youth programs.

4 (13) \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2024 and \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state  
6 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office  
7 of homeless youth to build infrastructure and services to support a  
8 continuum of interventions, including but not limited to prevention,  
9 crisis response, and long-term housing, to reduce youth homelessness  
10 in communities identified as part of the anchor community initiative.

11 (14) \$2,125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,125,000 of the general fund—state  
13 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office  
14 of homeless youth to contract with one or more nonprofit  
15 organizations to provide youth services and young adult housing on a  
16 multi-acre youth campus located in the city of Tacoma. Youth services  
17 include, but are not limited to, HOPE beds and crisis residential  
18 centers to provide temporary shelter and permanency planning for  
19 youth under the age of 18. Young adult housing includes, but is not  
20 limited to, rental assistance and case management for young adults  
21 ages 18 to 24. The department shall submit an annual report to the  
22 legislature on the use of the funds. The report is due annually on  
23 June 30th. The report shall include but is not limited to:

24 (a) A breakdown of expenditures by program and expense type,  
25 including the cost per bed;

26 (b) The number of youth and young adults helped by each program;

27 (c) The number of youth and young adults on the waiting list for  
28 programs, if any; and

29 (d) Any other metric or measure the department deems appropriate  
30 to evaluate the effectiveness of the use of the funds.

31 (15) \$65,310,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2024 and \$65,310,000 of the general fund—state  
33 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
34 essential needs and housing support program and related services. The  
35 department may use a portion of the funds provided in this subsection  
36 to continue the pilot program established in section 127(106) of  
37 chapter 357, Laws of 2020 (addressing the immediate housing needs of  
38 low or extremely low-income elderly or disabled adults in certain  
39 counties who receive social security disability or retirement

1 income). The department must ensure the timely redistribution of the  
2 funding provided in this subsection among entities or counties to  
3 reflect actual caseload changes as required under RCW  
4 43.185C.220(5)(c).

5 (16) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to King county for  
7 costs to provide transitional and long-term housing supports for  
8 unsheltered, recently-arrived individuals and families.

9 (17) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract  
12 with an entity located in the Beacon hill/Chinatown international  
13 district area of Seattle to provide low income housing, low income  
14 housing support services, or both. To the extent practicable, the  
15 chosen location must be colocated with other programs supporting the  
16 needs of children, the elderly, or persons with disabilities.

17 (18) \$4,740,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2024, \$4,740,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
19 for fiscal year 2025, and \$4,500,000 of the home security fund—state  
20 appropriation are provided solely for the consolidated homeless grant  
21 program.

22 (a) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$4,500,000 of the  
23 home security fund—state appropriation is provided solely for  
24 permanent supportive housing targeted at those families who are  
25 chronically homeless and where at least one member of the family has  
26 a disability. The department will also connect these families to  
27 medicaid supportive services.

28 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$1,000,000 of the  
29 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000  
30 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are  
31 provided solely for diversion services for those families and  
32 individuals who are at substantial risk of losing stable housing or  
33 who have recently become homeless and are determined to have a high  
34 probability of returning to stable housing.

35 (c) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$3,240,000 of the  
36 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$3,240,000  
37 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are  
38 provided solely for up to nine months of rental assistance for  
39 individuals enrolled in the foundational community supports

1 initiative who are transitioning off of benefits under RCW 74.04.805  
2 due to increased income or other changes in eligibility. The health  
3 care authority, department of social and health services, and  
4 department of commerce shall collaborate on this effort.

5 (19) \$1,258,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,332,000 of the general fund—state  
7 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
8 operations of the long-term care ombudsman program.

9 (20) \$1,007,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,007,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
12 department to administer a transitional housing program for  
13 nondependent homeless youth.

14 (21) \$80,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$80,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to establish  
17 an identification assistance and support program to assist homeless  
18 persons in collecting documentation and procuring an identicard  
19 issued by the department of licensing. This program may be operated  
20 through a contract for services. The program shall operate in one  
21 county west of the crest of the Cascade mountain range with a  
22 population of 1,000,000 or more and one county east of the crest of  
23 the Cascade mountain range with a population of 500,000 or more.

24 (22)(a) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office  
27 of homeless youth prevention and protection programs to administer  
28 flexible funding to support the anchor community initiative and  
29 anchor communities through the homeless prevention and diversion fund  
30 and serve eligible youth and young adults. The flexible funding  
31 administered under this subsection may be used for the immediate  
32 needs of eligible youth or young adults. An eligible youth or young  
33 adult may receive support under this subsection more than once.

34 (b) Flexible funding provided under this subsection may be used  
35 for purposes including but not limited to:

36 (i) Car repair or other transportation assistance;

37 (ii) Rental application fees, a security deposit, or short-term  
38 rental assistance;

1 (iii) Offsetting costs for first and last month's rent and  
2 security deposits;

3 (iv) Transportation costs to go to work;

4 (v) Assistance in obtaining photo identification or birth  
5 certificates; and

6 (vi) Other uses that will support the eligible youth or young  
7 adult's housing stability, education, or employment, or meet  
8 immediate basic needs.

9 (c) The flexible funding provided under this subsection may be  
10 provided to:

11 (i) Eligible youth and young adults. For the purposes of this  
12 subsection, an eligible youth or young adult is a person under age 25  
13 who is experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness,  
14 including but not limited to those who are unsheltered, doubled up or  
15 in unsafe living situations, exiting inpatient programs, or in  
16 school;

17 (ii) Community-based providers assisting eligible youth or young  
18 adults in attaining safe and stable housing; and

19 (iii) Individuals or entities, including landlords, providing  
20 safe housing or other support designed to lead to housing for  
21 eligible youth or young adults.

22 (23) \$607,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$3,607,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to assist  
25 homeowners at risk of foreclosure pursuant to chapter 61.24 RCW.  
26 Funding provided in this section may be used for activities to  
27 prevent mortgage or tax lien foreclosure, housing counselors, a  
28 foreclosure prevention hotline, legal services for low-income  
29 individuals, mediation, and other activities that promote  
30 homeownership. The department may contract with other foreclosure  
31 fairness program state partners to carry out this work.

32 (24) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract  
35 with a nonprofit entity located in Seattle that focuses on poverty  
36 reduction and racial equity to convene and staff a poverty reduction  
37 workgroup steering committee comprised of individuals that have lived  
38 experience with poverty. Funding provided in this section may be used



1 to reimburse steering committee members for travel, child care, and  
2 other costs associated with participation in the steering committee.

3 (25) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for capacity-building grants  
6 through the Latino community fund for emergency response services,  
7 educational programs, and human services support for children and  
8 families in rural and underserved communities.

9 (26) \$1,400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,400,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office  
12 of homeless youth to administer a competitive grant process to award  
13 funding to licensed youth shelters, HOPE centers, and crisis  
14 residential centers to provide behavioral health support services for  
15 youth in crisis, and to increase funding for current grantees.

16 (27) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to the city of  
18 Tukwila for costs incurred related to unsheltered, recently-arrived  
19 individuals and families. Of the amount provided in this subsection,  
20 \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
21 2025 is provided solely for transitional and long-term housing  
22 supports, on the condition that the city of Tukwila contract with the  
23 office of refugee and immigrant assistance for the use of a location  
24 for providing tiered support services for unsheltered, recently-  
25 arrived individuals and families. The office may subcontract to  
26 provide the support services.

27 (28) \$9,575,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2024 and \$9,575,000 of the general fund—state  
29 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
30 department to continue the Washington state office of firearm safety  
31 and violence prevention, including the creation of a state and  
32 federal grant funding plan to direct resources to cities that are  
33 most impacted by community violence. Of the amounts provided in this  
34 subsection:

35 (a) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for community-based violence  
38 prevention and intervention services to individuals identified  
39 through the King county shots fired social network analysis. The

1 department must complete an evaluation of the program and provide a  
2 report to the governor and the appropriate legislative committees by  
3 June 30, 2023.

4 (b) \$5,318,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 and \$5,318,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to support existing  
7 programs and capacity building for new programs providing evidence-  
8 based violence prevention and intervention services to youth who are  
9 at high risk to perpetrate or be victims of firearm violence and who  
10 reside in areas with high rates of firearm violence as provided in  
11 RCW 43.330A.050.

12 (i) Priority shall be given to programs that partner with the  
13 University of Washington, school of medicine, department of  
14 psychiatry and behavioral sciences for training and support to  
15 deliver culturally relevant family integrated transition services  
16 through use of credible messenger advocates.

17 (ii) The office may enter into agreement with the University of  
18 Washington or another independent entity with expertise in evaluating  
19 community-based grant-funded programs to evaluate the grant program's  
20 effectiveness.

21 (iii) The office shall enter into agreement to provide funding to  
22 the University of Washington, school of medicine, department of  
23 psychiatry and behavioral sciences to directly deliver trainings and  
24 support to programs providing culturally relevant family integrated  
25 transition services through use of credible messenger and to train a  
26 third-party organization to similarly support those programs.

27 (iv) Of the amounts provided under (b) of this subsection,  
28 \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024  
29 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
30 2025 are provided solely for a certified credible messenger program  
31 that does work in at least three regions of Washington state to train  
32 and certify credible messengers to implement a culturally responsive,  
33 evidence-based credible messenger violence prevention and  
34 intervention services program.

35 (c) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided to further support firearm violence  
38 prevention and intervention programs and initiatives consistent with  
39 the duties of the office as set forth in RCW 43.330A.020.

1 (d) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided to support safe storage programs and  
4 suicide prevention outreach and education efforts across the state.

5 (29) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state  
7 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
8 department to administer grants to diaper banks for the purchase of  
9 diapers, wipes, and other essential baby products, for distribution  
10 to families in need. The department must give priority to providers  
11 serving or located in marginalized, low-income communities or  
12 communities of color; and providers that help support racial equity.

13 (30) \$4,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2024 and \$4,500,000 of the general fund—state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to  
16 counties to stabilize newly arriving refugees, including those from  
17 the 2021 Afghanistan conflict and the 2022 Ukraine-Russia conflict.

18 (31) \$120,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$120,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
21 resource center in King county that provides sexual assault advocacy  
22 services, therapy services, and prevention and outreach to begin a  
23 three-year, multigrade sexual violence prevention program in the  
24 Renton school district.

25 (32) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of homeless youth  
28 prevention and protection programs to colead a prevention work group  
29 with the department of children, youth, and families. The work group  
30 must focus on preventing youth and young adult homelessness and other  
31 related negative outcomes. The work group shall consist of members  
32 representing the department of social and health services, the  
33 employment security department, the health care authority, the office  
34 of the superintendent of public instruction, the Washington student  
35 achievement council, the interagency work group on homelessness,  
36 community-based organizations, and young people and families with  
37 lived experience of housing instability, child welfare involvement,  
38 justice system involvement, or inpatient behavioral health  
39 involvement.

(a) The work group shall help guide implementation of:

- (i) The state's strategic plan on prevention of youth homelessness;
- (ii) Chapter 157, Laws of 2018 (SSB 6560);
- (iii) Chapter 312, Laws of 2019 (E2SSB 5290);
- (iv) Efforts to reform family reconciliation services; and
- (v) Other state initiatives addressing the prevention of youth homelessness.

(b) The office of homeless youth prevention and protection programs must use the amounts provided in this subsection to contract with a community-based organization to support the involvement with the work group of young people and families with lived experience of housing instability, child welfare involvement, justice system involvement, or inpatient behavioral health involvement. The community-based organization must serve and be substantially governed by marginalized populations. The amounts provided in this subsection must supplement private funding to support the work group.

(33) \$22,802,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$22,803,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to increase existing grantee contracts providing rental or housing subsidy and services for eligible tenants in housing and homeless programs. The department must distribute funding in a manner that will prioritize maintaining current levels of homeless subsidies and services and stabilizing the homeless service provider workforce.

(34)(a) \$35,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer grant funding through the existing network of federal low-income home energy assistance program grantees to provide low-income households with energy utility bill assistance.

(b) To qualify for assistance, a household must be below 80 percent of the area median income and living in a community that experiences high environmental health disparities.

(c) Under the grant program, each household accessing energy bill assistance must be offered an energy assessment that includes determining the household's need for clean cooling and heating system upgrades that improve safety and efficiency while meeting Washington's climate goals. If beneficial, households may be offered grant funding to cover the replacement of inefficient, outdated, or

1 unsafe home heating and cooling systems with more energy efficient  
2 electric heating and cooling technologies, such as heat pumps.

3 (d) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, no more than 60  
4 percent of the funding may be utilized by the department to target  
5 services to multifamily residential buildings across the state that  
6 experience high energy use, where a majority of the residents within  
7 the building are below 80 percent of the area median income and the  
8 community experiences high environmental health disparities.

9 (e) In serving low-income households who rent or lease a  
10 residence, the department must establish processes to ensure that the  
11 rent for the residence is not increased and the tenant is not evicted  
12 as a result of receiving assistance under the grant program.

13 (f) The department must incorporate data collected while  
14 implementing this program into future energy assistance reports as  
15 required under RCW 19.405.120. The department may publish information  
16 on its website on the number of furnace or heating and cooling system  
17 replacements, including replacements within multifamily housing  
18 units.

19 (g) The department may utilize a portion of the funding provided  
20 within this subsection to create an electronic application system.

21 (35) \$55,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2024 and \$55,500,000 of the general fund—state  
23 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
24 department to continue grant funding for emergency housing and  
25 shelter capacity and associated supports such as street outreach,  
26 diversion services, short-term rental assistance, hotel and motel  
27 vouchers, housing search and placement, and housing stability case  
28 management. Entities eligible for grant funding include local  
29 governments and nonprofit entities. The department may use existing  
30 programs, such as the consolidated homelessness grant program, to  
31 award funding under this subsection. Grants provided under this  
32 subsection must be used to maintain or increase current emergency  
33 housing capacity, funded by the shelter program grant and other  
34 programs, as practicable due to increased costs of goods, services,  
35 and wages. Emergency housing includes transitional housing,  
36 congregate or noncongregate shelter, sanctioned encampments, or  
37 short-term hotel or motel stays. Of the amount provided in this  
38 subsection for fiscal year 2025, \$1,500,000 must be granted to a  
39 housing readiness program serving individuals experiencing  
40 homelessness in the city of Longview. Funding may be used to operate

1 severe weather shelters, housing navigation, case management, laundry  
2 and hygiene facilities, connection to other social services, and  
3 other programs serving unhoused individuals in Cowlitz county.

4 (36)(a) \$75,050,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2024 and \$75,050,000 of the general fund—state  
6 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a targeted  
7 grant program to transition persons residing in encampments to safer  
8 housing opportunities, with an emphasis on ensuring individuals  
9 living unsheltered reach permanent housing solutions. Eligible grant  
10 recipients include local governments and nonprofit organizations  
11 operating to provide housing or services. The department may provide  
12 funding to state agencies to ensure individuals accessing housing  
13 services are also able to access other wrap-around services that  
14 enable them to obtain housing such as food, personal identification,  
15 and other related services. Local government and nonprofit grant  
16 recipients may use grant funding to provide outreach, housing, case  
17 management, transportation, site monitoring, and other services  
18 needed to assist individuals residing in encampments and on public  
19 rights-of-way with moving into housing.

20 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

21 (i) No less than \$120,000,000 must be used for housing services  
22 for persons residing on state-owned rights-of-way; and

23 (ii) All remaining funds may be used for housing services for  
24 persons residing in encampments, including encampments located on  
25 public lands, as defined in RCW 79.02.010, or state parks and  
26 parkways.

27 (c) Grant criteria must include, but are not limited to:

28 (i) Whether a site where the grantee will conduct outreach and  
29 engagement has been identified as a location where individuals  
30 residing in encampments or on the public right-of-way are in specific  
31 circumstances or physical locations that expose them to especially or  
32 imminently unsafe conditions;

33 (ii) A commitment to resolve encampments through extensive  
34 outreach followed by matching individuals with temporary lodging or  
35 permanent housing that is reasonably likely to fit with their actual  
36 needs and situation, is noncongregate whenever possible, and takes  
37 into consideration individuals' immediate and long-term needs and  
38 abilities to achieve and maintain housing stability;

1 (iii) A commitment to transition individuals who are initially  
2 matched to temporary lodging into a permanent housing placement  
3 within six months except under unusual circumstances;

4 (iv) Local government readiness and capacity to enter into and  
5 fulfill the grant requirements as applicable; and

6 (v) Other criteria as identified by the department.

7 (d) When awarding grants under (a) of this subsection, the  
8 department must prioritize applicants that focus on ensuring an  
9 expeditious path to sustainable permanent housing solutions, and that  
10 demonstrate an understanding of working with individuals to identify  
11 their optimal housing type and level of ongoing services through the  
12 effective use of outreach, engagement, and temporary lodging and  
13 permanent housing placement.

14 (e) Grant recipients under (a) of this subsection must enter into  
15 a memorandum of understanding with the department, and other state  
16 agencies if applicable, as a condition of receiving funds. Memoranda  
17 of understanding must specify the responsibilities of the grant  
18 recipients and the state agencies, consistent with the requirements  
19 of (c) of this subsection, and must include specific measurable  
20 outcomes for each entity signing the memorandum. The department must  
21 publish all signed memoranda on the department's website and must  
22 publish updates on outcomes for each memorandum at least every 90  
23 days, while taking steps to protect the privacy of individuals served  
24 by the program. At a minimum, outcomes must include:

25 (i) The number of people actually living in any encampment  
26 identified for intervention by the department or grantees;

27 (ii) The demographics of those living in any encampment  
28 identified for intervention by the department or grantees;

29 (iii) The duration of engagement with individuals living within  
30 encampments;

31 (iv) The types of housing options that were offered;

32 (v) The number of individuals who accepted offered housing;

33 (vi) Any reasons given for why individuals declined offered  
34 housing;

35 (vii) The types of assistance provided to move individuals into  
36 offered housing;

37 (viii) Any services and benefits in which an individual was  
38 successfully enrolled; and

39 (ix) The housing outcomes of individuals who were placed into  
40 housing six months and one year after placement.

1 (f) Grant recipients under (a) of this subsection may not  
2 transition individuals from encampments or close encampments unless  
3 they have provided extensive outreach and offered each individual  
4 temporary lodging or permanent housing that matches the actual  
5 situation and needs of each person, is noncongregate whenever  
6 possible, and takes into consideration individuals' immediate and  
7 long-term needs and abilities to achieve and maintain housing  
8 stability. Grant recipients who initially match an individual to  
9 temporary lodging must make efforts to transition the person to a  
10 permanent housing placement within six months except under unusual  
11 circumstances. The department must establish criteria regarding the  
12 safety, accessibility, and habitability of housing options to be  
13 offered by grant recipients to ensure that such options are private,  
14 sanitary, healthy, and dignified, and that grant recipients provide  
15 options that are well-matched to an individual's assessed needs.

16 (g) Funding granted to eligible recipients under (a) of this  
17 subsection may not be used to supplant or replace existing funding  
18 provided for housing or homeless services.

19 (37) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to increase  
22 funding for the community services block grant program. Distribution  
23 of these funds to community action agencies shall prioritize racial  
24 equity and undoing inequity from historic underinvestment in Black,  
25 indigenous, and people of color, and rural communities.

26 (38) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide a  
29 grant to a nonprofit organization to identify opportunities for  
30 cities in Whatcom county to improve access to affordable housing  
31 through conducting market research, engaging stakeholders, and  
32 developing tools and implementation strategies for cities that will  
33 increase access to affordable housing. The grant recipient must be a  
34 nonprofit organization based in Bellingham that promotes affordable  
35 housing solutions and with a mission to create thriving communities.

36 (39) \$225,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$225,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide a  
39 grant to a nonprofit organization located in the city of Redmond that



1 serves Latino low-income, immigrant, and Spanish-speaking communities  
2 in King and Snohomish counties through arts and culture events and  
3 community services. The grant funding may be used to expand existing  
4 programs including, but not limited to, support for small businesses,  
5 rent assistance, vaccination and COVID-19 outreach, programs aimed at  
6 increasing postsecondary enrollments in college and trade schools,  
7 and other community services and programs.

8 (40) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2024 and \$6,000,000 of the general fund—state  
10 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
11 department to administer grants to community-based organizations that  
12 serve historically disadvantaged populations to conduct outreach and  
13 to assist community members in applying for state and federal  
14 assistance programs including, but not limited to, those administered  
15 by the department of social and health services, department of  
16 commerce, and department of children, youth, and families.

17 (41) \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide a  
20 grant to a nonprofit organization located in the city of Issaquah to  
21 provide cultural programs and navigational supports for individuals  
22 and families who may face language or other cultural barriers when  
23 engaging with schools, public safety, health and human services, and  
24 local government agencies.

25 (42) \$200,000,000 of the community reinvestment account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for the department to distribute  
27 grants for economic development, civil and criminal legal assistance,  
28 community-based violence intervention and prevention services, and  
29 reentry services programs. Grants must be distributed in accordance  
30 with the recommendations of the community reinvestment plan developed  
31 pursuant to section 128(134), chapter 297, Laws of 2022 (ESSB 5693).

32 (43) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$150,000,000 of the covenant homeownership account—  
34 state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
35 Substitute House Bill No. 1474 (covenant homeownership prg.).

36 (44) \$140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for additional staffing for the  
39 developmental disabilities council.

1 (45) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
4 organization located in the city of Spokane to provide transitional  
5 housing, educational programs, and other resources for refugee and  
6 immigrant families.

7 (46) \$1,169,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,169,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
10 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1715  
11 (domestic violence).

12 (47) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a dispute  
15 resolution center located in Snohomish county to provide mediation  
16 and resolution services for landlords and tenants, with the goal of  
17 avoiding evictions.

18 (48) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 is provided solely for grants to nonprofit organizations to  
20 operate hunger relief response programs serving individuals living in  
21 permanent supportive housing. Of the amounts provided in this  
22 subsection:

23 (a) \$275,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
25 located in King county.

26 (b) \$225,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
28 located in Spokane county.

29 (49) \$180,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
31 operating a teen center in the city of Issaquah to provide case  
32 management and counseling services for youth ages 12 to 19.

33 (50)(a) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2024 and \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
35 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
36 community-based organization for the coordination of a gang violence  
37 prevention consortium with entities including community-based  
38 organizations, law enforcement, and members of the faith community,  
39 and to continue and expand after-school activities and social

1 services for students and young adults in the Yakima valley. Social  
2 services may include, but are not limited to, employment, mental  
3 health, counseling, tutoring, and mentoring services. The grant  
4 recipient must be a community-based organization located in Granger  
5 operating a Spanish language public radio station and with the  
6 mission of addressing the social, educational, and health needs of  
7 economically disadvantaged Spanish-speaking residents of central and  
8 eastern Washington.

9 (b) By June 30, 2025, the department must provide a report to the  
10 appropriate committees of the legislature. The report must include:

11 (i) A description of the gang violence prevention programs conducted  
12 by the consortium and how they were implemented; and (ii) The number  
13 of individuals who participated in or received services through the  
14 programs conducted by the consortium, including any relevant  
15 demographic data for those individuals.

16 (51) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract with a  
18 nonprofit organization to develop an affordable housing  
19 predevelopment plan. The affordable housing predevelopment plan must  
20 assess the feasibility of using surplus public land located at or  
21 near north Seattle Community College and Highline Community College  
22 for the development of affordable colocated housing that could serve  
23 low and moderate-income state workers. The contract recipient must be  
24 an organization that provides consultation services on affordable  
25 housing development. In creating the predevelopment plan, the  
26 contract recipient must solicit input from interested parties  
27 including, but not limited to, low-income and affordable housing  
28 experts, policy staff in the office of the governor, state public  
29 employee unions, and legislators. The contract recipient may also use  
30 funds provided under this subsection for affordable housing  
31 predevelopment work at North Seattle Community College or Highline  
32 Community College.

33 (52) \$781,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024 and \$781,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
36 House Bill No. 1406 (youth seeking housing assist).

37 (53)(a) \$1,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,750,000 of the general fund—state  
39 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office

1 of firearm safety and violence prevention to continue a healthy youth  
2 and violence prevention initiative demonstration program serving  
3 south King county, with the goal of preventing violence, decreasing  
4 involvement with the juvenile justice system, and encouraging health  
5 and wellbeing for youth and young adults ages 12 to 24. As part of  
6 the demonstration program, the office must provide grant funding to  
7 and partner with a community-based organization to serve as a  
8 regional coordinator to:

9 (i) Connect youth and young adults ages 12 to 24 who are most  
10 vulnerable to violence with programs that provide services including,  
11 but not limited to, street outreach, youth employment and  
12 preapprenticeship programs, case management, behavioral health  
13 services, and other services as appropriate; and

14 (ii) Assist local governments, service providers, and nonprofit  
15 organizations in accessing and leveraging federal, state, and local  
16 funding for violence prevention and related services.

17 (b) The grant recipient under (a) of this subsection must be a  
18 nonprofit health system currently administering a violence prevention  
19 initiative in King and Pierce counties. The grant recipient may  
20 subgrant or subcontract funds to programs providing services as  
21 described in (a)(i) of this subsection.

22 (54) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit sexual  
24 assault resource center located in Renton. Grant funding may be used  
25 for information technology improvements focused on client data  
26 management that will improve client access to health services,  
27 cybersecurity, and data privacy.

28 (55)(a) \$850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2024 and \$850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
30 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the continuation of  
31 existing contracts with a nonprofit organization to increase housing  
32 supply and equitable housing outcomes by advancing affordable housing  
33 developments, including supportive housing, transitional housing,  
34 shelter, or housing funded through the apple health and homes  
35 program, that are colocated with community services such as education  
36 centers, health clinics, nonprofit organizations, social services, or  
37 community spaces or facilities, available to residents or the public,  
38 on underutilized or tax-exempt land.

1 (b) The contract recipient must use the funding provided under  
2 this subsection to:

3 (i) Implement strategies to accelerate development of affordable  
4 housing with space for education centers, health clinics, nonprofit  
5 organizations, social services, or community space or facilities,  
6 available to residents or the public, on underutilized or tax-exempt  
7 land;

8 (ii) Analyze the suitability of properties and sites for  
9 affordable housing as described under (b)(i) of this subsection,  
10 including existing buildings for supportive housing, through  
11 completing due diligence, conceptual design, and financial analysis  
12 activities, and applying and implementing an equity lens in site  
13 selection, program planning, development, and operations;

14 (iii) Work with elected officials, local governments, educational  
15 institutions, public agencies, local housing and community  
16 development partners, early learning partners, health care providers,  
17 and nonprofit service organizations to:

18 (A) Identify and catalyze surplus, underutilized, or tax-exempt  
19 properties for the development of affordable housing;

20 (B) Provide catalytic funding and technical assistance to advance  
21 the development of affordable housing, including by identifying  
22 funding sources to support the needs of specific projects; and

23 (C) Identify impediments to the development of affordable housing  
24 and develop recommendations and strategies to address those  
25 impediments, reduce costs, advance community vision and equitable  
26 outcomes, and accelerate predevelopment and development times  
27 associated with affordable housing;

28 (iv) Organize community partners and build capacity to develop  
29 affordable housing sites;

30 (v) Facilitate collaboration and codevelopment between affordable  
31 housing and education centers, health clinics, nonprofit  
32 organizations, social services, or community spaces and facilities  
33 available to residents or the public;

34 (vi) Provide technical assistance and predevelopment services to  
35 support future development of sites; and

36 (vii) Catalyze the redevelopment of at least 20 sites to create  
37 approximately 2,000 affordable homes.

38 (c) Funding may also be used to:

39 (i) Partner with state, regional, and local public entities,  
40 nonprofit housing developers, and service providers to develop a

1 broad range of housing types for supportive housing for populations  
2 authorized to receive the housing benefit under the apple health and  
3 homes act;

4 (ii) Provide technical assistance on the constructive alignment  
5 of state or local capital funds and other services for the  
6 construction, acquisition, refurbishment, redevelopment, master  
7 leasing of properties for noncongregate housing, or conversion of  
8 units from nonresidential to residential, of dwelling units for  
9 supportive housing funded through the apple health and homes program;

10 (iii) Advise on local community engagement, especially with  
11 populations with lived experience of homelessness and housing  
12 insecurity, for supportive housing funded through the apple health  
13 and homes program;

14 (iv) Subcontract for specialized predevelopment services, as  
15 needed, and subgrant to reimburse for supportive housing funded  
16 through the apple health and homes program; and

17 (v) Hire staff necessary to implement activities under (b) and  
18 (c) of this subsection.

19 (56)(a) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2024 and \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
21 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to  
22 continue a lifeline support system pilot project to assist  
23 individuals who have experienced or are at risk of entering into  
24 public systems of care. Public systems of care include office of  
25 homeless youth prevention and protection shelter and housing  
26 programs, the juvenile justice system, dependency under chapter 13.34  
27 RCW, and inpatient behavioral health treatment.

28 (b)(i) The lifeline must function as a no-wrong-door access point  
29 for support and connections to services for qualifying individuals  
30 who require assistance to overcome a life challenge that could  
31 escalate into a crisis, or who are in need of general mentorship and  
32 counsel. The lifeline support system must facilitate and promote  
33 partnerships across state agencies, federally recognized tribes,  
34 counties, and community-based providers to coordinate trauma-informed  
35 and culturally responsive services for youth and young adults and  
36 their supports. The department is authorized to implement lifeline  
37 services through contracts with community partners and nonprofit  
38 organizations.

39 (ii) From amounts provided in this subsection, the department  
40 must allocate funding to establish a lifeline fund program. The

1 department may use moneys allocated for the fund program to assist  
2 community partners and nonprofit organizations to implement lifeline  
3 services when those providers cannot identify an existing resource to  
4 resolve a recipient's need. The department must establish an  
5 application process and criteria for the fund program.

6 (c) By June 30, 2025, the department shall report to the  
7 legislature regarding the success and shortcomings of the lifeline  
8 support system, request-for-service outcomes, and the demographics of  
9 beneficiaries.

10 (57) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
13 organization to provide legal aid in subjects including, but not  
14 limited to, criminal law and civil rights cases for underserved  
15 populations focusing on Black gender-diverse communities. The grant  
16 recipient must be a nonprofit organization with offices in Seattle  
17 and Tacoma and with a mission to provide intersectional legal and  
18 social services for Black intersex and gender-diverse communities in  
19 Washington.

20 (58) \$213,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$773,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
23 organization within the city of Tacoma that provides social services  
24 and educational programming to assist Latino and indigenous  
25 communities in honoring heritage and culture through the arts, and in  
26 overcoming barriers to social, political, economic, and cultural  
27 community development. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

28 (a) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024 and \$535,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for education and training  
31 programming in community health organizing, "promotora" health  
32 education, grassroots organizing, leadership development, college  
33 preparedness and financial aid outreach, small business technical  
34 support and education, and civic engagement focused on Latino and  
35 indigenous community members; and

36 (b) \$38,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$238,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for family support services for  
39 bilingual, bicultural clients.

1 (59) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide  
4 grants to nonprofit organizations including, but not limited to,  
5 religious nonprofits, "by and for" organizations, or cultural  
6 community centers, to fund the physical security or repair of such  
7 institutions. Grant recipients must substantiate that their site or  
8 sites have been subject to or at risk of physical attacks, threats,  
9 vandalism, or damages based on their mission, ideology, or beliefs  
10 and demonstrate a need for investments in physical security  
11 enhancements, construction or renovation, target hardening,  
12 preparedness planning, training, or exercises.

13 (60) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide  
16 grant funding to a nonprofit organization to provide supports,  
17 including behavioral health resources, housing services, and  
18 parenting education, to parents with substance use disorder. The  
19 grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization located in the south  
20 Puget Sound region that provides a parent child assistance program  
21 and focuses on building parenting skills and confidence to ensure  
22 children have safe and healthy childhoods.

23 (61) \$450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and (~~(\$450,000)~~) \$900,000 of the general fund—state  
25 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for costs to  
26 develop and operate community-based residential housing and services  
27 for youth wellness spanning a range of needs and circumstances at the  
28 Pacific hospital preservation and development authority quarters,  
29 buildings three through 10 in Seattle. The amounts provided in this  
30 subsection may be used for planning, lease payments, and other  
31 related expenses for the development and operation of comprehensive  
32 residential programs providing housing, on-site social services, and  
33 community-based resources for youth identified by the department of  
34 commerce, the department of children, youth, and families, or the  
35 health care authority. The funding may also be used for the  
36 preparation and issuance of a request for qualifications for a site  
37 operator, or lease management and related administrative functions.  
38 The department is authorized to enter into a lease, with an option to  
39 enter into multiyear extensions, for the Pacific hospital



1 preservation and development authority quarters, buildings three  
2 through 10.

3 (62) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
6 organization based in the city of Seattle that works to improve the  
7 quality of life for low-income families and members of the refugee  
8 and immigrant community, with a focus on the Somali and Oromos  
9 community. The grant funding may be used to expand current programs  
10 including, but not limited to, case management and referral services  
11 for immigrants and refugees, youth programs, and services for  
12 seniors.

13 (63) \$270,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$270,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
16 organization headquartered in Mount Vernon for costs to operate and  
17 provide homeless services at a low-barrier emergency temporary  
18 homeless center located in Burlington.

19 (64) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
22 organization located in the city of Seattle that provides legal  
23 assistance and representation to survivors of sexual and gender-based  
24 violence to expand their current services including, but not limited  
25 to, legal assistance and representation; technical assistance for  
26 advocates, providers, and attorneys; community education and  
27 trainings; and other legal support services. In providing services,  
28 the grant recipient must protect the privacy, safety, and civil  
29 rights of survivors and utilize trauma-informed practices and equity  
30 principles.

31 (65) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide a  
34 grant to a nonprofit organization serving King and Snohomish counties  
35 for a program conducted in partnership with King county, which serves  
36 individuals who are involved in the criminal justice system and who  
37 have experienced domestic, sexual, or gender-based violence. The  
38 grant recipient may use the funding for costs including, but not

1 limited to, legal advocacy, outreach, connecting clients to housing  
2 and other resources, data analytics, and staffing.

3 (66) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of crime victims  
6 advocacy to contract for a study of the impacts of the commercial sex  
7 industry on Black and African American communities in Washington,  
8 with a focus on Black and African American persons who identify as  
9 female. The office must contract with an organization that has  
10 expertise on the topic of the commercial sex industry and Black  
11 communities in Washington. The study must include a review of the  
12 impacts of the commercial sex industry on Black and African American  
13 residents of Washington, and culturally informed and survivor-  
14 informed policy recommendations for reducing sex trafficking and  
15 sexual exploitation of Black and African American Washingtonians. The  
16 department must submit a report of the study findings to the  
17 appropriate committees of the legislature by September 1, 2024.

18 (67) \$20,656,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2024 and \$20,655,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to  
21 crime victims service providers to ensure continuity of services  
22 impacted by reductions in federal victims of crime act funding and to  
23 help address increased demand for services attributable to the  
24 COVID-19 pandemic. The department must distribute the funding in a  
25 manner that is consistent with the office of crime victims advocacy's  
26 state plan. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

27 (a) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to programs operated by and for  
30 historically marginalized populations to support "by and for"  
31 culturally specific services for victims of domestic violence, sexual  
32 assault, and other crimes in historically marginalized populations.  
33 Marginalized populations can include, but are not limited to,  
34 organizations or groups composed along racial, ethnic, religious,  
35 sexual orientation, and gender lines.

36 (b) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to programs developed to support  
39 the enhancement and development of additional services for tribal

1 members, including programs to address needs of crime victims,  
2 including strategies which integrate services or multiple crime  
3 types.

4 (68) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to the city of Seattle for  
6 start-up costs for the Seattle social housing developer and to meet  
7 the requirements of the city of Seattle initiative 135, which  
8 concerns developing and maintaining affordable social housing in  
9 Seattle. The funding provided under this subsection may only be used  
10 for costs associated with creating social housing developments,  
11 operating costs associated with maintaining social housing  
12 developments, and administrative costs of operating social housing.

13 (69) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 is provided solely to contract with a nonprofit to provide  
15 wraparound services for homeless families with children, including  
16 prevention, shelter, and stabilization services. The nonprofit must  
17 be located in Pierce county and be an affiliate of a national  
18 organization dedicated to preventing and ending family homelessness  
19 by providing prevention, shelter, and stabilization services.

20 (70) Within existing resources, the department must submit an  
21 interim and a final report to the appropriate committees of the  
22 legislature on efforts taken by the department to stabilize rents for  
23 tenants of affordable housing units financed through the housing  
24 assistance program created under RCW 43.185A.020 including, but not  
25 limited to, efforts to limit or mitigate the impacts of rent  
26 increases for tenants of qualifying units. The department must submit  
27 the interim report by December 1, 2023, and the final report by  
28 December 1, 2024.

29 (71) Before awarding or entering into grants or contracts for the  
30 2023-2025 fiscal biennium for homeless housing and service programs  
31 that are funded from the home security fund account or the affordable  
32 housing for all account, the department must first consult with local  
33 governments and eligible grantees to ensure that funding from these  
34 accounts is used to maintain the quantity and types of homeless  
35 housing and services funded in local communities as of February 28,  
36 2023. The department may take into consideration local document  
37 recording fee balances and individual county fluctuations in  
38 recording fee collections when allocating state funds. The department  
39 must redeploy funds to other nonprofit and county grantees if  
40 originally granted amounts are not expended or committed within a

1 reasonable timeline. The department may then provide funding to  
2 eligible entities to undertake the activities described in RCW  
3 36.22.250(4)(b), such as funding for project-based vouchers and other  
4 assistance necessary to support permanent supportive housing as  
5 defined in RCW 36.70A.030 or as administered by the office of apple  
6 health and homes created in RCW 43.330.181.

7 (72) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to an Everett-based  
9 affiliate of a national nonprofit human services organization to  
10 stabilize newly arriving refugees from the 2021 Afghanistan conflict  
11 and the 2022 Ukraine conflict.

12 (73) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a contract with a nonprofit  
15 organization to expand private capacity to provide legal services for  
16 indigent foreign nationals in contested domestic relations and family  
17 law cases. The contract recipient must be a nonprofit organization  
18 headquartered in the city of Seattle that provides training to  
19 attorneys and judges on international family law issues and provides  
20 direct representation to qualified indigent clients. Amounts provided  
21 in this subsection may not be expended for direct private legal  
22 representation of clients in domestic relations and family law cases.

23 (74) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a youth  
26 development organization providing civic engagement and education  
27 through a youth and government program. The grant is provided solely  
28 for support of the organization's mock trial and youth legislature  
29 programs.

30 (75) \$252,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024 and \$229,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
33 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5198 (mobile home community sales).

34 (76) \$1,694,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,694,000 of the general fund—state  
36 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
37 implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5561 (law enforcement  
38 community grants).

1 (77) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
4 implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5599  
5 (protected health care/youth). The entirety of this amount is  
6 provided for the office of homeless youth for prevention and  
7 protection programs to provide supportive care grants to  
8 organizations to address the needs of youth seeking protected health  
9 care services.

10 (78) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to the city of  
13 Monroe to continue existing pilot projects that enable the city to  
14 dispatch human services and social services staff in conjunction with  
15 law enforcement staff to support unhoused residents and residents in  
16 crisis.

17 (79) \$2,574,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,126,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
20 implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5114 (sex trafficking).

21 (80) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to the city of  
24 Bellevue for one-time expenses required for the operation of an  
25 expanded community service center to help low-income individuals and  
26 immigrant and refugee community members. The center will join with  
27 community partners to provide utility rate and rent relief; health  
28 care access; energy assistance; food access; medical, legal and  
29 financial services; housing; childcare resources; employment  
30 assistance; and resources for starting a business.

31 (81) \$215,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 and \$345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to produce a  
34 report to the legislature detailing the scope of work, cost  
35 estimates, and implementation timeline to create or procure an online  
36 registry of rental units in Washington state subject to state  
37 information system planning and oversight requirements. The online  
38 rental unit registry must have the capacity to collect and report out  
39 timely information on each rental unit in the state. Information to

1 collect includes, but is not limited to, the rental unit's physical  
2 address, identity of the property owner, monthly rent charged, and  
3 vacancy status. The scope of work must assume integration with  
4 existing rental registries operated by local governments. Cost and  
5 timeline estimates must provide two alternatives with one assuming  
6 statewide implementation and the other assuming implementation in the  
7 six largest counties of the state. The department shall consult with  
8 landlord representatives, tenant representatives, local governments  
9 operating existing rental registries, and other interested  
10 stakeholders as part of the process of developing the scope of work  
11 and timeline for the online rental unit registry. The department must  
12 submit the report to the legislature by December 1, 2024.

13 (82) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 is provided solely for a Seattle based nonprofit to create  
15 a temporary space to allow youth and low-income populations to  
16 participate in ice rink related events during the 2024 national  
17 hockey league winter classic.

18 (83) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
21 organization based in Kitsap county that partners with the Bremerton  
22 and central Kitsap school districts, first responders, and other  
23 organizations to expand implementation of the handle with care  
24 program.

25 (84) \$371,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$371,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for Pacific county to operate or  
28 participate in a drug task force to enhance coordination and  
29 intelligence while facilitating multijurisdictional criminal  
30 investigations.

31 (85) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
33 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
34 distribution to statewide and community asset building coalitions  
35 across Washington to support capacity in organizations that  
36 coordinate financial health services and outreach efforts around  
37 poverty reduction resources such as the earned income tax credit and  
38 the working families tax credit.

1 (86) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a community based  
4 organization in Whatcom county to expand services to unhoused and  
5 low-income residents of Ferndale and north Whatcom county and to  
6 provide a safe parking program.

7 (87) \$155,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024 (~~and \$175,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
9 ~~fiscal year 2025 are~~) is provided solely for a grant to an  
10 organization in Pierce county experienced in providing peer-to-peer  
11 training, to develop and implement a program aimed at reducing  
12 workplace sexual harassment in the agricultural sector. Funding will  
13 be used to continue peer-to-peer trainings for farmworkers in Yakima  
14 county and expand services into Grant and Benton counties. Funding  
15 may also be used to support an established network of farmworker peer  
16 trainers whose primary purpose is to prevent workplace sexual  
17 harassment and assault through leadership and education. The  
18 organization is expected to share best practices from their peer-to-  
19 peer model at a statewide conference.

20 (88) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a Seattle-based  
23 nonprofit that provides holistic services to help refugee and  
24 immigrant women. Funds must be used to expand an existing program  
25 that increases equity in ice skating and hockey by providing skate  
26 lessons to preschoolers from diverse and low-income families.

27 (89)(a) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state  
29 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
30 department to administer grants to strengthen family resource center  
31 services and increase capacity statewide. Grant funding may be used:  
32 For an organization to provide new services in order to meet the  
33 statutory requirements of a family resource center, as defined in RCW  
34 43.216.010; to increase capacity or enhance service provision at  
35 current family resource centers, including but not limited to direct  
36 staffing and administrative costs; and to conduct data collection,  
37 evaluation, and quality improvement activities. The department may  
38 award an amount from \$30,000 up to \$200,000 per grant recipient.

1 (b) Eligible applicants for a grant under (a) of this subsection  
2 include current family resource centers, as defined in RCW  
3 43.330.010, or organizations in the process of becoming qualified as  
4 family resource centers. Applicants must affirm their ability and  
5 willingness to serve all families requesting services in order to  
6 receive a grant. Applicants must currently be or agree to become a  
7 member of a statewide family resource center network during the grant  
8 award period in order to receive a grant. Applicants must provide  
9 proof of certification in the standards of quality for family  
10 strengthening and support developed by the national family support  
11 network for one member of the applicant's organizational leadership  
12 in order to receive a grant.

13 (c) In distributing grant funding, the department must, to the  
14 extent it is practicable, award 75 percent of funding to  
15 organizations located west of the crest of the Cascade mountains, and  
16 25 percent of funding to organizations located east of the crest of  
17 the Cascade mountains.

18 (d) By July 1, 2025, grant recipients must submit a report to the  
19 department on the use of grant funding, including, but not limited  
20 to, progress in attaining status as a family resource center, if  
21 applicable; the number and type of services offered to families;  
22 demographic and income data for families served; and family post-  
23 service outcomes. By September 1, 2025, the department must submit a  
24 report to the Legislature on topics including, but not limited to,  
25 the grant application process; needs identified by family resource  
26 centers; and use of funds by grant recipients.

27 (e) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$250,000  
28 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and  
29 \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025  
30 are provided solely for the department to provide a grant to the  
31 statewide nonprofit organization that serves as the registered  
32 Washington state network member of the national family support  
33 network. The grant recipient may use the grant funding for costs  
34 including, but not limited to, outreach and engagement, data and  
35 evaluation, and providing training and development opportunities in  
36 support of family resource centers statewide.

37 (90) \$9,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2024 and \$34,000,000 of the general fund—state  
39 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the



1 department for grants to local governments for maintaining programs  
2 and investments which are primarily funded through the document  
3 recording fee collected pursuant to RCW 36.22.250. In allocating  
4 grant funding to local jurisdictions, awards must be based on a  
5 formula, determined by the department, to ensure that grants are  
6 distributed equitably among cities and counties.

7 (91)(a) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a law  
10 enforcement technology grant program for the purpose of providing law  
11 enforcement with modern vehicle pursuit management technology  
12 including, but not limited to, global positioning system tracking  
13 equipment, automated license plate reading technology, aircraft, and  
14 nonarmed and nonarmored drone technology.

15 (b) Grants must be awarded to local law enforcement agencies  
16 based on locally developed proposals. The department shall establish  
17 policies for applications under this subsection in addition to  
18 criteria for evaluating and selecting grant recipients. A proposal  
19 must include a request for specific technology and a specific plan  
20 for the implementation, use, and effectiveness reporting of that  
21 technology.

22 (c) Before grants are awarded, each local law enforcement agency  
23 seeking to acquire vehicle pursuit technology must:

24 (i) Establish data-sharing and management policies including  
25 policies related to sharing data between law enforcement agencies and  
26 other third parties; and

27 (ii) Establish policies ensuring all personnel who operate the  
28 vehicle pursuit technology, or access the vehicle pursuit technology  
29 data, are trained to use that technology and are able to comply with  
30 the data-sharing and management policies prior to the operational use  
31 of the vehicle pursuit technology.

32 (92) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$1,600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the distribution of grants  
35 to cities, counties, or nonprofit organizations to support  
36 individuals in need of emergency housing assistance. Emergency  
37 housing assistance may include, but is not limited to, short-term  
38 rental assistance, moving costs, other one-time costs associated with  
39 identifying and obtaining housing, or temporary shelter in the event

1 of a crisis or when people have been displaced. Funding provided  
2 under this subsection must be prioritized for entities that can  
3 demonstrate that the population served includes families with  
4 children, pregnant individuals, or other medically vulnerable  
5 individuals. The department may only distribute funding under this  
6 subsection upon coordination with the office of the governor.

7 (93)(a) \$2,700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to continue to  
9 provide grant funding to local multijurisdictional task forces that  
10 previously received funding through the federal Edward Byrne memorial  
11 justice assistance grant program. Grants provided under this section  
12 must be used consistent with the requirements of Edward Byrne  
13 memorial justice assistance grants and with national best practices  
14 for law enforcement.

15 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$50,000 of the  
16 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided  
17 solely for the department, with the office of the governor, to  
18 coordinate three roundtables to review policies, regulations, and  
19 fiscal investments regarding multijurisdictional drug task forces in  
20 Washington state. The roundtables must include representatives from  
21 state, tribal, and local governments, and invite representatives from  
22 the federal government. By June 30, 2025, the department must submit  
23 a summary report of the roundtable's findings to the appropriate  
24 committees of the legislature.

25 (94) \$475,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
27 located in King county that develops training and support for low-  
28 income individuals, with a focus on women and people of color, to  
29 move into the construction industry for living wage jobs. The grant  
30 funding must be used to support a preapprenticeship program that,  
31 through the construction of units, integrates housing and workforce  
32 development in service of the following goals:

33 (a) Creating a blueprint to integrating workforce development and  
34 housing for local jurisdictions;

35 (b) Providing construction training to underserved populations;

36 (c) Creating a pathway for trainees to enter construction  
37 careers; and

38 (d) Addressing the effects of sexism and racism in housing,  
39 education, training, employment, and career development.

1 (95) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
3 to assist local law enforcement agencies throughout the state in  
4 establishing community-supported programs for officers to provide  
5 short-term assistance such as food, clothing, fuel, and other means  
6 of support during interactions with community members in need. The  
7 grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization headquartered in  
8 Puyallup with experience in assisting local law enforcement agencies  
9 in administering such programs. Local law enforcement agencies that  
10 establish community-supported programs under this subsection may also  
11 pursue private funding to support the provision of assistance.

12 (96) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to nonprofit  
15 organizations to provide homeownership assistance to homeowners and  
16 first-time homebuyers from communities served by those organizations.  
17 Homeownership assistance activities may include, but are not limited  
18 to, housing counseling for current homeowners; housing counseling for  
19 first-time homebuyers; financial literacy education for homeowners  
20 and homebuyers; and outreach. Of the amounts provided in this  
21 subsection:

22 (a) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are for a grant to a nonprofit community land trust  
25 headquartered in the city of Seattle with a mission to acquire,  
26 develop, and steward land in the greater Seattle area to empower and  
27 preserve the Black diaspora community; and

28 (b) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025 are for a grant to a nonprofit community-based  
31 organization based in the city of Seattle with a mission to provide  
32 resources, education, and advocacy to help Black homeowners achieve  
33 and sustain homeownership.

34 (97) \$240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
36 to provide holistic reentry support to persons formerly incarcerated  
37 in prisons in Washington state. The grant recipient must be a  
38 nonprofit organization based in King county that promotes healing,  
39 relationships, and humanity by providing services including

1 community-based reintegration support, gun violence intervention  
2 processes, and healing work through antioppression and culturally-  
3 responsive compassionate communication workshops, and which uses the  
4 evidence-based credible messengers model.

5 (98) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
7 to provide essential social services for low-income families and  
8 individuals. The grant recipient must be a nonprofit community action  
9 agency based in the city of Seattle that provides safety-net services  
10 for low-income families and individuals and that has a history of  
11 serving the African American community in the Central District.

12 (99) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2025 is provided solely to contract with a social purpose  
14 corporation that operates a cultural community center located in the  
15 city of Tumwater to provide a trauma-informed cultural and job  
16 training program for people of color and those facing barriers to  
17 employment.

18 (100) \$395,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to provide a grant to  
20 the Yakima valley local crime lab for analysis and data collection on  
21 firearm crimes, support for investigations for deaths related to  
22 fentanyl, and to support the rapid DNA work group.

23 (101) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract  
25 with the housing finance commission for activities related to the  
26 implementation of the covenant homeownership program created in  
27 chapter 43.181 RCW. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

28 (a) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2025 is provided solely for the commission to contract through a  
30 request for proposals process with nonprofit community organizations,  
31 public housing agencies, or public development authorities across the  
32 state who are focused on increasing homeownership or are serving  
33 communities eligible for assistance through the covenant  
34 homeownership program to:

35 (i) Provide the full spectrum of housing counseling services,  
36 including prepurchase counseling, assistance in the home buying  
37 process, and support to maintain homeownership and prevent  
38 foreclosure, including community outreach efforts; and

1 (ii) Provide technical assistance to "by and for" homeownership  
2 developers in areas such as site identification and predevelopment  
3 activities in order to increase the quantity of starter homes for  
4 first-time homebuyers who are eligible for assistance through the  
5 covenant homeownership program.

6 (b) (i) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the commission to draft a  
8 plan with specific strategies to:

9 (A) Reduce the cost of starter homes for first-time homebuyers  
10 and lessen other costs associated with purchasing a home;

11 (B) Acquire publicly owned and other sites that can be dedicated  
12 to homeownership;

13 (C) Identify other ways to further enable first-time homebuyers  
14 to afford their home purchase; and

15 (D) Encourage a variety of design and development options for  
16 starter homes.

17 (ii) The commission must submit the plan developed under (b) (i)  
18 of this subsection to the governor and the appropriate committees of  
19 the legislature by January 15, 2025.

20 (102) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
22 to complete the acquisition of property for a community center to  
23 provide services to residents in south King county. The grant  
24 recipient must be a community action agency headquartered in the city  
25 of Seattle with an office in the city of Federal Way, and that is  
26 grounded in the Latino community of Washington state.

27 (103) (~~(\$1,000,000)~~) \$100,000 of the general fund—state  
28 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to administer  
29 housing assistance for persons who are fleeing or who have recently  
30 fled intimate partner violence. The department must allocate funding  
31 through contracts with service providers that have current contracts  
32 with the office of crime victims advocacy to provide services for  
33 survivors of intimate partner or domestic violence. A provider must  
34 use at least 80 percent of contracted funds for rental payments to  
35 landlords and the remainder for other program operation costs.  
36 Priority for assistance must be provided to survivors who face the  
37 greatest risk of serious violence and have the least access to  
38 housing resources.

1 (104) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
3 that operates a community resource center in the city of Ferndale to  
4 maintain and expand services for families and individuals, including  
5 but not limited to providing one-on-one navigation services to access  
6 housing and other assistance; providing clothing, food, and other  
7 forms of immediate assistance; and conducting direct outreach to  
8 unhoused individuals and families.

9 (105) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
11 to conduct planning and site development activities for building  
12 affordable housing in the city of Roslyn. The grant recipient must be  
13 a nonprofit organization with offices in Seattle and Roslyn and with  
14 a mission to innovate and scale land-based solutions to address the  
15 climate crisis and support equitable, green, and prosperous  
16 communities.

17 (106) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
19 to provide culturally competent legal services, training, outreach,  
20 and education to immigrant workers regarding a federal deferred  
21 action program for workers who are victims or witnesses of violations  
22 of labor rights during labor disputes. The grant recipient must be a  
23 nonprofit organization that operates a free civil legal aid clinic in  
24 partnership with Seattle University and the University of Washington  
25 that educates, advises, and represents workers in employment law  
26 cases.

27 (107) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract with two  
29 nongovernmental organizations to host a Washington state  
30 developmental disabilities intersectional summit in October 2024. The  
31 purpose of the summit is to analyze systemic barriers impacting the  
32 lives of BIPOC individuals with intellectual and developmental  
33 disabilities and their families, and to identify solutions for  
34 addressing those barriers. The contract recipients must be  
35 nongovernmental organizations that are BIPOC-led and that have  
36 demonstrated skills and experience working for and with people with  
37 developmental disabilities and their families.

38 (108) \$787,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2025 is provided solely for the statewide reentry council to

1 implement a pilot project to operate a trauma-informed, peer-based,  
2 human dignity model reentry program at the Lynnwood municipal jail.  
3 The reentry program must provide peer-led intensive case management  
4 services for participants that are both prerelease and postrelease.

5 (109) \$34,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for grants to local governments  
7 for homeless housing programs and services, including but not limited  
8 to emergency housing and shelter, temporary housing, and permanent  
9 supportive housing programs. Of the amounts provided in this  
10 subsection:

11 (a) \$12,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to King county to  
13 maintain shelter, emergency housing, and permanent supportive housing  
14 programs.

15 (b) \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to the city of Tacoma to  
17 prevent the closure of temporary and emergency shelter beds.

18 (c) \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to the city of Spokane to  
20 provide temporary emergency shelter for homeless individuals and for  
21 costs associated with transitioning individuals from their current  
22 shelter location to smaller shelters and inclement weather centers.

23 (d) \$15,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for grants to local jurisdictions  
25 who are not eligible for funding under (a), (b), or (c) of this  
26 subsection. Grant funds must be prioritized for maintaining existing  
27 levels of service and preventing the closure of existing beds or  
28 programs.

29 (110) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
31 to expand support services and mentorship programs serving at-risk  
32 youth, with a focus on BIPOC and transgender youth, in Kitsap county.  
33 The grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization based in Kitsap  
34 county that provides advocacy and other support services for at-risk  
35 youth and their families, with a focus on BIPOC and LGBTQ youth.

36 (111) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
38 to support the development of and outreach for community-led mental  
39 health support groups and classes serving individuals and families

1 throughout Washington state, with special focus on Latino  
2 communities, rural areas, and tribes. The grant recipient must be a  
3 nonprofit organization that serves as the Washington state office of  
4 a national grassroots mental health organization dedicated to  
5 building better lives for individuals affected by mental health  
6 conditions.

7 (112) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
9 to provide support to self-advocates, caregivers, and others in  
10 attending a summit addressing the topic of federal and state funding  
11 for programs that benefit people with developmental disabilities in  
12 2025. The grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization that  
13 advocates for and beside children and adults with intellectual and  
14 developmental disabilities and their families that is headquartered  
15 in the city of Olympia.

16 (113) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract with a  
18 nonprofit organization to maintain and increase access to technical  
19 assistance, advice, fundraising services, and foundational support  
20 such as human resources, information technology, and financial  
21 services for community-based nonprofit organizations in Washington.  
22 The contract recipient must be a nonprofit organization headquartered  
23 in the city of Seattle that provides management and technology  
24 consulting; training; and free advisory services for nonprofit and  
25 community-based organizations.

26 (114) \$230,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
28 to expand an existing gang prevention program that provides  
29 mentoring, education, and drug awareness services for elevated-risk  
30 youth in middle and elementary schools in Yakima county, with the  
31 goals of reducing youth gang involvement, increasing school  
32 enrollment and reducing truancy, and reducing the accessibility and  
33 usage of drugs by elevated-risk youth. The grant recipient must be a  
34 nonprofit organization based in Yakima that provides outreach,  
35 education, and prevention services to improve community safety in the  
36 Yakima valley, including a drug-free coalition and a youth mentoring  
37 program.

38 (115) \$120,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2025 is provided solely for grants to two nonprofit entities to



1 establish 4-H curriculum-based initiatives for students and foster  
2 educational opportunities tied to the land grant university knowledge  
3 base. One grant recipient must be a nonprofit entity operating  
4 multiple locations in Skagit county and have at least 25 years of  
5 experience serving youth in the region, and one grant recipient must  
6 be a nonprofit entity operating multiple locations in Snohomish  
7 county with at least 75 years of experience serving youth in the  
8 region.

9 (116) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
11 to expand their mentoring, job training, and internship programs for  
12 at-risk youth. The grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization  
13 who serves at-risk youth in the Snoqualmie and Issaquah valleys  
14 through mentoring, job skill development, and teen internship  
15 programs in coordination with local school districts.

16 (117) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to the Vancouver housing  
18 authority for the operational and services costs of a licensed  
19 residential care facility located in Vancouver that provides housing  
20 and other services for low-income, disabled, and homeless and  
21 formerly homeless individuals.

22 (118) \$198,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
24 for activities to develop affordable housing units and permanent  
25 supportive housing units for individuals with intellectual and  
26 developmental disabilities in rural Snohomish and Skagit counties.  
27 The grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization headquartered in  
28 Arlington that offers client housing, residential supported living  
29 services, employment services, job readiness and life skills  
30 training, and arts and music enrichment programs to individuals with  
31 intellectual and developmental disabilities.

32 (119) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to Whatcom county to  
34 increase the number of families served through a family motel shelter  
35 program.

36 (120) \$81,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House  
38 Bill No. 2329 (insurance market/housing). If the bill is not enacted  
39 by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

1 (121) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
3 to provide technical assistance and direct resident support to  
4 residents of manufactured and mobile home communities immediately  
5 following a notice of sale issued pursuant to RCW 59.20.300. The  
6 grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization headquartered in the  
7 city of Olympia that assists new and existing cooperative businesses,  
8 with emphasis on resident owned communities, home care agencies, and  
9 converting existing businesses into worker-owned or community-owned  
10 cooperatives.

11 (122) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to conduct a  
13 comprehensive study to identify and analyze funding structures to  
14 preserve manufactured and mobile home communities as nonprofit or  
15 cooperatively-run affordable housing projects. In conducting the  
16 study, the department must consult with financial experts, conduct  
17 field interviews, and identify existing and innovative funding  
18 options to support the creation of resident-owned communities. The  
19 department must submit a report summarizing the study's findings to  
20 the governor and the legislature by June 30, 2025.

21 (123) \$54,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second  
23 Substitute Senate Bill No. 6175 (existing structures/tax). If the  
24 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
25 subsection shall lapse.

26 (124) (a) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a contract with a statewide  
28 organization with a mission of developing new and innovative ways to  
29 combat organized retail crime to implement a pilot program to respond  
30 to organized retail crime, with a focus on diversion-oriented  
31 programs.

32 (b) The contract recipient must establish three pilot program  
33 sites. The contract recipient must make a reasonable effort to  
34 establish at least one site east of the Cascade mountains. No single  
35 pilot site may use more than \$300,000 of the funding provided under  
36 this subsection.

37 (c) The contract recipient must use the funds to coordinate  
38 community efforts to enhance responses to organized retail crime  
39 within each pilot site area. Coordination must include the following

1 entities: Cities, counties, or affiliated associations with programs  
2 focused on diversion and restitution; local retail stores; law  
3 enforcement agencies; local prosecutors and public defense; and  
4 therapeutic courts. Funding may also be used for planning and other  
5 activities to achieve a targeted response to reported retail crimes  
6 from diversion programs or law enforcement agencies.

7 (d) The contract recipient must provide a report to the  
8 department by June 15, 2025, on the number of responses to retail  
9 crime and the number of diversions initiated for each pilot site,  
10 data regarding the role of local prosecutors at each site, and  
11 opportunities and challenges in retail crime response and diversion  
12 identified by pilot participants. The department must submit the  
13 report to the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30,  
14 2025.

15 (125) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
17 to continue sexual assault prevention education programming to K-12  
18 schools in Tacoma and expand services to the Franklin Pierce school  
19 district. The grant recipient must be a state-accredited community  
20 sexual assault program serving Pierce county that provides  
21 professional training, prevention education, intervention, and  
22 advocacy programs for victims of sexual assault, sexual abuse, and  
23 sex trafficking.

24 (126) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
26 to provide community-based healing-centered arts engagement  
27 programming for populations including, but not limited to, survivors  
28 of gender-based violence and individuals working to reintegrate after  
29 incarceration. The grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization  
30 based in the city of Seattle with experience in providing arts  
31 engagement programming, including serving veteran and Latino cohorts.

32 (127) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit based in King  
34 county that exclusively serves foreign-trained physicians to help  
35 foreign-trained physicians prepare to work in a United States  
36 clinical setting and obtain a medical doctor: clinical experience  
37 license in Washington state. The nonprofit may use the amount  
38 provided in this subsection to:

1 (a) Provide stipends of up to \$2,000 per foreign-trained  
2 physician to:

- 3 (i) Take medical exams or English as a second language classes;  
4 (ii) Obtain a professional resume review or interview skill  
5 development; or  
6 (iii) Defray any other expenses that may limit their ability to  
7 become hire-ready physicians; and

8 (b) Operate an educational outreach program to help medical  
9 providers and institutions understand the medical doctor: clinical  
10 experience program including eligibility, licensure laws, and details  
11 of working with foreign-trained physicians in their facilities.

12 (128) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit in east King  
14 county, recognized as a by and for organization, to advance  
15 affordable housing. The grant recipient must be an organization that  
16 partners in equitable, affordable housing development. The grant  
17 recipient must use the funding as follows:

18 (a) To educate residents on the benefits of affordable housing in  
19 east King county;

20 (b) To facilitate partnerships to enable equitable transit-  
21 oriented development across the east King county region that builds  
22 housing at scale;

23 (c) For a project that will produce up to 33 affordable housing  
24 units on the Eastside; and

25 (d) To identify strategies for land acquisition and assembly  
26 around high-capacity transit stations that will result in a mix of  
27 housing.

28 (129) \$625,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2025 is provided solely for Snohomish county human services to  
30 provide technical assistance and contract with a nonprofit to support  
31 youth, parents, and families with school-based collaboration, and  
32 social activities for youth.

33 (130) \$477,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2025 is provided solely for Kitsap county to provide 70  
35 continuous-stay, low-barrier/harm reduction model shelter beds.

36 (131) \$15,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$20,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to contract with a nonprofit in  
39 Seattle to develop a list of BIPOC families, with an emphasis on

1 African American households, that want to live in Seattle for the  
2 purpose of assisting those families with finding and keeping housing  
3 in Seattle.

4 (132) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 and \$420,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a Seattle-based  
7 community center that assists eastern European refugees and  
8 immigrants to provide short term housing assistance, immigration  
9 services, and support to individuals in Washington who fled the  
10 Ukraine-Russia conflict.

11 (133) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to a Bellingham-based  
13 nonprofit serving youth and young adults experiencing homelessness  
14 and housing insecurity to increase capacity and the ability for staff  
15 to support clients in attending appointments, providing navigating  
16 services, and assessing resources throughout Whatcom county.

17 (134) \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a Seattle-based nonprofit  
19 that teaches math using hands-on learning experiences and  
20 collaborates with community partners to create equity-based,  
21 culturally relevant math education opportunities.

22 (135) \$317,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to three resource centers  
24 that are expecting a reduction in funding from the office of crime  
25 victims advocacy. Funding is intended to cover any deficit these  
26 organizations experience to continue service levels to sexual assault  
27 survivors. Of this amount:

28 (a) \$200,000 is for a nonprofit sexual assault resource center in  
29 King county;

30 (b) \$77,000 is for a Richland-based accredited community sexual  
31 assault program; and

32 (c) \$40,000 is for a nonprofit organization that provides crime  
33 victim support in multiple locations across the region, including in  
34 Spokane and Vancouver.

35 (136) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
37 to expand theater arts education programming and for activities to  
38 support equitable access to the arts for students. The grant  
39 recipient must be a nonprofit organization located in the city of

1 Federal Way that operates a semiprofessional theater and provides  
2 theater arts education programming.

3 (137) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of crime victims  
5 advocacy for activities to address domestic violence. Of the amounts  
6 provided in this subsection:

7 (a) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2025 is provided solely for the office to convene a work group  
9 to create a roadmap that provides a detailed pathway describing the  
10 steps necessary for insurance billing for domestic violence  
11 intervention treatment in Washington state.

12 (i) In developing the roadmap, the work group must:

13 (A) Determine if a medicaid state plan amendment or 1115 waiver  
14 would be necessary to allow medicaid billing for domestic violence  
15 intervention treatment;

16 (B) Determine if existing billing codes would work for medicaid  
17 and commercial insurance, or if new billing codes would be necessary;

18 (C) Identify any healthcare certification or credentials needed  
19 for providers to be able to bill insurance for domestic violence  
20 intervention treatment;

21 (D) Identify the educational pathways that exist to become a  
22 domestic violence intervention treatment provider; and

23 (E) Identify any statutory changes or funding necessary to  
24 implement the roadmap.

25 (ii) The work group members must include representatives of:

26 (A) Organizations that provide domestic violence intervention  
27 treatment;

28 (B) Individual clinicians that provide domestic violence  
29 intervention treatment;

30 (C) Social workers;

31 (D) Licensed marriage and family therapists;

32 (E) Domestic violence survivors;

33 (F) The domestic violence treatment program administered by the  
34 department of social and health services;

35 (G) Staff from the department of health with expertise in  
36 licensing and credentialing of health professionals;

37 (H) Staff from the health care authority who work on insurance  
38 billing for medicaid, the public employees benefits board, and the  
39 school employees benefits board;

40 (I) The office of the insurance commissioner;

1 (J) Medicaid managed care organizations; and

2 (K) Commercial insurance carriers.

3 (iii) The office of crime victims advocacy must provide staff  
4 support for the work group.

5 (iv) The work group must submit a preliminary report including  
6 the roadmap to the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
7 December 31, 2024.

8 (b) \$1,300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2025 is provided solely for the office to contract with a  
10 research university to conduct a randomized control trial comparing  
11 the strength at home program to standard domestic violence  
12 intervention treatment methods used in Washington state. The research  
13 university must have completed a randomized control trial of domestic  
14 violence intervention treatment at joint base Lewis-McChord. The  
15 target population of the randomized control trial must be individuals  
16 in Washington state who have been referred to domestic violence  
17 intervention treatment via the criminal or civil legal systems. The  
18 research university must also conduct a demonstration project using  
19 the internal family systems modality as a domestic violence  
20 intervention treatment.

21 (138) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of homeless youth  
23 prevention and protection programs to provide grants to nonprofit  
24 organizations implementing place-based health zone models to provide  
25 and strengthen youth development services and mental and behavioral  
26 health supports for youth and their families for clearly demarcated  
27 geographical health zones. The services and supports may range from  
28 primary prevention to crisis services. Grant funding may support  
29 health zone activities and evaluation activities. The office must  
30 distribute four grants, as follows:

31 (a) Two grants to nonprofits with established place-based health  
32 zone models, for costs to provide services and conduct evaluation  
33 activities; and

34 (b) Two grants to nonprofits who are currently developing and  
35 implementing place-based health zone models, for costs to establish  
36 and provide services and conduct evaluation activities.

37 (139) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
39 to assist fathers transitioning from incarceration to community and

family reunification. The grant recipient must have experience contracting with the department of corrections to support incarcerated individual betterment projects and contracting with the department of social and health services to provide access and visitation services.

(140) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to evaluate alternative methods for calculating average median household income. The department must include in its evaluation the feasibility of using median household income data by state legislative district as published by the United States census bureau. The department must submit a report of recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025.

**Sec. 1116.** 2024 c 376 s 128 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

|                                                     |                                |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)          | \$48,331,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)          | <del>(( \$60,537,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                     | <u>\$60,216,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$44,574,000                   |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation            | \$1,050,000                    |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation      | \$53,353,000                   |
| Community Preservation and Development Authority    |                                |
| Account—State Appropriation                         | \$4,750,000                    |
| Growth Management Planning and Environmental Review |                                |
| Fund—State Appropriation                            | \$5,681,000                    |
| Liquor Excise Tax Account—State Appropriation       | \$986,000                      |
| Liquor Revolving Account—State Appropriation        | \$6,827,000                    |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State        |                                |
| Appropriation                                       | \$1,000,000                    |
| Model Toxics Control Stormwater Account—State       |                                |
| Appropriation                                       | \$100,000                      |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State             |                                |
| Appropriation                                       | \$2,747,000                    |
| Public Facilities Construction Loan Revolving       |                                |
| Account—State Appropriation                         | \$1,026,000                    |
| Public Works Assistance Account—State Appropriation | \$7,267,000                    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | <del>(( \$238,229,000 ))</del> |



The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The department shall administer its growth management act technical assistance and pass-through grants so that smaller cities and counties receive proportionately more assistance than larger cities or counties.

(2) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely as pass-through funding to Walla Walla Community College for its water and environmental center.

(3) \$6,827,000 of the liquor revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with the municipal research and services center of Washington.

(4) The department must develop a model ordinance for cities and counties to utilize for siting community based behavioral health facilities.

(5) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to produce the biennial report identifying a list of projects to address incompatible developments near military installations as provided in RCW 43.330.520.

(6) \$100,000 of the model toxics control stormwater account—state appropriation is provided solely for planning work related to stormwater runoff at the aurora bridge and I-5 ship canal bridge. Planning work may include, but is not limited to, coordination with project partners, community engagement, conducting engineering studies, and staff support.

(7) \$2,000,000 of the community preservation and development authority account—state appropriation is provided solely for the Pioneer Square-International district community preservation and development authority established in RCW 43.167.060 to carry out the duties and responsibilities set forth in RCW 43.167.030.

(8) \$1,160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,159,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the statewide broadband office established in RCW 43.330.532.

1       (9) \$10,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$10,000,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
4 department for grants for updating and implementing comprehensive  
5 plans and development regulations in order to implement the  
6 requirements of the growth management act.

7       (a) In allocating grant funding to local jurisdictions, awards  
8 must be based on a formula, determined by the department, to ensure  
9 that grants are distributed equitably among cities and counties.  
10 Grants will be used primarily to fund the review and update  
11 requirements for counties and cities required by RCW 36.70A.130.  
12 Funding provided on this formula basis shall cover additional county  
13 and city costs, if applicable, to implement chapter 254, Laws of 2021  
14 (Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1220) and to implement  
15 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5412 (land use permitting/local).

16       (b) Within the amounts not utilized under (a) of this subsection,  
17 the department shall establish a competitive grant program to  
18 implement requirements of the growth management act.

19       (c) Up to \$500,000 per biennium may be allocated toward growth  
20 management policy research and development or to assess the ongoing  
21 effectiveness of existing growth management policy.

22       (d) The department must develop a process for consulting with  
23 local governments, affected stakeholders, and the appropriate  
24 committees of the legislature to establish emphasis areas for  
25 competitive grant distribution and for research priorities.

26       (10) \$1,100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,100,000 of the general fund—state  
28 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
29 department to contract with the municipal research and services  
30 center, in coordination with the Washington procurement technical  
31 assistance center, to provide training and technical assistance to  
32 local governments and contractors on public works contracting.  
33 Training topics may include utilization of supplemental bidding  
34 criteria, utilization of alternate public works, contracting, cost  
35 estimating, obtaining performance and payment bonds, and increasing  
36 participation of women-owned and minority-owned businesses.

37       (11) \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state  
39 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the

department to administer grants and provide technical assistance to cities or counties for actions relating to adopting ordinances that plan for and accommodate housing. Of this amount:

(a) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to cities and counties. Grants may be used for the following activities:

(i) Analyzing comprehensive plan policies and development regulations to determine the extent of amendments required to meet the goal of authorizing middle housing types on at least 30 percent of lots currently zoned as single family residential within the city, or for counties inside the unincorporated urban growth area. For the purposes of this subsection, "middle housing types" means buildings that are compatible in scale, form, and character with single family houses, and contain two or more attached, stacked, or clustered homes. This includes duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, fiveplexes, sixplexes, townhouses, courtyard apartments, and cottage housing;

(ii) Planning work to facilitate transit-oriented development, including costs associated with the preparation of state environmental policy act environmental impact statements, planned action ordinances, and subarea plans, costs associated with the use of other tools under the state environmental policy act, and the costs of local code adoption and implementation of such efforts; and

(iii) Planning for and accommodating housing that is affordable for individuals and families earning less than 50 percent of the area median income, including:

(A) Land use and regulatory solutions to address homelessness and low-income housing; and

(B) Bridging homeless service planning with land use planning.

(b) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for an affordable housing auditing program to monitor ongoing affordability of income-restricted units constructed with affordable housing incentives, including the multifamily tax exemption.

(12) Within the amounts provided in this section, the department must publish on its website housing data needed to complete housing needs assessments required by RCW 36.70A.070(2)(a). The data shall include:

1 (a) Housing profiles for each county and city in the state,  
2 including cost burden, vacancy, and income;

3 (b) Data to assess racially disparate impacts, exclusion, and  
4 displacement; and

5 (c) A dashboard to display data in an easily accessible format.

6 (13) \$1,330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2024 and \$995,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
8 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of  
9 Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1110 (middle housing).

10 (14) \$15,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2024 and \$20,000,000 of the general fund—state  
12 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
13 department to provide grants to entities that provide digital  
14 navigator services, devices, and subscriptions. These services must  
15 include, but are not limited to, one-on-one assistance for people  
16 with limited access to services, including individuals seeking work,  
17 students seeking digital technical support, families supporting  
18 students, English language learners, medicaid clients, people  
19 experiencing poverty, and seniors. Of the amounts provided from the  
20 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, at least  
21 \$3,000,000 must be provided to tribes.

22 (15) \$2,750,000 of the community preservation and development  
23 authority account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
24 Central district community preservation and development authority  
25 established in RCW 43.167.070 to carry out the duties and  
26 responsibilities set forth in RCW 43.167.030.

27 (16) \$187,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and \$188,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to the city of  
30 Battle Ground to contract for a study to explore feasible options to  
31 redesign their downtown corridor to emphasize pedestrian  
32 accessibility, improve safety, and highlight community amenities.

33 (17) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to the city of Cheney fire  
35 department for the purchase of a new type 6 fire truck to replace one  
36 destroyed in a mutual aid fire.

37 (18) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to Ferry/Okanogan fire  
39 protection district number 14 for the purchase of a new ambulance and

1 related costs for response to 911 calls, including those from local  
2 residents, recreators, and hunters.

3 (19) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to the Pierce county public  
5 transportation benefit area corporation (Pierce transit) to  
6 administer a public transit and behavioral health coresponder pilot  
7 program in partnership with a Pierce county behavioral health  
8 professional agency.

9 (20) \$120,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$115,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the transportation demand  
12 management program at the canyon park subarea in the city of Bothell.

13 (21) (a) \$50,953,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
15 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1181 (climate change/planning).

16 (b) Of the amount provided in (a) of this subsection, \$10,000,000  
17 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided  
18 solely for programs, services, or capital facilities included in  
19 greenhouse gas emissions reduction subelements required by chapter  
20 228, Laws of 2023 (E2SHB 1181). The department shall provide funding  
21 to jurisdictions for programs, services, or capital facilities  
22 included in approved subelements that the department concludes will  
23 reduce greenhouse gas emissions or per capita vehicle miles traveled  
24 until funds in this subsection are expended. The department shall  
25 prioritize funding for programs, services, or capital facilities that  
26 result in cobenefits or address disproportionately impacted  
27 communities. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024  
28 general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from  
29 the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in  
30 this subsection (b).

31 (22) \$490,000 of the public works assistance account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for the public works board to  
33 develop a data dashboard to map investments made by the public works  
34 board, the department of commerce, the department of health, the  
35 department of ecology, the department of transportation, the  
36 transportation improvement board, and by board partners to the system  
37 improvement team created in RCW 43.155.150.

38 (23) \$96,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024 and \$423,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to conduct a  
2 study on the feasibility of implementing a Washington state zoning  
3 atlas project that will provide a publicly available mapping tool  
4 illustrating key features of zoning codes across jurisdictions.

5 (24) \$733,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$734,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
8 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5268 (public works procurement).

9 (25) \$37,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second  
11 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5536 (controlled substances).

12 (26) \$134,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to the city of Tacoma for the  
15 operating costs of the hilltop community hub. The hilltop community  
16 fund shall support a distribution center to provide housing goods.

17 (27) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to the city of  
20 Ferndale for the purpose of implementing and improving a wayfinding  
21 system throughout the greater Ferndale market area.

22 (28) \$464,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$3,510,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
25 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5290 (local permit review). Of the amount  
26 provided in this subsection, at least \$3,000,000 is provided solely  
27 for grants to local governments.

28 (29) \$2,400,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe  
30 for phase 3 of the Port Gamble shoreline restoration project.

31 (30) \$1,000,000 of the model toxics control account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for grants to address emergency  
33 drinking water problems in overburdened communities. The department  
34 may utilize existing programs to distribute the funding provided  
35 under this section, including the emergency rapid response program.

36 (31) \$198,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 (~~and \$198,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~  
38 ~~fiscal year 2025 are~~) is provided solely to retain a behavioral  
39 health facilities siting administrator within the department to

1 coordinate development of effective behavioral health housing options  
2 and provide technical assistance in siting of behavioral health  
3 treatment facilities statewide to aide in the governor's plan to  
4 discharge individuals from the state psychiatric hospitals into  
5 community settings. This position must work closely with local  
6 government legislative authorities, planning departments, behavioral  
7 health providers, the health care authority, the department of social  
8 and health services, and other entities to facilitate linkages among  
9 disparate behavioral health community bed capacity-building efforts.  
10 This position must work to integrate building behavioral health  
11 treatment and infrastructure capacity in addition to ongoing  
12 supportive housing benefits.

13 (32) \$225,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to the Chelan-Douglas  
15 regional port authority to fund public engagement efforts in Chelan  
16 and Douglas counties related to a future regional sports complex.  
17 Engagement efforts may include print and electronically mailed  
18 materials, media advertisements, social media, and other forms of  
19 communications related to study information, including but not  
20 limited to:

- 21 (a) Consultants' analyses;
- 22 (b) Steering committee recommendations;
- 23 (c) Design and location options;
- 24 (d) Artistic renderings;
- 25 (e) Economic impacts;
- 26 (f) Capital and operational costs;
- 27 (g) Financing options; and
- 28 (h) Other information.

29 (33) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract with a  
31 consultant to study incorporating the unincorporated communities of  
32 Dash Point and Browns Point into a single city. The study must  
33 include, but not be limited to, the impact of incorporation on the  
34 local tax base, crime, homelessness, infrastructure, public services,  
35 and behavioral health services, in the listed communities. The  
36 department must submit the results of the study to the office of  
37 financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
38 legislature by June 1, 2025.

1 (34) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to convene a task  
3 force to make recommendations on integrating water, sewer, school,  
4 and port districts into the growth management act planning process.  
5 The task force shall build upon the findings, concepts, and  
6 recommendations in recent reports, including the "collaborative  
7 roadmap phase III" report prepared for the department in 2023 and the  
8 "roadmap to Washington's future" issued by the William D. Ruckelshaus  
9 center in 2019. The task force must involve diverse perspectives  
10 including but not limited to representatives of state agencies,  
11 cities, counties, special districts, tribal governments, builders,  
12 and planning and environmental organizations that have experience  
13 with local or special purpose district planning processes. The  
14 department must provide a preliminary report on the task force's  
15 activities and progress by June 30, 2025. It is the intent of the  
16 legislature to continue funding the study in the 2025-2027 fiscal  
17 biennium, with a final report with recommendations due December 1,  
18 2025.

19 (35) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2025 is provided solely for Whatcom county to study the  
21 potential of creating an interjurisdictional coordinating body  
22 focused on improving the housing market for tenants, landlords, and  
23 those interested in becoming landlords. The study should examine the  
24 potential for an office of healthy housing to:

25 (a) Have a sustainable funding model and assist landlords and  
26 tenants in understanding leases and procedures;

27 (b) Increase housing supply by providing resources to small  
28 landlords; and

29 (c) Work with major local employers and local higher education  
30 institutions to ensure a thriving local housing market.

31 (36) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to provide technical  
33 assistance to local governments in planning for and siting supportive  
34 housing and emergency housing facilities; and provide dispute  
35 resolution services to help resolve disputes between local  
36 governments and service providers attempting to site supportive  
37 housing and emergency housing facilities. The department shall submit  
38 a report, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, to the appropriate committees of



1 the legislature by March 1, 2025, on which local governments received  
2 funding and resolution status for disputes resolved.

3 (37) \$213,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
5 Substitute House Bill No. 2321 (middle housing requirements). (~~If~~  
6 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
7 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~)

8 (38) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit, professional  
10 association of state, county, city, and town officials engaged in  
11 development, enforcement, and administration of building construction  
12 codes and ordinances to collaborate with the Washington state board  
13 for community and technical colleges to design and implement training  
14 programs to accelerate the hiring of city and county permit  
15 technicians.

16 (39) \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2025 is provided solely for the city of Elma to place automatic  
18 external defibrillators in city vehicles and public spaces in city  
19 buildings.

20 (40) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the Okanogan county sheriff's  
22 office for the Okanogan county public safety radio network  
23 improvement project.

24 (41) \$16,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024 and \$46,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
27 Senate Bill No. 5834 (urban growth areas). (~~If the bill is not~~  
28 ~~enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection~~  
29 ~~shall lapse.~~)

30 (42) \$57,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
32 Bill No. 6015 (residential parking). (~~If the bill is not enacted by~~  
33 ~~June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~)

34 (43) \$67,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second  
36 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5955 (large port districts). (~~If the bill~~  
37 ~~is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
38 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~)

**Sec. 1117.** 2024 c 376 s 129 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

|                                                                                     |                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)                                          | \$25,389,000               |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)                                          | <del>(\$34,502,000)</del>  |
|                                                                                     | <u>\$33,352,000</u>        |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                  | \$108,069,000              |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                            | \$1,230,000                |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation (FY 2024)                            | \$3,446,000                |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation (FY 2025)                            | \$3,591,000                |
| Andy Hill Cancer Research Endowment Fund Match Transfer Account—State Appropriation | \$31,684,000               |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation                                      | \$4,477,000                |
| Community and Economic Development Fee Account—State Appropriation                  | \$765,000                  |
| Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal Appropriation                        | \$23,400,000               |
| Economic Development Strategic Reserve Account—State Appropriation                  | \$2,786,000                |
| Statewide Tourism Marketing Account—State Appropriation                             | \$9,000,000                |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                                 | <del>(\$248,339,000)</del> |
|                                                                                     | <u>\$247,189,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$4,304,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for associate development organizations. During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the department shall consider an associate development organization's total resources when making contracting and fund allocation decisions, in addition to the schedule provided in RCW 43.330.086. The department must distribute the funding as follows:

(a) For associate development organizations serving urban counties, which are counties other than rural counties as defined in RCW 82.14.370, a locally matched allocation of up to \$1.00 per capita, totaling no more than \$300,000 per organization; and

1 (b) For associate development organizations in rural counties, as  
2 defined in RCW 82.14.370, a \$1.00 per capita allocation with a base  
3 allocation of \$75,000.

4 (2) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 and \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the northwest agriculture  
7 business center.

8 (3) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the regulatory roadmap  
11 program for the construction industry and to identify and coordinate  
12 with businesses in key industry sectors to develop additional  
13 regulatory roadmap tools.

14 (4) \$1,070,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$1,070,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the small business export  
17 assistance program. The department must ensure that at least one  
18 employee is located outside the city of Seattle for purposes of  
19 assisting rural businesses with export strategies.

20 (5) \$60,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$60,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to submit the  
23 necessary Washington state membership dues for the Pacific Northwest  
24 economic region.

25 (6) \$1,808,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$2,438,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to identify  
28 and invest in strategic growth areas, support key sectors, and align  
29 existing economic development programs and priorities. The department  
30 must consider Washington's position as the most trade-dependent state  
31 when identifying priority investments. The department must engage  
32 states and provinces in the northwest as well as associate  
33 development organizations, small business development centers,  
34 chambers of commerce, ports, and other partners to leverage the funds  
35 provided. Sector leads established by the department must include the  
36 industries of: (a) Aerospace; (b) clean technology and renewable and  
37 nonrenewable energy; (c) wood products and other natural resource  
38 industries; (d) information and communication technology; (e) life  
39 sciences and global health; (f) maritime; (g) military and defense;

1 and (h) creative industries. The department may establish these  
2 sector leads by hiring new staff, expanding the duties of current  
3 staff, or working with partner organizations and or other agencies to  
4 serve in the role of sector lead.

5 (7) \$31,684,000 of the Andy Hill cancer research endowment fund  
6 match transfer account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
7 Andy Hill cancer research endowment program. Amounts provided in this  
8 subsection may be used for grants and administration costs.

9 (8) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to establish  
12 representation in key international markets that will provide the  
13 greatest opportunities for increased trade and investment for small  
14 businesses in the state of Washington. Prior to entering into any  
15 contract for representation, the department must consult with  
16 associate development organizations and other organizations and  
17 associations that represent small business, rural industries, and  
18 disadvantaged business enterprises.

19 (9) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to assist people  
22 with limited incomes in urban areas of the state start and sustain  
23 small businesses. The grant recipient must be a nonprofit  
24 organization involving a network of microenterprise organizations and  
25 professionals to support micro entrepreneurship and access to  
26 economic development resources.

27 (10) \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state  
29 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a  
30 nonprofit organization whose sole purpose is to provide grants,  
31 capacity building, and technical assistance support to a network of  
32 microenterprise development organizations. The microenterprise  
33 development organizations will support rural and urban Black,  
34 indigenous and people of color owned businesses, veteran owned  
35 businesses, and limited resourced and other hard to serve businesses  
36 with five or fewer employees throughout the state with business  
37 training, technical assistance, and microloans.

38 (11) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state

1 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to  
2 a business center that provides confidential, no-cost, one-on-one,  
3 client-centered assistance to small businesses to expand outreach in  
4 underserved communities, especially Black, indigenous, and people of  
5 color-owned businesses, providing targeted assistance where needed.  
6 Funding may also be used to collaborate the department, the  
7 Washington economic development association, and others to develop a  
8 more effective and efficient service delivery system for Washington's  
9 women and minority-owned small businesses.

10 (12) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to strengthen capacity of the  
13 keep Washington working act work group established in RCW 43.330.510.

14 (13) \$7,000,000 of the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund—  
15 federal appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
16 continue to administer the small business innovation and  
17 competitiveness fund program created in section 128(167), chapter  
18 297, Laws of 2022 (ESSB 5693). The department may prioritize projects  
19 that received conditional awards in the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium but  
20 were not funded due to the project's inability to be substantially  
21 completed by June 30, 2023.

22 (14) \$2,000,000 of the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund—  
23 federal appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
24 administer grants to businesses and nonprofits in the arts, heritage,  
25 and science sectors, including those that operate live entertainment  
26 venues, to provide bridge funding for continued recovery from the  
27 COVID-19 pandemic and related economic impacts. The department must  
28 develop criteria for successful grant applications in coordination  
29 with the Washington state arts commission.

30 (15) \$352,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
32 Substitute House Bill No. 1176 (climate-ready communities).

33 (16) \$225,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024 and \$225,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract  
36 with an associate development organization located in Thurston county  
37 to provide a training curriculum to assist small businesses in  
38 scaling up to reach their next tier of operations. The contract  
39 recipient may use the funding for costs including, but not limited

1 to, curriculum materials, trainers, and follow up coaching and  
2 mentorship in multiple languages.

3 (17) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract  
6 for technical assistance programs focused on assisting small  
7 minority, women, and veteran-owned businesses in south King and  
8 Pierce counties. The contract recipient must be a nonprofit  
9 organization located in Tukwila that provides educational and  
10 business assistance for underserved and minority groups, with a focus  
11 on the African American community. The department must provide a  
12 preliminary report on program outcomes by June 30, 2024, and a final  
13 report by June 30, 2025, to the relevant committees of the  
14 legislature. The preliminary and final reports must include outcome  
15 data including, but not limited to, the number of events or workshops  
16 provided, the number of businesses served, and ownership and other  
17 demographics of businesses served.

18 (18) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to contract with a nonprofit  
21 organization to conduct workforce and economic development activities  
22 serving the south Puget Sound region. The contract recipient must be  
23 a nongovernmental nonprofit organization located in Federal Way that  
24 has been in operation for at least 10 years and whose mission is to  
25 develop resources to enhance the economy of the south sound region by  
26 facilitating innovation, job creation, and the growth and development  
27 of businesses.

28 (19) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024 is provided solely for the department to provide grant  
30 funding to a nonprofit biotech incubator and science research center  
31 located in the city of Tacoma. The grant funding is to provide  
32 support for programs aimed at increasing workforce readiness and  
33 entrepreneurship in the life sciences, with a focus on promoting  
34 access to science, technology, engineering, and math careers for  
35 individuals from underserved communities.

36 (20) \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to associate

development organizations pursuant to Substitute House Bill No. 1783 (grant writers).

(21) \$9,000,000 of the statewide tourism marketing account—state appropriation is provided solely for the statewide tourism marketing program and operation of the statewide tourism marketing authority pursuant to chapter 43.384 RCW.

(22) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to renew licenses for cloud-based business engagement tools for state agencies and local workforce and economic development boards, and to procure additional licenses for state agency procurement professionals, to assist in complying with the department of enterprise services supplier diversity policy effective April 1, 2023.

(23) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$2,500,000)~~) \$1,800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for activities related to securing federal funding from programs created by or funded through federal legislation including, but not limited to, the inflation reduction act, P.L. 117-169; the chips and science act, P.L. 117-167; and the infrastructure investment and jobs act, P.L. 117-58. Funding provided under this subsection may be used to support regional and locally led initiatives seeking federal funding, to provide technical support for application development and grant writing, to conduct economic analysis of various sectors, and other activities the department deems necessary for the state and partners with the state to compete for federal funds.

(24) \$877,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$878,000)~~) \$528,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5096 (employee ownership).

(25) \$409,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$411,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5269 (manufacturing).

(26) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$150,000)~~) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the

1 department, in consultation with other agencies as necessary, to  
2 support activities related to cooperation with governmental and  
3 public agencies of the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden,  
4 and the Kingdom of Norway. Eligible activities include, but are not  
5 limited to, cooperation in clean energy, clean technology, clean  
6 transportation, telecommunications, agriculture and wood science  
7 technology, general economic development, and other areas of mutual  
8 interest with Nordic nations and institutions.

9 (27) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a Bellingham based nonprofit  
12 that assists entrepreneurs to create, build, and grow businesses in  
13 northwest Washington to help establish a network of innovation  
14 centers for entrepreneurs and innovative small businesses between  
15 Seattle and the Canadian border.

16 (28)(a) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to develop  
18 strategies for cooperation with governmental agencies of Vietnam,  
19 including higher education institutions, and organizations around the  
20 following:

21 (i) Trade and investment, including, but not limited to, the  
22 agriculture, information technology, food processing, manufacturing,  
23 and textile industries;

24 (ii) Combating climate change, including, but not limited to,  
25 cooperation on clean energy, clean transportation, and climate-smart  
26 agriculture; and

27 (iii) Academic and cultural exchange.

28 (b) By June 30, 2024, the department must provide a report on the  
29 use of funds in this subsection, any key metrics and deliverables,  
30 and any recommendations for further opportunities for collaboration.

31 (29) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 and \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide an  
34 economic development grant to a nongovernmental organization  
35 established in Federal Way, in operation for at least 30 years, whose  
36 primary focus is the economic development of the greater Federal Way  
37 region, in order to provide assessment for the development of  
38 innovation campuses in identified economic corridors.



1       (30) \$200,000 of the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund—  
2 federal appropriation is provided solely for a grant to a Tacoma  
3 based automotive museum as businesses assistance to address COVID-19  
4 pandemic impacts to revenues from decreased attendance and loss of  
5 other revenue generating opportunities.

6       (31) \$250,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
7 appropriation is provided solely for a study or studies to assess  
8 strategies necessary for the state of Washington to engage in the  
9 offshore wind supply chain. The study may address public  
10 infrastructure needed for manufacturing, assembly, and transport of  
11 supply chain components, and an assessment of workforce needs and  
12 community benefits. The department must submit a preliminary report  
13 summarizing the status of the study or studies to the governor and  
14 the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025, and a  
15 final report summarizing the findings of the study or studies by  
16 November 30, 2025. It is the intent of the legislature to provide  
17 funding to complete the final report in the 2025-2027 fiscal  
18 biennium. Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or  
19 obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is  
20 approved, this subsection is null and void upon the effective date of  
21 the measure.

22       (32) \$2,110,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely to expand the industrial symbiosis  
24 program. At least 20 percent of the amount provided in this section  
25 must be prioritized to benefit individuals in overburdened  
26 communities. Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or  
27 obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is  
28 approved, this subsection is null and void upon the effective date of  
29 the measure.

30       (33) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
32 for a small business incubator program focused on the arts and  
33 culture sectors that provides technical assistance and business  
34 training to creative entrepreneurs, with a focus on BIPOC-owned and  
35 women-owned businesses. The grant recipient must be a nonprofit arts  
36 organization based in the city of Tacoma that hosts live performances  
37 and provides youth and adult arts education programming.

38       (34) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization

1 to administer a workforce development program serving youth and young  
2 adults from underserved communities to learn technical, creative, and  
3 business skills related to concert and event promotion. The grant  
4 recipient must be a nonprofit organization headquartered in the city  
5 of Seattle that provides youth arts and education programming and  
6 produces a music festival based in Seattle that takes place over  
7 Labor Day weekend.

8 (35) \$375,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with  
10 a nonregulatory coalition to identify economic, community, and  
11 workforce development opportunities resulting from Washington state's  
12 participation in the offshore wind supply chain through conducting  
13 convenings, workshops, and studies as appropriate. Funds provided in  
14 this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January 1,  
15 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved, this subsection is  
16 null and void upon the effective date of the measure.

17 (36) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
19 to provide a workforce development and small business training  
20 program serving primarily low-income Latinx immigrant families in  
21 south King county. The grant recipient must be a nonprofit  
22 organization based in the city of Seattle that advances the power and  
23 well-being of Latino immigrants through employment, education, and  
24 community organizing.

25 (37) \$390,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for the department to establish a  
27 circular economy market development program. At least 20 percent of  
28 the amount provided in this subsection must be prioritized to benefit  
29 individuals in overburdened communities. Funds provided in this  
30 subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025.  
31 If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved, this subsection is null  
32 and void upon the effective date of the measure.

33 (38) \$1,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for the innovation cluster  
35 accelerator program. Funding provided in this subsection may only be  
36 used to develop and maintain clusters that aim to reduce and mitigate  
37 impacts from greenhouse gases in overburdened communities, deploy  
38 renewable energy resources, increase energy efficiency or reduction,  
39 or other permissible uses pursuant to RCW 70A.65.260. Funds provided

1 in this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January  
2 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved, this subsection  
3 is null and void upon the effective date of the measure.

4 (39) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to an associate development  
6 organization to provide technical assistance, workforce development  
7 training, and business innovation training to small businesses in  
8 Benton and Franklin counties, with a focus on businesses in BIPOC  
9 communities. Technical assistance may also include financial  
10 literacy, grant writing, and federal grant assistance for tribes and  
11 overburdened communities. The grant recipient must be an associate  
12 development organization comprised of a coalition of more than 25 but  
13 less than 100 small businesses, nonprofit, and business leaders  
14 located in Benton and Franklin counties, and must be a recognized "by  
15 and for" organization serving the BIPOC community.

16 (40)(a) \$275,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to convene an  
18 electrical transmission workforce needs work group and study. The  
19 work group must provide advice, develop strategies, and make  
20 recommendations to the legislature, state and local agencies, and  
21 utilities on efforts to support the needs of Washington's electrical  
22 transmission industry workforce. The work group must consist of eight  
23 members:

24 (i) One representative each from a labor organization located in  
25 Tacoma, Clark county, and Spokane county that represents line  
26 workers;

27 (ii) One representative from a statewide labor organization with  
28 at least 250,000 affiliated members that represents line workers and  
29 workers from outside the electrical transmission and construction  
30 industry; and

31 (iii) Two representatives from two different investor-owned  
32 utilities and two representatives from two different consumer-owned  
33 utilities each.

34 (b)(i) The department must conduct a study of the employment and  
35 workforce education needs of the electrical transmission industry of  
36 the state. The work group must assist the department in developing  
37 the scope of the study; review the preliminary and final reports of  
38 the study; and, if appropriate, recommend any legislative changes  
39 needed to address issues raised as a result of the study. The study  
40 must focus on the following job classifications in the electrical

transmission industry: Line workers, line clearance tree trimmers, and substation technicians. The department may contract with a third party to complete the study.

(ii) By December 1, 2024, the department must submit a preliminary report of the study to the appropriate committees of the legislature, including the methodology that will be used to conduct the study and any demographic data or other information gathered regarding the electrical transmission industry workforce in preparation for the study.

(iii) By November 1, 2025, the department must submit a final report of the study to the appropriate committees of the legislature. It is the intent of the legislature to provide funding to complete the final report in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

(iv) The final report must at a minimum include:

(A) Estimates of electrical transmission industry jobs needed to expand electrical transmission capacity to meet the state's clean energy and climate goals, inclusive of the workforce needed to maintain existing infrastructure. These estimates should cover, at a minimum, the time periods required for the planning, including the construction, reconstruction, or enlargement, of new or existing electrical transmission facilities under RCW 19.28.010, 80.50.060, and 80.50.045, and the state environmental policy act;

(B) The number of apprenticeships in the job classifications listed in (b)(i) of this subsection;

(C) An inventory of existing apprentice programs and anticipated need for expansion of existing apprenticeships or supplemental training programs to meet current and future workforce needs;

(D) Demographic data of the workforce, including age, gender, race, ethnicity, and, where possible, other categories of identity;

(E) Identification of gaps and barriers to a full electrical transmission workforce pool, including, but not limited to, the loss of workers to retirement in the next five, 10, and 15 years, and other current and anticipated retention issues;

(F) A comparison of wages between different jurisdictions in Washington state, and between Washington and other neighboring states, including any incentives offered by other states;

(G) Data on the number of workers in the job classifications identified in (b)(i) of this subsection who completed training in Washington and left to work in a different state;

1 (H) Data on the number of out-of-state workers who enter  
2 Washington to meet workforce needs on large scale electrical  
3 transmission projects in Washington;

4 (I) Key challenges that could emerge in the foreseeable future  
5 based on factors such as growth in demand for electricity and changes  
6 in energy production and availability; and

7 (J) Recommendations for the training, recruitment, and retention  
8 of the current and anticipated electrical transmission workforce that  
9 supplement, enhance, or exceed current training requirements. This  
10 must include identification of barriers to entrance into the  
11 electrical transmission workforce, and recommendations to attract and  
12 retain a more diverse workforce, such as members of federally  
13 recognized Indian tribes and individuals from overburdened  
14 communities as defined in RCW 70A.02.010.

15 (41) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House  
17 Bill No. 1870 (local comm. federal funding). ~~((If the bill is not  
18 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
19 shall lapse.))~~

20 (42) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2025 is provided solely for the innovation cluster accelerator  
22 program to support an industry-led fusion energy cluster. By June 30,  
23 2025, the fusion energy cluster must submit a report to the  
24 appropriate committees of the legislature that includes  
25 recommendations for promoting the development of fusion energy and  
26 the manufacturing and assembling of component parts for fusion energy  
27 in Washington state. The report must:

28 (a) Include an evaluation of the applicability of new and  
29 existing clean energy incentives for manufacturing, facility  
30 construction, and the purchase of materials and equipment; and

31 (b) Identify opportunities for state funding, including matching  
32 federal grants.

33 (43) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract for  
35 technical assistance services for small businesses owned or operated  
36 by members of historically disadvantaged populations located in  
37 western Washington. The contract recipient must be a business in the  
38 arts, entertainment, and media services sector based in the city of  
39 Federal Way and with experience working with BIPOC communities.

1 Technical assistance includes but is not limited to services such as:  
2 Business and intellectual property development; franchise development  
3 and expansion; digital and social media marketing and brand  
4 development; community outreach; opportunities to meet potential  
5 strategic partners or corporate sponsors; executive workshops;  
6 networking events; small business coaching; and start-up assistance.

7 (44) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
9 for a program to assist low-income individuals from Washington state  
10 in entering the maritime industry as mariners, including training,  
11 credentialing, and wrap-around services. The grant recipient must be  
12 a nonprofit organization located in the city of Seattle that serves  
13 as a workforce development intermediary creating equitable workforce  
14 systems and developing impactful partnerships to address structural  
15 racism. The nonprofit organization must consult with two unions based  
16 in the city of Seattle who represent mariners on the West coast in  
17 developing the program.

18 (45) \$1,000,000 of the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund—  
19 federal appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
20 administer a business assistance program to provide grants to  
21 statewide or local destination marketing organizations in Washington  
22 state for activities to promote tourism to Washington in advance of  
23 the 2026 FIFA World Cup. The department must enter into contracts  
24 with grant recipients by December 31, 2024. To qualify for a grant  
25 under this subsection, a destination marketing organization must have  
26 been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency and:

27 (a) Have revenues at the time of applying for the grant that are  
28 less than their revenues in calendar year 2019;

29 (b) Have used reserve operating funds after March 3, 2021, to  
30 make up for revenue shortfalls; or

31 (c) Have demonstrated needs for funding to support programs  
32 designed to increase tourism to Washington state from across the  
33 country and the world in advance of the 2026 FIFA World Cup.

34 (46) \$184,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nongovernmental  
36 organization whose primary focus is community and economic  
37 development in downtown Renton to provide holistic navigation and  
38 education services.

1 (47) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2025 is provided solely for the Washington state manufacturing  
3 council to convene a subgroup of at least two of its members, with at  
4 least four members representing advanced manufacturing who have  
5 expertise in diversity, equity and inclusion. Annually, the work  
6 group must provide recommendations to the manufacturing council to  
7 vastly improve the representation of black, indigenous, and people of  
8 color, as well as women, in manufacturing ownership and within the  
9 workforce across all levels of manufacturing.

10 (48) \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the Washington state public  
12 stadium authority to modernize interior stadium infrastructure.  
13 Funding is provided to improve operational infrastructure such that  
14 stadium can accommodate and attract mega events benefiting the state.  
15 Improvements will include, but are not limited to, installing new  
16 seating, improving ADA access, upgrading hospitality features, and  
17 making security enhancements.

18 (49)(a) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to provide  
20 grants to eligible sports commissions to support activities promoting  
21 sports tourism, sporting events, and tournaments, and fostering  
22 economic and community development.

23 (b) An "eligible sports commission" under this subsection means  
24 an entity whose primary purpose is to promote tourism through hosting  
25 sporting events in Washington state. Entities may be independent  
26 nonprofit organizations or a division of a regional or national  
27 convention or visitors bureau.

28 (c) The department must develop application criteria and eligible  
29 uses of funds for the grant program.

30 (d) In determining the distribution of grant awards under this  
31 subsection, the department may allocate funds in proportion to the  
32 population of the county or counties in which the eligible sports  
33 commission conducts its activities.

34 (e) The department must develop reporting requirements for grant  
35 recipients, including but not limited to how grant funds are used.  
36 All grant recipients must report back to the department by June 30,  
37 2025.

38 (50) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the city of Seattle to lease space for nonprofit and academic institutions to incubate technology business startups, especially those focusing on artificial intelligence and develop and teach curricula to skill up workers to use artificial intelligence as a business resource.

**Sec. 1118.** 2024 c 376 s 130 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—ENERGY AND INNOVATION**

|                                                                                                      |                               |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)                                                           | \$8,641,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)                                                           | <del>(((\$12,287,000))</del>  |
|                                                                                                      | <u>\$11,127,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                                   | \$325,724,000                 |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                                             | \$34,000                      |
| Building Code Council Account—State Appropriation                                                    | \$13,000                      |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation                                                       | <del>(((\$230,557,000))</del> |
|                                                                                                      | <u>\$219,507,000</u>          |
| Community and Economic Development Fee Account—State<br>Appropriation                                | \$160,000                     |
| Electric Vehicle Incentive Account—State<br>Appropriation                                            | \$50,000,000                  |
| Low-Income Weatherization and Structural<br>Rehabilitation Assistance Account—State<br>Appropriation | \$1,399,000                   |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State<br>Appropriation                                             | \$1,167,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                                                  | <del>(((\$629,982,000))</del> |
|                                                                                                      | <u>\$617,772,000</u>          |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The department is authorized to require an applicant to pay an application fee to cover the cost of reviewing the project and preparing an advisory opinion on whether a proposed electric generation project or conservation resource qualifies to meet mandatory conservation targets.

(2)(a) \$50,000,000 of the electric vehicle incentive account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to implement programs and incentives that promote the purchase of or conversion to alternative fuel vehicles. The department must work



1 with the interagency electric vehicle coordinating council to develop  
2 and implement alternative fuel vehicle programs and incentives.

3 (b) In developing and implementing programs and incentives under  
4 this subsection, the department must prioritize programs and  
5 incentives that:

6 (i) Will serve individuals living in an overburdened community,  
7 as defined in RCW 70A.02.010;

8 (ii) Will serve individuals who are in greatest need of this  
9 assistance in order to reduce the carbon emissions and other  
10 environmental impacts of their current mode of transportation in the  
11 overburdened community in which they live; and

12 (iii) Will serve low-income communities, communities with the  
13 greatest health disparities, and communities of color that are most  
14 likely to receive the greatest health benefits from the programs  
15 through a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants  
16 that will result in improved groundwater and stormwater quality,  
17 improved air quality, and reductions in noise pollution.

18 (3) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and (~~(\$2,000,000)~~) \$1,340,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to build a  
21 mapping and forecasting tool that provides locations and information  
22 on charging and refueling infrastructure as required in chapter 300,  
23 Laws of 2021 (zero emissions transp.). The department shall  
24 collaborate with the interagency electric vehicle coordinating  
25 council established in chapter 182, Laws of 2022 (transportation  
26 resources) when developing the tool and must work to meet benchmarks  
27 established in chapter 182, Laws of 2022 (transportation resources).

28 (4) \$10,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for grants to support port  
30 districts, counties, cities, towns, special purpose districts, any  
31 other municipal corporations or quasi-municipal corporations, and  
32 tribes to support siting and permitting of clean energy projects in  
33 the state. Eligible uses of grant funding provided in this section  
34 include supporting predevelopment work for sites intended for clean  
35 energy projects, land use studies, conducting or engaging in planning  
36 efforts such as planned actions and programmatic environmental impact  
37 statements, and staff to improve permit timeliness and certainty.

38 (5)(a) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$1,000,000)~~) \$500,000 of the general fund—

1 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
2 department to contract with one or more of the western national  
3 laboratories, or a similar independent research organization, in  
4 consultation with state and federal energy agencies, stakeholders,  
5 and relevant utilities, to conduct an analysis for new electricity  
6 generation, transmission, ancillary services, efficiency and storage  
7 sufficient to offset those presently provided by the lower Snake  
8 river dams. The analysis should include a list of requirements for a  
9 replacement portfolio that diversifies and improves the resilience  
10 and maintains the reliability and adequacy of the electric power  
11 system, is consistent with the state's statutory and regulatory  
12 requirements for clean electricity generation, and is supplementary  
13 to the resources that will be required to replace fossil fuels in the  
14 electrical generation, transportation, industry, and buildings  
15 sectors. The department and its contractor's assessment will include  
16 quantitative analysis based on available data as well as qualitative  
17 input gathered from tribal and other governments, the Northwest power  
18 and conservation council, relevant utilities, and other key  
19 stakeholders. The analysis must include the following:

20 (i) Expected trends for demand, and distinct scenarios that  
21 examine potential outcomes for electricity demand, generation, and  
22 storage technologies development, land use and land use constraints,  
23 and cost through 2050, as well as the most recent analysis of future  
24 resource adequacy and reliability;

25 (ii) A resource portfolio approach in which a combination of  
26 commercially available generating resources, energy efficiency,  
27 conservation, and demand response programs, transmission resources,  
28 and other programs and resources that would be necessary  
29 prerequisites to replace the power and grid reliability services  
30 otherwise provided by the lower Snake river dams and the time frame  
31 needed to put those resources into operation;

32 (iii) Identification of generation and transmission siting  
33 options consistent with the overall replacement resource portfolio,  
34 in coordination with other state processes and requirements  
35 supporting the planning of clean energy and transmission siting;

36 (iv) An evaluation of alternatives for the development, ownership  
37 and operation of the replacement resource portfolio;

38 (v) Examination of possible impacts and opportunities that might  
39 result from the renewal of the Columbia river treaty, revisions of  
40 the Bonneville power administration preference contracts,

1 implementation of the western resource adequacy program (WRAP), and  
2 other changes in operation and governance of the regional electric  
3 power system, consistent with statutory and regulatory requirements  
4 of the clean energy transformation act;

5 (vi) Identification of revenue and payment structures sufficient  
6 to maintain reliable and affordable electricity supplies for  
7 ratepayers, with emphasis on overburdened communities;

8 (vii) Development of distinct scenarios that examine different  
9 potential cost and timeline potentials for development and  
10 implementation of identified generation and transmission needs and  
11 options including planning, permitting, design, and construction,  
12 including relevant federal authorities, consistent with the statutory  
13 and regulatory requirements of the clean energy transformation act;

14 (viii) Quantification of impacts to greenhouse gas emissions  
15 including life-cycle emissions analysis associated with  
16 implementation of identified generation and transmission needs and  
17 options including (A) planning, permitting, design, and construction,  
18 and, if relevant, emissions associated with the acquisition of non-  
19 Washington state domestic or foreign sources of electricity, and (B)  
20 any additional operations of existing fossil-fueled generating  
21 resources; and

22 (ix) An inventory of electricity demand by state-owned or  
23 operated facilities and information needed to complete a request for  
24 proposals (RFP) to satisfy this demand through new nonhydro renewable  
25 energy generation and/or conservation.

26 (b) The department shall, to the extent determined practicable,  
27 consider related analyses undertaken by the federal government as  
28 part of the Columbia river system operation stay of litigation agreed  
29 to in *National Wildlife Federation et al. v. National Marine*  
30 *Fisheries Service et al.* in October 2021.

31 (c) The department shall provide a status update to the energy  
32 and environment committees of the legislature and governor's office  
33 by December 31, 2024.

34 (6) \$10,664,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
35 appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer a  
36 pilot program to provide grants and technical assistance to support  
37 planning, predevelopment, and installation of commercial, dual-use  
38 solar power demonstration projects. Eligible grant recipients may  
39 include, but are not limited to, nonprofit organizations, public  
40 entities, and federally recognized tribes.

1       (7)   \$20,592,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer a  
3 grant program to assist owners of public buildings in covering the  
4 costs of conducting an investment grade energy audit for those  
5 buildings. Public buildings include those owned by state and local  
6 governments, tribes, and school districts.

7       (8) (a)   \$300,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely for the department to develop  
9 recommendations on a design for a statewide energy assistance program  
10 to address the energy burden and provide access to energy assistance  
11 for low-income households. The department may contract with a third-  
12 party entity to complete the work required in this subsection.

13       (b) The recommendations must include considerations for data  
14 collection on the energy burden and assistance need of households,  
15 universal intake coordination and data sharing across statewide  
16 programs serving low-income households, program eligibility,  
17 enrollment, multilingual services, outreach and community engagement,  
18 program administration, funding, and reporting.

19       (c) By January 1, 2024, the department must submit a report with  
20 the recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature.

21       (9)   \$250,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
22 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit for a  
23 smart buildings education program to educate building owners and  
24 operators about smart building practices and technologies, including  
25 the development of onsite and digital trainings that detail how to  
26 operate residential and commercial facilities in an energy efficient  
27 manner. The grant recipient must be located in a city with a  
28 population of more than 700,000 and must serve anyone within  
29 Washington with an interest in better understanding energy efficiency  
30 in commercial and institutional buildings.

31       (10) \$111,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 and \$109,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
34 Substitute House Bill No. 1390 (district energy systems).

35       (11)   \$3,152,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
37 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (clean energy siting).

1 (12) \$167,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
3 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1170 (climate response strategy).

4 (13) \$250,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for the department to convene  
6 stakeholders and plan for a statewide energy rebate navigator aimed  
7 at assisting residential and small commercial buildings, with  
8 priority for buildings owned or occupied by low-income, Black,  
9 indigenous, and people of color and converting overburdened  
10 communities to clean energy. Of this amount:

11 (a) \$50,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation  
12 is for the department to convene a summit of stakeholders around  
13 building energy topics related to the development of a statewide  
14 energy rebate navigator, including initial and ongoing guidance  
15 regarding program design and implementation. The summit should  
16 develop recommendations for the program to improve and grow,  
17 addressing gaps in program design and implementation, outreach into  
18 overburdened communities, HEAL Act compliance, workforce development  
19 issues, and contractor needs.

20 (b) \$200,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
21 appropriation is for statewide rebate navigator evaluation and  
22 project planning, which shall include:

23 (i) Evaluation of how technical assistance can focus on serving  
24 Black, indigenous, and people of color, and low-income communities;

25 (ii) Research of existing data and software solutions the state  
26 can leverage to provide a one-stop-shop for energy improvements;

27 (iii) Evaluation of program delivery models to optimize energy  
28 service delivery, including realizing economies of scale and reaching  
29 high rates of penetration in overburdened communities, indigenous  
30 communities, and communities of color;

31 (iv) Evaluation and cultivation of potential program implementers  
32 who are qualified to deliver navigator program services, including  
33 community energy efficiency program grantees; and

34 (v) Evaluation and cultivation of qualified potential energy  
35 services providers, including providers owned by Black, indigenous,  
36 and people of color, utility trade ally programs, and weatherization  
37 plus health weatherization agencies.

38 (14) \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024 and \$17,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
2 Substitute House Bill No. 1329 (utility shutoffs/heat).

3 (15) \$93,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$96,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
6 Substitute House Bill No. 1032 (wildfires/electric utilities).

7 (16)(a) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2024 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
9 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to  
10 contract with a third-party entity to conduct a study that analyzes  
11 how the economic impact of oil refining in Washington state is likely  
12 to impact Washington's refineries, refinery workers, and refinery  
13 communities. By December 31, 2024, the report must be distributed to  
14 the energy and environment committees of the state legislature.

15 (b) The study required in (a) of this subsection must include:

16 (i) An overview of Washington's five oil refineries including:  
17 Location, age, workforce demographics, direct and indirect jobs  
18 connected with the industry, health and environmental impacts, local  
19 tax revenues paid by refineries, and primary and secondary products  
20 and markets;

21 (ii) A summary of projected scenarios for Washington refineries'  
22 primary markets, taking into account realistic, real world outcomes,  
23 given existing mandated decarbonization targets, feedstock  
24 availability, and statutes that impact Washington refinery products;

25 (iii) A summary of anticipated short-term, medium-term, and long-  
26 term economic viability of the five Washington oil refineries based  
27 on refinery product demand forecasts as outlined in (b)(ii) of this  
28 subsection;

29 (iv) A forecast of direct and indirect effects of the projected  
30 petroleum decline, including indirect employment impacts, the  
31 geography of those impacts, and impacts to local jurisdictions,  
32 utilities, ports, and special purpose districts from reduction in tax  
33 revenues, and impacts to local nonprofits and community programs from  
34 the refining industry;

35 (v) An assessment of potential future uses of refinery sites that  
36 include energy industrial, nonenergy industrial, heavy manufacturing,  
37 and industrial symbiosis, including an assessment of previously  
38 closed refinery sites throughout the United States and current use of  
39 those sites. Each potential future use shall be assessed and include

1 data regarding: Greenhouse gas emissions, local pollution and  
2 environmental health, direct and indirect employment benefits,  
3 estimated tax impacts, potential costs to Washington residents, and  
4 feasibility based on relevant market trends; and an assessment of  
5 previously closed refinery sites throughout the United States and  
6 current use of those sites;

7 (vi) The competitive position of Washington refineries to produce  
8 alternative fuels consistent with Washington's emissions reductions  
9 defined in RCW 70A.45.020, the anticipated regional, national, and  
10 global demand for these fuels between 2023 and 2050; and the likely  
11 employment, tax, environmental, cultural, and treaty impacts of  
12 refinery conversion to these alternative fuels;

13 (vii) An identification of refinery workers' skillsets, potential  
14 alternative sectors and industries of employment, an assessment and  
15 comparison of total compensation and benefit packages including  
16 retirement and health care programs of current and alternative jobs,  
17 impacts to apprenticeship utilization, and the current and expected  
18 availability of those jobs in Pierce, Skagit, and Whatcom counties;

19 (viii) A land and water remediation analysis; including cost  
20 estimates, current terrestrial and aquatic pollution mapping, an  
21 overview of existing policies and regulations that determine  
22 accountability for cleanup and identifies gaps that may leave local  
23 and state taxpayers financially liable, and an assessment of the  
24 workforce and skills required for potential cleanup;

25 (ix) A summary of existing petroleum refining capacity and trends  
26 in Washington, the United States, and internationally; and

27 (x) An assessment of decline or loss of tax revenues supporting  
28 state environmental programs including the model toxics control act,  
29 the pollution liability insurance agency, and other programs, as well  
30 as the decline or loss of transportation gas tax revenues.

31 (c) The department may require data and analysis from refinery  
32 owners and operators to inform the study. Pursuant to RCW 42.56.270,  
33 data shared or obtained in the course of this study is not subject to  
34 public disclosure. Where unavailable, the department and entity  
35 commissioned to complete the study shall rely on the best available  
36 public data.

37 (d) The study must include a robust public engagement process  
38 including local and state elected officials, labor groups, fence line  
39 communities, port districts, economic development associations, and

1 environmental organizations in Skagit, Whatcom, and Pierce counties,  
2 and the five Washington refineries.

3 (e) The department must offer early, meaningful, and individual  
4 consultation with any affected Indian tribe for the purpose of  
5 understanding potential impacts to tribal rights and resources  
6 including cultural resources, archaeological sites, sacred sites,  
7 fisheries, and human health.

8 (17) \$600,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
10 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5447 (alternative jet fuel).

11 (18) \$1,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to the Yakama Nation for  
13 an advanced rail energy storage project.

14 (19) \$800,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely to contract with a nonprofit entity  
16 to serve as a Washington state green bank. The purpose of the funds  
17 is to leverage federal funds available for green bank development to  
18 support development of sustainable and clean energy financing  
19 solutions within Washington. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is  
20 approved at the 2024 general election, upon the effective date of the  
21 measure, funds from the consolidated climate account may not be used  
22 for the purposes in this subsection.

23 (20) \$2,500,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely for the department to build an  
25 internet web portal for grant seekers and to establish a marketing  
26 and outreach campaign that makes information about funding  
27 opportunities widely available. Of the amount provided in this  
28 subsection:

29 (a) \$1,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for the department to build an  
31 internet web portal that provides a centralized location for grant  
32 seekers to find all state and federal grant and incentive  
33 opportunities in the energy, climate, and clean technology sectors.  
34 The portal shall include, but is not limited to, an interactive  
35 internet website that is launched to include, at a minimum,  
36 information identifying every grant administered by the state and  
37 incentive opportunities that will provide clean energy and climate  
38 assistance. The department, in consultation with the governor's  
39 office, shall ensure that the internet website is accessible and



1 provides helpful information to a diverse set of potential applicants  
2 including, but not limited to, nonprofit and community-based  
3 organizations, and other entities that are working to support and  
4 benefit tribes, rural communities, and vulnerable and overburdened  
5 communities. Funds provided in this subsection (a) may not be  
6 expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure  
7 No. 2117 is approved in the general election, this subsection (a) is  
8 null and void upon the effective date of the measure.

9 (b) \$1,500,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for the department to establish a  
11 marketing and outreach campaign that makes information about funding  
12 opportunities widely available and easy to understand, encouraging  
13 more people and organizations to participate. The department shall  
14 work with consultants and third-party administrators to identify a  
15 range of groups including tribes, vulnerable and overburdened  
16 communities, rural communities, local governments, businesses of all  
17 sizes, households, nonprofits, educational institutions, and the  
18 clean energy developers and clean tech manufacturers that would  
19 benefit from state and federal funding available for clean energy  
20 projects. The campaign shall include a comprehensive marketing and  
21 outreach strategy, using various ways to communicate, ensuring all  
22 materials are clear, simple, and available in multiple languages, and  
23 employing best practices for communicating with diverse and  
24 underserved communities. The department, along with selected partners  
25 and third-party administrators, shall work with organizations  
26 directly serving these communities to extend the reach of these  
27 communications, with a goal of directing at least 40 percent of the  
28 marketing and outreach funds expended to benefit vulnerable  
29 populations in overburdened communities. If Initiative Measure No.  
30 2117 is approved at the 2024 general election, upon the effective  
31 date of the measure, funds from the consolidated climate account may  
32 not be used for the purposes in this subsection (b).

33 (21)(a) \$5,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer a  
35 program to assist community-based organizations, local governments,  
36 ports, tribes, and other entities to access federal tax incentives  
37 and grants. Eligible entities for the program include, but are not  
38 limited to, local governments in Washington, tribal governments and  
39 tribal entities, community-based organizations, housing authorities,  
40 ports, transit agencies, nonprofit organizations, and for-profit

1 businesses. The department shall prioritize assistance that benefits  
2 vulnerable populations in overburdened communities, with a goal of  
3 directing at least 25 percent of funds to this purpose.

4 (b) Within the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, the  
5 department must contract with a nonprofit organization to provide the  
6 following services:

7 (i) Development of tax guidance resources for clean energy tax  
8 credits, including core legal documents to be used broadly across  
9 stakeholders;

10 (ii) Providing tailored marketing materials for these resources  
11 targeting underserved entities; and

12 (iii) Providing funds to subcontract with clean energy tax  
13 attorneys to pilot office hours style support available to eligible  
14 entities across the state.

15 (c) If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved at the 2024  
16 general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from  
17 the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in  
18 this subsection.

19 (22)(a) \$2,500,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
20 appropriation is provided solely for the department to support a  
21 tribal clean energy innovation and training center in partnership and  
22 colocated at Northwest Indian College. The center aims to support  
23 tribal energy goals and pursue clean energy deployment opportunities  
24 that enhance tribal energy sovereignty and well-being among tribes.

25 (b) Activities of the center include, but are not limited to: (i)  
26 Developing technical training offerings that could build the tribal  
27 workforce pipeline, especially in emerging technologies like  
28 geothermal heat pumps and hydrogen technologies, and provide economic  
29 development opportunities and resources to the region; (ii)  
30 researching and demonstrating the feasibility of innovative clean  
31 energy technologies that also nourish and protect the environment;  
32 and (iii) creating a model for tribal clean energy centers that can  
33 be adopted by other tribal colleges in the region to establish clean  
34 energy deployment and land use best practices built on tribal  
35 knowledge.

36 (c) If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved at the 2024  
37 general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from  
38 the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in  
39 this subsection.

1       (23)   \$4,500,000   of   the   climate   commitment   account—state  
2   appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer a  
3   grant program to assist community-based organizations, local  
4   governments, ports, tribes, and other entities to author federal  
5   grant applications and to provide support for federal grant reporting  
6   for entities that receive federal grants. The department will  
7   determine a process for prioritizing applicants, including first time  
8   or underserved applicants, tribes, and rural areas of the state. The  
9   state may also partner with third-party administrators and regional  
10   and local partners, such as associate development organizations and  
11   other local nonprofits to ensure equitable access to resources.  
12   Eligible entities for the program include, but are not limited to,  
13   local governments in Washington, tribal governments and tribal  
14   entities, community-based organizations, housing authorities, ports,  
15   transit agencies, nonprofit organizations, and for-profit businesses.  
16   The department shall prioritize grants that provide benefit to  
17   vulnerable populations in overburdened communities, with a goal of  
18   directing at least 60 percent of funds to this purpose. If Initiative  
19   Measure No. 2117 is approved at the 2024 general election, upon the  
20   effective date of the measure, funds from the consolidated climate  
21   account may not be used for the purposes in this subsection.

22       (24)   \$539,000   of   the   climate   commitment   account—state  
23   appropriation is provided solely for the department to develop plans  
24   to test hydrogen combustion and resulting nitrogen oxides (NOx)  
25   emissions, technical assistance for strategic end uses of hydrogen, a  
26   feasibility assessment regarding underground storage of hydrogen in  
27   Washington, and an environmental justice toolkit for hydrogen  
28   projects. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024  
29   general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from  
30   the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in  
31   this subsection.

32       (25)   \$1,112,000   of   the   climate   commitment   account—state  
33   appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
34   Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1282 (buy clean and buy fair),  
35   including to develop and maintain a publicly accessible database for  
36   covered projects to submit environmental and working conditions data,  
37   to convene a technical work group, and to develop legislative  
38   reports. (~~If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount~~  
39   ~~provided in this subsection shall lapse.)) Funds provided in this~~

subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025.  
(~~If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election,~~  
~~the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse upon the effective~~  
~~date of the measure.~~)

(26) ~~((\$3,500,000 of the climate commitment account state~~  
~~appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide and~~  
~~facilitate access to energy assistance programs, including~~  
~~incentives, energy audits, and rebate programs to retrofit homes and~~  
~~small businesses. Funds provided in this subsection may not be~~  
~~expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure~~  
~~No. 2117 is approved in the general election, this subsection is null~~  
~~and void upon the effective date of the measure.~~

~~(27) \$750,000 of the climate commitment account state~~  
~~appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide~~  
~~technical assistance and education materials to help counties~~  
~~establish effective commercial property assessed clean energy and~~  
~~resiliency (C-PACER) programs. Funds provided in this subsection may~~  
~~not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative~~  
~~Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, this subsection~~  
~~is null and void upon the effective date of the measure.~~

~~(28) \$3,000,000 of the climate commitment account state~~  
~~appropriation is provided solely for the department to establish a~~  
~~Washington clean energy ambassadors program. This program will offer~~  
~~education, planning, technical assistance, and community engagement~~  
~~across the state. Ambassadors will link local entities with resources~~  
~~and best practices to enable clean energy access for all communities~~  
~~and promote a just transition to a net-zero economy. The department~~  
~~must prioritize providing meaningful benefits to vulnerable~~  
~~populations in overburdened communities as defined under RCW~~  
~~70A.02.010. Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or~~  
~~obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is~~  
~~approved in the general election, this subsection is null and void~~  
~~upon the effective date of the measure. This program must:~~

- ~~(a) Identify a pilot cohort of intermediary organizations;~~
- ~~(b) Recruit and train clean energy ambassadors;~~
- ~~(c) Host community energy and resilience educational events and~~  
~~workshops; and~~

1 ~~(d) Provide technical assistance to help governments, community-~~  
2 ~~based organizations, businesses, and communities obtain clean energy~~  
3 ~~resources.~~

4 ~~(29) \$150,000,000))~~ \$146,700,000 of the climate commitment  
5 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
6 provide clean energy for Washington families grants for public and  
7 private electric utilities to provide bill credits for low-income and  
8 moderate-income residential electricity customers to help with the  
9 clean energy transition in the amount of \$200 per household, by  
10 September 15, 2024. Low and moderate-income is defined as less than  
11 150 percent of area median income. Utilities must prioritize  
12 customers in vulnerable populations in overburdened communities as  
13 defined under RCW 70A.02.010, such as those that have participated in  
14 the low-income home energy assistance program, utility payment plans,  
15 or ratepayer-funded assistance programs. Utilities must first  
16 prioritize bill credits for customers at or below 80 percent area  
17 median income and if funds remain, may expand bill credits for  
18 customers up to 150 percent of area median income. Utilities may  
19 qualify customers through self-attestation. Utilities may, but are  
20 not required to, work with community action agencies to administer  
21 these funds. Each utility shall disburse funds directly to customer  
22 accounts and adhere to program communications guidelines provided by  
23 the department. Utilities may use up to five percent of their grant  
24 funds for administrative costs associated with the disbursement of  
25 funds provided in this subsection. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is  
26 approved in the 2024 general election, upon the effective date of the  
27 measure, funds from the consolidated climate account may not be used  
28 for the purposes in this subsection.

29 ~~((30))~~ (27) \$350,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for the authority to contract with  
31 Tacoma power, to conduct a feasibility study, including scoping  
32 project costs, on pumped storage at Tacoma power's Mossyrock dam. The  
33 contract is exempt from the competitive procurement requirements in  
34 chapter 39.26 RCW. Funds provided in this subsection may not be  
35 expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure  
36 No. 2117 is approved in the general election, this subsection is null  
37 and void upon the effective date of the measure.

38 ~~((31))~~ (28) \$1,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account  
39 —state appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide

1 grants to the following public utility districts for the costs of  
2 relocating utilities necessitated by fish barrier removal projects:  
3 Clallam, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, Kittitas, Mason public utility  
4 district no. 1, Mason public utility district no. 2, Skagit, and  
5 Thurston. Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or  
6 obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is  
7 approved in the general election, this subsection is null and void  
8 upon the effective date of the measure.

9 ~~((+32+))~~ (29) (a) \$600,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer a  
11 grant program for cities and counties to establish permitting  
12 processes that rely on the online automated permit processing  
13 software developed by the national renewable energy laboratory and  
14 that applies to any combination of the following permitting: Solar,  
15 energy storage, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, or other  
16 similar clean energy applications included within the suite of  
17 capabilities of the online automated permit processing software. To  
18 be eligible for grant funding under this subsection, a city or county  
19 is only required to submit a notice of their intent to participate in  
20 the program.

21 (b) The department must award grants of no less than \$20,000 to  
22 each city or county that provides notice by December 1, 2024.

23 (c) In the event that more than a total of 30 cities and counties  
24 notify the department of their intent to participate in the program,  
25 the department must prioritize jurisdictions based on:

26 (i) The timeline on which the jurisdiction is willing to commit  
27 to transitioning to the online automated permit processing software;  
28 and

29 (ii) The total number of covered permits expected to be issued by  
30 the jurisdiction, based on recent historical permit data submitted to  
31 the department by the city or county.

32 (d) In the event that fewer than 30 cities and counties notify  
33 the department of their intent to participate in the program, the  
34 department may allocate a greater amount of financial assistance than  
35 a standard minimum grant of \$20,000 to jurisdictions that expect to  
36 experience comparatively high costs to transition to the online  
37 automated permit processing software.

38 (e) The department may use up to five percent of the amount  
39 provided in this subsection for administrative costs.

(f) Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, this subsection is null and void upon the effective date of the measure.

~~((+33+))~~ (30) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit social service organization located in King county's Rainier Valley neighborhood with an innovative learning center. Funding must be used to support an electrification preapprenticeship program for formerly incarcerated individuals and community members who are low income or homeless that offers hands-on technical training targeting clean energy methods that will align the participant's qualifications with solar technician apprenticeships and employment opportunities.

~~((+34+))~~ (31) \$250,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with a nonprofit entity that represents the maritime industry to develop and publish a strategic framework regarding the production, supply, and use of sustainable maritime fuels and deployment of low and zero-emissions vessel technologies in Washington. Funding under this subsection may be used for activities including, but not limited to, convening stakeholders and building organizational capacity. Stakeholder engagement pursuant to this subsection shall include, at a minimum, engagement with federal and state agencies, ports, industry, labor, research institutions, nongovernmental organizations, and relevant federally recognized tribes. The department shall submit a copy of the strategic framework and findings to the legislature and the governor by June 30, 2025. Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, this subsection is null and void upon the effective date of the measure.

~~((+35+))~~ (32) \$182,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for wildfire recovery costs from the Gray wildfire that impacted the city of Medical Lake. Recovery costs include procurement of water for firefighting, restoration of water and sewer infrastructure, replacement of water meters, emergency sewer capping, and various other costs associated with wildfire recovery.

1        ~~((36))~~ (33) \$500,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide a  
3 grant to the Muckleshoot Indian tribe for high-speed charging  
4 stations for electric vehicles on highway 164 near Dogwood street.  
5 Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated  
6 prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved  
7 in the general election, this subsection is null and void upon the  
8 effective date of the measure.

9        ~~((37))~~ (34) \$150,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to the smart building  
11 center education program to develop a qualified energy manager  
12 training program. The program must be available on demand and at no  
13 cost to the owners and operators of all tier 2 buildings to assist in  
14 complying with Washington's clean buildings performance standards.  
15 Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated  
16 prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved  
17 in the general election, this subsection is null and void upon the  
18 effective date of the measure.

19        ~~((38))~~ (35) \$150,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
20 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to conduct up to three  
21 feasibility studies that will investigate the expansion of sewer heat  
22 recovery programs and pilots, within Washington state, to support  
23 decarbonization of the built environment. The feasibility studies  
24 will explore and review sewer heat recovery systems' potential  
25 benefits, implementation strategies, and necessary considerations to  
26 maximize decarbonization. The sites will be selected from the  
27 following: Decarbonization of a university campus district steam  
28 system, a rural community with agricultural and/or industrial focus,  
29 a tribal development, and/or another appropriate site. Funds provided  
30 in this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January  
31 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general  
32 election, this subsection is null and void upon the effective date of  
33 the measure.

34        ~~((39))~~ (36)(a) \$500,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
35 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to establish the  
36 Washington just and rapid transition climate tech program. The grant  
37 will provide funding for the recruitment, development, business  
38 training, and support of underserved climate technology innovators,  
39 entrepreneurs, and organizations developing or deploying solutions in



1 the areas of renewable energy, energy efficiency, sustainable  
2 transportation, and other technology solving for the environmental  
3 challenges facing overburdened communities in Washington.

4 (b) Activities may include supporting entrepreneurs in preparing  
5 for private investment; technical assistance for entrepreneurs  
6 receiving state directed federal equity and debt capital; assistance  
7 accessing or leveraging the use of federal funding; business coaching  
8 and mentoring; and connections to technical and business resources.

9 (c) The grant recipient must be a nonprofit organization that has  
10 been awarded, from the state of Washington, federal state small  
11 business credit initiative funds for investment in Washington climate  
12 tech entrepreneurs, and must also have experience managing investment  
13 funding and providing entrepreneurial support programs and federal  
14 funding assistance to early-stage climate start-ups and businesses  
15 based in Washington. The grant recipient should have experience  
16 providing services to individuals and companies led by individuals  
17 from underrepresented groups, including BIPOC, women, and individuals  
18 residing in rural communities and have working partnerships with  
19 state research universities, climate tech industry associations, and  
20 community-based organizations serving underserved communities.

21 (d) If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024  
22 general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from  
23 the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in  
24 this subsection.

25 ~~((40))~~ (37) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
26 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to provide  
27 a grant for a study on how other states regulate and permit  
28 agritourism and bring the advocates of interested groups together to  
29 resolve outstanding issues about permitting in agricultural areas,  
30 the sale of beer, wine, and cider, and the use of agricultural  
31 buildings for agritourism purposes. A report of the findings and  
32 recommendations must be submitted to the legislature in accordance  
33 with RCW 43.01.036 by June 30, 2025.

34 ~~((41))~~ (38) \$750,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
35 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to the city of  
36 Ellensburg for decarbonization planning and implementation. The  
37 funding must be used by the city for staff or contractors to develop  
38 and implement strategies to comply with the requirements of climate  
39 commitment act and decarbonize their natural gas utility. Funds  
40 provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to

January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, this subsection is null and void upon the effective date of the measure.

~~((42))~~ (39) \$199,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6039 (geothermal energy resources). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~ Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. ~~((If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse upon the effective date of the measure.))~~

~~((43))~~ (40) \$272,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2131 (thermal energy networks). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~ Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. ~~((If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse upon the effective date of the measure.))~~

~~(44))~~ (41) \$1,850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1899 (wildfire reconstruction). Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$1,700,000 is provided solely for grants. ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

~~(45))~~ (42)(a) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract with the Washington state academy of sciences to conduct a study to determine the value of distributed solar and storage in Washington state, including any factors the academy finds relevant, in order to create recommendations and options for a methodology or methodologies that utility regulators and governing bodies may use after the statutory four percent net metering threshold is met. In the course of their research and analysis, the academy shall engage relevant stakeholders focused on the value of distributed energy resources in Washington state, including solar, storage, vehicle to

grid, and other resources. This shall include, but is not limited to, representatives from consumer-owned utilities, municipal-owned utilities, investor-owned utilities, utility regulators, the rooftop solar and storage industry, as well as advocacy organizations involved with consumer advocacy, environmental justice, clean energy, climate change, labor unions, and federally recognized Indian tribes.

(b) The Washington state academy of sciences shall submit an interim report to the department and the utilities and transportation commission by June 30, 2025. This interim report must include a plan and cost estimates for further work in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium to develop policy recommendations and submit a final report to the department and the utilities and transportation commission.

~~((46))~~ (43) \$24,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1924 (fusion technology policies). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~ Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. ~~((If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse upon the effective date of the measure.))~~

**Sec. 1119.** 2024 c 376 s 131 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—PROGRAM SUPPORT**

|                                                                                |                           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .                            | \$24,818,000              |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .                            | <del>((22,062,000))</del> |
|                                                                                | <u>\$21,462,000</u>       |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$8,035,000               |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .                              | \$2,129,000               |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2024). . . . .           | \$5,000                   |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2025). . . . .           | \$7,000                   |
| Affordable Housing for All Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . .             | \$192,000                 |
| Building Code Council Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                     | \$4,000                   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                        | \$253,000                 |
| Community and Economic Development Fee Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . . | \$257,000                 |

|    |                                                               |                               |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1  | Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal                |                               |
| 2  | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$1,050,000                   |
| 3  | Economic Development Strategic Reserve Account—State          |                               |
| 4  | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$47,000                      |
| 5  | Energy Efficiency Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$19,000                      |
| 6  | Financial Fraud and Identity Theft Crimes                     |                               |
| 7  | Investigation and Prosecution Account—State                   |                               |
| 8  | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$47,000                      |
| 9  | Growth Management Planning and Environmental Review           |                               |
| 10 | Fund—State Appropriation. . . . .                             | \$146,000                     |
| 11 | Home Security Fund Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$1,449,000                   |
| 12 | Lead Paint Account—State Appropriation. . . . .               | \$31,000                      |
| 13 | Liquor Excise Tax Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$397,000                     |
| 14 | Liquor Revolving Account—State Appropriation. . . . .         | \$18,000                      |
| 15 | Low-Income Weatherization and Structural                      |                               |
| 16 | Rehabilitation Assistance Account—State                       |                               |
| 17 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$13,000                      |
| 18 | Public Facilities Construction Loan Revolving                 |                               |
| 19 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                          | \$330,000                     |
| 20 | Public Works Assistance Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | \$2,044,000                   |
| 21 | Washington Housing Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$1,198,000                   |
| 22 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                  | (( <del>\$64,551,000</del> )) |
| 23 |                                                               | <u>\$63,951,000</u>           |

24       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
25 conditions and limitations:

26       (1) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants and associated  
29 technical assistance and administrative costs to foster collaborative  
30 partnerships that expand child care capacity in communities. Eligible  
31 applicants include nonprofit organizations, school districts,  
32 educational service districts, and local governments. These funds may  
33 be expended only after the approval of the director of the department  
34 of commerce and must be used to support planning and activities that  
35 help communities address the shortage of child care, prioritizing  
36 partnerships serving in whole or in part areas identified as child  
37 care access deserts. The department must submit a report to the  
38 legislature on the use of funds by June 30, 2025. The report shall  
39 include, but is not limited to:

1 (a) The number and location of organizations, school districts,  
2 educational service districts, and local governments receiving  
3 grants;

4 (b) The number of grants issued and their size; and

5 (c) Any information from grantee organizations on outcomes.

6 (2) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
9 organization located in the city of Vancouver that is the lead  
10 organization in a collaborative partnership to expand child care  
11 capacity in southwest Washington, for activities that will increase  
12 access to affordable, high-quality child care and help meet community  
13 needs.

14 (3) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 is provided solely for the work group created in section  
16 916 of this act to examine fire service delivery.

17 (4)(a) \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 is provided solely for the department to produce a study of  
19 the retirement preparedness of Washington residents and the  
20 feasibility of establishing a portable individual retirement account  
21 savings program with automatic enrollment (auto-IRA) for private  
22 sector workers who do not have workplace retirement benefits. To  
23 conduct the study, the department shall enter into an agreement with  
24 a nonprofit, nonpartisan think tank and research center based in  
25 Washington, D.C. that is unaffiliated with any institution of higher  
26 education and with a mission to generate a foundation of facts that  
27 enriches the public dialog and supports sound decision making. This  
28 research center will be responsible for the production of the study  
29 to the department. The center shall not be reimbursed for costs nor  
30 shall it receive or retain any of the funds. With the advice and  
31 consent of the department, the center may select a research  
32 institution, entity, or individual located in Washington state with  
33 expertise and proficiency in demographic analysis, retirement  
34 systems, or retirement planning to collaborate with on this study.  
35 The appropriation may be used by the department to enter into a  
36 contract with this partner entity for the partner entity's  
37 contributions to the study. Any funds not provided to the partner  
38 entity or otherwise unused shall be returned.

1 (b) The study must analyze current state and federal programs and  
2 recent state and federal statutory and rule changes that encourage  
3 citizens to save for retirement by participating in retirement  
4 savings plans, including plans pursuant to sections 401(k), 403(b),  
5 408, 408(a), 408(k), 408(p), and 457(b) of the internal revenue code.  
6 The scope of the analysis must include:

7 (i) An examination of potential retirement savings options for  
8 self-employed individuals, part-time employees, and full-time  
9 employees whose employers do not offer a retirement savings plan;

10 (ii) Estimates of the impact on the state budget from shortfalls  
11 in retirement savings or income, including on public budgets from  
12 taxpayer-financed elderly assistance programs and a loss of economic  
13 activity by seniors;

14 (iii) The level of interest by private sector Washington  
15 employers in participating in an auto-IRA program;

16 (iv) A determination of how prepared financial institutions will  
17 be to offer these plans in compliance with federal requirements on  
18 all new retirement plans going into effect in 2025;

19 (v) Findings that clarify the gaps in retirement savings services  
20 currently offered by financial institutions;

21 (vi) An examination of the impact of retirement savings on income  
22 and wealth inequality;

23 (vii) An estimate of the costs to start up an auto-IRA program,  
24 an estimate of the time for the program to reach self-sufficiency,  
25 and potential funding options;

26 (viii) The experience of other states that have implemented or  
27 are implementing a similar auto-IRA program for employers and  
28 employees, as well as program impacts on the market for retirement  
29 plan products and services;

30 (ix) An evaluation of the feasibility and benefits of interstate  
31 partnerships and cooperative agreements with similar auto-IRA  
32 programs established in other jurisdictions, including contracting  
33 with another state to use that state's auto-IRA program, partnering  
34 with one or more states to create a joint auto-IRA program, or  
35 forming a consortium with one or more other states in which certain  
36 aspects of each state's auto-IRA program are combined for  
37 administrative convenience and efficiency;

38 (x) An assessment of potential changes in enrollment in a joint  
39 auto-IRA program if potential participants are concurrently enrolled  
40 in the federal "saver's credit" program;

1 (xi) An assessment of how a range of individuals or communities  
2 view wealth, as well as ways to accumulate assets;

3 (xii) The appropriate state agency and potential structure for  
4 implementing an auto-IRA program; and

5 (xiii) Recommendations for statutory changes or appropriations  
6 for establishing an auto-IRA program.

7 (c) By December 15, 2023, the department must submit a report to  
8 the appropriate committees of the legislature in compliance with RCW  
9 43.01.036 on the study findings.

10 (5) \$750,000 of the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund—  
11 federal appropriation is provided solely for a nonprofit, tax-exempt  
12 charitable organization comprised of a coalition of over 90 nonprofit  
13 and business leaders located in King county working to include black,  
14 indigenous, and people of color in the region's COVID-19 pandemic  
15 recovery.

16 (6) \$253,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
17 appropriation is provided solely for the department to incorporate  
18 equity and environmental justice into agency grant programs with the  
19 goal of reducing programmatic barriers to vulnerable populations in  
20 overburdened communities in accessing department funds. The  
21 department shall prioritize grant programs receiving funds from the  
22 accounts established under RCW 70A.65.240, 70A.65.250, 70A.65.260,  
23 70A.65.270, and 70A.65.280. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is  
24 approved in the 2024 general election, upon the effective date of the  
25 measure, funds from the consolidated climate account may not be used  
26 for the purposes in this subsection.

27 ~~(7) ((\$325,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
28 ~~year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract for and~~  
29 ~~implement a pilot program for onsite or near-site child care~~  
30 ~~facilities to serve children of construction workers. The pilot~~  
31 ~~program must be administered as a competitive grant program and~~  
32 ~~include at least one pilot site near a long-term construction~~  
33 ~~project, onsite at construction companies, or onsite at places of~~  
34 ~~apprenticeship training or worker dispatch. Eligible grant applicants~~  
35 ~~for the program may include nonprofit organizations or employers in~~  
36 ~~partnership with nonprofit organizations. To qualify for a grant, the~~  
37 ~~applicant must be in partnership with one organization representing~~  
38 ~~child care labor, and one organization representing construction~~  
39 ~~labor or a registered apprenticeship program. Preference will be~~

1 given to proposals that demonstrate commitment to providing  
2 nonstandard hours of care. Of the amounts provided in this  
3 subsection:

4 ~~(a) \$300,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
5 ~~year 2025 is for grants for the creation and implementation of the~~  
6 ~~pilot site or sites. Grant funding may be used to acquire, renovate,~~  
7 ~~or construct a child care facility, as well as for administrative~~  
8 ~~start-up costs, licensing costs, reporting to the department, and~~  
9 ~~creating a sustainability plan.~~

10 ~~(b) (i) \$25,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
11 ~~year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract with a~~  
12 ~~nonprofit organization to provide technical assistance to grant~~  
13 ~~awardees and for status reports to the department. The nonprofit~~  
14 ~~organization must be headquartered in Tukwila and provide grassroots~~  
15 ~~professional development opportunities to early care and education~~  
16 ~~professionals throughout Washington state.~~

17 ~~(ii) The department must submit a report on the results of the~~  
18 ~~pilot program to the legislature and the office of the governor by~~  
19 ~~June 30, 2025.~~

20 ~~(8)) (a) \$500,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
21 ~~fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to examine~~  
22 ~~allowable expenses and the contracting process of human service~~  
23 ~~provider contracts that have been directly contracted by the~~  
24 ~~department or have been contracted by an entity that received funding~~  
25 ~~by these departments for human services. The department may contract~~  
26 ~~with an external consultant to consult a work group and evaluate the~~  
27 ~~following issues:~~

28 (i) Assess if existing contracting structures for human service  
29 providers that utilize state funding are adequate for sustaining the  
30 human services sector;

31 (ii) Assess alternative contracting structures for human service  
32 providers that may exist within the United States;

33 (iii) Assess the viability of a lowest responsible bidder  
34 contracting structure for state human service providers contracts;

35 (iv) Facilitate discussion amongst interested parties; and

36 (v) Develop recommendations for necessary changes in state RCW or  
37 agency rule.



(b) The department or consultant must engage with and seek recommendations from a work group representing diverse organizations from around the state and whose membership may include:

- (i) Human service provider organizations;
- (ii) State government agencies that manage human service contracts;
- (iii) The office of equity; and
- (iv) Local governments.

~~((d))~~ (c) The department must submit a final report to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025. The final report must include:

- (i) An evaluation of existing contracting structures for human service provider contracts that utilize state funding are creating hardship for human service providers; and
- (ii) Recommendations for necessary changes in the Revised Code of Washington or agency rule to address structural hardships in human services contracting.

**Sec. 1120.** 2024 c 376 s 133 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

|                                                      |                           |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)           | \$20,390,000              |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)           | <del>(\$24,967,000)</del> |
|                                                      | <u>\$21,137,000</u>       |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                   | \$38,434,000              |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation             | \$3,943,000               |
| Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation       | \$811,000                 |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation       | <del>(\$5,985,000)</del>  |
|                                                      | <u>\$4,485,000</u>        |
| Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal       |                           |
| Appropriation                                        | \$656,000                 |
| Personnel Service Account—State Appropriation        | \$27,396,000              |
| Higher Education Personnel Services Account—State    |                           |
| Appropriation                                        | \$1,497,000               |
| Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line |                           |
| Account—State Appropriation                          | \$300,000                 |
| Statewide Information Technology System Development  |                           |
| Revolving Account—State Appropriation                | \$200,458,000             |
| Office of Financial Management Central Service       |                           |

Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$33,189,000  
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ((~~\$358,026,000~~))  
\$352,696,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) The student achievement council and all institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.92.030 and eligible for state financial aid programs under chapters 28B.92 and 28B.118 RCW shall ensure that data needed to analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of state financial aid programs are promptly transmitted to the education data center so that it is available and easily accessible. The data to be reported must include but not be limited to:

(i) The number of Washington college grant and college bound recipients;

(ii) Persistence and completion rates of Washington college grant recipients and college bound recipients, disaggregated by institution of higher education;

(iii) Washington college grant recipients grade point averages; and

(iv) Washington college grant and college bound scholarship program costs.

(b) The student achievement council shall submit student unit record data for state financial aid program applicants and recipients to the education data center.

(2)(a) \$200,312,000 of the information technology system development revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for the one Washington enterprise resource planning statewide program phase 1A (agency financial reporting system replacement) and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

(b) Of the amount provided in this subsection:

(i) \$64,780,000 of the information technology system development revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for a technology pool to pay for phase 1A (agency financial reporting system replacement—core financials) state agency costs due to legacy system remediation work associated with impacted financial systems and interfaces. The office of financial management must manage the pool, authorize funds, track costs by agency by fiscal month, and report after each fiscal month close on the agency spending to the

1 consolidated technology services agency so that the spending is  
2 included in the statewide dashboard actual spending;

3 (ii) \$5,650,000 of the information technology system development  
4 revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
5 organizational change management;

6 (iii) \$1,380,000 of the information technology system development  
7 revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for an  
8 interagency agreement with consolidated technology services for one  
9 dedicated information technology consultant and two dedicated system  
10 architect staff to be contracted from the office of the chief  
11 information officer. These staff will work with state agencies to  
12 ensure preparation and timely decommission of information technology  
13 systems that will no longer be necessary post implementation of phase  
14 1A (agency financial reporting system replacement—core financials);  
15 and

16 (iv) \$1,854,000 of the information technology system development  
17 revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
18 dedicated back office administrative support in fiscal year 2024.  
19 This includes resources for human resource staff, contract staff,  
20 information technology staff, and fiscal staff.

21 (c) The one Washington team must include at least the chair and  
22 ranking member of the technology committees and fiscal committees of  
23 the senate and house of representatives in system demonstrations of  
24 at least these key deliverables:

25 (i) Demonstration of integration build, which must be completed  
26 by July 31, 2023; and

27 (ii) Demonstration of workday tenant, which must be completed by  
28 November 30, 2023.

29 (d) The one Washington solution and team must use an agile  
30 development model holding live demonstrations of functioning  
31 software, developed using incremental user research, held at the end  
32 of two-week sprints.

33 (e) The one Washington solution must be capable of being  
34 continually updated, as necessary.

35 (f) Beginning July 1, 2023, the office of financial management  
36 shall provide written quarterly reports, within 30 calendar days of  
37 the end of each fiscal quarter, to legislative fiscal committees and  
38 the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee to  
39 include how funding was spent compared to the budget spending plan

1 for the prior quarter by fiscal month and what the ensuing quarter  
2 budget will be by fiscal month. All reporting must be separated by  
3 phase of one Washington subprojects. The written report must also  
4 include:

5 (i) A list of quantifiable deliverables accomplished and amount  
6 spent associated with each deliverable, by fiscal month;

7 (ii) A report on the contract full-time equivalent charged  
8 compared to the budget spending plan by month for each contracted  
9 vendor, to include interagency agreements with other state agencies,  
10 and what the ensuing contract equivalent budget spending plan assumes  
11 by fiscal month;

12 (iii) A report identifying each state agency that applied for and  
13 received technology pool resources, the staffing equivalent used, and  
14 the cost by fiscal month by agency compared to the budget spending  
15 plan by fiscal month;

16 (iv) A report on budget spending plan by fiscal month by phase  
17 compared to actual spending by fiscal month, and the projected  
18 spending plan by fiscal month for the ensuing quarter; and

19 (v) A report on current financial office performance metrics that  
20 at least 10 state agencies use, to include the monthly performance  
21 data, that began July 1, 2021.

22 (g) Prior to the expenditure of the amounts provided in this  
23 subsection, the director of the office of financial management must  
24 review and approve the spending in writing.

25 (h) The legislature intends to provide additional funding for  
26 fiscal year 2025 costs for phase 1A (agency financial reporting  
27 system replacement) to be completed, which is scheduled to be done by  
28 June 30, 2025.

29 (3) \$250,000 of the office of financial management central  
30 services account—state appropriation is provided solely for a  
31 dedicated information technology budget staff for the work associated  
32 with statewide information technology projects that at least are  
33 subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of  
34 section 701 of this act and are under the oversight of the office of  
35 the chief information officer. The staff will be responsible for  
36 providing a monthly financial report after each fiscal month close to  
37 fiscal staff of the senate ways and means and house appropriations  
38 committees to reflect at least:

39 (a) Fund balance of the information technology pool account after  
40 each fiscal month close;

1 (b) Amount by information technology project, differentiated if  
2 in the technology pool or the agency budget, of what funding has been  
3 approved to date and for the last fiscal month;

4 (c) Amount by agency of what funding has been approved to date  
5 and for the last fiscal month;

6 (d) Total amount approved to date, differentiated if in the  
7 technology pool or the agency budget, and for the last fiscal month;

8 (e) A projection for the information technology pool account by  
9 fiscal month through the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium close, and a  
10 calculation spent to date as a percentage of the total appropriation;

11 (f) A projection of each information technology project spending  
12 compared to budget spending plan by fiscal month through the  
13 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, and a calculation of amount spent to date  
14 as a percentage of total project cost; and

15 (g) A list of agencies and projects that have not yet applied for  
16 nor been approved for funding by the office of financial management.

17 (4) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
20 245, Laws of 2022 (state boards, etc./stipends).

21 (5) \$39,000 of the climate investment account—state appropriation  
22 is provided solely for the office of financial management to complete  
23 an analysis of laws regulating greenhouse gas emissions as required  
24 by RCW 70A.65.200(10).

25 (6) \$3,060,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
26 \$4,485,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation are  
27 provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill  
28 No. 1176 (climate-ready communities). A minimum of 60 percent of  
29 climate service corps positions created pursuant to the bill shall be  
30 provided to members of vulnerable populations in overburdened  
31 communities as defined in RCW 70A.65.010, the climate commitment act.

32 (7) \$366,000 of the office of financial management central  
33 services account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
34 implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5512 (higher  
35 ed. financial reports).

36 (8) Within existing resources, the labor relations section shall  
37 produce a report annually on workforce data and trends for the  
38 previous fiscal year. At a minimum, the report must include a  
39 workforce profile; information on employee compensation, including

1 salaries and cost of overtime; and information on retention,  
2 including average length of service and workforce turnover.

3 (9) \$298,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 is provided solely for the office of financial management  
5 to convene a task force created in section 913 of this act to  
6 identify, plan, and make recommendations on the conversion of the  
7 Naselle youth camp property and facilities to an alternate use. Staff  
8 support for the task force must be provided by the office of  
9 financial management.

10 (10) Within existing resources, the office of financial  
11 management shall convene a work group with the goal to improve the  
12 state salary survey and provide employees with a voice in the  
13 process. The work group shall consist of five employees from the  
14 office of financial management, five representatives from employee  
15 labor organizations to act as a coalition on behalf of all labor  
16 organizations representing state employees, and one chairperson  
17 appointed by the director of the office of financial management, to  
18 share information and identify concerns with the state salary survey  
19 and benchmark job descriptions. By December 31, 2023, the work group  
20 shall provide a report of identified concerns to the fiscal and state  
21 government committees of the legislature and the director of the  
22 office of financial management.

23 (11)(a) \$410,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2024 and \$615,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
25 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office to establish  
26 a difficult to discharge task force to oversee a pilot program and  
27 make recommendations about how to address challenges faced with  
28 discharging patients from acute care settings and postacute care  
29 capacity by July 1, 2023.

30 (b) The task force shall consist of six members, one from each of  
31 the following:

- 32 (i) The governor's office;
- 33 (ii) The health care authority;
- 34 (iii) The department of social and health services;
- 35 (iv) The Washington state hospital association;
- 36 (v) Harborview medical center; and
- 37 (vi) Postacute care provider organizations.

38 (c) In consultation with stakeholder groups, the governor's  
39 office will identify task force members.

(d) The task force shall provide recommendations to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature on topics including, but not limited to:

(i) Pilot program implementation and evaluation, and recommendations for statewide implementation;

(ii) Available funding mechanisms;

(iii) Postacute care and administrative day rates;

(iv) Managed care contracting; and

(v) Legal, regulatory, and administrative barriers to discharge.

(e) The task force shall consult with stakeholders with relevant expertise to inform recommendations, including the health care authority, the department of social and health services, hospitals, postacute care providers, and medicaid managed care organizations.

(f) The task force may assemble ad hoc subgroups of stakeholders as necessary to complete its work.

(g) The task force and its operations, including any associated ad hoc subgroups, shall be organized and facilitated by the University of Washington through October 31, 2023. Beginning November 1, 2023, the office shall identify a contractor to undertake the following responsibilities, with oversight from the task force:

(i) Organization and facilitation of the task force, including any associated subgroups;

(ii) Management of task force process to ensure deliverables, including report writing;

(iii) Oversight of the launch of a two-year pilot project based on a model created by Harborview medical center by November 1, 2023; and

(iv) Coordination of pilot implementation, associated reports, and deliverables.

(h) The task force shall provide recommendations to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature outlining its initial recommendations by November 1, 2023. A report outlining interim recommendations and findings shall be provided by July 1, 2024, and a final report shall be provided by July 1, 2025.

(12) \$277,000 of the office of financial management central services account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No. 1679 (student homelessness group).

(13) \$772,000 of the climate investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the office to develop a data portal and other materials and strategies to improve public and

community understanding of expenditures, funding opportunities, and grants, from climate commitment act accounts. The development of the data portal must be coordinated with the department of ecology and the expenditure tracking process described in section 302(13) of this act. "Climate commitment act accounts" means the carbon emissions reduction account created in RCW 70A.65.240, the climate commitment account created in RCW 70A.65.260, the natural climate solutions account created in RCW 70A.65.270, the climate investment account created in RCW 70A.65.250, the air quality and health disparities improvement account created in RCW 70A.65.280, the climate transit programs account created in RCW 46.68.500, and the climate active transportation account created in RCW 46.68.490.

(14)(a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a joint legislative and executive committee on behavioral health, with members as provided in this subsection:

(i) The president of the senate shall appoint three legislative members, including a chair of a senate committee that includes behavioral health within its jurisdiction and a member of the children and youth behavioral health work group;

(ii) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint three legislative members, including a chair of a house committee that includes behavioral health within its jurisdiction and a member of the children and youth behavioral health work group;

(iii) The governor or his or her designee;

(iv) The secretary of the department of social and health services or his or her designee;

(v) The director of the health care authority or his or her designee;

(vi) The insurance commissioner or his or her designee;

(vii) The secretary of the department of health or his or her designee; and

(viii) The secretary of the department of children, youth, and families or his or her designee;

(ix) Other agency directors or designees as necessary;

(x) Two individuals representing the interests of individuals living with behavioral health conditions; and

(xi) The chief executive officer of a Washington nonprofit corporation wholly controlled by the tribes and urban Indian



1 organizations in the state, or the commission delegate if applicable,  
2 or his or her designee.

3 (b) (i) The committee must convene by September 1, 2023, and shall  
4 meet at least quarterly. The committee member described in (a) (xi) of  
5 this subsection must be appointed or selected no later than June 1,  
6 2024. Cochairs shall be one legislative member selected by members of  
7 the committee at the first meeting and the representative of the  
8 governor's office. All meetings are open to the public.

9 (ii) The office of financial management shall contract or hire  
10 dedicated staff to facilitate and provide staff support to the  
11 nonlegislative members and for facilitation and project management  
12 support of the committee. Senate committee services and the house of  
13 representatives office of program research shall provide staff  
14 support to the legislative members of the committee. The contractor  
15 shall support the work of all members of the committee, legislative  
16 and nonlegislative.

17 (iii) Within existing appropriations, the cost of meetings must  
18 be paid jointly by the senate, house of representatives, and the  
19 office of financial management. Committee expenditures are subject to  
20 approval by the senate facilities and operations committee and the  
21 house of representatives executive rules committee, or their  
22 successor committees. Committee members may be reimbursed for travel  
23 expenses as authorized under RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060, and chapter  
24 44.04 RCW as appropriate.

25 (c) The purpose of the committee is to identify key strategic  
26 actions to improve access to behavioral health services, by  
27 conducting at least, but not limited to, the following tasks:

28 (i) Establishing a profile of Washington's current population and  
29 its behavioral health needs and a projection of population growth and  
30 anticipated need through 2028;

31 (ii) Establishing an inventory of existing and anticipated  
32 behavioral health services and supports for adults, children, and  
33 youth, including health care providers and facilities;

34 (iii) Assessing the areas of the current system where additional  
35 support is needed for Washington's current population;

36 (iv) Establishing an anticipated inventory of future services and  
37 supports that will be required to meet the behavioral health needs of  
38 the population in 2028 and beyond with a specific emphasis on  
39 prevention, early intervention, and home or community-based capacity

1 designed to reduce reliance on emergency, criminal legal, crisis, and  
2 involuntary services;

3 (v) Reviewing the integrated care initiative on access to timely  
4 and appropriate behavioral health services for individuals with acute  
5 behavioral health needs; and

6 (vi)(A) Developing a strategy of actions that the state may take  
7 to prepare for the future demographic trends in the population and  
8 building the necessary capacity to meet these demands, including but  
9 not limited to:

10 (I) Exploring the role that education, housing and homelessness  
11 response systems, the criminal legal system, primary health care, and  
12 insurance systems have in the identification and treatment of  
13 behavioral health issues;

14 (II) Evaluating behavioral health workforce demand and workforce  
15 education, training, and continuing education requirements; and

16 (III) Statutory and regulatory changes to promote the most  
17 efficient use of resources, such as simplifying administrative  
18 procedures, facilitating access to services and supports systems, and  
19 improving transitions between care settings.

20 (B) Strategies must:

21 (I) Be based on explicit and measurable actions;

22 (II) Identify what must be done, by whom, and by when to assure  
23 implementation;

24 (III) Estimate a cost to the party responsible for  
25 implementation;

26 (IV) Recommend specific fiscal strategies that rely predominately  
27 on state and federal funding;

28 (V) Include recommendations for needed and appropriate additional  
29 caseload forecasting for state-funded behavioral health services; and

30 (VI) Incorporate and reconcile, where necessary, recommendations  
31 from past and current behavioral health work groups created by the  
32 legislature and network adequacy standards established by the health  
33 care authority.

34 (d) The committee shall incorporate input from the office of the  
35 insurance commissioner, the caseload forecast council, the health  
36 care authority, and other appropriate entities with specialized  
37 knowledge of the needs and growth trends of the population and people  
38 with behavioral health issues. In the conduct of its business, the  
39 committee shall have access, upon request, to health-related data  
40 available to state agencies by statute, as allowed by state and

1 federal law. All requested data or other relevant information  
2 maintained by an agency shall be provided in a timely manner.

3 (e) The committee shall submit a sustainable five-year plan to  
4 substantially improve access to behavioral health for all Washington  
5 residents to the governor, the office of financial management, and  
6 the legislature by June 1, 2025.

7 (15) The office of financial management must report to and  
8 coordinate with the department of ecology to track expenditures from  
9 climate commitment act accounts, as defined and described in RCW  
10 70A.65.300 and section 302(13) of this act.

11 (16) \$300,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis  
12 response and suicide prevention line account—state appropriation is  
13 provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute  
14 House Bill No. 1134 (988 system).

15 (17) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2025 is provided solely for the purchase and distribution of  
17 accessible technology and devices to support the employment and  
18 reasonable accommodation for state employees with disabilities. The  
19 office may use funds to purchase accessible technology and devices or  
20 the office may provide funds to agencies that employ persons with a  
21 disability to purchase accessibility devices such as screen readers,  
22 large button/print equipment, magnifiers, accessibility software, and  
23 other equipment.

24 (18)(a) \$274,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of financial  
26 management to conduct an analysis of health care services for  
27 pregnancy-related health care, including preconception, prenatal,  
28 labor and delivery, and postpartum care. With regard to these types  
29 of services, the analysis shall include, but not be limited to:

30 (i) Access to services and disparities in access;

31 (ii) Cost;

32 (iii) Location and type of provider; and

33 (iv) Demographics of patients and providers.

34 (b) The office of financial management shall submit a report to  
35 the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
36 June 30, 2025. The report shall include the analysis in (a) of this  
37 subsection and must identify and represent the following information  
38 in both table and geographical map view:

1 (i) Community and hospital birth centers by name, city, and  
2 county;

3 (ii) Annual births by geographical location to include community  
4 and hospital birth center, if known;

5 (iii) Greatest gaps in service using data in this subsection.

6 (c) The report required in (b) of this subsection must also  
7 include any recommendations for how to fill the gaps in service  
8 identified in the data and any recommendations for future analysis.

9 (19) \$298,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2025 is provided solely for the office of financial management  
11 to convene a task force created in section 905 of this act to  
12 identify, plan, and make recommendations on the future use of the  
13 Larch corrections center property and facilities to an alternate use.  
14 Staff support for the task force must be provided by the office of  
15 financial management.

16 (20)(a) \$20,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$120,000)~~) \$140,000 of the general fund—state  
18 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office  
19 to contract with a third party to complete market research on  
20 incarcerated individual communication rates in the United States. The  
21 market research must include:

22 (i) Detail by state on the amount each state pays to the vendor  
23 contracted to provide communication service rates and rate structures  
24 for incarcerated individuals at discrete points of time to include,  
25 at least, January 1, 2024, January 1, 2020, and January 1, 2015 for,  
26 at least but not limited to:

27 (A) Voice communication;

28 (B) Video communication;

29 (C) Email communication; and

30 (D) Text messaging communication;

31 (ii) The amount families paid in total for a state's contracted  
32 telecom vendor each state fiscal year for at least fiscal years 2018,  
33 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023;

34 (iii) Comparative market research analysis on rate structures  
35 over time, how those rates compare to the telecommunication fees over  
36 the same time, and how the market is anticipated to change by  
37 calendar year from calendar year 2024 through calendar year 2030;

38 (iv) Analysis on how many states provide at least voice  
39 communication services or any other communication services free of

1 charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the  
2 communication and what calendar date that began; and

3 (v) Comparative analysis of any impacted rate structures, and at  
4 least those in (a)(i) of this subsection, before communication  
5 services are made free of charge to the person initiating and the  
6 person receiving the communication compared to the new negotiated  
7 rate structures, and at least those in (a)(i) of this subsection,  
8 after communication services are made free of charge to the person  
9 initiating and the person receiving the communication.

10 (b) The report must be submitted to the governor and the  
11 appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by  
12 December 31, 2024.

13 ~~(21) ((\$200,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
14 ~~fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of financial~~  
15 ~~management to evaluate the timeline and effectiveness of services~~  
16 ~~supporting agency requests to downsize, acquire, expand, or relocate~~  
17 ~~state facilities. The office, in collaboration with the department of~~  
18 ~~enterprise services, will contract with an independent entity for the~~  
19 ~~analysis and mapping of service delivery workflow and timeline, with~~  
20 ~~the goal of identifying gaps and opportunities to improve efficiency~~  
21 ~~by June 30, 2025. The contract is exempt from the competitive~~  
22 ~~procurement requirements in chapter 39.26 RCW. The report must be~~  
23 ~~submitted to the governor and the appropriate policy and fiscal~~  
24 ~~committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025.~~

25 ~~(23))~~ (a) \$140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2024 and \$210,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
27 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office, in  
28 coordination with the department of revenue, to conduct a study of  
29 costs to the state, whether actual spending or foregone revenue  
30 collections, related to nonprofit health care providers, facilities,  
31 and insurers.

32 (b) The study shall quantify the value of state and federal tax  
33 preferences, tax-preferred capital financing such as financing  
34 available through the Washington health care facilities authority,  
35 and other public reimbursement streams available to nonprofit health  
36 care providers, facilities, and insurers outside of payment for  
37 health care claims.

(c) The office must submit a report to the governor and the relevant policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by October 1, 2024.

~~((+24))~~ (22) (a) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of financial management to conduct a study of the future long-term uses of the Olympic heritage behavioral health campus. The study must assess the options for maximizing the facility's ability to receive federal matching funds for services provided while contributing to the health of the entire state behavioral health system based on community needs. The study must examine Washington behavioral health system trends, including demand and capacity for voluntary and involuntary behavioral health in-patient treatment, forecasted bed need and current and planned statewide capacity for civil and forensic state hospital populations, short-term civil commitment capacity trends, and trends in prosecutorial forensic referrals. The study must also consider area provider admittance and refusal rates. The study must include:

(i) An analysis on the types of services which could be provided at the property, including but not limited to:

(A) Voluntary behavioral health treatment services, including diversion, prediversion, and specialty services for people with co-occurring conditions including substance use disorders, intellectual or developmental disabilities, traumatic brain disorders, or dementia;

(B) Services for patients that are deemed not guilty by reason of insanity;

(C) Integrated service approaches that address medical, housing, vocational, and other needs of behaviorally disabled individuals with criminal legal involvement or likelihood of criminal legal involvement;

(D) Long-term involuntary treatment services for specialized populations such as those with developmental disabilities or dementia;

(E) Short-term involuntary treatment services;

(F) Long-term involuntary treatment services for civil conversion patients;

(G) Out-patient intensive behavioral health treatment including partial hospitalization and intensive outpatient care;

1 (H) Crisis response services; and

2 (I) Other services that will increase the state's ability to  
3 comply with requirements for providing timely admission of competency  
4 restoration patients into treatment beds;

5 (ii) Review of potential for additional capacity or services on  
6 the entirety of the property, including any capital improvements  
7 needed to expand services under the options described in (a)(i) of  
8 this subsection;

9 (iii) Identification and evaluation of strategies to obtain  
10 federal matching funding opportunities, specifically focusing on  
11 innovative medicaid framework adjustments and the consideration of  
12 necessary state plan amendments;

13 (iv) Estimated costs, required staffing and workforce  
14 availability for each of the recommended types of services if  
15 available; and

16 (v) Consideration of options for providers that can provide the  
17 different services recommended at the facility and an analysis on the  
18 cost differential and potential federal reimbursement for the  
19 different providers. The office of financial management may consider  
20 a variety of provider types or partners, including, but not limited  
21 to:

22 (A) Tribal or local governments;

23 (B) Acute care hospitals already providing similar care;

24 (C) Providers contracted by the health care authority; and

25 (D) State-operated options.

26 (b) The office of financial management shall consult with the  
27 University of Washington school of medicine, the health care  
28 authority, and the department of social and health services in  
29 developing and conducting the study.

30 (c) The office of financial management shall submit a report with  
31 its findings and recommendations to the governor and the appropriate  
32 policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025.

33 (d) The office of financial management may contract with one or  
34 more third parties and consult with other state entities to conduct  
35 the study. The contract is exempt from the competitive procurement  
36 requirements in chapter 39.26 RCW.

37 ~~((+25+))~~ (23) (a) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
38 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office to contract  
39 with a consultant to collect, review, and analyze data related to  
40 vehicular pursuits and to compile a report. The report must include

1 recommendations to the legislature on what data should be collected  
2 by law enforcement agencies throughout the state so that the  
3 legislature and other policymakers have consistent and uniform  
4 information necessary to evaluate policies on vehicular pursuits. The  
5 contractor must gather input from individuals and families with lived  
6 experience interacting with law enforcement, including Black,  
7 indigenous, and communities of color, and incorporate this  
8 information into the report and recommendations. The report must:

9 (i) Review available data on vehicular pursuits from those  
10 agencies accredited by the Washington association of sheriffs and  
11 police chiefs, and review a stratified sample of nonaccredited  
12 agencies for as many years as their data have been collected,  
13 including:

14 (A) The date, time, location, maximum speed, and duration of the  
15 incident;

16 (B) The reason for initiating a pursuit;

17 (C) Whether the pursuing officer sought authorization for the  
18 pursuit, or only gave notice of the pursuit, and whether  
19 authorization for the pursuit was granted;

20 (D) Whether a supervisor denied authorization for the pursuit and  
21 the reason for the denial;

22 (E) The number of vehicles and officers involved in the pursuit;

23 (F) The number of law enforcement agencies involved in the  
24 pursuit;

25 (G) Whether pursuit intervention techniques were employed, and if  
26 so, which ones;

27 (H) Whether the pursuit was terminated at any point, and if so,  
28 the reason for termination;

29 (I) The officer's perception of the age, gender, race, ethnicity,  
30 or applicable tribal affiliation of the driver and any passengers of  
31 the motor vehicle being pursued;

32 (J) Whether the pursuit resulted in no action, termination,  
33 apprehension, warning, citation, arrest and grounds for the arrest,  
34 or other action;

35 (K) Whether the pursuit resulted in any property damage, injury,  
36 or death, and to whom and what, including law enforcement, drivers,  
37 passengers, and bystanders;

38 (L) Copies of reports, annual or other frequencies, used for  
39 internal review of pursuit statistics; and



1 (M) Whether the law enforcement agency has a record-keeping  
2 system for pursuits, and if so, what that system is, how long it has  
3 been in place, and whether the system and the data collected has  
4 changed over time;

5 (ii) Provide recommendations on what data elements law  
6 enforcement agencies should collect, in relation to the list  
7 identified in (a)(i) of this subsection, and provide rationale for  
8 the recommendations;

9 (iii) Develop a protocol for data collection by law enforcement  
10 agencies and provide a statement regarding the use of such data and  
11 the purpose for its collection and analysis;

12 (iv) Make the data readily available to the public using standard  
13 open data protocols;

14 (v) Recommend an entity to collect and manage this data on a  
15 statewide basis;

16 (vi) Review existing statewide police data reporting systems,  
17 including:

18 (A) The national incident based reporting system program, which  
19 is for the federal uniform crime reporting program;

20 (B) The Washington technology solutions police traffic collision  
21 reporting system, which is used for both state systems and the  
22 federal fatality analysis reporting system; and

23 (C) The statewide use of force data program established in RCW  
24 10.118.030;

25 (vii) Assess the benefits and drawbacks of each of the existing  
26 systems in (a)(vi) of this subsection as a possible platform for  
27 collecting, reporting, and hosting pursuit open source downloadable  
28 data from agencies, and recommend whether any of these, or another  
29 system, would be most appropriate; and

30 (viii) Recommend any changes in state law to accomplish and  
31 facilitate the collection and analysis of the data, including whether  
32 to align or integrate the data collection with the use of force data  
33 under chapter 10.118 RCW.

34 (b) The report and recommendations are due to the governor and  
35 the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025.

36 ~~((26) \$500,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
37 ~~fiscal year 2025 and \$1,500,000 of the climate commitment account~~  
38 ~~state appropriation are provided solely for the office to build a~~  
39 ~~grant writing, tracking, and management database for state~~  
40 ~~acquisition of federal funds, and to support development of state~~

1 ~~strategies for successfully bringing specific types of federal~~  
2 ~~funding to Washington. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in~~  
3 ~~the 2024 general election, upon the effective date of the measure,~~  
4 ~~funds from the consolidated climate account may not be used for the~~  
5 ~~purposes of this subsection.~~

6 ~~(27))~~ (24) (a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
7 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of financial  
8 management to provide recommendations on the method and format for  
9 studying a transition to a department of housing. In developing the  
10 recommendations, previous efforts to establish new entities or  
11 programs should be considered, such as the office of equity task  
12 force, the social equity in cannabis task force, the blue ribbon  
13 commission on delivery of services to children and families, and  
14 methods used by other jurisdictions.

15 (b) The recommendations must include:

16 (i) Which entity should lead the study, such as an agency, a  
17 contractor, or a task force;

18 (ii) Which entities should consult and collaborate on the study,  
19 such as legislators, agencies, nonprofit organizations, businesses,  
20 and local jurisdictions;

21 (iii) Which programs across state agencies should be considered  
22 by the study for possible incorporation into a department of housing;

23 (iv) What housing types and financing structures should be  
24 identified and considered by the study;

25 (v) What gaps and barriers to establishing a department of  
26 housing should be identified and considered by the study; and

27 (vi) An estimate of the costs and possible timeline for the  
28 recommended method and format of the study.

29 (c) The recommendations are due to the governor and the  
30 appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by  
31 December 1, 2024.

32 (25) The general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 in  
33 this section reflects a reduction in funding for, but not limited to,  
34 contract costs to evaluate the timeline and effectiveness of services  
35 supporting agency requests to downsize, acquire, expand, or relocate  
36 state facilities, programmatic costs for the AmeriCorps equity fund,  
37 and general vacancies across the agency.

38 **Sec. 1121.** 2024 c 376 s 138 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
39 follows:

1 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS—OPERATIONS**

2 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . \$387,000  
3 Department of Retirement Systems Expense Account—  
4 State Appropriation. . . . . ((~~\$117,209,000~~))  
5 \$117,246,000  
6 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ((~~\$117,596,000~~))  
7 \$117,633,000

8 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
9 conditions and limitations:

10 (1) \$34,491,000 of the department of retirement systems expense  
11 account—state appropriation is provided solely for pension system  
12 modernization, and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
13 review requirements of section 701 of this act.

14 (2) \$143,000 of the department of retirement systems expense  
15 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
16 Substitute House Bill No. 1007 (military service credits).

17 (3) \$1,172,000 of the department of retirement systems expense  
18 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
19 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5538 (postretirement nursing).

20 (4) \$1,058,000 of the department of retirement systems expense  
21 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
22 Substitute House Bill No. 1056 (postretirement employment).

23 (5) \$199,000 of the department of retirement systems expense  
24 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
25 House Bill No. 1055 (public safety telecommunicators).

26 (6) \$536,000 of the department of retirement systems expense  
27 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
28 House Bill No. 1481 (tribal peace officers/LEOFF).

29 (7) \$116,000 of the department of retirement systems expense  
30 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
31 Substitute Senate Bill No. 6106 (DSHS workers/PSERS). (~~If the bill~~  
32 ~~is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
33 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

34 (8) \$265,000 of the department of retirement systems expense  
35 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
36 Substitute Senate Bill No. 6197 (LEOFF plan 2 provisions). (~~If the~~  
37 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
38 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

(9) \$36,000 of the department of retirement systems expense account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2014 (definition of a veteran). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(10) \$99,000 of the department of retirement systems expense account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5424 (flexible work/peace officers). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(11) \$37,000 of the department of retirement systems expense account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No. 1936 (retired employees/work). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1122.** 2024 c 376 s 139 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

|                                                              |                                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .          | \$358,141,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .          | <del>(( \$398,865,000 ))</del> |
|                                                              | <u>\$422,085,000</u>           |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | <del>(( \$895,000 ))</del>     |
|                                                              | <u>\$565,000</u>               |
| Timber Tax Distribution Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$8,136,000                    |
| Business License Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$19,886,000                   |
| Waste Reduction, Recycling, and Litter Control               |                                |
| Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                         | \$183,000                      |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State                 |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                       | \$127,000                      |
| Financial Services Regulation <del>((Account))</del>         |                                |
| <u>Nonappropriated Fund—State Appropriation. . . . .</u>     | <u>\$5,000,000</u>             |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                 | <del>(( \$791,233,000 ))</del> |
|                                                              | <u>\$814,123,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,669,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,661,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the implementation of chapter 196, Laws of 2021 (capital gains tax).

(2) \$181,639,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$221,768,000)~~) \$245,768,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 195, Laws of 2021 (working families tax exempt.). Of the total amounts provided in this subsection:

(a) \$16,639,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$15,768,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for administration of the working families tax exemption program; and

(b) \$165,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$206,000,000)~~) \$230,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for remittances under the working families tax exemption program.

(3) \$2,408,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$780,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$895,000)~~) \$565,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation are provided solely for the department to implement 2023 revenue legislation.

(4) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to develop an implementation plan for an online searchable database of all taxes and tax rates in the state for each taxing district. A report summarizing options, estimated costs, and timelines to implement each option must be submitted to the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2024. The implementation plan must include an array of options, including low cost options that may change the scope of the database. However, each low cost option must still provide ease of public access to state and local tax information that is currently difficult for the public to collect and efficiently navigate.

(5) \$19,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No. 1303 (property tax administration).

(6) \$3,639,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$3,582,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1477 (working families' tax credit).

1 (7) \$48,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
3 Substitute House Bill No. 1175 (petroleum storage tanks).

4 (8) \$31,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
6 Bill No. 5565 (tax and revenue laws).

7 (9)(a) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
9 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to  
10 research and analyze wealth taxes imposed in other countries and  
11 wealth tax legislation recently proposed by other states and the  
12 United States. At a minimum, the department must examine how existing  
13 and proposed wealth taxes are structured, compliance and  
14 administrative challenges of wealth taxes, best practices in the  
15 design and administration of wealth taxes, and potential data sources  
16 to aid the department in estimating the revenue impacts of future  
17 wealth tax proposals for this state or assisting the department in  
18 the administration of a wealth tax. As part of its examination and  
19 analysis, the department must seek to consult with relevant subject  
20 matter experts from within and outside of the United States.

21 (b) The department may contract with one or more institutions of  
22 higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016 for assistance in  
23 carrying out its obligations under this subsection.

24 (c) The department must submit a status report to the appropriate  
25 fiscal committees of the legislature by January 1, 2024, and a final  
26 report to the appropriate fiscal committees of the legislature by  
27 November 1, 2024. The final report must include the department's  
28 findings.

29 (10) \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
31 Bill No. 5448 (delivery of alcohol).

32 (11) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to study how to  
34 collect race and ethnicity information from organizations or entities  
35 that receive tax preferences, as defined in RCW 43.136.021.

36 (a) The department may contract with third parties and consult  
37 with other state entities to conduct all or any portion of the study.

38 (b) The department must submit a report to appropriate committees  
39 of the legislature by June 30, 2025. The report must include cost and

1 timeline estimates for collecting the race and ethnicity information.  
2 The department must consult with the office of equity to ensure that  
3 data collection is consistent with other efforts. The report must  
4 also include, but is not limited to, the following information:

5 (i) The cost and time required for the department to revise  
6 current reporting requirements to include race and ethnicity data;

7 (ii) The cost and time required for the department to incorporate  
8 the collection of race and ethnicity data into future reporting;

9 (iii) The cost and time required for the department to  
10 incorporate the collection of race and ethnicity data into its  
11 existing information technology systems;

12 (iv) Recommendations on any exclusions from the requirement to  
13 report race and ethnicity data; and

14 (v) Any statutory changes necessary to collect race and ethnicity  
15 data.

16 ~~(12) ((\$181,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
17 ~~fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to support the underground~~  
18 ~~economy task force created in section 906 of this act.~~

19 ~~(13))~~ \$274,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2024 and \$217,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
21 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to  
22 implement 2024 revenue legislation.

23 ~~((14))~~ (13) \$4,000 of the business license account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
25 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5897 (business license services). ~~((If the~~  
26 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
27 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~

28 ~~(15))~~ (14)(a) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
29 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to conduct  
30 a study and provide a report to the legislature on royalty receipts  
31 apportionment for local business taxes throughout the state. The  
32 study must:

33 (i) Examine how gross income derived as royalties from the  
34 granting of intangible rights in RCW 35.102.130 could be apportioned  
35 uniformly by local jurisdictions. The department must consider  
36 apportionment options described in RCW 82.04.462(3)(b) (i) through  
37 (vii) as well as other options; and

38 (ii) Identify issues surrounding the definition of "customer" as  
39 applied to royalties and payments made or received for the use of the

taxpayer's intangible property in RCW 35.102.130, and how it could be brought into conformity with the definition in RCW 82.04.462(3)(b)(viii) and applied uniformly throughout the state.

(b) The study must document and evaluate the approaches to apportionment of royalties that have been adopted in other states and examine the administrative feasibility of applying interstate apportionment methodologies to local business taxes. The department must submit a report on the study and any findings and recommendations to the governor and the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by December 31, 2024.

~~((16))~~ (15) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to conduct outreach activities for the working families' tax credit established in RCW 82.08.0206, including but not limited to grants for community-based organizations to conduct outreach activities, marketing activities, and establishing a mobile unit.

**Sec. 1123.** 2024 c 376 s 141 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE OFFICE OF MINORITY AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES**

|                                                    |                               |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)         | \$3,837,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)         | <del>(( \$6,382,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                    | <u>\$4,882,000</u>            |
| Minority and Women's Business Enterprises Account— |                               |
| State Appropriation                                | \$6,113,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                | <del>(( \$16,332,000 ))</del> |
|                                                    | <u>\$14,832,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The office of minority and women's business enterprises shall consult with the Washington state office of equity on the Washington state toolkit for equity in public spending.

(2) \$540,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$529,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5268 (public works procurement).

(3) \$151,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$151,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a policy analyst position.



(4) \$941,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office to expand its outreach and communications department.

**Sec. 1124.** 2024 c 376 s 142 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER**

|                                                   |                               |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .       | (( <del>\$4,723,000</del> ))  |
|                                                   | <u>\$5,736,000</u>            |
| Insurance Commissioner's Regulatory Account—State |                               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                            | \$82,830,000                  |
| Insurance Commissioner's Fraud Account—State      |                               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                            | \$4,284,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                      | (( <del>\$91,837,000</del> )) |
|                                                   | <u>\$92,850,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$52,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5242 (abortion cost sharing).

(2) \$63,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No. 1120 (annuity transactions).

(3) \$72,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5036 (audio-only telemedicine).

(4) \$55,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5300 (behavioral health continuity).

(5) \$19,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5189 (behavioral health support).

(6) \$52,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5396 (breast exam cost sharing).

(7) \$260,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 87, Laws of 2023 (SSB 5338).

1 (8) \$1,206,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account  
2 —state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate  
3 Bill No. 5066 (health care benefit managers).

4 (9) \$9,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
6 16, Laws of 2023 (SSB 5729).

7 (10) \$272,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
8 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
9 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5581 (maternal support services).

10 (11) \$237,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
11 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
12 42, Laws of 2023 (SB 5319).

13 (12) \$25,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
14 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
15 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5720 (risk mitigation).

16 (13)(a) \$700,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory  
17 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner,  
18 in collaboration with the office of the attorney general, to study  
19 approaches to improve health care affordability including, but not  
20 limited to:

21 (i) Health provider price or rate regulation policies or  
22 programs, other than traditional health plan rate review, in use or  
23 under consideration in other states to increase affordability for  
24 health insurance purchasers and enrollees. At a minimum, this shall  
25 include:

26 (A) Analysis of payment rate or payment rate increase caps and  
27 reference pricing strategies;

28 (B) Analysis of research or other findings related to the  
29 outcomes of the policy or program, including experience in other  
30 states;

31 (C) A preliminary analysis of the regulatory authority and  
32 administrative capacity necessary to implement each policy or program  
33 reviewed in Washington state;

34 (D) Analysis of such approaches used in Washington state,  
35 including but not limited to the operation of the hospital  
36 commission, formerly established under chapter 70.39 RCW; and

37 (E) A feasibility analysis of implementing a global hospital  
38 budget strategy in one or more counties or regions in Washington

1 state, including potential impacts on spending and access to health  
2 care services if such a strategy were adopted;

3 (ii) Regulatory approaches in use or under consideration by other  
4 states to address any anticompetitive impacts of horizontal  
5 consolidation and vertical integration in the health care marketplace  
6 to supplement federal antitrust law. At a minimum, this regulatory  
7 review shall include:

8 (A) Analysis of research, case law, or other findings related to  
9 the outcomes of the state's activities to encourage competition,  
10 including implementation experience;

11 (B) A preliminary analysis of regulatory authority and  
12 administrative capacity necessary to implement each policy or program  
13 reviewed in Washington state; and

14 (C) Analysis of recent health care consolidation and vertical  
15 consolidation activity in Washington state, to the extent information  
16 is available;

17 (iii) Recommended actions based on other state approaches and  
18 Washington data, if any; and

19 (iv) Additional related areas of data or study needed, if any.

20 (b) The office of the insurance commissioner or office of the  
21 attorney general may contract with third parties and consult with  
22 other state entities to conduct all or any portion of the study.

23 (c) The office of the insurance commissioner and office of the  
24 attorney general shall submit a preliminary report to the relevant  
25 policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by December 1, 2023,  
26 and a final report by August 1, 2024.

27 (14) \$190,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
28 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
29 27, Laws of 2023 (SHB 1266).

30 (15) \$66,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
31 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
32 Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1222 (hearing instruments  
33 coverage).

34 (16) \$25,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
35 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
36 21, Laws of 2023 (HB 1061).

37 (17) \$14,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
38 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
39 Substitute House Bill No. 1060 (mutual insurer reorg.).

1 (18) \$132,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
3 Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1357 (prior  
4 authorization).

5 (19)(a) \$50,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory  
6 account—state appropriation is provided solely for an analysis of how  
7 health plans define, cover, and reimburse for maternity care  
8 services, including prenatal, delivery, and postpartum care. The  
9 commissioner shall:

10 (i) Obtain necessary information regarding health plans offered  
11 by carriers with more than one percent accident and health market  
12 share based upon the commissioner's most recent annual market  
13 information report and health plans offered to public employees under  
14 chapter 41.05 RCW to evaluate:

15 (A) How health plan benefit designs define maternity care  
16 services;

17 (B) Whether and to what extent maternity care services are  
18 subject to deductibles and other cost-sharing requirements;

19 (C) Which maternity care services are considered preventive  
20 services under section 2713 of the federal public health service act  
21 and are therefore exempt from cost sharing;

22 (D) The five most used maternity care reimbursement methodologies  
23 used by each carrier; and

24 (E) With respect to reimbursement methodologies that bundle  
25 payment for maternity care services, which specific services are  
26 included in the bundled payment;

27 (ii) Estimate the total and per member per month impact on health  
28 plan rates of eliminating cost sharing for maternity care services in  
29 full, or for prenatal care only, for the following markets:

30 (A) Individual health plans other than Cascade select plans;

31 (B) Cascade select health plans;

32 (C) Small group health plans;

33 (D) Large group health plans;

34 (E) Health plans offered to public employees under chapter 41.05  
35 RCW; and

36 (F) All health plans in the aggregate; and

37 (iii) Submit a report on the findings and cost estimate to the  
38 appropriate committees of the legislature by July 1, 2024.

39 (b) The commissioner may contract for all or a portion of the  
40 analysis required in this subsection.

1 (20) \$86,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate  
3 Bill No. 5821 (audio-only telemedicine). (~~If the bill is not enacted~~  
4 ~~by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall~~  
5 ~~lapse.~~)

6 (21) \$549,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
7 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
8 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5986 (out-of-network health costs). (~~If~~  
9 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
10 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~)

11 (22) \$228,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
12 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
13 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5936 (palliative care work group). (~~If~~  
14 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
15 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~)

16 (23) \$195,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
17 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
18 Substitute Senate Bill No. 6228 (substance use treatment). (~~If the~~  
19 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
20 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~)

21 (24) \$175,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
22 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
23 Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5213 (health care benefit  
24 managers). (~~If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount~~  
25 ~~provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~)

26 (25) \$12,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
27 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
28 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6127 (HIV prophylaxis). (~~If the~~  
29 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
30 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~)

31 (26) \$578,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—  
32 state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner to  
33 continue its work on behavioral health parity compliance,  
34 enforcement, and provider network oversight. The commissioner may use  
35 internal staff and contracted experts to oversee provider directories  
36 and evaluate consumer access to services for mental health and  
37 substance use disorders in state-regulated individual, small group,  
38 and large group health plans.

(27)(a) \$250,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner, in consultation with the department of social and health services and the health care authority, to submit to the relevant policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025, a feasibility analysis of expanding or modifying the program described in section 204(48) of this act to include additional groups of essential workers whose employers receive significant public funding to provide direct services to vulnerable populations, including but not limited to behavioral health services, housing and homelessness services, and child care workers. The evaluation must consider:

(i) Current sources, benefits, and costs of health care coverage for these essential workers including but not limited to employer-sponsored coverage, medicaid, and individual health plans purchased through the health benefit exchange;

(ii) Policy options to increase health care benefit funding to employers of these essential workers, including maximizing nongeneral fund state sources while ensuring costs are not shifted to employees;

(iii) The appropriate structure and oversight of the newly established health benefits fund, including the use of fully insured health coverage, a self-funded multiemployer welfare arrangement, the health benefit exchange, or another entity to offer health benefits comparable to the platinum metal level under the affordable care act, and meet defined plan design, consumer protection, and solvency requirements.

(b) The commissioner must consult with interested organizations and may establish subgroups to conduct this work based on distinct industries of different essential workers.

(c) The commissioner may contract with third parties and consult with other state entities to conduct all or any portion of the study, including actuarial analysis.

(28)(a) \$400,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner to convene and chair an adult family home liability insurance work group. The work group shall consist of members with a representative from, but not limited to:

(i) The office of the attorney general;

(ii) The office of the governor;

(iii) The adult family home industry;

(iv) The Washington state long-term care ombudsman;

1 (v) The department of social and health services' aging and long-  
2 term support administration's residential care services;

3 (~~((v))~~) (vi) The department of social and health services' aging  
4 and long-term support administration's home and community services;

5 (~~((vi))~~) (vii) The department of social and health service's  
6 aging and long-term support administration's developmental disability  
7 administration;

8 (~~((vii))~~) (viii) Insurance producers;

9 (~~((viii))~~) (ix) Insurance underwriters;

10 (~~((ix))~~) (x) The Washington surplus line association;

11 (~~((x))~~) (xi) Risk retention groups; and

12 (~~((xi))~~) (xii) Other state agency representatives or stakeholder  
13 group representatives, as deemed necessary.

14 (b) The work group shall:

15 (i) Review the availability and cost of liability insurance for  
16 adult family homes;

17 (ii) Identify obstacles to adult family homes access to liability  
18 insurance including underwriting restrictions, market conditions, as  
19 well as legal and regulatory requirements;

20 (iii) Evaluate the financial risk to adult family homes, their  
21 residents, the state medicaid program, and others that exist as a  
22 result of the increased cost of insurance, or in the event adult  
23 family homes are uninsured due to a lack of access to coverage; and

24 (iv) Make policy recommendations to improve access to liability  
25 insurance coverage for adult family homes.

26 (c) The work group must submit a preliminary report to the  
27 relevant policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by December  
28 31, 2024, and a final report by June 30, 2025, with review findings,  
29 recommendations, and data on claims experience, costing, and policy  
30 or budget underwriting restrictions related to liability policies  
31 covering adult family homes.

32 (d) The commissioner shall collect the information required from  
33 entities transacting insurance with adult family home providers. Any  
34 identified authorized insurers, unauthorized insurers, and risk  
35 retention groups are required to provide the requested information to  
36 the commissioner.

37 (e) The commissioner may contract with a vendor to conduct an  
38 actuarial analysis if necessary to facilitate the development of  
39 recommendations concerning liability insurance in adult family homes.

1       (29)(a) \$350,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory  
2 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the commissioner  
3 to study approaches to increasing the availability of health care  
4 malpractice liability coverage or other liability protection options  
5 for community-based health care providers delivering transition of  
6 care services to incarcerated individuals. The commissioner must  
7 provide an initial report to the office of financial management and  
8 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31, 2024. The  
9 study must include:

10       (i) A review of the state's commitments to facilitating safe  
11 transitions of care for incarcerated individuals through medicaid  
12 coverage of health services under the 2023 medicaid transformation  
13 waiver;

14       (ii) An analysis of the barriers to accessing liability coverage  
15 for community-based health care providers on the private market;

16       (iii) An actuarial analysis of the potential risk to be incurred  
17 by providing health care malpractice liability coverage for  
18 transition of care services to individuals who are incarcerated and  
19 near release; and

20       (iv) Policy options and recommendations, if any, for  
21 consideration by the legislature regarding provision of or increasing  
22 the availability of health care malpractice liability coverage or  
23 other liability protection options for community-based health care  
24 providers delivering these services.

25       (b) In conducting this study, the commissioner shall convene  
26 interested organizations including but not limited to representatives  
27 of:

28       (i) The office of the attorney general;

29       (ii) The health care authority;

30       (iii) The department of corrections;

31       (iv) The department of enterprise services' office of risk  
32 management;

33       (v) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs;

34       (vi) Local governments;

35       (vii) Medical malpractice liability underwriters; and

36       (viii) Community-based health care providers, including but not  
37 limited to representatives of federally qualified health centers and  
38 providers of health care services in incarceration settings.



(c) The commissioner may contract for actuarial or other analysis if necessary to facilitate development of the study or policy options.

(30) \$315,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 2329 (insurance market/housing). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(31) \$49,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1957 (preventive service coverage). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(32) \$84,000 of the insurance commissioner's regulatory account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5798 (insurance notices). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

**Sec. 1125.** 2024 c 376 s 144 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE LIQUOR AND CANNABIS BOARD**

|                                                             |                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)                  | \$2,501,000                |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)                  | <del>(\$1,545,000)</del>   |
|                                                             | <u>\$1,095,000</u>         |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                          | \$3,187,000                |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                    | \$75,000                   |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2024) | \$13,481,000               |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2025) | \$14,055,000               |
| Liquor Revolving Account—State Appropriation                | <del>(\$126,281,000)</del> |
|                                                             | <u>\$112,331,000</u>       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                         | <del>(\$161,125,000)</del> |
|                                                             | <u>\$146,725,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The liquor and cannabis board may require electronic payment of the cannabis excise tax levied by RCW 69.50.535. The liquor and

1 cannabis board may allow a waiver to the electronic payment  
2 requirement for good cause as provided by rule.

3 (2) Of the liquor revolving account—state appropriation,  
4 (~~(\$35,278,000)~~) \$22,528,000 is provided solely for the modernization  
5 of regulatory systems and are subject to the conditions, limitations,  
6 and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

7 (3) \$1,526,000 of the liquor revolving account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
9 Senate Bill No. 5448 (delivery of alcohol).

10 (4) \$42,000 of the dedicated cannabis account—state appropriation  
11 for fiscal year 2024 and \$42,000 of the dedicated cannabis account—  
12 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
13 implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263  
14 (psilocybin).

15 (5) \$250,000 of the dedicated cannabis account—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$159,000 of the dedicated  
17 cannabis account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are  
18 provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute  
19 Senate Bill No. 5367 (products containing THC).

20 (6) \$1,622,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024, \$357,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025, \$2,255,000 of the dedicated cannabis account—state  
23 appropriation for fiscal year 2024, and \$1,463,000 of the dedicated  
24 cannabis account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are  
25 provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute  
26 Senate Bill No. 5080 (cannabis social equity).

27 (7) \$35,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 is provided solely for the liquor and cannabis board to  
29 conduct an agency analysis of commercial tobacco and vaping  
30 enforcement actions from fiscal year 2018 through fiscal year 2022  
31 involving youth under the age of 18. This analysis shall be submitted  
32 to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2023,  
33 and must include:

34 (a) The total number of such interactions by fiscal year;

35 (b) Information on the nature of those interactions;

36 (c) How many interactions convert to administrative violation  
37 notices (AVNs);

38 (d) How many of those interactions and AVNs convert to retailer  
39 education and violations; and

1 (e) Descriptions of training for liquor and cannabis board  
2 officers, and the number of officers trained on interacting with  
3 youth, particularly LGBTQ youth and youth of color.

4 (8) \$4,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
6 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5365 (vapor and tobacco/minors).

7 (9) \$225,000 of the liquor revolving account—state appropriation  
8 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House  
9 Bill No. 1731 (short-term rentals/liquor).

10 (10) \$99,000 of the liquor revolving account—state appropriation  
11 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate  
12 Bill No. 6105 (adult entertainment workers). ~~((If the bill is not  
13 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
14 shall lapse.))~~

15 (11) \$245,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
17 Bill No. 5376 (cannabis waste). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June  
18 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

19 (12) \$63,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
21 House Bill No. 2320 (high THC cannabis products). ~~((If the bill is  
22 not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
23 shall lapse.))~~

24 (13) \$136,000 of the liquor revolving account—state appropriation  
25 is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No. 2204  
26 (emergency liquor permits). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
27 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

28 (14) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024 and \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
31 House Bill No. 1453 (medical cannabis/tax). ~~((If the bill is not  
32 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection  
33 shall lapse.))~~

34 (15) \$75,000 of the liquor revolving account—state appropriation  
35 is provided solely for reviewing all the Washington Administrative  
36 Code provisions promulgated by the board for potentially  
37 discriminatory language or interpretation that may highlight personal  
38 bias. The board must issue a report to the legislature on its  
39 findings by September 30, 2024.

**Sec. 1126.** 2024 c 376 s 146 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT**

|                                                   |                                  |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)        | \$16,720,000                     |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)        | <del>(( \$19,489,000 ))</del>    |
|                                                   | <u>\$18,169,000</u>              |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                | \$146,290,000                    |
| 911 Account—State Appropriation                   | \$54,306,000                     |
| Disaster Response Account—State Appropriation     | <del>(( \$62,179,000 ))</del>    |
|                                                   | <u>\$80,762,000</u>              |
| Disaster Response Account—Federal Appropriation   | <del>(( \$1,905,453,000 ))</del> |
|                                                   | <u>\$812,062,000</u>             |
| Military Department Rent and Lease Account—State  |                                  |
| Appropriation                                     | \$1,009,000                      |
| Military Department Active State Service Account— |                                  |
| State Appropriation                               | \$400,000                        |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State           |                                  |
| Appropriation                                     | \$113,000                        |
| Oil Spill Prevention Account—State Appropriation  | \$1,040,000                      |
| Worker and Community Right to Know Fund—State     |                                  |
| Appropriation                                     | \$2,041,000                      |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                               | <del>(( \$2,209,040,000 ))</del> |
|                                                   | <u>\$1,132,912,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The military department shall submit a report to the office of financial management and the legislative fiscal committees by February 1st and October 31st of each year detailing information on the disaster response account, including: (a) The amount and type of deposits into the account; (b) the current available fund balance as of the reporting date; and (c) the projected fund balance at the end of the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium based on current revenue and expenditure patterns.

(2) \$40,000,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is provided solely for homeland security, subject to the following conditions: Any communications equipment purchased by local jurisdictions or state agencies shall be consistent with standards set by the Washington state interoperability executive committee.

1 (3) \$11,000,000 of the 911 account—state appropriation is  
2 provided solely for financial assistance to counties.

3 (4) \$784,000 of the disaster response account—state appropriation  
4 is provided solely for fire suppression training, equipment, and  
5 supporting costs to national guard soldiers and airmen.

6 (5) \$876,000 of the disaster response account—state appropriation  
7 is provided solely for a dedicated access and functional needs  
8 program manager, access and functional need services, and a dedicated  
9 tribal liaison to assist with disaster preparedness and response.

10 (6) \$136,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$132,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
13 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5518 (cybersecurity).

14 (7) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide a  
17 grant to Whatcom county for disaster relief and recovery activities  
18 in response to the November 2021 flooding and mudslides  
19 presidentially-declared disaster.

20 (8) \$625,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$625,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
23 Substitute House Bill No. 1728 (statewide resiliency program).

24 (9) \$113,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
26 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1170 (climate response strategy).

27 (10)(a) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to administer  
29 grants to local governments and federally recognized tribes for costs  
30 to respond to community needs during periods of extremely hot or cold  
31 weather or in situations of severe poor air quality from wildfire  
32 smoke.

33 (b) To qualify for a grant under (a) of this subsection, a local  
34 government or federally recognized tribe must:

35 (i) Be located in a geographic area where vulnerable populations  
36 face combined, multiple environmental harms and health impacts, as  
37 determined by the department;

38 (ii) Have demonstrated a lack of local resources to address  
39 community needs; and

1 (iii) Have incurred eligible costs as described in (c) of this  
2 subsection for the benefit of vulnerable populations.

3 (c) Costs eligible for reimbursement under (a) of this subsection  
4 include:

5 (i) Establishing and operating warming and cooling centers,  
6 including rental of equipment, purchase of supplies and water,  
7 staffing, and other associated costs;

8 (ii) Transporting individuals and their pets to warming and  
9 cooling centers;

10 (iii) Purchasing fans or other supplies needed for cooling of  
11 congregate living settings;

12 (iv) Providing emergency temporary housing such as rental of a  
13 hotel or convention center;

14 (v) Retrofitting or establishing facilities within warming and  
15 cooling centers that are pet friendly in order to permit individuals  
16 to evacuate with their pets; and

17 (vi) Other activities necessary for life safety during a period  
18 of extremely hot or cold weather or in situations of severe poor air  
19 quality from wildfire smoke, as determined by the department.

20 (11) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
21 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
22 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
23 302(13) of this act.

24 ~~(12) ((\$23,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
25 ~~year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate~~  
26 ~~Bill No. 5803 (national guard recruitment). If the bill is not~~  
27 ~~enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
28 ~~shall lapse.~~

29 ~~(13))~~ \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
31 House Bill No. 2020 (public infra. assistance prg.). ~~((If the bill is~~  
32 ~~not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
33 ~~shall lapse.~~

34 ~~(14) \$1,500,000))~~ (13) \$1,080,000 of the general fund—state  
35 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for  
36 implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1012 (extreme weather  
37 events). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount~~  
38 ~~provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

1       ~~(15))~~ (14) (a) (~~(\$361,000)~~) \$86,000 of the general fund—state  
2 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the  
3 department to conduct a study regarding statewide building code and  
4 construction standards pertaining to earthquake and tsunami  
5 resilience as well as recommendations for functional recovery of  
6 buildings and critical infrastructure directly following an  
7 earthquake. In conducting the study, the department must request  
8 input from the state building code council and representatives of  
9 appropriate public and private sector entities. The department may  
10 contract for all or a portion of the study. The study must, at a  
11 minimum, include an assessment of:

12       (i) Functional recovery building code standards that are being  
13 developed at the federal level, have been proposed or adopted in  
14 other countries, states, or local jurisdictions with a high risk of  
15 earthquakes, or are developed by public or private organizations with  
16 expertise in earthquake performance standards and safety;

17       (ii) The levels of functional recovery supported by current state  
18 and local building and construction codes;

19       (iii) The objectives, feasibility, necessary measures, and  
20 estimated costs of adopting and implementing statewide functional  
21 recovery building code standards, and how this assessment is impacted  
22 by whether the standards:

23       (A) Are mandatory or voluntary;

24       (B) Apply to only certain types of structures and infrastructure  
25 or prioritize certain types of structures and infrastructure;

26       (C) Apply to existing structures and infrastructure in addition  
27 to new construction;

28       (D) Are intended to apply to only specific seismic hazard levels;  
29 or

30       (E) Include nonstructural components as well as structural  
31 systems;

32       (iv) How statewide standards for functional recovery would fit  
33 into an all hazards approach for state emergency response and  
34 recovery;

35       (v) Funding opportunities that provide for the coordination of  
36 state and federal funds for the purposes of improving the state's  
37 preparedness for functional recovery following a significant  
38 earthquake or tsunami; and

39       (vi) Equity considerations for the development of statewide  
40 building code standards for functional recovery.

(b) The department must submit a preliminary report with interim findings to the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 1, 2025. The department must submit a final report summarizing the study's findings and including policy recommendations relating to statewide building code standards for functional recovery to the appropriate committees of the legislature by May 1, 2026. It is the intent of the legislature to provide funding to complete the final report in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

**Sec. 1127.** 2024 c 376 s 149 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE BOARD FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS**

Volunteer Firefighters' and Reserve Officers'

|                                                   |                              |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Administrative Account—State Appropriation. . . . | (( <del>\$3,679,000</del> )) |
|                                                   | <u>\$4,329,000</u>           |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                      | (( <del>\$3,679,000</del> )) |
|                                                   | <u>\$4,329,000</u>           |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) ((~~\$2,403,000~~)) \$3,103,000 of the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' administrative account—state appropriation is provided solely for a benefits management system, and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

(2) \$91,000 of the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' administrative account—state appropriation is provided solely for contracting for small agency budget and accounting services with the department of enterprise services.

(3) \$50,000 of the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' administrative account—state appropriation is provided solely for the board to conduct a study on the extension of duty-related occupational disease presumptions to participants in the volunteer firefighters' relief and pension system. The study must examine the presumptions in RCW 51.32.185, and report to the fiscal committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025, on the prevalence of these conditions among volunteer firefighters, and the fiscal impact of extending additional relief and pension benefits to participants.



**Sec. 1128.** 2024 c 376 s 150 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE FORENSIC INVESTIGATION COUNCIL**

|                                                         |                            |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Death Investigations Account—State Appropriation. . . . | (( <del>\$821,000</del> )) |
|                                                         | <u>\$836,000</u>           |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                            | (( <del>\$821,000</del> )) |
|                                                         | <u>\$836,000</u>           |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) \$250,000 of the death investigations account—state appropriation is provided solely for providing financial assistance to local jurisdictions in multiple death investigations. The forensic investigation council shall develop criteria for awarding these funds for multiple death investigations involving an unanticipated, extraordinary, and catastrophic event or those involving multiple jurisdictions.

(b) Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$30,000 of the death investigations account—state appropriation is provided solely for the Adams county crime lab to investigate a double homicide that occurred in fiscal year 2021.

(2) \$210,000 of the death investigations account—state appropriation is provided solely for providing financial assistance to local jurisdictions in identifying human remains.

(3) Within the amount appropriated in this section, the forensic investigation council may enter into an interagency agreement with the department of enterprise services for the department to provide services related to public records requests, to include responding to, or assisting the council in responding to, public disclosure requests received by the council.

**Sec. 1129.** 2024 c 376 s 153 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE CONSOLIDATED TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AGENCY**

|                                                          |                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .      | \$7,623,000                    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .      | (( <del>\$30,310,000</del> ))  |
|                                                          | <u>\$6,278,000</u>             |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .              | (( <del>\$134,292,000</del> )) |
|                                                          | <u>\$2,777,000</u>             |
| (( <del>Consolidated Technology Services Revolving</del> |                                |

|   |                                                           |                                |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | <del>Account—State Appropriation. . . . .</del>           | <del>\$136,308,000))</del>     |
| 2 | <u>Washington Technology Solutions Revolving Account—</u> |                                |
| 3 | <u>State Appropriation. . . . .</u>                       | <u>\$136,308,000</u>           |
| 4 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | (( <del>\$308,533,000</del> )) |
| 5 |                                                           | <u>\$152,986,000</u>           |

6 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
7 conditions and limitations:

8 (1) \$2,000,000 of the consolidated technology services revolving  
9 account—state appropriation is provided solely for experienced  
10 information technology project managers to provide critical support  
11 to agency IT projects that are under oversight from the office of the  
12 chief information officer. The staff or vendors will:

13 (a) Provide master level project management guidance to agency IT  
14 stakeholders;

15 (b) Consider statewide best practices from the public and private  
16 sectors, independent review and analysis, vendor management, budget  
17 and timing quality assurance and other support of current or past IT  
18 projects in at least Washington state and share these with agency IT  
19 stakeholders and legislative fiscal staff at least twice annually and  
20 post these to the statewide IT dashboard; and

21 (c) Provide independent recommendations to legislative fiscal  
22 committees by December of each calendar year on oversight of IT  
23 projects to include opportunities for accountability and performance  
24 metrics.

25 (2) \$2,226,000 of the consolidated technology services revolving  
26 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the enterprise  
27 data management pilot project, and is subject to the conditions,  
28 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

29 (3) \$16,939,000 of the consolidated technology services revolving  
30 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the office of  
31 cyber security.

32 (4) \$2,737,000 of the consolidated technology services revolving  
33 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the office of  
34 privacy and data protection.

35 (5) The consolidated technology services agency shall work with  
36 customer agencies using the Washington state electronic records vault  
37 (WASERV) to identify opportunities to:

38 (a) Reduce storage volumes and costs associated with vault  
39 records stored beyond the agencies' record retention schedules; and

1 (b) Assess a customized service charge as defined in chapter 304,  
2 Laws of 2017 for costs of using WASERV to prepare data compilations  
3 in response to public records requests.

4 (6)(a) In conjunction with the office of the chief information  
5 officer's prioritization of proposed information technology  
6 expenditures, agency budget requests for proposed information  
7 technology expenditures must include the following:

8 (i) The agency's priority ranking of each information technology  
9 request;

10 (ii) The estimated cost by fiscal year and by fund for the  
11 current biennium;

12 (iii) The estimated cost by fiscal year and by fund for the  
13 ensuing biennium;

14 (iv) The estimated total cost for the current and ensuing  
15 biennium;

16 (v) The total cost by fiscal year, by fund, and in total, of the  
17 information technology project since it began;

18 (vi) The estimated cost by fiscal year and by fund over all  
19 biennia through implementation and close out and into maintenance and  
20 operations;

21 (vii) The estimated cost by fiscal year and by fund for service  
22 level agreements once the project is implemented;

23 (viii) The estimated cost by fiscal year and by fund for agency  
24 staffing for maintenance and operations once the project is  
25 implemented; and

26 (ix) The expected fiscal year when the agency expects to complete  
27 the request.

28 (b) The office of the chief information officer and the office of  
29 financial management may request agencies to include additional  
30 information on proposed information technology expenditure requests.

31 (7) The consolidated technology services agency must not increase  
32 fees charged for existing services without prior approval by the  
33 office of financial management. The agency may develop fees to  
34 recover the actual cost of new infrastructure to support increased  
35 use of cloud technologies.

36 (8) Within existing resources, the agency must provide oversight  
37 of state procurement and contracting for information technology goods  
38 and services by the department of enterprise services.

1 (9) Within existing resources, the agency must host, administer,  
2 and support the state employee directory in an online format to  
3 provide public employee contact information.

4 (10) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the  
5 department of social and health services, the department of health,  
6 the department of corrections, and the department of children, youth,  
7 and families shall work together within existing resources to  
8 establish the health and human services enterprise coalition (the  
9 coalition). The coalition, led by the health care authority, must be  
10 a multi-organization collaborative that provides strategic direction  
11 and federal funding guidance for projects that have cross-  
12 organizational or enterprise impact, including information technology  
13 projects that affect organizations within the coalition. The office  
14 of the chief information officer shall maintain a statewide  
15 perspective when collaborating with the coalition to ensure that the  
16 development of projects identified in this report are planned for in  
17 a manner that ensures the efficient use of state resources and  
18 maximizes federal financial participation. The work of the coalition  
19 and any project identified as a coalition project is subject to the  
20 conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this  
21 act.

22 (11) \$7,088,000 of the consolidated technology services revolving  
23 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the creation and  
24 ongoing delivery of information technology services tailored to the  
25 needs of small agencies. The scope of services must include, at a  
26 minimum, full-service desktop support, service assistance, security,  
27 and consultation.

28 (12) \$82,811,000 of the consolidated technology services  
29 revolving account—state appropriation (~~((+s))~~) and \$2,322,000 of the  
30 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided  
31 solely for the procurement and distribution of Microsoft 365 licenses  
32 which must include advanced security features and cloud-based private  
33 branch exchange capabilities for state agencies. The office must  
34 report annually to fiscal committees of the legislature each December  
35 31, on the count and type of licenses distributed by consolidated  
36 technology services to each state agency. The report must also  
37 separately report on the count and type of Microsoft 365 licenses  
38 that state agencies have in addition to those that are distributed by

1 consolidated technology services so that the total count, type of  
2 license, and cost is known for statewide Microsoft 365 licenses.

3 (13) The office of the chief information officer shall maintain  
4 an information technology project dashboard that, at minimum,  
5 provides updated information each fiscal month on the projects  
6 subject to section 701 of this act.

7 (a) The statewide information technology dashboard must include,  
8 at a minimum, the:

9 (i) Start date of the project;

10 (ii) End date of the project, when the project will close out and  
11 implementation will commence;

12 (iii) Term of the project in state fiscal years across all  
13 biennia to reflect the start of the project through the end of the  
14 project;

15 (iv) Total project cost from start date through the end date of  
16 the project in total dollars, and a subtotal of near general fund  
17 outlook;

18 (v) Near general fund outlook budget and actual spending in total  
19 dollars and by fiscal month for central service agencies that bill  
20 out project costs;

21 (vi) Start date of maintenance and operations;

22 (vii) Estimated annual state fiscal year cost of maintenance and  
23 operations after implementation and close out;

24 (viii) Actual spending by state fiscal year and in total for  
25 state fiscal years that have closed;

26 (ix) Date a feasibility study was completed or note if none has  
27 been completed to date;

28 (x) Monthly project status assessments on scope, schedule,  
29 budget, and overall by the:

30 (A) Office of the chief information officer;

31 (B) Quality assurance vendor, if applicable; and

32 (C) Agency project team;

33 (xi) Monthly quality assurance reports, if applicable;

34 (xii) Monthly office of the chief information officer status  
35 reports on budget, scope, schedule, and overall project status; and

36 (xiii) Historical project budget and expenditures through fiscal  
37 year 2023.

38 (b) The statewide dashboard must retain a roll up of the entire  
39 project cost, including all subprojects, that can display subproject  
40 detail. This includes coalition projects that are active. For

1 projects that include multiple agencies or subprojects and roll up,  
2 the dashboard must display:

3 (i) A separate technology budget and investment plan for each  
4 impacted agency; and

5 (ii) A statewide project technology budget roll up that includes  
6 each affected agency at the subproject level.

7 (c) The office of the chief information officer may recommend  
8 additional elements to include but must have agreement with  
9 legislative fiscal committees and the office of financial management  
10 prior to including additional elements.

11 (d) The agency must ensure timely posting of project data on the  
12 statewide information technology dashboard for at least each project  
13 funded in the budget and those projects subject to the conditions of  
14 section 701 of this act to include, at a minimum, posting on the  
15 dashboard:

16 (i) The budget funded level by project for each project under  
17 oversight within 30 calendar days of the budget being signed into  
18 law;

19 (ii) The project historical expenditures through completed fiscal  
20 years by December 31; and

21 (iii) Whether each project has completed a feasibility study.

22 (e) The office of the chief information officer must post to the  
23 statewide dashboard a list of funding received by fiscal year by  
24 enacted session law, and how much was received citing chapter law as  
25 a list of funding provided by fiscal year.

26 (14) Within existing resources, consolidated technology services  
27 must collaborate with the department of enterprise services on the  
28 annual contract report that provides information technology contract  
29 information. Consolidated technology services will:

30 (a) Provide data to the department of enterprise services  
31 annually by September 1 of each year; and

32 (b) Provide analysis on contract information for all agencies  
33 comparing spending across state fiscal years by, at least, the  
34 contract spending towers.

35 (15) \$8,666,000 of the consolidated technology services revolving  
36 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
37 the enterprise cloud computing program as outlined in the December  
38 2020 Washington state cloud readiness report. Funding provided  
39 includes, but is not limited to, cloud service broker resources,

cloud center of excellence, cloud management tools, a network assessment, cybersecurity governance, and a cloud security roadmap.

(16) \$3,498,000 of the consolidated technology services revolving account—state appropriation is provided solely for the implementation of the recommendations of the cloud transition task force report to include:

(a) A cloud readiness program to help agencies plan and prepare for transitioning to cloud computing;

(b) A cloud retraining program to provide a coordinated approach to skills development and retraining; and

(c) Staffing to define career pathways and core competencies for the state's information technology workforce.

(17) \$5,926,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$27,110,000)~~) \$756,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$134,292,000)~~) \$2,777,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for statewide electronic health records projects, which must comply with the approved statewide electronic health records plan. The purpose of the plan is to implement a common technology solution to leverage shared business processes and data across the state in support of client services.

(a) The statewide electronic health records plan must include, but is not limited to, the following elements:

(i) A proposed governance model for the electronic health records solution;

(ii) An implementation plan for the technology solution from kickoff through five years maintenance and operations post implementation;

(iii) A technology budget to include estimated budget and resources needed to implement the electronic health records solution by agency and across the state, including fund sources and all technology budget element requirements as outlined in section 701(4) of this act;

(iv) A licensing plan in consultation with the department of enterprise services that seeks to utilize the state data center;

(v) A procurement approach, in consultation with the department of enterprise services;

(vi) A system that must be capable of being continually updated, as necessary;

1 (vii) A system that will use an agile development model holding  
2 live demonstrations of functioning software, developed using  
3 incremental user research, held at the end of every two-week sprint;

4 (viii) A system that will deploy usable functionality into  
5 production for users within 180 days from the date there is an  
6 executed procurement contract after a competitive request for  
7 proposal is closed;

8 (ix) A system that uses quantifiable deliverables that must  
9 include live, accessible demonstrations of software in development to  
10 program staff and end users at each sprint or at least monthly;

11 (x) A requirement that the agency implementing its electronic  
12 health record solution must invite the office and the agency  
13 comptrollers or their designee to sprint reviews;

14 (xi) A requirement that there is an annual independent audit of  
15 the system to evaluate compliance of the software solution vendor's  
16 performance standards and contractual requirements and technical code  
17 quality, and that it meets user needs;

18 (xii) A recommended program structure for implementing a  
19 statewide electronic health records solution;

20 (xiii) A list of individual state agency projects that will need  
21 to implement a statewide electronic health records solution and the  
22 readiness of each agency to successfully implement;

23 (xiv) The process for agencies to request funding from the  
24 consolidated technology services for their electronic health records  
25 projects. The submitted application must:

26 (A) Include at least a technology budget in compliance with the  
27 requirements of section 701(4) of this act that each agency budget  
28 office will assist with; and

29 (B) Be posted to the statewide information technology dashboard  
30 and meet all dashboard posting requirements as outlined in section  
31 153(13) of this act; and

32 (xv) The approval criteria for agencies to receive funds for  
33 their electronic health records project. The approval may not be  
34 given without an approved current technology budget, and the office  
35 must notify the fiscal committees of the legislature. The office may  
36 not approve funding for the project any earlier than 10 business days  
37 from the date of notification to the fiscal committees of the  
38 legislature.

39 (b) The plan described in (a) of this subsection:



1 (i) Must be submitted to the office of financial management, the  
2 chair and ranking member of the senate environment, energy, and  
3 information technology policy committee, the chairs and ranking  
4 members of the fiscal committees of the legislature, and the  
5 technology services board by July 1, 2023; and

6 (ii) Must be approved by the office of financial management and  
7 the technology services board established in RCW 43.105.285.

8 (c) \$5,926,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024, (~~(\$27,110,000)~~) \$756,000 of the general fund—state  
10 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$134,292,000)~~) \$2,777,000  
11 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for  
12 state agency electronic health record projects at the department of  
13 corrections, the department of social and health services, and the  
14 health care authority in accordance with the approved statewide  
15 electronic health record plan requirements in (a) of this subsection.  
16 For the amount provided in this subsection (17):

17 (i) Funding may not be released until the office of financial  
18 management and the technology services board have approved the  
19 statewide electronic health record plan.

20 (ii) As required in section 701(2) of this act, consolidated  
21 technology services may not approve funding for the project any  
22 earlier than 10 business days from the date of notification to the  
23 fiscal committees of the legislature.

24 (iii) Funding may not cover any costs incurred by the state  
25 agencies for services or project costs prior to the date of statewide  
26 electronic health record plan approval.

27 (iv) State agencies must submit their proposed electronic health  
28 records project and technology budget to the office of the chief  
29 information officer for approval. The submitted application must:

30 (A) Include at least a technology budget in compliance with the  
31 requirements of section 701(4) of this act that each agency budget  
32 office will assist with; and

33 (B) Be posted to the statewide information technology dashboard  
34 and meet all dashboard posting requirements as outlined in section  
35 153(13) of this act.

36 (v) When a funding request is approved, consolidated technology  
37 services will transfer the funds to the agency to execute their  
38 electronic health records project.

1 (vi) The office must enter into an interagency agreement with the  
2 health care authority who is, and will be, the reporting entity to  
3 the federal government on the application for and use of the federal  
4 funding.

5 (vii) Consolidated technology services must include this  
6 enterprise electronic health records program on the statewide  
7 information technology program dashboard and must ensure that the  
8 program detail will roll up the below required subprojects:

9 (A) Enterprise foundational electronic health records system;

10 (B) Department of corrections electronic health records;

11 (C) Department of social and health services electronic health  
12 records; and

13 (D) Health care authority electronic health records.

14 (18) \$134,000 of the consolidated technology services revolving  
15 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
16 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5518 (cybersecurity).

17 (19) The office of the chief information officer must collaborate  
18 with the office of the secretary of state in the evaluation of the  
19 office of the secretary of state's information technology  
20 infrastructure and applications in determining the appropriate  
21 candidates for the location of data and the systems that could be  
22 exempt from consolidated technology services oversight.

23 (20) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state  
25 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for innovative  
26 technology solutions and modernization of legacy systems within state  
27 government. This funding is to be used for projects at other state  
28 agencies to improve the health of the state's overall information  
29 technology portfolio. Submitted projects are subject to review and  
30 approval by the technology services board as established in RCW  
31 43.105.285. The agency must report to the office of financial  
32 management and the fiscal committees of the legislature within 90  
33 days of the close of fiscal year 2024 with the following information  
34 to measure the quantity of projects considered for this purpose and  
35 use of this funding:

36 (a) The agency name, project name, estimated time duration,  
37 estimated cost, and technology service board recommendation result of  
38 each project submitted for funding;

1 (b) The actual length of time and cost of the projects approved  
2 by the technology services board, from start to completion; and

3 (c) Any other information or metric the agency determines is  
4 appropriate to measure the quantity and use of the funding in this  
5 subsection.

6 (21) In collaboration with the department of health and the  
7 health care authority, consolidated technology services must actively  
8 consult and provide oversight over:

9 (a) The department of health 988 technology platform that must  
10 provide interoperable capabilities between the 988 call center  
11 platform and the health care authority's 988-related system;

12 (b) The health care authority 988 technology platform that must  
13 provide interoperable capabilities between the 988-related system and  
14 the department of health's 988 call center platform; and

15 (c) How the platforms in (a) and (b) of this subsection will meet  
16 statutory requirements for technology platform functionality and  
17 implementation dates as established in Senate Bill No. 6308 (988  
18 system timeline) and must report on the progress of both platforms'  
19 budget, scope, and schedule at a technology services board meeting by  
20 December 31, 2024.

(End of part)

**PART XII**  
**HUMAN SERVICES**

**Sec. 1201.** 2024 c 376 s 201 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**

(1) The appropriations to the department of social and health services in this act shall be expended for the programs and in the amounts specified in this act. Appropriations made in this act to the department of social and health services shall initially be allotted as required by this act. Subsequent allotment modifications shall not include transfers of moneys between sections of this act except as expressly provided in this act, nor shall allotment modifications permit moneys that are provided solely for a specified purpose to be used for other than that purpose.

(2) The department of social and health services shall not initiate any services that require expenditure of state general fund moneys unless expressly authorized in this act or other law. The department may seek, receive, and spend, under RCW 43.79.260 through 43.79.282, federal moneys not anticipated in this act as long as the federal funding does not require expenditure of state moneys for the program in excess of amounts anticipated in this act. If the department receives unanticipated unrestricted federal moneys, those moneys shall be spent for services authorized in this act or in any other legislation providing appropriation authority, and an equal amount of appropriated state general fund moneys shall lapse. Upon the lapsing of any moneys under this subsection, the office of financial management shall notify the legislative fiscal committees. As used in this subsection, "unrestricted federal moneys" includes block grants and other funds that federal law does not require to be spent on specifically defined projects or matched on a formula basis by state funds.

(3) The legislature finds that medicaid payment rates, as calculated by the department pursuant to the appropriations in this act, bear a reasonable relationship to the costs incurred by efficiently and economically operated facilities for providing quality services and will be sufficient to enlist enough providers so that care and services are available to the extent that such care and services are available to the general population in the geographic area. The legislature finds that cost reports, payment data from the

1 federal government, historical utilization, economic data, and  
2 clinical input constitute reliable data upon which to determine the  
3 payment rates.

4 (4) The department shall to the maximum extent practicable use  
5 the same system for delivery of spoken-language interpreter services  
6 for social services appointments as the one established for medical  
7 appointments in the health care authority. When contracting directly  
8 with an individual to deliver spoken language interpreter services,  
9 the department shall only contract with language access providers who  
10 are working at a location in the state and who are state-certified or  
11 state-authorized, except that when such a provider is not available,  
12 the department may use a language access provider who meets other  
13 certifications or standards deemed to meet state standards, including  
14 interpreters in other states.

15 (5) Information technology projects or investments and proposed  
16 projects or investments impacting time capture, payroll and payment  
17 processes and systems, eligibility, case management, and  
18 authorization systems within the department of social and health  
19 services are subject to technical oversight by the office of the  
20 chief information officer.

21 (6)(a) The department shall facilitate enrollment under the  
22 medicaid expansion for clients applying for or receiving state funded  
23 services from the department and its contractors. Prior to open  
24 enrollment, the department shall coordinate with the health care  
25 authority to provide referrals to the Washington health benefit  
26 exchange for clients that will be ineligible for medicaid.

27 (b) To facilitate a single point of entry across public and  
28 medical assistance programs, and to maximize the use of federal  
29 funding, the health care authority, the department of social and  
30 health services, and the health benefit exchange will coordinate  
31 efforts to expand HealthPlanfinder access to public assistance and  
32 medical eligibility staff. The department shall complete medicaid  
33 applications in the HealthPlanfinder for households receiving or  
34 applying for public assistance benefits.

35 (7) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the  
36 department of social and health services, the department of health,  
37 the department of corrections, and the department of children, youth,  
38 and families shall work together within existing resources to  
39 establish the health and human services enterprise coalition (the  
40 coalition). The coalition, led by the health care authority, must be

1 a multi-organization collaborative that provides strategic direction  
2 and federal funding guidance for projects that have cross-  
3 organizational or enterprise impact, including information technology  
4 projects that affect organizations within the coalition. The office  
5 of the chief information officer shall maintain a statewide  
6 perspective when collaborating with the coalition to ensure that  
7 projects are planned for in a manner that ensures the efficient use  
8 of state resources, support the adoption of a cohesive technology and  
9 data architecture, and maximize federal financial participation. The  
10 work of the coalition is subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
11 review provided in section 701 of this act.

12 (8)(a) The appropriations to the department of social and health  
13 services in this act must be expended for the programs and in the  
14 amounts specified in this act. However, after May 1, ((2024)) 2025,  
15 unless prohibited by this act, the department may transfer general  
16 fund—state appropriations for fiscal year ((2024)) 2025 among  
17 programs and subprograms after approval by the director of the office  
18 of financial management. However, the department may not transfer  
19 state appropriations that are provided solely for a specified purpose  
20 except as expressly provided in (b) of this subsection.

21 (b) To the extent that transfers under (a) of this subsection are  
22 insufficient to fund actual expenditures in excess of fiscal year  
23 ((2024)) 2025 caseload forecasts and utilization assumptions in the  
24 long-term care, developmental disabilities, and public assistance  
25 programs, the department may transfer state appropriations that are  
26 provided solely for a specified purpose.

27 (c) Within the mental health program, the department may transfer  
28 appropriations that are provided solely for a specified purpose  
29 within and between subprograms as needed to fund actual expenditures  
30 through the end of fiscal year 2025.

31 (d) The department may not transfer funds, and the director of  
32 the office of financial management may not approve the transfer,  
33 unless the transfer is consistent with the objective of conserving,  
34 to the maximum extent possible, the expenditure of state funds. The  
35 director of the office of financial management shall notify the  
36 appropriate fiscal committees of the legislature in writing seven  
37 days prior to approving any allotment modifications or transfers  
38 under this subsection. The written notification shall include a  
39 narrative explanation and justification of the changes, along with

expenditures and allotments by budget unit and appropriation, both before and after any allotment modifications or transfers.

(9) The department may not transfer appropriations for the developmental disabilities program to any other program of the department of social and health services(~~(, or between subprograms of the developmental disabilities program itself)~~).

**\*Sec. 1202.** 2024 c 376 s 202 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM**

|                                                     |                                  |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . | \$808,569,000                    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | <del>(( \$781,930,000 ))</del>   |
|                                                     | <u>\$722,713,000</u>             |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .         | <del>(( \$168,601,000 ))</del>   |
|                                                     | <u>\$193,022,000</u>             |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .   | <del>(( \$6,500,000 ))</del>     |
|                                                     | <u>\$6,009,000</u>               |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | <del>(( \$1,765,600,000 ))</del> |
|                                                     | <u>\$1,730,313,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The state psychiatric hospitals and residential treatment facilities may use funds appropriated in this subsection to purchase goods, services, and supplies through hospital group purchasing organizations when it is cost-effective to do so.

(2) \$311,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$311,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a community partnership between western state hospital and the city of Lakewood to support community policing efforts in the Lakewood community surrounding western state hospital. The amounts provided in this subsection are for the salaries, benefits, supplies, and equipment for the city of Lakewood to produce incident and police response reports, investigate potential criminal conduct, assist with charging consultations, liaison between staff and prosecutors, provide staff training on criminal justice procedures, assist with parking enforcement, and attend meetings with hospital staff.

1 (3) \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for payment to the city of  
4 Lakewood for police services provided by the city at western state  
5 hospital and adjacent areas.

6 (4) \$311,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$311,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the salaries, benefits,  
9 supplies, and equipment for one full-time investigator, one full-time  
10 police officer, and one full-time community services officer for  
11 policing efforts at eastern state hospital. The department must  
12 collect data from the city of Medical Lake on the use of the funds  
13 and the number of calls responded to by the community policing  
14 program and submit a report with this information to the office of  
15 financial management and the appropriate fiscal committees of the  
16 legislature each December of the fiscal biennium.

17 (5) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for payment to the city of  
20 Medical Lake for police services provided by the city at eastern  
21 state hospital and adjacent areas.

22 (6) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department, in  
25 collaboration with the health care authority, to develop and  
26 implement a predictive modeling tool which identifies clients who are  
27 at high risk of future involvement with the criminal justice system  
28 and for developing a model to estimate demand for civil and forensic  
29 state hospital bed needs pursuant to the following requirements.

30 (a) By the first day of each December during the fiscal biennium,  
31 the department, in coordination with the health care authority, must  
32 submit a report to the office of financial management and the  
33 appropriate committees of the legislature that summarizes how the  
34 predictive modeling tool has been implemented and includes the  
35 following: (i) The number of individuals identified by the tool as  
36 having a high risk of future criminal justice involvement; (ii) the  
37 method and frequency for which the department is providing lists of  
38 high-risk clients to contracted managed care organizations and  
39 behavioral health administrative services organizations; (iii) a



summary of how the managed care organizations and behavioral health administrative services organizations are utilizing the data to improve the coordination of care for the identified individuals; and (iv) a summary of the administrative data to identify whether implementation of the tool is resulting in increased access and service levels and lower recidivism rates for high-risk clients at the state and regional level.

(b) The department must provide staff support for the forensic and long-term civil commitment bed forecast which must be conducted under the direction of the office of financial management. The forecast methodology, updates, and methodology changes must be conducted in coordination with staff from the department, the health care authority, the office of financial management, and the appropriate fiscal committees of the state legislature. The model shall incorporate factors for capacity in state hospitals as well as contracted facilities, which provide similar levels of care, referral patterns, wait lists, lengths of stay, and other factors identified as appropriate for estimating the number of beds needed to meet the demand for civil and forensic state hospital services. Factors should include identification of need for the services and analysis of the effect of community investments in behavioral health services and other types of beds that may reduce the need for long-term civil commitment needs. The forecast must be updated each February, June, and November during the fiscal biennium and the department must submit a report to the legislature and the appropriate committees of the legislature summarizing the updated forecast based on the caseload forecast council's schedule for entitlement program forecasts.

(7) \$9,119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$9,145,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the phase-in of the settlement agreement under *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health Services, et al.*, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP. The department, in collaboration with the health care authority and the criminal justice training commission, must implement the provisions of the settlement agreement pursuant to the timeline and implementation plan provided for under the settlement agreement. This includes implementing provisions related to competency evaluations,

1 competency restoration, forensic navigators, crisis diversion and  
2 supports, education and training, and workforce development.

3 (8) \$7,147,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$7,147,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to maintain implementation of  
6 efforts to improve the timeliness of competency evaluation services  
7 for individuals who are in local jails pursuant to chapter 5, Laws of  
8 2015 (timeliness of competency treatment and evaluation services).  
9 This funding must be used solely to maintain increases in the number  
10 of competency evaluators that began in fiscal year 2016 pursuant to  
11 the settlement agreement under *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of*  
12 *Social and Health Services, et al.*, United States District Court for  
13 the Western District of Washington, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP.

14 (9) \$71,690,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024 and \$77,825,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
17 implementation of efforts to improve the timeliness of competency  
18 restoration services pursuant to chapter 5, Laws of 2015 (timeliness  
19 of competency treatment and evaluation services) and the settlement  
20 agreement under *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health*  
21 *Services, et al.*, United States District Court for the Western  
22 District of Washington, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP. These amounts must  
23 be used to maintain increases that were implemented between fiscal  
24 year 2016 and fiscal year 2021, and further increase the number of  
25 forensic beds at western state hospital during the 2023-2025 fiscal  
26 biennium. Pursuant to chapter 7, Laws of 2015 1st sp. sess.  
27 (timeliness of competency treatment and evaluation services), the  
28 department may contract some of these amounts for services at  
29 alternative locations if the secretary determines that there is a  
30 need.

31 (10) \$84,565,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2024, \$77,343,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
33 for fiscal year 2025, and \$960,000 of the general fund—federal  
34 appropriation are provided solely for the department to continue to  
35 implement an acuity based staffing tool at western state hospital and  
36 eastern state hospital in collaboration with the hospital staffing  
37 committees. The staffing tool must be used to identify, on a daily  
38 basis, the clinical acuity on each patient ward and determine the  
39 minimum level of direct care staff by profession to be deployed to

1 meet the needs of the patients on each ward. The department must  
2 evaluate interrater reliability of the tool within each hospital and  
3 between the two hospitals. The department must also continue to  
4 update, in collaboration with the office of financial management's  
5 labor relations office, the staffing committees, and state labor  
6 unions, an overall state hospital staffing plan that looks at all  
7 positions and functions of the facilities.

8 (a) Within the amounts provided in this section, the department  
9 must establish, monitor, track, and report monthly staffing and  
10 expenditures at the state hospitals, including overtime and use of  
11 locums, to the functional categories identified in the recommended  
12 staffing plan. The allotments and tracking of staffing and  
13 expenditures must include all areas of the state hospitals, must be  
14 done at the ward level, and must include contracted facilities  
15 providing forensic restoration services as well as the office of  
16 forensic mental health services.

17 (b) By December 1, 2023, and December 1, 2024, the department  
18 must submit reports to the office of financial management and the  
19 appropriate committees of the legislature that provide a comparison  
20 of monthly spending, staffing levels, overtime, and use of locums for  
21 the prior year compared to allotments and to the recommended state  
22 hospital staffing model. The format for these reports must be  
23 developed in consultation with staff from the office of financial  
24 management and the appropriate committees of the legislature. The  
25 reports must include a summary of the results of the evaluation of  
26 the interrater reliability in use of the staffing acuity tool and an  
27 update from the hospital staffing committees.

28 (c) Monthly staffing levels and related expenditures at the state  
29 hospitals must not exceed official allotments without prior written  
30 approval from the director of the office of financial management. In  
31 the event the director of the office of financial management approves  
32 an increase in monthly staffing levels and expenditures beyond what  
33 is budgeted, notice must be provided to the appropriate committees of  
34 the legislature within 30 days of such approval. The notice must  
35 identify the reason for the authorization to exceed budgeted staffing  
36 levels and the time frame for the authorization. Extensions of  
37 authorizations under this subsection must also be submitted to the  
38 director of the office of financial management for written approval  
39 in advance of the expiration of an authorization. The office of  
40 financial management must notify the appropriate committees of the

1 legislature of any extensions of authorizations granted under this  
2 subsection within 30 days of granting such authorizations and  
3 identify the reason and time frame for the extension.

4 (11) \$5,083,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2024, \$7,535,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
6 for fiscal year 2025, and \$583,000 of the general fund—federal  
7 appropriation are provided solely for the department to establish a  
8 violence reduction team at western state hospital to improve patient  
9 and staff safety at eastern and western state hospitals. A report  
10 must be submitted by December 1, 2023, and December 1, 2024, which  
11 includes a description of the violence reduction or safety strategy,  
12 a profile of the types of patients being served, the staffing model  
13 being used, and outcomes associated with each strategy. The outcomes  
14 section should include tracking data on facility-wide metrics related  
15 to patient and staff safety as well as individual outcomes related to  
16 the patients served.

17 (12) \$2,593,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,593,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
20 department to increase services to patients found not guilty by  
21 reason of insanity under the *Ross v. Lashway* settlement agreement.

22 (13) Within the amounts provided in this subsection, the  
23 department must develop and submit an annual state hospital  
24 performance report for eastern and western state hospitals. Each  
25 measure included in the performance report must include baseline  
26 performance data, agency performance targets, and performance for the  
27 most recent fiscal year. The performance report must include a one  
28 page dashboard as well as charts for each fiscal year and quality of  
29 care measure broken out by hospital and including but not limited to:  
30 (a) Monthly FTE expenditures compared to allotments; (b) monthly  
31 dollar expenditures compared to allotments; (c) monthly FTE  
32 expenditures per thousand patient bed days; (d) monthly dollar  
33 expenditures per thousand patient bed days; (e) percentage of FTE  
34 expenditures for overtime; (f) average length of stay by category of  
35 patient; (g) average monthly civil wait list; (h) average monthly  
36 forensic wait list; (i) rate of staff assaults per thousand patient  
37 bed days; (j) rate of patient assaults per thousand patient bed days;  
38 (k) average number of days to release after a patient has been  
39 determined to be clinically ready for discharge; and (l) average

1 monthly vacancy rates for key clinical positions. The department must  
2 submit the state hospital performance report to the office of  
3 financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
4 legislature by the first day of each December of the biennium.

5 **(14) (~~(\$546,000)~~) \$566,000 of the general fund—state**  
6 ***appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$566,000 of the general fund—***  
7 ***state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for***  
8 ***design and planning activities for the new forensic hospital being***  
9 ***constructed on the grounds of western state hospital.***

10 (15) \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to maintain  
13 an on-site safety compliance officer, stationed at western state  
14 hospital, to provide oversight and accountability of the hospital's  
15 response to safety concerns regarding the hospital's work  
16 environment.

17 (16) \$10,364,000 of the general fund state—appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2024 (~~(are))~~ is provided solely for the department to  
19 provide behavioral health and stabilization services at the King  
20 county south correctional entity to class members of *Trueblood, et*  
21 *al. v. Department of Social and Health Services, et al.*, United  
22 States district court for the western district of Washington, cause  
23 no. 14-cv-01178-MJP.

24 (17) \$2,619,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$5,027,000)~~) \$4,524,000 of the general fund—  
26 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
27 department to hire additional forensic evaluators to provide in-jail  
28 competency evaluations and community-based evaluations.

29 (18) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to track  
32 compliance with the requirements of RCW 71.05.365 for transition of  
33 state hospital patients into community settings within 14 days of the  
34 determination that they no longer require active psychiatric  
35 treatment at an inpatient level of care. The department must use  
36 these amounts to track the following elements related to this  
37 requirement: (a) The date on which an individual is determined to no  
38 longer require active psychiatric treatment at an inpatient level of  
39 care; (b) the date on which the behavioral health entities and other

1 organizations responsible for resource management services for the  
2 person is notified of this determination; and (c) the date on which  
3 either the individual is transitioned to the community or has been  
4 reevaluated and determined to again require active psychiatric  
5 treatment at an inpatient level of care. The department must provide  
6 this information in regular intervals to behavioral health entities  
7 and other organizations responsible for resource management services.  
8 The department must summarize the information and provide a report to  
9 the office of financial management and the appropriate committees of  
10 the legislature on progress toward meeting the 14 day standard by  
11 December 1, 2023, and December 1, 2024.

12 (19) \$2,190,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$28,742,000)~~) \$19,742,000 of the general fund—  
14 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
15 department to operate the 48 bed Clark county facility to provide  
16 long-term inpatient care beds as defined in RCW 71.24.025. The  
17 department must use this facility to provide treatment services for  
18 individuals who have been committed to a state hospital pursuant to  
19 the dismissal of criminal charges and civil evaluation ordered under  
20 RCW 10.77.086 or 10.77.088. In considering placements at the  
21 facility, the department must maximize forensic bed capacity at the  
22 state hospitals for individuals in jails awaiting admission that are  
23 class members of *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health*  
24 *Services, et al.*, United States district court for the western  
25 district of Washington, cause no. 14-cv-01178-MJP. The department  
26 must submit a report to the office of financial management and the  
27 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2023, and  
28 December 1, 2024, providing a status update on progress toward  
29 opening the new facility.

30 (20) \$8,048,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2024 and \$7,677,000 of the general fund—state  
32 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
33 department to reopen and operate a 30 bed ward for civil patients at  
34 western state hospital. The department must prioritize placements on  
35 this ward for individuals currently occupying beds on forensic wards  
36 at western state hospital who have been committed to a state hospital  
37 pursuant to the dismissal of criminal charges and a civil evaluation  
38 ordered under RCW 10.77.086 or 10.77.088, in order to maximize  
39 forensic bed capacity for individuals in jails awaiting admission

1 that are class members of *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social*  
2 *and Health Services, et al.*, United States district court for the  
3 western district of Washington, cause no. 14-cv-01178-MJP.

4 (21) \$14,466,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$51,582,000)~~) \$28,234,000 of the general fund—  
6 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
7 department to operate the maple lane campus as described in (a) and  
8 (b) of this subsection.

9 (a) The department shall operate the Oak, Columbia, and Cascade  
10 cottages to provide:

11 (i) Treatment services to individuals committed to a state  
12 hospital under chapter 71.05 RCW pursuant to the dismissal of  
13 criminal charges and a civil evaluation ordered under RCW 10.77.086  
14 or 10.77.088;

15 (ii) Treatment services to individuals acquitted of a crime by  
16 reason of insanity and subsequently ordered to receive treatment  
17 services under RCW 10.77.120; and

18 (iii) Through fiscal year 2024, competency restoration services  
19 at the Cascade cottage to individuals under RCW 10.77.086 or  
20 10.77.088.

21 (b) The department shall open and operate the Baker (~~(and Chelan~~  
22 ~~cottages))~~ cottage to provide treatment services to individuals  
23 committed to a state hospital under chapter 71.05 RCW pursuant to the  
24 dismissal of criminal charges and a civil evaluation ordered under  
25 RCW 10.77.086 or 10.77.088.

26 (c) In considering placements at the maple lane campus, the  
27 department must maximize forensic bed capacity at the state hospitals  
28 for individuals in jails awaiting admission that are class members of  
29 *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health Services, et*  
30 *al.*, United States district court for the western district of  
31 Washington, cause no. 14-cv-01178-MJP.

32 (22) \$1,412,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,412,000 of the general fund—state  
34 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
35 relocation, storage, and other costs associated with building  
36 demolition on the western state hospital campus.

37 (23) \$455,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 and \$455,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for western state hospital's

1 vocational rehabilitation program and eastern state hospital's work  
2 readiness program to pay patients working in the programs an hourly  
3 wage that is equivalent to the state's minimum hourly wage under RCW  
4 49.46.020.

5 (24) \$4,054,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$5,236,000)~~) \$3,017,000 of the general fund—  
7 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
8 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5440  
9 (competency evaluations).

10 (25) \$2,283,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$4,118,000)~~) \$3,706,000 of the general fund—state  
12 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$247,000 of the general fund—  
13 federal appropriation are provided solely for the department to  
14 address delays in patient discharge as provided in this subsection.

15 (a) The department shall hire staff dedicated to discharge  
16 reviews, including psychologists to complete reviews and staff for  
17 additional discharge review work, including, but not limited to,  
18 scheduling, planning, and providing transportation; and establish and  
19 implement a sex offense and problematic behavior program as part of  
20 the sex offense review and referral team program.

21 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$504,000 per year  
22 shall be used for bed fees for patients who are not guilty by reason  
23 of insanity.

24 (c) The department shall track data as it relates to this  
25 subsection and, where available, compare it to historical data. The  
26 department will provide a report to the appropriate fiscal and policy  
27 committees of the legislature. A preliminary report is due by  
28 December 1, 2023, and the final report is due by September 15, 2024,  
29 and at a minimum must include the:

30 (i) Volume of patients discharged;

31 (ii) Volume of patients in a sex offense or problematic behavior  
32 program;

33 (iii) Number of beds held for not guilty by reason of insanity  
34 patients;

35 (iv) Average and median duration to complete discharges;

36 (v) Staffing as it relates to this subsection; and

37 (vi) Average discharge evaluation caseload.

38 (26)(a) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2024 and \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state



1 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
2 department to pursue immediate strategies to maximize existing  
3 forensic bed capacity for individuals in jails awaiting admission to  
4 the state hospitals that are class members of *Trueblood, et al. v.*  
5 *Department of Social and Health Services, et al.*, United States  
6 district court for the western district of Washington, cause no. 14-  
7 cv-01178-MJP. The immediate strategies must include, but are not  
8 limited to:

9 (i) Additional approaches to resolving barriers to discharge for  
10 civil patients, including:

11 (A) In coordination with the behavioral health teaching facility  
12 at the University of Washington, identification of civil patients in  
13 the state hospitals that could receive appropriate treatment at the  
14 facility and work to resolve any barriers in such placement;

15 (B) Identification of civil patients in the state hospitals that  
16 could receive appropriate treatment at an enhanced services facility  
17 or any other community facility and work to resolve any barriers in  
18 such placement; and

19 (C) Coordination with the aging and long-term care administration  
20 and the office of public guardianship on the provision of qualified  
21 guardians for civil patients in need of guardianship that are  
22 otherwise eligible for discharge; and

23 (ii) Additional approaches to resolving any barriers to  
24 maximizing the use of existing civil wards at eastern state hospital  
25 for individuals currently occupying beds on forensic wards at western  
26 state hospital who have been committed to a state hospital pursuant  
27 to the dismissal of criminal charges and a civil evaluation ordered  
28 under RCW 10.77.086 or 10.77.088.

29 (b) By December 1, 2023, the department must submit a preliminary  
30 report to the appropriate committees of the legislature and to the  
31 office of financial management that provides:

32 (i) The number of individuals currently occupying beds on  
33 forensic wards at western state hospital who have been committed to a  
34 state hospital pursuant to the dismissal of criminal charges and a  
35 civil evaluation ordered under RCW 10.77.086 or 10.77.088; and

36 (ii) The department's plan for utilizing the funds provided in  
37 this subsection and estimated outcomes.

38 (c) By September 1, 2024, the department must submit a final  
39 report to the appropriate committees of the legislature and to the  
40 office of financial management that provides:

1 (i) The number of individuals currently occupying beds on  
2 forensic wards at western state hospital who have been committed to a  
3 state hospital pursuant to the dismissal of criminal charges and a  
4 civil evaluation ordered under RCW 10.77.086 or 10.77.088; and

5 (ii) Detailed reporting on how the funds provided in this  
6 subsection were used and the associated outcomes.

7 (27) \$76,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024, \$53,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2025, and \$71,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
10 provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill  
11 No. 1580 (children in crisis).

12 (28) Within the amounts provided in this section, the department  
13 is provided funding to operate civil long-term inpatient beds at the  
14 state hospitals as follows:

15 (a) Funding is sufficient for the department to operate 192 civil  
16 beds at eastern state hospital in ~~((both))~~ fiscal year 2024 and 162  
17 civil beds in fiscal year 2025.

18 (b) Funding is sufficient for the department to operate 287 civil  
19 beds at western state hospital in both fiscal year 2024 and fiscal  
20 year 2025.

21 (c) The department shall fully operate funded civil capacity at  
22 eastern state hospital, including reopening and operating civil beds  
23 that are not needed for eastern Washington residents to provide  
24 services for western Washington residents.

25 (d) The department shall coordinate with the health care  
26 authority toward increasing community capacity for long-term  
27 inpatient services required under section 215(50) of this act.

28 (29)(a) \$60,426,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2024 and ~~(((\$74,538,000))~~ \$59,350,000 of the general fund—  
30 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
31 department to operate 72 beds in three wards in the Olympic heritage  
32 behavioral health facility.

33 (b) The department may not use the remaining 40 beds at the  
34 facility for any purpose and must permit the contractor selected by  
35 the health care authority to utilize the beds pursuant to and upon  
36 completion of the contracted process outlined in section 215 of this  
37 act.

38 (30) \$100,318,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to pay the

1 court order filed July 7, 2023, issued in the case of *Trueblood, et*  
2 *al. v. Department of Social and Health Services, et al.*, United  
3 States district court for the western district of Washington, cause  
4 no. 14-cv-01178-MJP, which requires the department to "pay all fines  
5 held in abeyance from September 2022 through May 2023, which totals  
6 \$100,318,000.00."

7 (31) \$6,900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2024 and \$13,610,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
10 department to operate an additional 30 beds at western state  
11 hospital.

12 (32) \$3,228,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2024 and \$6,088,000 of the general fund—state  
14 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
15 department to operate an additional eight beds at eastern state  
16 hospital.

17 ~~((34))~~ (33) \$1,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
19 Senate Bill No. 6106 (DSHS workers/PSEERS). ~~((If the bill is not~~  
20 ~~enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
21 ~~shall lapse.))~~

*\*Sec. 1202 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

22 **Sec. 1203.** 2024 c 376 s 203 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
23 follows:

24 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—DEVELOPMENTAL**  
25 **DISABILITIES PROGRAM**

26 (1) COMMUNITY SERVICES

|    |                                                      |                                  |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 27 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . . | \$1,130,054,000                  |
| 28 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . . | <del>(( \$1,210,591,000 ))</del> |
| 29 |                                                      | <u>\$1,249,487,000</u>           |
| 30 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation . . . . .         | <del>(( \$2,436,767,000 ))</del> |
| 31 |                                                      | <u>\$2,475,743,000</u>           |
| 32 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation . . . . .   | \$4,058,000                      |
| 33 | Developmental Disabilities Community Services        |                                  |
| 34 | Account—State Appropriation . . . . .                | \$32,120,000                     |
| 35 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION . . . . .                        | <del>(( \$4,813,590,000 ))</del> |
| 36 |                                                      | <u>\$4,891,462,000</u>           |

1       The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the  
2 following conditions and limitations:

3       (a) Individuals receiving services as supplemental security  
4 income (SSI) state supplemental payments may not become eligible for  
5 medical assistance under RCW 74.09.510 due solely to the receipt of  
6 SSI state supplemental payments.

7       (b) In accordance with RCW 18.51.050, 18.20.050, 70.128.060, and  
8 43.135.055, the department is authorized to increase nursing  
9 facility, assisted living facility, and adult family home fees as  
10 necessary to fully support the actual costs of conducting the  
11 licensure, inspection, and regulatory programs. The license fees may  
12 not exceed the department's annual licensing and oversight activity  
13 costs and shall include the department's cost of paying providers for  
14 the amount of the license fee attributed to medicaid clients.

15       (i) The current annual renewal license fee for adult family homes  
16 is \$225 per bed beginning in fiscal year 2024 and \$225 per bed  
17 beginning in fiscal year 2025. A processing fee of \$2,750 must be  
18 charged to each adult family home when the home is initially  
19 licensed. This fee is nonrefundable. A processing fee of \$700 must be  
20 charged when adult family home providers file a change of ownership  
21 application.

22       (ii) The current annual renewal license fee for assisted living  
23 facilities is \$116 per bed beginning in fiscal year 2024 and \$116 per  
24 bed beginning in fiscal year 2025.

25       (iii) The current annual renewal license fee for nursing  
26 facilities is \$359 per bed beginning in fiscal year 2024 and \$359 per  
27 bed beginning in fiscal year 2025.

28       (c) \$32,240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2024, \$52,060,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
30 for fiscal year 2025, and \$108,994,000 of the general fund—federal  
31 appropriation are provided solely for the rate increase for the new  
32 consumer-directed employer contracted individual providers as set by  
33 the consumer-directed employer rate setting board in accordance with  
34 RCW 74.39A.530.

35       (d) \$5,095,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024, \$7,299,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025, and \$16,042,000 of the general fund—federal  
38 appropriation are provided solely for the homecare agency parity

1 consistent with the rate set by the consumer-directed employer rate  
2 setting board in accordance with RCW 74.39A.530.

3 (e) \$1,099,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024, \$2,171,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025, and \$5,515,000 of the general fund—federal  
6 appropriation are provided solely for administrative costs of the  
7 consumer-directed employer as set by the consumer-directed employer  
8 rate setting board in accordance with RCW 74.39A.530.

9 (f) \$328,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024, \$444,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025, and \$998,000 of the general fund—federal  
12 appropriation are provided solely to increase the administrative rate  
13 for home care agencies by 56 cents per hour effective July 1, 2023.

14 (g) \$9,371,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024, \$10,798,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025, and \$25,267,000 of the general fund—federal  
17 appropriation are provided solely for the implementation of an  
18 agreement reached between the governor and the adult family home  
19 council under the provisions of chapter 41.56 RCW for the 2023-2025  
20 fiscal biennium, as provided in section 907 of this act.

21 (h) The department may authorize a one-time waiver of all or any  
22 portion of the licensing and processing fees required under RCW  
23 70.128.060 in any case in which the department determines that an  
24 adult family home is being relicensed because of exceptional  
25 circumstances, such as death or incapacity of a provider, and that to  
26 require the full payment of the licensing and processing fees would  
27 present a hardship to the applicant. In these situations the  
28 department is also granted the authority to waive the required  
29 residential administrator training for a period of 120 days if  
30 necessary to ensure continuity of care during the relicensing  
31 process.

32 (i) Community residential cost reports that are submitted by or  
33 on behalf of contracted agency providers are required to include  
34 information about agency staffing including health insurance, wages,  
35 number of positions, and turnover.

36 (j) Sufficient appropriations are provided to continue community  
37 alternative placement beds that prioritize the transition of clients  
38 who are ready for discharge from the state psychiatric hospitals, but  
39 who have additional long-term care or developmental disability needs.

1 (i) Community alternative placement beds include enhanced service  
2 facility beds, adult family home beds, skilled nursing facility beds,  
3 shared supportive housing beds, state operated living alternative  
4 beds, and assisted living facility beds.

5 (ii) Each client must receive an individualized assessment prior  
6 to leaving one of the state psychiatric hospitals. The individualized  
7 assessment must identify and authorize personal care, nursing care,  
8 behavioral health stabilization, physical therapy, or other necessary  
9 services to meet the unique needs of each client. It is the  
10 expectation that, in most cases, staffing ratios in all community  
11 alternative placement options described in (j)(i) of this subsection  
12 will need to increase to meet the needs of clients leaving the state  
13 psychiatric hospitals. If specialized training is necessary to meet  
14 the needs of a client before he or she enters a community placement,  
15 then the person centered service plan must also identify and  
16 authorize this training.

17 (iii) When reviewing placement options, the department must  
18 consider the safety of other residents, as well as the safety of  
19 staff, in a facility. An initial evaluation of each placement,  
20 including any documented safety concerns, must occur within thirty  
21 days of a client leaving one of the state psychiatric hospitals and  
22 entering one of the community placement options described in (j)(i)  
23 of this subsection. At a minimum, the department must perform two  
24 additional evaluations of each placement during the first year that a  
25 client has lived in the facility.

26 (iv) In developing bed capacity, the department shall consider  
27 the complex needs of individuals waiting for discharge from the state  
28 psychiatric hospitals.

29 (k) Sufficient appropriations are provided for discharge case  
30 managers stationed at the state psychiatric hospitals. Discharge case  
31 managers will transition clients ready for hospital discharge into  
32 less restrictive alternative community placements. The transition of  
33 clients ready for discharge will free up bed capacity at the state  
34 psychiatric hospitals.

35 (l) \$476,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$481,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of House Bill  
38 No. 1128 (personal needs allowance).

39 (m) The annual certification renewal fee for community  
40 residential service businesses is \$859 per client in fiscal year 2024

1 and \$859 per client in fiscal year 2025. The annual certification  
2 renewal fee may not exceed the department's annual licensing and  
3 oversight activity costs.

4 (n) \$2,648,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024, (~~(\$2,631,000)~~) \$1,464,000 of the general fund—state  
6 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$2,293,000)~~) \$1,782,000 of  
7 the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for  
8 enhanced respite beds across the state for children. These services  
9 are intended to provide families and caregivers with a break in  
10 caregiving, the opportunity for behavioral stabilization of the  
11 child, and the ability to partner with the state in the development  
12 of an individualized service plan that allows the child to remain in  
13 his or her home. The department must provide the legislature with a  
14 respite utilization report in January of each year that provides  
15 information about the number of children who have used enhanced  
16 respite in the preceding year, as well as the location and number of  
17 days per month that each respite bed was occupied.

18 (o) \$2,173,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and (~~(\$2,154,000)~~) \$1,836,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for 13  
21 community respite beds across the state for adults. These services  
22 are intended to provide families and caregivers with a break in  
23 caregiving and the opportunity for stabilization of the individual in  
24 a community-based setting as an alternative to using a residential  
25 habilitation center to provide planned or emergent respite. The  
26 department must provide the legislature with a respite utilization  
27 report by January of each year that provides information about the  
28 number of individuals who have used community respite in the  
29 preceding year, as well as the location and number of days per month  
30 that each respite bed was occupied.

31 (p) \$144,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2025 and \$181,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
33 provided solely for funding the unfair labor practice settlement in  
34 the case of *Adult Family Home Council v Office of Financial*  
35 *Management*, PERC case no. 135737-U-22. If the settlement agreement is  
36 not reached by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection  
37 shall lapse.

38 (q) \$351,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024, \$570,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

fiscal year 2025, and \$1,158,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for rate adjustments for assisted living providers. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

(i) \$351,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$428,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$970,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to increase funding of the assisted living medicaid methodology established in RCW 74.39A.032 to 79 percent of the labor component and 68 percent of the operations component, effective July 1, 2023; and to 82 percent of the labor component and 68 percent of the operations component, effective July 1, 2024.

(ii) \$142,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$188,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for a one-time bridge rate for assisted living facilities, enhanced adult residential centers, and adult residential centers, with high medicaid occupancy. The bridge rate does not replace or substitute the capital add-on rate found in RCW 74.39A.320 and the same methodology from RCW 74.39A.320 shall be used to determine each facility's medicaid occupancy percentage for the purposes of this one-time bridge rate add-on. Facilities with a medicaid occupancy level of 75 percent or more shall receive a \$20.99 add-on per resident day effective July 1, 2024.

(r) The appropriations in this section include sufficient funding to implement chapter 220, Laws of 2020 (adult family homes/8 beds). A nonrefundable fee of \$485 shall be charged for each application to increase bed capacity at an adult family home to seven or eight beds.

(s) The appropriations in this section include sufficient funding to provide access to the individual and family services waiver and the basic plus waiver to those individuals on the service request list as forecasted by the caseload forecast council. For subsequent policy level budgets, the department shall submit a request for funding associated with individuals requesting to receive the individual and family services waiver and the basic plus waiver in accordance with the courtesy forecasts provided by the caseload forecast council.

(t) \$1,729,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$2,669,000)~~) \$1,945,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$4,206,000)~~) \$3,458,000 of



1 the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to operate  
2 intensive habilitation services and enhanced out-of-home services  
3 facilities.

4 (u) \$1,363,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024, \$1,363,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025, and \$2,092,000 of the general fund—federal  
7 appropriation are provided solely for additional staff to reduce the  
8 timeline for completion of financial eligibility determinations. No  
9 later than December 31, 2024, the department of social and health  
10 services shall submit a final report to the appropriate committees of  
11 the legislature that details how the funds were utilized and the  
12 associated outcomes, including, but not limited to, a description of  
13 how the timeline for completion of these determinations has changed.

14 (v) \$485,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$484,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
16 provided solely for a feasibility study of the developmental  
17 disabilities assessment tool and is subject to the conditions,  
18 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act. The  
19 resulting study must determine whether the assessment and its  
20 technology can be improved to meet regulatory obligations, be quicker  
21 and person-centered, reduce manual notations, and maintain viability  
22 across age groups and settings.

23 (w) \$1,223,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024, \$2,763,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025, and \$3,248,000 of the general fund—federal  
26 appropriation are provided solely for supported employment and  
27 community inclusion services for those individuals with intellectual  
28 or developmental disabilities who are transitioning from high school  
29 in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium and are anticipated to utilize these  
30 services.

31 (x) \$11,074,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2024, \$13,222,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
33 for fiscal year 2025, and \$19,206,000 of the general fund—federal  
34 appropriation are provided solely to increase rates paid to supported  
35 employment and community inclusion providers. Within amounts  
36 appropriated in this section and no later than October 1, 2024, the  
37 department shall submit to the governor and the appropriate  
38 committees of the legislature:

1 (i) A forecast of the caseload of individuals anticipated to  
2 utilize supported employment and community inclusion services in  
3 order to inform operating budget development for the 2025-2027 fiscal  
4 biennium. This forecast shall include data that begins with fiscal  
5 year 2018 and that delineates the community inclusion caseload from  
6 the supported employment caseload and incorporates actual entries and  
7 exits; and

8 (ii) An analysis of the county supported employment and community  
9 inclusion programs in fiscal years 2018 through 2024 that includes:

10 (A) Data that illustrates, by county and fiscal year, the number  
11 of clients served and the number of available providers;

12 (B) Identification of the counties that have an insufficient  
13 number of providers with the identification occurring by zip code to  
14 the maximum extent possible;

15 (C) Identification of any additional barriers that prevent  
16 achieving the anticipated level of service delivery anticipated with  
17 chapter 142, Laws of 2022; and

18 (D) Recommendations for resolving the issues noted in (ii)(B) and  
19 (C) of this subsection (x).

20 (y) (i) \$79,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024, \$76,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2025, and \$121,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
23 provided solely for the department to develop a plan for implementing  
24 an enhanced behavior support specialty contract for community  
25 residential supported living, state-operated living alternative, or a  
26 group training home to provide intensive behavioral services and  
27 support to adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities  
28 who require enhanced services and support due to challenging  
29 behaviors that cannot be safely and holistically managed in an  
30 exclusively community setting, and who are at risk of  
31 institutionalization or out-of-state placement, or are transitioning  
32 to the community from an intermediate care facility, hospital, or  
33 other state-operated residential facility. The enhanced behavior  
34 support specialty contract shall be designed to ensure that enhanced  
35 behavior support specialty settings serve a maximum capacity of four  
36 clients and that they have the adequate levels of staffing to provide  
37 24-hour nonmedical care and supervision of residents.

1 (ii) No later than June 30, 2025, the department must submit to  
2 the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature a  
3 report that includes:

4 (A) A detailed description of the design of the enhanced behavior  
5 support specialty contract and setting, including a description of  
6 and the rationale for the number of staff required within each  
7 behavior support specialty setting and the necessary qualifications  
8 of these staff;

9 (B) A detailed description of and the rationale for the number of  
10 department staff required to manage the enhanced behavior support  
11 specialty program;

12 (C) A plan for implementing the enhanced behavior support  
13 specialty contracts that includes:

14 (I) An analysis of areas of the state where enhanced behavior  
15 support specialty settings are needed, including recommendations for  
16 how to phase in the enhanced behavior support specialty settings in  
17 these areas; and

18 (II) An analysis of the sufficiency of the provider network to  
19 support a phase in of the enhanced behavior support specialty  
20 settings, including recommendations for how to further develop this  
21 network; and

22 (D) An estimate of the costs to implement the enhanced behavior  
23 support specialty settings and program and any necessary  
24 recommendations for legislative actions to facilitate the ability of  
25 the department to:

26 (I) Enter into contracts and payment arrangements with providers  
27 choosing to provide the enhanced behavior support specialty setting  
28 and to supplement care in all community-based residential settings  
29 with experts trained in enhanced behavior support so that state-  
30 operated living alternatives, supported living facilities, and other  
31 community-based settings can specialize in the needs of individuals  
32 with developmental disabilities who are living with high, complex  
33 behavioral support needs;

34 (II) Enter into funding agreements with the health care authority  
35 for the provision of applied behavioral analysis and other applicable  
36 health care services within the community-based residential setting;  
37 and

38 (III) Provide the enhanced behavior support specialty through a  
39 medicaid waiver or other federal authority administered by the

1 department, to the extent consistent with federal law and federal  
2 funding requirements to receive federal matching funds.

3 (z) \$2,494,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$3,345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide  
6 personal care services for up to 33 clients who are not United States  
7 citizens and who are ineligible for medicaid upon their discharge  
8 from an acute care hospital. The department must prioritize the  
9 funding provided in this subsection for such clients in acute care  
10 hospitals who are also on the department's wait list for services.

11 (aa) \$2,605,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2024, \$2,402,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
13 for fiscal year 2025, and \$3,840,000 of the general fund—federal  
14 appropriation are provided solely to establish transition  
15 coordination teams to coordinate transitions of care for clients who  
16 move from one care setting to another. The department of social and  
17 health services shall submit annual reports no later than December 1,  
18 2023, and December 1, 2024, to the appropriate committees of the  
19 legislature that detail how the funds were utilized and the  
20 associated outcomes including, but not limited to:

21 (i) A detailed reporting of the number of clients served, the  
22 settings in which clients received care, and the progress made toward  
23 increasing stability of client placements;

24 (ii) A comparison of these outcomes against the outcomes achieved  
25 in prior fiscal years;

26 (iii) A description of lessons learned since the transition  
27 coordination teams were first implemented, including an  
28 identification of what processes were improved to reduce the  
29 timelines for completion; and

30 (iv) Recommendations for changes necessary to the transition  
31 coordination teams to improve increasing stability of client  
32 placements.

33 (bb) \$1,448,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2024, \$1,807,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
35 for fiscal year 2025, and \$3,626,000 of the general fund—federal  
36 appropriation are provided solely to pilot a specialty rate for adult  
37 family homes to serve up to 100 individuals with intellectual or  
38 developmental disabilities who also have co-occurring health or  
39 behavioral health diagnoses. No later than December 1, 2024, the

1 department of social and health services shall submit a report to the  
2 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature that  
3 details how the funds were utilized and the associated outcomes  
4 including, but not limited to:

5 (i) A detailed reporting of the number of clients served and the  
6 setting from which each client entered the adult family home  
7 receiving this specialty rate;

8 (ii) A comparison of the rate of admissions to the adult family  
9 homes receiving this specialty rate against the rate of admissions to  
10 other state-operated settings including, but not limited to, state-  
11 operated living alternatives, enhanced services facilities, and the  
12 transitional care center of Seattle; and

13 (iii) A comparison of the length of stay in the setting from  
14 which the client entered the adult family home receiving this  
15 specialty rate against the average length of stay in settings prior  
16 to entering other state-operated settings including, but not limited  
17 to, state-operated living alternatives, enhanced services facilities,  
18 and the transitional care center of Seattle.

19 (cc) \$2,856,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2024, \$3,104,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
21 for fiscal year 2025, and \$5,948,000 of the general fund—federal  
22 appropriation are provided solely to pilot a program that provides a  
23 specialty rate for community residential providers who receive  
24 additional training to support individuals with complex physical and  
25 behavioral health needs.

26 (i) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$2,453,000 of the  
27 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$2,705,000 of  
28 the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and  
29 \$5,259,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
30 solely for the specialty rate for community residential providers to  
31 serve up to 30 individuals.

32 (ii) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$403,000 of the  
33 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$399,000 of  
34 the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and  
35 \$689,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
36 solely for the department to hire staff to support this specialty  
37 program, including expanding existing training programs available for  
38 community residential providers and to support providers in locating  
39 affordable housing.

1 (iii) No later than December 1, 2024, the department of social  
2 and health services shall submit a report to the governor and the  
3 appropriate committees of the legislature that details how the funds  
4 were utilized and the associated outcomes including, but not limited  
5 to:

6 (A) A detailed reporting of the number of clients served and the  
7 setting from which each client entered the community residential  
8 setting receiving this specialty rate;

9 (B) A comparison of the rate of admissions to the community  
10 residential setting receiving this specialty rate against the rate of  
11 admissions to other community residential settings not receiving this  
12 specialty rate as well as against the rate of admissions to other  
13 state-operated settings including, but not limited to, state-operated  
14 living alternatives, enhanced services facilities, and the  
15 transitional care center of Seattle; and

16 (C) A comparison of the length of stay in the setting from which  
17 the client entered the community residential setting receiving this  
18 specialty rate against the average length of stay in settings prior  
19 to entering other community residential settings not receiving this  
20 specialty rate as well as prior to entering other state-operated  
21 settings including, but not limited to, state-operated living  
22 alternatives, enhanced services facilities, and the transitional care  
23 center of Seattle.

24 (dd)(i) \$104,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to contract  
26 with the Ruckleshaus center for a progress report on the  
27 recommendations in the December 2019 report, "Rethinking Intellectual  
28 and Developmental Disability Policy to Empower Clients, Develop  
29 Providers and Improve Services."

30 (ii) By February 29, 2024, a final report shall be submitted to  
31 the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature that  
32 includes:

33 (A) Detailed information about the successes and barriers related  
34 to meeting the recommendations in the December 2019 report;

35 (B) Identification of other potential issues or options for  
36 meeting the recommendations in the December 2019 report, including  
37 but not limited to, an exploration of the enhanced behavioral support  
38 homes concept;

39 (C) A review of other state's approaches and innovations  
40 regarding any of the recommendations in the December 2019 report;

1 (D) Identification of any emergent issues; and

2 (E) Identification or recommendation for the organization of  
3 focus groups of state agencies and respective stakeholders.

4 (iii) In compiling the final report, members of the previous  
5 workgroup, as well as other interested parties, should be consulted  
6 for their feedback and to identify areas where there is potential for  
7 agreement to move forward and to make process recommendations if  
8 applicable.

9 (ee) \$127,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024, \$28,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2025, and \$55,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
12 provided solely for adult day respite. Of the amounts appropriated in  
13 this subsection:

14 (i) \$27,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024, \$28,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2025, and \$55,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
17 provided solely to increase adult day respite rates from \$3.40 to  
18 \$5.45 per 15-minute unit to expand and ensure the sustainability of  
19 respite services for clients with intellectual or developmental  
20 disabilities and their family caregivers.

21 (ii) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 is provided solely for the department to hire a project  
23 position to conduct a study and submit a report by December 1, 2023  
24 to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature  
25 that examines the feasibility and operational resources needed to add  
26 adult day services to a state plan 1915(i) option or to the existing  
27 basic plus and core 1915(c) waivers.

28 (ff) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2024, \$4,284,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
30 for fiscal year 2025, and \$4,178,000 of the general fund—federal  
31 appropriation are provided solely for the department to add 10 adult  
32 stabilization beds by June 2025, increase rates for existing adult  
33 stabilization beds by 23 percent, and expand mobile crisis diversion  
34 services to cover all three regions of the state.

35 (gg)(i) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to study  
37 opportunities to enhance data collection on clients in family units  
38 with at least one parent having a developmental or intellectual  
39 disability. The study must identify:

1 (A) Opportunities to improve the existing assessment form and  
2 information technology systems by adding questions about clients'  
3 children, such as their ages, the number of children, and the K-12  
4 enrollment status of each child;

5 (B) Ways to strengthen data sharing agreements with other  
6 departments, including the department of children, youth, and  
7 families, and local school districts;

8 (C) Strategies for surveying clients to collect information on  
9 their parenting and living arrangements, including support from other  
10 family members;

11 (D) Methods for analyzing new and existing data to determine and  
12 identify the total number of children with parents that have a  
13 developmental or intellectual disability, their needs, and access to  
14 specialized services;

15 (E) An inventory of existing support programs designed for  
16 families with a parent having a developmental or intellectual  
17 disability and their children, including educational support,  
18 financial assistance, and access to specialized services.

19 (ii) The department shall report its findings to the governor and  
20 appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2024.

21 (hh) \$81,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024, \$219,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025, and \$371,000 of the general fund—federal  
24 appropriation are provided solely to implement House Bill No. 1407  
25 (dev. disability/eligibility).

26 (ii) \$62,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024, \$72,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2025, and \$116,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
29 provided solely to implement Second Substitute House Bill No. 1580  
30 (children in crisis).

31 (jj) \$63,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024, \$73,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2025, and \$136,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
34 provided solely for the department to conduct a study to explore  
35 opportunities to restructure services offered under the medicaid  
36 waivers for individuals with developmental disabilities served by the  
37 department. The plan should propose strategies to enhance service  
38 accessibility across the state and align services with the needs of  
39 clients, taking into account current and future demand. It must



1 incorporate valuable input from knowledgeable stakeholders and a  
2 national organization experienced in home and community-based waivers  
3 in other states. This plan must be submitted to the governor and  
4 relevant legislative committees by December 1, 2024.

5 (kk) \$5,431,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2024, \$16,626,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
7 for fiscal year 2025, and \$22,279,000 of the general fund—federal  
8 appropriation are provided solely to increase rates by 2.5 percent,  
9 effective January 1, 2024, and an additional 2.5 percent, effective  
10 January 1, 2025, for community residential service providers offering  
11 supported living, group home, group training home, licensed staff  
12 residential services, community protection, and children's out-of-  
13 home services to individuals with developmental disabilities.

14 (ll) \$456,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024, \$898,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025, and \$416,000 of the general fund—federal  
17 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
18 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1188 (child welfare services/DD).

19 (mm) \$446,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024, (~~(\$5,274,000)~~) \$2,974,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$2,089,000)~~) \$1,037,000 of  
22 the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for  
23 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5440  
24 (competency evaluations).

25 (nn)(~~(a)~~) (i) \$2,214,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2024(~~(, \$10,104,000 of the general fund—~~  
27 ~~state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$2,934,000 of the~~  
28 ~~general fund—federal appropriation are)~~) is provided solely for the  
29 department to operate a staff-secure, voluntary, and transitional  
30 treatment facility specializing in services for adolescents over the  
31 age of 13 who have complex developmental, intellectual disabilities,  
32 or autism spectrum disorder and may also have a mental health or  
33 substance use diagnosis. These individuals require intensive  
34 behavioral supports and may also be in need of behavioral health  
35 services. Services must be provided at a leased property in Lake  
36 Burien, serve no more than 12 youth at one time, and be implemented  
37 in a way that prioritizes transition to less restrictive community-  
38 based settings. The department shall collaborate with the department  
39 of children, youth, and families to identify youth for placement in

1 this setting and regarding appropriate discharge options with a focus  
2 on less restrictive community-based settings. Youth shall enter the  
3 facility only by their own consent or the consent of their guardian.

4 ~~((b))~~ (ii) \$13,038,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
5 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to operate  
6 a transitional facility specializing in treatment for youth aged  
7 13-17 who have intellectual and developmental disabilities, or autism  
8 spectrum disorder, and a severe psychiatric diagnosis requiring 24/7  
9 care under the direction of a physician. Youth admitted to the  
10 facility require health services wherein treatment modalities and  
11 interventions are adapted to specifically provide youth with I/DD  
12 benefits from the level of care provided. Services must be provided  
13 at a leased property in Burien, serve no more than 12 youth at one  
14 time, and be implemented in a way that prioritizes transition to less  
15 restrictive community-based settings. Youth shall be voluntarily  
16 admitted to the facility by their own consent or the consent of their  
17 guardian or legal representative. The department shall collaborate  
18 with the department of children, youth, and families to identify  
19 youth for placement in this setting and regarding appropriate  
20 discharge options with a focus on less restrictive community-based  
21 settings.

22 (iii) The department and health care authority shall collaborate  
23 in the identification and evaluation of strategies to obtain federal  
24 matching funding opportunities, specifically focusing on innovative  
25 medicaid framework adjustments and the consideration of necessary  
26 state plan amendments. This collaborative effort aims not only to  
27 enhance the funding available for the operation of the facility but  
28 also to maintain adherence to its fundamental objective of offering  
29 voluntary, transitional services. These services are designed to  
30 facilitate the transition of youth to community-based settings that  
31 are less restrictive, aligning with the facility's commitment to  
32 supporting youth with complex needs in a manner that encourages their  
33 movement toward independence.

34 ~~((e))~~ (iv) By November 1, 2024, the department shall report to  
35 the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature on the  
36 program's design, results of preliminary implementation, financing  
37 opportunities, and recommendations. By June 30, 2025, the department  
38 shall report to the governor and appropriate committees of the  
39 legislature its initial findings, demographics on children served,  
40 and recommendations for program design and expansion.

1 (oo) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2025 and \$175,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
3 provided solely for guardianship fee parity for individuals moving  
4 from residential habilitation centers to community supported living  
5 programs. This funding aims to maintain equal guardianship fees  
6 compared to those moving to adult family homes.

7 (pp) \$108,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2025 and \$92,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
9 provided solely to convene a work group to study day habilitation  
10 services, ensuring that work group includes individuals with lived  
11 experience. The work group must submit a final report to the governor  
12 and appropriate committees of the legislature by October 1, 2024,  
13 detailing recommendations for the establishment of community-  
14 contracted day habilitation services statewide and their inclusion in  
15 the medicaid state plan.

16 (qq) \$1,260,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 and \$970,000 of the general fund—federal  
18 appropriation are provided solely for hiring additional staff to  
19 reduce the current caseload ratio, targeting a move from one case  
20 manager per 75 clients to one case manager per 66 clients by June  
21 2027.

22 (rr)(i) \$361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 and \$387,000 of the general fund—federal  
24 appropriation are provided for rates paid, effective January 1, 2025,  
25 to independent contractor nurses and agency-employed nurses providing  
26 private duty nursing, skilled nursing, and private duty nursing in  
27 adult family homes.

28 (ii) The department must adopt a payment model that incorporates  
29 the following adjustments for independent contractor nurses:

30 (A) Private duty nursing services shall be \$56.58 per hour by a  
31 registered nurse and \$46.49 per hour by a licensed practical nurse.

32 (B) Skilled nursing services shall be \$62.93 per day by a  
33 registered nurse.

34 (iii) The department must adopt a payment model that incorporates  
35 the following adjustments for agency-employed nurses:

36 (A) Private duty nursing services shall be \$67.89 per hour by a  
37 registered nurse and \$55.79 per hour by a licensed practical nurse.

38 (B) Skilled nursing services shall be \$75.52 per day by a  
39 registered nurse.

(iv) Private duty nursing services in an adult family home shall be \$898.95 per day.

(ss) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to establish respite care beds for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the Tri-Cities.

(2) INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES

|                                            |                                |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$138,715,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(( \$141,014,000 ))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$141,490,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | <del>(( \$255,118,000 ))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$260,541,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$19,488,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(( \$554,335,000 ))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$560,234,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) Individuals receiving services as supplemental security income (SSI) state supplemental payments may not become eligible for medical assistance under RCW 74.09.510 due solely to the receipt of SSI state supplemental payments.

(b) \$495,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 ~~((and \$495,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are))~~ is for the department to fulfill its contracts with the school districts under chapter 28A.190 RCW to provide transportation, building space, and other support services as are reasonably necessary to support the educational programs of students living in residential habilitation centers.

(c) The residential habilitation centers may use funds appropriated in this subsection to purchase goods, services, and supplies through hospital group purchasing organizations when it is cost-effective to do so.

(d) \$61,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$61,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$117,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of House Bill No. 1128 (personal needs allowance).

(e) \$73,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$73,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 6125 (Lakeland Village records). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(3) PROGRAM SUPPORT

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$3,582,000  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | \$3,660,000  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$4,249,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$11,491,000 |

(4) SPECIAL PROJECTS

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$66,000    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | \$66,000    |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$1,094,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | \$1,226,000 |

**Sec. 1204.** 2024 c 376 s 204 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—AGING AND ADULT SERVICES PROGRAM**

|                                                                           |                                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)                                | \$2,168,094,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)                                | <del>(( \$2,415,596,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                                           | <u>\$2,497,282,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                        | <del>(( \$5,672,133,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                                           | <u>\$5,787,707,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                  | \$53,719,000                      |
| Traumatic Brain Injury Account—State Appropriation                        | \$4,486,000                       |
| Skilled Nursing Facility Safety Net Trust Account—<br>State Appropriation | \$133,360,000                     |
| Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Account—State<br>Appropriation      | \$53,701,000                      |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                       | <del>(( \$10,501,089,000 ))</del> |
|                                                                           | <u>\$10,698,349,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) For purposes of implementing chapter 74.46 RCW, the weighted average nursing facility payment rate may not exceed \$341.41 for fiscal year 2024 and may not exceed ~~(( \$364.67 ))~~ \$376.54 for

1 fiscal year 2025. The weighted average nursing facility payment rates  
2 in this subsection (1)(a) include the following:

3 (i) \$17,361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024, \$17,361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
5 for fiscal year 2025, and \$34,722,000 of the general fund—federal  
6 appropriation are provided solely to maintain rate add-ons funded in  
7 the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium to address low-wage equity for low-wage  
8 direct care workers. To the maximum extent possible, the facility-  
9 specific wage rate add-on shall be equal to the wage payment received  
10 on June 30, 2023.

11 (ii) \$2,227,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2024, \$2,227,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
13 for fiscal year 2025, and \$4,456,000 of the general fund—federal  
14 appropriation are provided solely to maintain rate add-ons funded in  
15 the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium to address low-wage equity for low-wage  
16 indirect care workers. To the maximum extent possible, the facility-  
17 specific wage rate add-on shall be equal to the wage payment received  
18 on June 30, 2023.

19 (b) The department shall provide a medicaid rate add-on to  
20 reimburse the medicaid share of the skilled nursing facility safety  
21 net assessment as a medicaid allowable cost. The nursing facility  
22 safety net rate add-on may not be included in the calculation of the  
23 annual statewide weighted average nursing facility payment rate.

24 (2) In accordance with RCW 18.51.050, 18.20.050, 70.128.060, and  
25 43.135.055, the department is authorized to increase nursing  
26 facility, assisted living facility, and adult family home fees as  
27 necessary to fully support the actual costs of conducting the  
28 licensure, inspection, and regulatory programs. The license fees may  
29 not exceed the department's annual licensing and oversight activity  
30 costs and shall include the department's cost of paying providers for  
31 the amount of the license fee attributed to medicaid clients.

32 (a) The current annual renewal license fee for adult family homes  
33 is \$225 per bed beginning in fiscal year 2024 and \$225 per bed  
34 beginning in fiscal year 2025. A processing fee of \$2,750 must be  
35 charged to each adult family home when the home is initially  
36 licensed. This fee is nonrefundable. A processing fee of \$700 shall  
37 be charged when adult family home providers file a change of  
38 ownership application.

1 (b) The current annual renewal license fee for assisted living  
2 facilities is \$116 per bed beginning in fiscal year 2024 and \$116 per  
3 bed beginning in fiscal year 2025.

4 (c) The current annual renewal license fee for nursing facilities  
5 is \$359 per bed beginning in fiscal year 2024 and \$359 per bed  
6 beginning in fiscal year 2025.

7 (3) The department is authorized to place long-term care clients  
8 residing in nursing homes and paid for with state-only funds into  
9 less restrictive community care settings while continuing to meet the  
10 client's care needs.

11 (4) \$69,777,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2024, \$113,969,000 of the general fund—state  
13 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$237,558,000 of the general  
14 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the rate increase  
15 for the new consumer-directed employer contracted individual  
16 providers as set by the consumer-directed rate setting board in  
17 accordance with RCW 74.39A.530.

18 (5) \$19,044,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2024, \$30,439,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
20 for fiscal year 2025, and \$63,986,000 of the general fund—federal  
21 appropriation are provided solely for the homecare agency parity  
22 consistent with the rate set by the consumer-directed employer rate  
23 setting board in accordance with RCW 74.39A.530.

24 (6) \$2,385,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024, \$4,892,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025, and \$12,502,000 of the general fund—federal  
27 appropriation are provided solely for administrative costs of the  
28 consumer-directed employer as set by the consumer-directed employer  
29 rate setting board in accordance with RCW 74.39A.530.

30 (7) \$2,547,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024, \$3,447,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025, and \$7,762,000 of the general fund—federal  
33 appropriation are provided solely to increase the administrative rate  
34 for home care agencies by 56 cents per hour effective July 1, 2023.

35 (8) \$425,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2025 and \$542,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
37 provided solely for funding the unfair labor practice settlement in  
38 the case of *Adult Family Home Council v Office of Financial*  
39 *Management*, PERC case no. 135737-U-22. If the settlement agreement is

not reached by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(9) The department may authorize a one-time waiver of all or any portion of the licensing and processing fees required under RCW 70.128.060 in any case in which the department determines that an adult family home is being relicensed because of exceptional circumstances, such as death or incapacity of a provider, and that to require the full payment of the licensing and processing fees would present a hardship to the applicant. In these situations the department is also granted the authority to waive the required residential administrator training for a period of 120 days if necessary to ensure continuity of care during the relicensing process.

(10) In accordance with RCW 18.390.030, the biennial registration fee for continuing care retirement communities shall be \$900 for each facility.

(11) Within amounts appropriated in this subsection, the department shall assist the legislature to continue the work of the joint legislative executive committee on planning for aging and disability issues.

(a) A joint legislative executive committee on aging and disability is continued, with members as provided in this subsection.

(i) Four members of the senate, with the leaders of the two largest caucuses each appointing two members, and four members of the house of representatives, with the leaders of the two largest caucuses each appointing two members;

(ii) A member from the office of the governor, appointed by the governor;

(iii) The secretary of the department of social and health services or his or her designee;

(iv) The director of the health care authority or his or her designee;

(v) A member from disability rights Washington and a member from the office of long-term care ombuds;

(vi) The insurance commissioner or his or her designee, who shall serve as an ex officio member; and

(vii) Other agency directors or designees as necessary.

(b) The committee must make recommendations and continue to identify key strategic actions to prepare for the aging of the population in Washington and to serve people with disabilities,



1 including state budget and policy options, and may conduct, but are  
2 not limited to, the following tasks:

3 (i) Identify strategies to better serve the health care needs of  
4 an aging population and people with disabilities to promote healthy  
5 living and palliative care planning;

6 (ii) Identify strategies and policy options to create financing  
7 mechanisms for long-term service and supports that allow individuals  
8 and families to meet their needs for service;

9 (iii) Identify policies to promote financial security in  
10 retirement, support people who wish to stay in the workplace longer,  
11 and expand the availability of workplace retirement savings plans;

12 (iv) Identify ways to promote advance planning and advance care  
13 directives and implementation strategies for the Bree collaborative  
14 palliative care and related guidelines;

15 (v) Identify ways to meet the needs of the aging demographic  
16 impacted by reduced federal support;

17 (vi) Identify ways to protect the rights of vulnerable adults  
18 through assisted decision-making and guardianship and other relevant  
19 vulnerable adult protections;

20 (vii) Identify options for promoting client safety through  
21 residential care services and consider methods of protecting older  
22 people and people with disabilities from physical abuse and financial  
23 exploitation; and

24 (viii) Identify other policy options and recommendations to help  
25 communities adapt to the aging demographic in planning for housing,  
26 land use, and transportation.

27 (c) Staff support for the committee shall be provided by the  
28 office of program research, senate committee services, the office of  
29 financial management, and the department of social and health  
30 services.

31 (d) Within existing appropriations, the cost of meetings must be  
32 paid jointly by the senate, house of representatives, and the office  
33 of financial management. Joint committee expenditures and meetings  
34 are subject to approval by the senate facilities and operations  
35 committee and the house of representatives executive rules committee,  
36 or their successor committees. Meetings of the task force must be  
37 scheduled and conducted in accordance with the rules of both the  
38 senate and the house of representatives. The joint committee members  
39 may be reimbursed for travel expenses as authorized under RCW  
40 43.03.050 and 43.03.060, and chapter 44.04 RCW as appropriate.

1 Advisory committee members may not receive compensation or  
2 reimbursement for travel and expenses.

3 (12) Appropriations in this section are sufficient to fund  
4 discharge case managers stationed at the state psychiatric hospitals.  
5 Discharge case managers will transition clients ready for hospital  
6 discharge into less restrictive alternative community placements. The  
7 transition of clients ready for discharge will free up bed capacity  
8 at the state psychiatric hospitals.

9 (13) Appropriations in this section are sufficient to fund  
10 financial service specialists stationed at the state psychiatric  
11 hospitals. Financial service specialists will help to transition  
12 clients ready for hospital discharge into alternative community  
13 placements. The transition of clients ready for discharge will free  
14 up bed capacity at the state hospitals.

15 (14) The department shall continue to administer tailored support  
16 for older adults and medicaid alternative care as described in  
17 initiative 2 of the 1115 demonstration waiver. This initiative will  
18 be funded by the health care authority through the medicaid quality  
19 improvement program. The secretary in collaboration with the director  
20 of the health care authority shall report to the office of financial  
21 management all expenditures of this subsection and shall provide such  
22 fiscal data in the time, manner, and form requested. The department  
23 shall not increase general fund—state expenditures on this  
24 initiative.

25 (15) \$61,209,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2024, \$70,352,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
27 for fiscal year 2025, and \$161,960,000 of the general fund—federal  
28 appropriation are provided solely for the implementation of an  
29 agreement reached between the governor and the adult family home  
30 council under the provisions of chapter 41.56 RCW for the 2023-2025  
31 fiscal biennium, as provided in section 907 of this act.

32 (16) \$1,761,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2024, \$1,761,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
34 for fiscal year 2025, and \$4,162,000 of the general fund—federal  
35 appropriation are provided solely for case managers at the area  
36 agencies on aging to coordinate care for medicaid clients with mental  
37 illness who are living in their own homes. Work shall be accomplished  
38 within existing standards for case management and no requirements

1 will be added or modified unless by mutual agreement between the  
2 department of social and health services and area agencies on aging.

3 (17) Appropriations provided in this section are sufficient for  
4 the department to contract with an organization to provide  
5 educational materials, legal services, and attorney training to  
6 support persons with dementia. The funding provided in this  
7 subsection must be used for:

8 (a) An advance care and legal planning toolkit for persons and  
9 families living with dementia, designed and made available online and  
10 in print. The toolkit should include educational topics including,  
11 but not limited to:

12 (i) The importance of early advance care, legal, and financial  
13 planning;

14 (ii) The purpose and application of various advance care, legal,  
15 and financial documents;

16 (iii) Dementia and capacity;

17 (iv) Long-term care financing considerations;

18 (v) Elder and vulnerable adult abuse and exploitation;

19 (vi) Checklists such as "legal tips for caregivers," "meeting  
20 with an attorney," and "life and death planning;"

21 (vii) Standardized forms such as general durable power of  
22 attorney forms and advance health care directives; and

23 (viii) A selected list of additional resources.

24 (b) Webinars about the dementia legal and advance care planning  
25 toolkit and related issues and topics with subject area experts. The  
26 subject area expert presenters must provide their services in-kind,  
27 on a volunteer basis.

28 (c) Continuing legal education programs for attorneys to advise  
29 and assist persons with dementia. The continuing education programs  
30 must be offered at no cost to attorneys who make a commitment to  
31 participate in the pro bono program.

32 (d) Administrative support costs to develop intake forms and  
33 protocols, perform client intake, match participating attorneys with  
34 eligible clients statewide, maintain records and data, and produce  
35 reports as needed.

36 (18) Appropriations provided in this section are sufficient to  
37 continue community alternative placement beds that prioritize the  
38 transition of clients who are ready for discharge from the state  
39 psychiatric hospitals, but who have additional long-term care or  
40 developmental disability needs.

1 (a) Community alternative placement beds include enhanced service  
2 facility beds, adult family home beds, skilled nursing facility beds,  
3 shared supportive housing beds, state operated living alternative  
4 beds, assisted living facility beds, adult residential care beds, and  
5 specialized dementia beds.

6 (b) Each client must receive an individualized assessment prior  
7 to leaving one of the state psychiatric hospitals. The individualized  
8 assessment must identify and authorize personal care, nursing care,  
9 behavioral health stabilization, physical therapy, or other necessary  
10 services to meet the unique needs of each client. It is the  
11 expectation that, in most cases, staffing ratios in all community  
12 alternative placement options described in (a) of this subsection  
13 will need to increase to meet the needs of clients leaving the state  
14 psychiatric hospitals. If specialized training is necessary to meet  
15 the needs of a client before he or she enters a community placement,  
16 then the person centered service plan must also identify and  
17 authorize this training.

18 (c) When reviewing placement options, the department must  
19 consider the safety of other residents, as well as the safety of  
20 staff, in a facility. An initial evaluation of each placement,  
21 including any documented safety concerns, must occur within thirty  
22 days of a client leaving one of the state psychiatric hospitals and  
23 entering one of the community placement options described in (a) of  
24 this subsection. At a minimum, the department must perform two  
25 additional evaluations of each placement during the first year that a  
26 client has lived in the facility.

27 (d) In developing bed capacity, the department shall consider the  
28 complex needs of individuals waiting for discharge from the state  
29 psychiatric hospitals.

30 (19) The annual certification renewal fee for community  
31 residential service businesses is \$859 per client in fiscal year 2024  
32 and \$859 per client in fiscal year 2025. The annual certification  
33 renewal fee may not exceed the department's annual licensing and  
34 oversight activity costs.

35 (20) \$5,094,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2024 and \$5,094,000 of the general fund—state  
37 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for services  
38 and support to individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or deaf-  
39 blind.

1 (21)(a) \$63,938,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024, \$40,714,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
3 for fiscal year 2025, and \$110,640,000 of the general fund—federal  
4 appropriation are provided solely for rate adjustments for skilled  
5 nursing facilities.

6 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$7,700,000  
7 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and  
8 \$7,700,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
9 solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5802 (nursing  
10 rate calculation). (~~If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the~~  
11 ~~amounts provided in (b) of this subsection shall lapse.~~)

12 (22) \$32,470,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2024, \$44,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
14 for fiscal year 2025, and \$84,550,000 of the general fund—federal  
15 appropriation are provided solely for rate adjustments for assisted  
16 living providers. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

17 (a) \$23,751,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2024, \$29,399,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
19 for fiscal year 2025, and \$59,215,000 of the general fund—federal  
20 appropriation are provided solely to increase funding of the assisted  
21 living medicaid methodology established in RCW 74.39A.032 to 79  
22 percent of the labor component and 68 percent of the operations  
23 component, effective July 1, 2023; and to 82 percent of the labor  
24 component and 68 percent of the operations component, effective July  
25 1, 2024. The department of social and health services shall report,  
26 by December 1st of each year, on medicaid resident utilization of and  
27 access to assisted living facilities.

28 (b) \$5,505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024, \$6,671,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025, and \$13,051,000 of the general fund—federal  
31 appropriation are provided solely for a specialty dementia care rate  
32 add-on for all assisted living facilities of \$43.48 per patient per  
33 day in fiscal year 2024 and \$50.00 per patient per day in fiscal year  
34 2025.

35 (c) \$2,573,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024, \$7,539,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025, and \$10,922,000 of the general fund—federal  
38 appropriation are provided solely for a one-time bridge rate for  
39 assisted living facilities, enhanced adult residential centers, and

1 adult residential centers, with high medicaid occupancy. The bridge  
2 rate does not replace or substitute the capital add-on rate found in  
3 RCW 74.39A.320 and the same methodology from RCW 74.39A.320 shall be  
4 used to determine each facility's medicaid occupancy percentage for  
5 the purposes of this one-time bridge rate add-on. Facilities with a  
6 medicaid occupancy level of 90 percent or more shall receive a \$20.99  
7 add-on per resident day effective July 1, 2023, and facilities with a  
8 medicaid occupancy level of 75 percent or more shall receive a \$20.99  
9 add-on per resident day effective July 1, 2024.

10 (d) \$641,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024, \$641,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,362,000 of the general fund—federal  
13 appropriation are provided solely to increase the rate add-on for  
14 expanded community services by 5 percent.

15 (23) Within available funds, the aging and long term support  
16 administration must maintain a unit within adult protective services  
17 that specializes in the investigation of financial abuse allegations  
18 and self-neglect allegations.

19 (24) The appropriations in this section include sufficient  
20 funding to implement chapter 220, Laws of 2020 (adult family homes/8  
21 beds). A nonrefundable fee of \$485 shall be charged for each  
22 application to increase bed capacity at an adult family home to seven  
23 or eight beds.

24 (25) \$1,858,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,857,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for operation  
27 of the volunteer services program. Funding must be prioritized  
28 towards serving populations traditionally served by long-term care  
29 services to include senior citizens and persons with disabilities.

30 (26) \$479,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024 and \$989,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the kinship navigator  
33 program in the Colville Indian reservation, Yakama Nation, and other  
34 tribal areas.

35 (27) The traumatic brain injury council shall collaborate with  
36 other state agencies in their efforts to address traumatic brain  
37 injuries to ensure that efforts are complimentary and continue to  
38 support the state's broader efforts to address this issue.

1 (28) \$1,297,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,297,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for community-  
4 based dementia education and support activities in three areas of the  
5 state, including dementia resource catalyst staff and direct services  
6 for people with dementia and their caregivers.

7 (29) \$5,410,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2024, \$9,277,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
9 for fiscal year 2025, and \$14,909,000 of the general fund—federal  
10 appropriation are provided solely for the operating costs associated  
11 with the phase-in of enhanced services facilities and specialized  
12 dementia care beds that were established with behavioral health  
13 community capacity grants.

14 (30)(a) \$71,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024, \$68,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025, and \$141,000 of the general fund—federal  
17 appropriation are provided solely for the department to develop a  
18 plan for implementing an enhanced behavior support specialty contract  
19 for community residential supported living, state-operated living  
20 alternative, or a group training home to provide intensive behavioral  
21 services and support to adults with intellectual and developmental  
22 disabilities who require enhanced services and support due to  
23 challenging behaviors that cannot be safely and holistically managed  
24 in an exclusively community setting, and who are at risk of  
25 institutionalization or out-of-state placement, or are transitioning  
26 to the community from an intermediate care facility, hospital, or  
27 other state-operated residential facility. The enhanced behavior  
28 support specialty contract shall be designed to ensure that enhanced  
29 behavior support specialty settings serve a maximum capacity of four  
30 clients and that they have the adequate levels of staffing to provide  
31 24-hour nonmedical care and supervision of residents.

32 (b) No later than June 30, 2025, the department must submit to  
33 the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature a  
34 report that includes:

35 (i) A detailed description of the design of the enhanced behavior  
36 support specialty contract and setting, including a description of  
37 and the rationale for the number of staff required within each  
38 behavior support specialty setting and the necessary qualifications  
39 of these staff;

1 (ii) A detailed description of and the rationale for the number  
2 of department staff required to manage the enhanced behavior support  
3 specialty program;

4 (iii) A plan for implementing the enhanced behavior support  
5 specialty contracts that includes:

6 (A) An analysis of areas of the state where enhanced behavior  
7 support specialty settings are needed, including recommendations for  
8 how to phase in the enhanced behavior support specialty settings in  
9 these areas; and

10 (B) An analysis of the sufficiency of the provider network to  
11 support a phase in of the enhanced behavior support specialty  
12 settings, including recommendations for how to further develop this  
13 network; and

14 (iv) An estimate of the costs to implement the enhanced behavior  
15 support specialty settings and program and any necessary  
16 recommendations for legislative actions to facilitate the ability of  
17 the department to:

18 (A) Enter into contracts and payment arrangements with providers  
19 choosing to provide the enhanced behavior support specialty setting  
20 and to supplement care in all community-based residential settings  
21 with experts trained in enhanced behavior support so that state-  
22 operated living alternatives, supported living facilities, and other  
23 community-based settings can specialize in the needs of individuals  
24 with developmental disabilities who are living with high, complex  
25 behavioral support needs;

26 (B) Enter into funding agreements with the health care authority  
27 for the provision of applied behavioral analysis and other applicable  
28 health care services within the community-based residential setting;  
29 and

30 (C) Provide the enhanced behavior support specialty through a  
31 medicaid waiver or other federal authority administered by the  
32 department, to the extent consistent with federal law and federal  
33 funding requirements to receive federal matching funds.

34 (31) \$2,551,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2024, \$3,134,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
36 for fiscal year 2025, and \$70,000 of the general fund—federal  
37 appropriation are provided solely for the kinship care support  
38 program. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:



1 (a) \$1,344,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$1,944,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the kinship care support  
4 program.

5 (b) \$344,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$323,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue the kinship  
8 navigator case management pilot program.

9 (c) \$863,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024, \$867,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025, and \$70,000 of the general fund—federal  
12 appropriation are provided solely for kinship navigators, including  
13 an increase in the number of kinship navigators so that each area  
14 agency on aging has one kinship navigator and King county has two  
15 kinship navigators.

16 (32) \$2,574,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,567,000 of the general fund—state  
18 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
19 department to provide personal care services for up to 40 clients who  
20 are not United States citizens and who are ineligible for medicaid  
21 upon their discharge from an acute care hospital. The department must  
22 prioritize the funding provided in this subsection for such clients  
23 in acute care hospitals who are also on the department's wait list  
24 for services.

25 (33) \$691,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024, \$658,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,347,000 of the general fund—federal  
28 appropriation are provided solely for the department to provide staff  
29 support to the difficult to discharge task force described in section  
30 133(11) of this act, including any associated ad hoc subgroups, and  
31 to develop home and community services assessment timeliness  
32 requirements for pilot participants in cooperation with the health  
33 care authority as described in section 211(64) of this act.

34 (34) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a study of functional  
37 assessments conducted by the department prior to acute care hospital  
38 discharge and placement in a post-acute facility. No later than June

30, 2025, a report must be submitted to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature that evaluates:

(a) The timeliness of the completion of these assessments;

(b) How requiring these assessments impacts:

(i) The length of a patient's hospital stay;

(ii) The patient's medical, emotional, and mental well-being;

(iii) The hospital staff who care for these patients; and

(iv) Access to inpatient and emergency beds for other patients;

(c) Best practices from other states for placing hospitalized patients in post-acute care settings in a timely and effective manner that includes:

(i) Identification of the states that require these assessments prior to post-acute placement; and

(ii) An analysis of a patient's hospital length of stay and a patient's medical, emotional, and mental well-being in states that require these assessments compared to the states that do not; and

(d) The potential benefits of, and barriers to, outsourcing some or all of the functional assessment process to hospitals. Barriers evaluated must include department policies regarding staff workloads, outsourcing work, and computer system access.

(35) \$63,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$73,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$136,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to employ and train staff for outreach efforts aimed at connecting adult family home owners and their employees with health care coverage through the adult family home training network as outlined in RCW 70.128.305. These outreach activities must consist of:

(a) Informing adult family home owners and their employees about various health insurance options;

(b) Creating and distributing culturally and linguistically relevant materials to assist these individuals in accessing affordable or free health insurance plans;

(c) Offering continuous technical support to adult family home owners and their employees regarding health insurance options and the application process; and

(d) Providing technical assistance as a certified assister for the health benefit exchange, enabling adult family home owners and their employees to comprehend, compare, apply for, and enroll in

1 health insurance via Washington healthplanfinder. Participation in  
2 the certified assister program is dependent on meeting contractual,  
3 security, and other program requirements set by the health benefit  
4 exchange.

5 (36) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 is provided solely for the department, in collaboration  
7 with the office of the insurance commissioner and the office of the  
8 attorney general, to create a regulatory oversight plan for  
9 continuing care retirement communities, focusing primarily on  
10 establishing and implementing resident consumer protections, as  
11 recommended in the 2022 report of the office of the insurance  
12 commissioner. As part of the process, the agencies must engage with  
13 relevant stakeholder groups for consultation. The final plan must be  
14 submitted to the health care committees of the legislature by  
15 December 1, 2024.

16 (37) \$11,509,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$15,363,000)~~) \$12,834,000 of the general fund—  
18 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$27,344,000)~~)  
19 \$24,815,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
20 solely for nursing home services and emergent building costs at the  
21 transitional care center of Seattle. No later than December 1, 2024,  
22 the department must submit to the appropriate fiscal committees of  
23 the legislature a report that includes, but is not limited to:

24 (a) An itemization of the costs associated with providing direct  
25 care services to residents and managing and caring for the facility;  
26 and

27 (b) An examination of the impacts of this facility on clients and  
28 providers of the long-term care and medical care sectors of the state  
29 that includes, but is not limited to:

30 (i) An analysis of areas that have realized cost containment or  
31 savings as a result of this facility;

32 (ii) A comparison of individuals transitioned from hospitals to  
33 this facility compared to other skilled nursing facilities over the  
34 same period of time; and

35 (iii) Impacts of this facility on lengths of stay in acute care  
36 hospitals, other skilled nursing facility, and transitions to home  
37 and community-based settings.

38 (38) \$911,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024, \$935,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025, and \$365,000 of the general fund—federal  
2 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of House Bill  
3 No. 1128 (personal needs allowance).

4 (39) \$562,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024, \$673,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,244,000 of the general fund—federal  
7 appropriation are provided solely to increase rates for long-term  
8 care case management services offered by area agencies on aging. The  
9 department must include this adjustment in the monthly per client  
10 rates paid to these agencies for case management services in the  
11 governor's projected maintenance level budget process, in accordance  
12 with RCW 43.88.030.

13 (40) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,500,000 of the general fund—federal  
16 appropriation are provided solely to contract with an organization to  
17 design and deliver culturally and linguistically competent training  
18 programs for home care workers, including individual providers. Of  
19 the amounts provided in this subsection, \$500,000 of the general fund  
20 —state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$500,000 of the general  
21 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to develop and  
22 implement training programs on emergency preparedness related to  
23 climate-related events.

24 (41) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024, \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025, and \$400,000 of the general fund—federal  
27 appropriation are provided solely for a pilot project focused on  
28 providing translation services for interpreting mandatory training  
29 courses offered through the adult family home training network. The  
30 department of social and health services must collaborate with the  
31 adult family home council and the adult family home training network  
32 to assess the pilot project's outcomes. The department of social and  
33 health services shall submit a comprehensive report detailing the  
34 results to the governor and the appropriate committees of the  
35 legislature no later than September 30, 2025.

36 (42) \$635,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$635,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue the current pilot  
39 projects to provide personal care services to homeless seniors and

1 people with disabilities from the time the person presents at a  
2 shelter to the time they become eligible for medicaid.

3 (43) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024, \$72,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2025, and \$147,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
6 provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute  
7 House Bill No. 1188 (child welfare services/DD).

8 (44) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024, \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025, and \$250,000 of the general fund—federal  
11 appropriation are provided solely for the department, in  
12 collaboration with the consumer directed employer and home care  
13 agencies, to establish guidelines, collect and analyze data, and  
14 research the reasons and timing behind home care workers leaving the  
15 workforce.

16 (45) \$703,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024, (~~(\$3,297,000)~~) \$176,000 of the general fund—state  
18 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$2,735,000)~~) \$671,000 of  
19 the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for  
20 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5440  
21 (competency evaluations).

22 (46)(a) \$4,792,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2024, \$4,894,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
24 for fiscal year 2025, and \$9,881,000 of the general fund—federal  
25 appropriation are provided solely to support providers that are ready  
26 to accept patients who are in acute care beds and no longer require  
27 inpatient care, but are unable to be transitioned to appropriate  
28 postacute care settings. These patients are generally referred to as  
29 difficult to discharge hospital patients because of their behaviors.

30 (i) The department shall broaden the current discharge and  
31 referral case management practices for difficult to discharge  
32 hospital patients waiting in acute care hospitals to include  
33 referrals to all long-term care behavioral health settings, including  
34 enhanced services facilities, enhanced adult residential care, and  
35 enhanced adult residential care with community stability supports  
36 contracts or community behavioral health support services, including  
37 supportive supervision and oversight and skills development and  
38 restoration. These home and community-based providers are contracted  
39 to provide various levels of personal care, nursing, and behavior

1 supports for difficult to discharge hospital patients with  
2 significant behavior support needs.

3 (ii) Patients ready to discharge from acute care hospitals with  
4 diagnosed behaviors or behavior history, and a likelihood of  
5 unsuccessful placement in other licensed long-term care facilities, a  
6 history of rejected applications for admissions, or a history of  
7 unsuccessful placements shall be fully eligible for referral to  
8 available beds in enhanced services facilities or enhanced adult  
9 residential care with contracts that adequately meet the patient's  
10 long-term care needs.

11 (iii) Previous or current detainment under the involuntary  
12 treatment act shall not be a requirement for individuals in acute  
13 care hospitals to be eligible for these specialized settings. The  
14 department shall develop a standard process for acute care hospitals  
15 to refer patients to the department for placement in enhanced  
16 services facilities and enhanced adult residential care with  
17 contracts to provide behavior support.

18 (b) The department must adopt a payment model that incorporates  
19 the following adjustments:

20 (i) The enhanced behavior services plus and enhanced behavior  
21 services respite rates for skilled nursing facilities shall be  
22 converted to \$175 per patient per day add-on in addition to daily  
23 base rates to recognize additional staffing and care needs for  
24 patients with behaviors.

25 (ii) Enhanced behavior services plus with specialized services  
26 rates for skilled nursing facilities shall be converted to \$235 per  
27 patient per day add-on on top of daily base rates.

28 (iii) The ventilator rate add-on for all skilled nursing  
29 facilities shall be \$192 per patient per day.

30 (iv) The tracheotomy rate add-on for all skilled nursing  
31 facilities shall be \$123 per patient per day.

32 (c) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$3,838,000  
33 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024,  
34 \$3,917,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
35 2025, and \$7,911,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
36 provided solely for an increase in the daily rate for enhanced  
37 services facilities to \$596.10 per patient per day.

38 (47) \$926,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the deaf and hard of

1 hearing within the department to establish a work group to address  
2 the statewide shortage of qualified and certified American sign  
3 language interpreters and protactile interpreters. The work group  
4 shall focus on developing training and certification standards,  
5 developing strategies for increasing interpreter numbers across all  
6 communities, for enhancing professional development, and for creating  
7 pathways to allow interpreters to be financially supported to work  
8 statewide. The work group shall primarily be comprised of individuals  
9 who identify as deaf, deafblind, and hard of hearing who use American  
10 sign language or protactile, with priority for members from  
11 historically marginalized communities. The work group shall provide a  
12 final report, including recommendations and a plan for  
13 implementation, to the governor and appropriate committees of the  
14 legislature by June 30, 2025.

15 (48) \$830,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2025 and \$80,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
17 provided solely for the department, in collaboration with the office  
18 of the insurance commissioner and the health care authority, to  
19 develop a plan for a phase-in of an essential worker health benefits  
20 program.

21 (a) By December 15, 2024, the department must submit to the  
22 appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature an  
23 implementation plan to provide nursing home workers with high  
24 quality, affordable health coverage through participating nursing  
25 home employers beginning January 1, 2026. The implementation plan  
26 should address:

27 (i) The likelihood that the state can obtain approval of  
28 supplemental medicaid payments for the program;

29 (ii) As assessment of current employee health benefit spending by  
30 nursing homes participating in the medicaid program, including  
31 current health benefit plan eligibility, plan design, employee cost-  
32 sharing, and employer premium contributions;

33 (iii) A mechanism to ensure that nursing home employers  
34 participating in the program maintain spending on health benefits  
35 such that medicaid payments supplement and do not supplant their  
36 health benefit spending;

37 (iv) The appropriate structure and oversight of the newly  
38 established health benefits fund, including the use of an established  
39 Taft-Hartley fund, fully insured health coverage, or a self-funded  
40 multiemployer welfare arrangement that offers health benefits

1 comparable to the platinum metal level under the affordable care act,  
2 including any statutory or regulatory changes necessary to ensure  
3 that the plan meets defined plan design, consumer protection, and  
4 solvency requirements.

5 (b) In preparing the implementation plan, the department,  
6 commissioner, and authority must review the design and impacts of the  
7 essential worker health care trust in Oregon and other similar  
8 publicly supported programs from other jurisdictions.

9 (c) The department must consult with interested organizations in  
10 development of the implementation plan.

11 (d) The department may contract with third parties and consult  
12 with other state entities to conduct all or any portion of the study,  
13 including actuarial analysis.

14 (e) A minimum of \$750,000 of the amounts provided in this  
15 subsection (48) must be contracted with an entity that is managed  
16 through a labor-management partnership. This entity must already be  
17 providing health care benefits to no fewer than 20,000 long-term care  
18 workers in the state of Washington and should have at least five  
19 years of experience in administering health care benefits to this  
20 workforce. Their joint efforts will focus on examining the health  
21 care needs specific to the nursing home workforce in the state,  
22 formulating a benefit plan that effectively addresses these needs,  
23 determining the financial requirement to offer such benefits,  
24 developing informational materials on health benefits tailored for  
25 nursing home workers, and establishing procedures and systems  
26 necessary for enrolling employees in the plan, subject to legislative  
27 appropriation for implementation.

28 (49) \$25,990,000 of the long-term services and supports trust  
29 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the information  
30 technology project for the long-term services and supports trust  
31 program, and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review  
32 requirements of section 701 of this act.

33 (50) \$12,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the area agencies on aging to  
35 maintain senior nutrition services. This includes, but is not limited  
36 to, meals at sites, through pantries, and home-delivery.

37 (51) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2025 is provided solely for the Washington traumatic brain  
39 injury strategic partnership advisory council to support at least one



1 in-person support group in each region of the state served by an  
2 accountable community of health as defined in RCW 82.04.43395. The  
3 council shall provide recommendations to the department on the  
4 criteria to be used in selecting the programs to receive funding. The  
5 criteria must reflect the diversity of individuals with traumatic  
6 brain injuries, including the range of cognitive and financial  
7 barriers that individuals with traumatic brain injuries may  
8 experience when accessing web-based services. Preference must be  
9 given to programs that facilitate support groups led by individuals  
10 with direct lived experience with traumatic brain injuries or  
11 individuals certified as brain injury specialists. Each program that  
12 receives funding under this section must ensure that the in-person or  
13 virtual support groups meet at least quarterly and are free of  
14 charge. The department must approve at least one facilitation  
15 training curriculum specific to brain injury to be used by the  
16 programs that receive funding under this section.

17 (52) \$440,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2025 and \$560,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
19 provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1942  
20 (long-term care providers). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30,~~  
21 ~~2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

22 (53) \$843,000 of the long-term services and supports trust  
23 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
24 create a secure online portal to allow program participants to view a  
25 summary statement of their benefits.

26 (54) \$641,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2025 and \$641,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
28 provided solely for a 20 percent increase in the rates for adult day  
29 care and adult day health.

30 (55)(a) \$408,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 and \$438,000 of the general fund—federal  
32 appropriation are provided for rates paid, effective January 1, 2025,  
33 to independent contractor nurses and agency-employed nurses providing  
34 private duty nursing, skilled nursing, and private duty nursing in  
35 adult family homes.

36 (b) The department must adopt a payment model that incorporates  
37 the following adjustments for independent contractor nurses:

38 (i) Private duty nursing services shall be \$56.58 per hour by a  
39 registered nurse and \$46.49 per hour by a licensed practical nurse.

1 (ii) Skilled nursing services shall be \$62.93 per day by a  
2 registered nurse.

3 (c) The department must adopt a payment model that incorporates  
4 the following adjustments for agency-employed nurses:

5 (i) Private duty nursing services shall be \$67.89 per hour by a  
6 registered nurse and \$55.79 per hour by a licensed practical nurse.

7 (ii) Skilled nursing services shall be \$75.52 per day by a  
8 registered nurse.

9 (d) Private duty nursing services in an adult family home shall  
10 be \$898.95 per day.

11 (56) \$38,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2025 and \$39,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
13 provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill  
14 No. 1941 (health home serv./children). ~~((If the bill is not enacted  
15 by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall  
16 lapse.))~~

17 (57)(a) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the  
18 department shall convene a work group comprised of representatives  
19 from the department of social and health services, the department of  
20 commerce, the health care authority, and organizations representing  
21 relevant assisted living and housing providers utilizing department  
22 of housing and urban development housing choice vouchers in assisted  
23 living facilities to examine how assisted living facilities can use  
24 these vouchers for medicaid residents in a manner that aligns with  
25 federal requirements and does not negatively impact receipt of  
26 federal medicaid funding.

27 (b) The work group shall submit a preliminary report by December  
28 1, 2024, to the governor and the appropriate committees of the  
29 legislature that includes any findings and policy recommendations for  
30 how to use housing and urban development project-based rental  
31 vouchers for medicaid residents living in licensed assisted living  
32 facilities. The work group findings must identify any barriers within  
33 the state and federal systems that would prevent the use of housing  
34 and urban development project-based rental vouchers for medicaid  
35 residents, including, but not limited to, licensing requirements and  
36 duplication of services.

37 (c) It is the intent of the legislature that this work group will  
38 continue its work through September 30, 2025, in order to facilitate  
39 completion of a final report to the governor and the appropriate  
40 committees of the legislature at that time.

1       **Sec. 1205.** 2024 c 376 s 205 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
2 follows:

3       **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—ECONOMIC SERVICES**  
4 **PROGRAM**

|    |                                                     |                                  |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 5  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . | \$679,581,000                    |
| 6  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | (( <del>\$771,647,000</del> ))   |
| 7  |                                                     | <u>\$1,130,866,000</u>           |
| 8  | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .         | (( <del>\$1,694,306,000</del> )) |
| 9  |                                                     | <u>\$1,921,249,000</u>           |
| 10 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .   | \$5,274,000                      |
| 11 | Domestic Violence Prevention Account—State          |                                  |
| 12 | Appropriation. . . . .                              | \$2,404,000                      |
| 13 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | (( <del>\$3,153,212,000</del> )) |
| 14 |                                                     | <u>\$3,739,374,000</u>           |

15       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
16 conditions and limitations:

17       (1) (a) \$177,407,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2024, ((~~\$199,303,000~~)) \$202,559,000 of the general fund—  
19 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and ((~~\$853,786,000~~))  
20 \$854,033,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
21 solely for all components of the WorkFirst program. Within the  
22 amounts provided for the WorkFirst program, the department may  
23 provide assistance using state-only funds for families eligible for  
24 temporary assistance for needy families. The department must create a  
25 WorkFirst budget structure that allows for transparent tracking of  
26 budget units and subunits of expenditures where these units and  
27 subunits are mutually exclusive from other department budget units.  
28 The budget structure must include budget units for the following:  
29 Cash assistance, child care, WorkFirst activities, and administration  
30 of the program. Within these budget units, the department must  
31 develop program index codes for specific activities and develop  
32 allotments and track expenditures using these codes. The department  
33 shall report to the office of financial management and the relevant  
34 fiscal and policy committees of the legislature prior to adopting a  
35 structure change.

36       (b) ((~~\$482,615,000~~)) \$500,478,000 of the amounts in (a) of this  
37 subsection is for assistance to clients, including grants, diversion  
38 cash assistance, and additional diversion emergency assistance  
39 including but not limited to assistance authorized under RCW

74.08A.210. The department may use state funds to provide support to working families that are eligible for temporary assistance for needy families but otherwise not receiving cash assistance. Of the amounts provided in this subsection (1)(b):

(i) \$17,315,000 of the ~~((general fund—federal appropriation))~~ amount in this subsection (1)(b) is provided solely to increase the temporary assistance for needy families and state family assistance cash grants by \$100 per month for households with a child under the age of three, effective November 1, 2023. The funding is intended to assist families with the cost of diapers as described in chapter 100, Laws of 2022.

(ii) \$3,060,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$4,665,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$19,000,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the department to increase temporary assistance for needy families grants by eight percent, effective January 1, 2024.

(iii) \$296,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$5,293,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,089,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1447 (assistance programs).

(iv) \$632,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the replacement of skimmed or cloned cash benefits for impacted recipients. Benefits may be replaced up to two times each federal fiscal year for the temporary assistance for needy families and the state family assistance program. The replacement of stolen benefits shall align with the supplemental food assistance program benefit replacement guidelines in the consolidated appropriations act, 2023 (136 Stat. 4459). Any unspent funds in this subsection (1)(b)(iv) shall lapse on September 30, 2024, or on the date that the federal government ends the requirement that stolen supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits must be replaced, whichever is later.

(v) \$656,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 2007 (cash assistance time limits). ~~((If this bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

1 (c) (~~(\$167,762,000)~~) \$165,510,000 of the amounts in (a) of this  
2 subsection is for WorkFirst job search, education and training  
3 activities, barrier removal services, limited English proficiency  
4 services, and tribal assistance under RCW 74.08A.040. The department  
5 must allocate this funding based on client outcomes and cost  
6 effectiveness measures. Within amounts provided in this subsection  
7 (1)(c), the department shall implement the working family support  
8 program.

9 (i) \$2,474,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection (1)(c)  
10 is for enhanced transportation assistance. The department must  
11 prioritize the use of these funds for the recipients most in need of  
12 financial assistance to facilitate their return to work. The  
13 department must not utilize these funds to supplant repayment  
14 arrangements that are currently in place to facilitate the  
15 reinstatement of drivers' licenses.

16 (ii) \$482,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 and \$1,417,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the costs associated with  
19 increasing the temporary assistance for needy families grants by  
20 eight percent, effective January 1, 2024.

21 (iii) \$185,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$1,820,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
24 Substitute House Bill No. 1447 (assistance programs).

25 (iv) \$52,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House  
27 Bill No. 2007 (cash assistance time limits). (~~(If this bill is not~~  
28 ~~enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
29 ~~shall lapse.))~~)

30 (d) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, \$353,402,000 of the  
31 general fund—federal appropriation is for the working connections  
32 child care program under RCW 43.216.020 within the department of  
33 children, youth, and families. The department is the lead agency for  
34 and recipient of the federal temporary assistance for needy families  
35 grant. A portion of this grant must be used to fund child care  
36 subsidies expenditures at the department of children, youth, and  
37 families.

38 (i) The department of social and health services shall work in  
39 collaboration with the department of children, youth, and families to

determine the appropriate amount of state expenditures for the working connections child care program to claim towards the state's maintenance of effort for the temporary assistance for needy families program. The departments will also collaborate to track the average monthly child care subsidy caseload and expenditures by fund type, including child care development fund, general fund—state appropriation, and temporary assistance for needy families for the purpose of estimating the annual temporary assistance for needy families reimbursement from the department of social and health services to the department of children, youth, and families.

(ii) Effective December 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, the department of children, youth, and families must report to the governor and the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the legislature the total state contribution for the working connections child care program claimed the previous fiscal year towards the state's maintenance of effort for the temporary assistance for needy families program and the total temporary assistance for needy families reimbursement from the department of social and health services for the previous fiscal year.

(e) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, \$68,496,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is for child welfare services within the department of children, youth, and families.

(f) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, (~~(\$158,221,000)~~) \$146,114,000 is for WorkFirst administration and overhead. Of the amounts provided in this subsection (1)(f):

(i) \$147,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$69,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for costs associated with increasing the temporary assistance for needy families grants by eight percent, effective January 1, 2024.

(ii) \$204,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$179,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$575,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1447 (assistance programs).

(iii) \$10,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to process skimmed or cloned cash benefits for impacted recipients of the temporary assistance for needy families or state family assistance programs. Any unspent funds

1 in this subsection (1)(f)(iii) shall lapse on September 30, 2024, or  
2 on the date that the federal government ends the requirement that  
3 stolen supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits must be  
4 replaced, whichever is later.

5 (iv) \$352,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House  
7 Bill No. 2007 (cash assistance time limits). ~~((If this bill is not  
8 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
9 shall lapse.))~~

10 (v) \$407,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
12 Substitute House Bill No. 1652 (child support pass through). ~~((If  
13 this bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in  
14 this subsection shall lapse.))~~

15 (g)(i) The department shall submit quarterly expenditure reports  
16 to the governor, the fiscal committees of the legislature, and the  
17 legislative WorkFirst poverty reduction oversight task force under  
18 RCW 74.08A.341. In addition to these requirements, the department  
19 must detail any fund transfers across budget units identified in (a)  
20 through (e) of this subsection. The department shall not initiate any  
21 services that require expenditure of state general fund moneys that  
22 are not consistent with policies established by the legislature.

23 (ii) The department may transfer up to 10 percent of funding  
24 between budget units identified in (b) through (f) of this  
25 subsection. The department shall provide notification prior to any  
26 transfer to the office of financial management and to the appropriate  
27 legislative committees and the legislative-executive WorkFirst  
28 poverty reduction oversight task force. The approval of the director  
29 of financial management is required prior to any transfer under this  
30 subsection.

31 (h) On January 2nd and July 1st of each year, the department  
32 shall provide a maintenance of effort and participation rate tracking  
33 report for temporary assistance for needy families to the office of  
34 financial management, the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of  
35 the legislature, and the legislative-executive WorkFirst poverty  
36 reduction oversight task force. The report must detail the following  
37 information for temporary assistance for needy families:

38 (i) An overview of federal rules related to maintenance of  
39 effort, excess maintenance of effort, participation rates for  
40 temporary assistance for needy families, and the child care

development fund as it pertains to maintenance of effort and participation rates;

(ii) Countable maintenance of effort and excess maintenance of effort, by source, provided for the previous federal fiscal year;

(iii) Countable maintenance of effort and excess maintenance of effort, by source, for the current fiscal year, including changes in countable maintenance of effort from the previous year;

(iv) The status of reportable federal participation rate requirements, including any impact of excess maintenance of effort on participation targets;

(v) Potential new sources of maintenance of effort and progress to obtain additional maintenance of effort;

(vi) A two-year projection for meeting federal block grant and contingency fund maintenance of effort, participation targets, and future reportable federal participation rate requirements; and

(vii) Proposed and enacted federal law changes affecting maintenance of effort or the participation rate, what impact these changes have on Washington's temporary assistance for needy families program, and the department's plan to comply with these changes.

(i) In the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, it is the intent of the legislature to provide appropriations from the state general fund for the purposes of (a) of this subsection if the department does not receive additional federal temporary assistance for needy families contingency funds in each fiscal year as assumed in the budget outlook.

(2) \$3,545,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$3,545,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for naturalization services.

(3) \$2,366,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for employment services for refugees and immigrants, of which \$1,774,000 is provided solely for the department to pass through to statewide refugee and immigrant assistance organizations for limited English proficiency pathway services; and \$2,366,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for employment services for refugees and immigrants, of which \$1,774,000 is provided solely for the department to pass through to statewide refugee and immigrant assistance organizations for limited English proficiency pathway services.



1 (4) On January 1, 2024, and January 1, 2025, the department must  
2 report to the governor and the legislature on all sources of funding  
3 available for both refugee and immigrant services and naturalization  
4 services during the current fiscal year and the amounts expended to  
5 date by service type and funding source. The report must also include  
6 the number of clients served and outcome data for the clients.

7 (5) To ensure expenditures remain within available funds  
8 appropriated in this section, the legislature establishes the benefit  
9 under the state food assistance program, pursuant to RCW 74.08A.120,  
10 to be 100 percent of the federal supplemental nutrition assistance  
11 program benefit amount.

12 (6) The department shall review clients receiving services  
13 through the aged, blind, or disabled assistance program, to determine  
14 whether they would benefit from assistance in becoming naturalized  
15 citizens, and thus be eligible to receive federal supplemental  
16 security income benefits. Those cases shall be given high priority  
17 for naturalization funding through the department.

18 (7) The department shall continue the interagency agreement with  
19 the department of veterans' affairs to establish a process for  
20 referral of veterans who may be eligible for veterans' services. This  
21 agreement must include out-stationing department of veterans' affairs  
22 staff in selected community service office locations in King and  
23 Pierce counties to facilitate applications for veterans' services.

24 (8) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024 and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for operational support of the  
27 Washington information network 211 organization.

28 (9) \$377,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024 (~~and \$377,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~  
30 ~~fiscal year 2025 are~~) is provided solely for the consolidated  
31 emergency assistance program.

32 (10) \$560,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$560,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a state-funded employment  
35 and training program for recipients of the state's food assistance  
36 program.

37 (11) \$4,999,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2024, \$6,843,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
39 for fiscal year 2025, and \$27,765,000 of the general fund—federal

1 appropriation are provided solely for the integrated eligibility and  
2 enrollment modernization project to create a comprehensive  
3 application and benefit status tracker for multiple programs, an  
4 application and enrollment portal for multiple programs, and to  
5 establish a foundational platform. Funding is subject to the  
6 conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of  
7 this act.

8 (12) \$1,993,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2024, \$1,230,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
10 for fiscal year 2025, and \$7,576,000 of the general fund—federal  
11 appropriation are provided solely for the integrated eligibility and  
12 enrollment modernization project for the discovery, innovation, and  
13 customer experience phase. Funding is subject to the conditions,  
14 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

15 (13) \$2,267,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2024, \$2,638,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
17 for fiscal year 2025, and \$11,481,000 of the general fund—federal  
18 appropriation are provided solely for the integrated eligibility and  
19 enrollment modernization project office.

20 (14) \$1,965,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 and \$3,634,000 of the general fund—federal  
22 appropriation are provided solely for the integrated eligibility and  
23 enrollment modernization project for the alignment of eligibility  
24 rules in accordance with the federal center for medicare and medicaid  
25 services' regulations in 42 C.F.R. Sec. 433.112(b) and in  
26 coordination with the health benefit exchange. Funding is subject to  
27 the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701  
28 of this act.

29 (15) \$189,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$953,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the expansion of the ongoing  
32 additional requirements program, effective April 1, 2024. Of the  
33 amount provided in this subsection, the maximum amount that may be  
34 expended on new items added to the ongoing additional requirements  
35 program is \$53,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$710,000 in fiscal year  
36 2025.

37 ((+15+)) (16)(a) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
38 for fiscal year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state  
39 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for

1 sponsorship stabilization funds for eligible unaccompanied children  
2 and their sponsors and a study to assess needs and develop  
3 recommendations for ongoing supports for this population.

4 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$350,000  
5 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and  
6 \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025  
7 are provided solely for sponsorship stabilization funds for eligible  
8 unaccompanied children and their sponsors in order to address  
9 financial hardship and support household well-being. Stabilization  
10 funds can be used to support the sponsorship household with costs of  
11 housing, childcare, transportation, internet and data services,  
12 household goods, and other unmet needs. The funds may be provided on  
13 behalf of an unaccompanied child when the following eligibility  
14 criteria are met:

15 (i) The unaccompanied child is between the ages of 0-17, has been  
16 placed in Washington under the care of a nonparental sponsor  
17 following release from the United States office of refugee  
18 resettlement custody, and has not been reunified with a parent; and

19 (ii) The sponsorship household demonstrates financial need and  
20 has an income below 250 percent of the federal poverty level. A  
21 sponsorship household receiving stabilization funds on behalf of a  
22 child who turns 18 may continue to receive funds for an additional 60  
23 days after the child reaches 18 years of age.

24 (c) The department may work with community-based organizations to  
25 administer sponsorship stabilization supports. Up to 10 percent of  
26 the amounts provided in (b) of this subsection may be used by the  
27 community-based organizations to cover administrative expenses  
28 associated with the distribution of these supports.

29 (d) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$150,000  
30 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and  
31 \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025  
32 are provided solely to cover the administrative resources necessary  
33 for the department to administer the sponsorship stabilization  
34 program and to convene a work group with the department of children,  
35 youth, and families, department of commerce's office of homeless  
36 youth prevention and programs, stakeholders, and community-based  
37 organization who have pertinent information regarding sponsorship  
38 households. The work group shall identify and analyze the resource  
39 and service needs for unaccompanied children and their sponsors,

1 including the types and levels of financial supports and related  
2 services that will promote stability of sponsorship placements for  
3 this population.

4 (i) The department must produce a report that includes an  
5 overview of the number of impacted children and sponsors, existing  
6 services and supports that are available, any gaps in services, and  
7 potential changes to federal programs and policies that could impact  
8 unaccompanied children. The report shall include recommendations for  
9 how state agencies and community organizations can partner with the  
10 federal government to support sponsorship households, proposed  
11 services and supports that the state could provide to promote the  
12 ongoing stability of sponsorship households, and a recommended  
13 service delivery model.

14 (ii) The department shall submit the report required by (d)(i) of  
15 this subsection (~~((15))~~) (16) to the governor and appropriate  
16 legislative committees no later than June 30, 2025.

17 (~~((16))~~) (17) \$111,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
18 for fiscal year 2024, \$1,016,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$21,000 of the general fund—  
20 federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
21 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1447 (assistance programs) for the  
22 aged, blind, or disabled, refugee cash assistance, pregnant women  
23 assistance, and consolidated emergency assistance programs.

24 (~~((17))~~) (18) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
25 for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to  
26 contract with an organization located in Seattle with expertise in  
27 culturally and linguistically appropriate communications and outreach  
28 to conduct an outreach, education, and media campaign related to  
29 communities significantly impacted by or at risk for benefits  
30 trafficking, skimming, or other fraudulent activities, with  
31 particular focus on immigrant, refugee, migrant, and senior  
32 populations. This campaign must provide community-focused, culturally  
33 and linguistically appropriate education and assistance targeted to  
34 meet the needs of each community and related to safeguarding public  
35 assistance benefits provided through an electronic benefit card and  
36 how to avoid the trafficking or skimming of benefits. To the extent  
37 practical, the department must make available information and data to  
38 refine this campaign for those communities most impacted to ensure  
39 inclusion of any relevant groups not already identified in this

provision. The contracted organization, in collaboration with the department, must focus its outreach in highly impacted geographic areas including, but not limited to, Burien, Federal Way, Kent, Lynnwood, White Center, West Seattle, Seattle's International District, Chinatown, and the Central District, Yakima and other identified locations.

~~((18))~~ (19) \$10,881,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$10,416,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$6,734,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation, and \$2,404,000 of the domestic violence prevention account—state appropriation are provided solely for domestic violence victim services. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

(a) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 must be distributed to domestic violence services providers proportionately, based upon bed capacity; and

(b) \$285,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 must be distributed to domestic violence emergency shelters that are experiencing a reduction in compensation/FTE enhancements funding from the department of social and health services, and funding must be used to continue current service levels to survivors of domestic violence. Funding in this subsection (b) must be allocated as follows:

(i) \$70,000 is for a department-contracted shelter providing services in Thurston county;

(ii) \$50,000 is for a department-contracted shelter providing services in Spokane county;

(iii) \$45,000 is for a department-contracted shelter providing services in Lewis county;

(iv) \$40,000 is for a department-contracted shelter providing services in eastern Clallam county;

(v) \$30,000 is for a department-contracted shelter providing services in northern Yakima county;

(vi) \$25,000 is for a department-contracted shelter providing services in Mason county; and

(vii) \$25,000 is for a department-contracted shelter providing services in Cowlitz county.

~~((19))~~ (20) \$1,100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ~~((715,000))~~ \$976,000 of the general fund—

1 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
2 department to meet the terms of its settlement agreement with the  
3 United States department of agriculture (USDA).

4 (a) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$500,000 of the  
5 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided  
6 solely for the department to repay USDA as part of the settlement  
7 agreement.

8 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$600,000 of the  
9 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and  
10 (~~(\$715,000)~~) \$976,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to fund  
12 employment and training program services and activities targeted to  
13 able-bodied adults without dependents receiving food benefits from  
14 the USDA supplemental nutrition assistance program, but open to all  
15 basic food employment and training participants including  
16 participants who are not able-bodied adults without dependents.

17 (~~((+20))~~) (21) \$3,844,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
18 for fiscal year 2024, \$7,921,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,374,000 of the general  
20 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the department to  
21 increase the aged, blind, or disabled, refugee cash assistance,  
22 pregnant women assistance, and consolidated emergency assistance  
23 grants by eight percent, effective January 1, 2024.

24 (~~((+21))~~) (22) \$950,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
25 for fiscal year 2024 and \$950,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a  
27 nonprofit organization in Pierce county to continue the operation of  
28 the guaranteed basic income program in Tacoma.

29 (~~((+22))~~) (23) \$58,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2024 and \$59,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
31 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to implement Substitute  
32 Senate Bill No. 5398 (domestic violence funding).

33 (~~((+23))~~) (24) \$113,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
34 for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$1,487,000)~~) \$429,000 of the general fund—  
35 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$1,599,000)~~) \$540,000  
36 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to  
37 fully integrate the asset verification system into the automated  
38 client eligibility system (ACES).

1       (~~((24))~~) (25) \$16,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2       fiscal year 2024 and \$34,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
3       for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to implement the changes  
4       made to the state supplemental payment program in chapter 201, Laws  
5       of 2023.

6       (~~((25))~~) (26) \$51,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7       fiscal year 2024 and \$178,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
8       for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the staffing necessary  
9       to process medical assistance cases resulting from the July 1, 2024,  
10      implementation for the apple health expansion program.

11      (~~((26))~~) (27) \$1,393,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
12      for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$5,888,000)~~) \$7,043,000 of the general fund—  
13      state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$6,995,000)~~)  
14      \$7,338,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
15      solely for the transition of the automated client eligibility system  
16      (ACES) mainframe hardware operations to cloud technologies, using an  
17      enterprise contracted service through the consolidated technology  
18      services agency. Funding is subject to the conditions, limitations,  
19      and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

20      (~~((27))~~) (28) \$5,024,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
21      for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$7,206,000)~~) \$7,931,000 of the general fund—  
22      state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$12,230,000)~~)  
23      \$12,956,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
24      solely for the implementation of the summer electronic benefit  
25      transfer program for the summer break months following the 2023-2024  
26      and 2024-2025 school years. The program implementation must align  
27      with the federal summer electronic benefit program requirements  
28      defined in the consolidated appropriations act, 2023 (136 Stat.  
29      4459). The department may use a third-party entity to administer the  
30      program.

31      (~~((28))~~) (29) \$10,904,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
32      for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$464,000)~~) \$490,000 of the general fund—state  
33      appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$10,921,000)~~) \$10,895,000  
34      of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to  
35      cover the increased costs of the maintenance and operations of the  
36      automated client eligibility system (ACES), including but not limited  
37      to a one-time vendor transition.

38      (~~((29))~~) (30) \$251,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
39      for fiscal year 2025 and \$21,000 of the general fund—federal

1 appropriation are provided solely to process and replace skimmed or  
2 cloned cash and food benefits for impacted recipients. Benefits may  
3 be replaced up to two times each federal fiscal year for the pregnant  
4 women assistance, refugee cash assistance, aged, blind, or disabled  
5 assistance, and state food assistance program. The replacement of  
6 stolen cash and food benefits shall align with the supplemental food  
7 assistance program benefit replacement guidelines in the consolidated  
8 appropriations act, 2023 (136 Stat. 4459). Any unspent funds in this  
9 subsection shall lapse on September 30, 2024, or on the date that the  
10 federal government ends the requirement that stolen supplemental  
11 nutrition assistance program benefits must be replaced, whichever is  
12 later.

13 ~~((+30+))~~ (31) (a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
14 for fiscal year 2024 and \$25,000,000 of the general fund—state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to the office  
16 of refugee and immigrant assistance to expand support services for  
17 individuals newly arriving to the United States and Washington who do  
18 not qualify for federal refugee resettlement program services.  
19 Support services include, but are not limited to, housing assistance,  
20 food, transportation, childhood education services, education and  
21 employment supports, connection to legal services, and social  
22 services navigation.

23 (b) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, \$250,000 for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$750,000 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
25 school districts who have seen a significant increase in McKinney-  
26 Vento students seeking asylum with the opportunity to receive grants  
27 that provide students in their district with additional education  
28 opportunities and family supports.

29 (c) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, \$700,000 for fiscal  
30 year 2025 is provided solely for members of the Sub-Saharan African  
31 community.

32 (d) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, \$810,000 for fiscal  
33 year 2025 is provided solely for staffing at the office of refugee  
34 and immigrant assistance to cover the administrative expenses of  
35 implementing this subsection.

36 ~~((+31+))~~ (32) (a) \$593,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2024, \$1,406,000 of the general fund—state  
38 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$193,000 of the general fund—  
39 federal appropriation are provided solely to implement changes made



1 through the fiscal responsibility act of 2023 (137 Stat. 10) for the  
2 supplemental nutrition assistance program's work requirements for  
3 able-bodied adults without dependents, and the corresponding impacts  
4 to the state food assistance program.

5 (b) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, \$104,000 of the  
6 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$115,000 of  
7 the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and  
8 \$193,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
9 solely for administrative and information technology expenses.

10 ((+32+)) (33)(a) \$236,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
11 for fiscal year 2024, \$3,367,000 of the general fund—state  
12 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,329,000 of the general  
13 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the department to  
14 hire additional public benefit specialists to help reduce the call  
15 center and lobby wait times within the community services division.

16 (b) \$1,878,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024, ((~~\$3,660,000~~)) \$3,780,000 of the general fund—state  
18 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and ((~~\$3,541,000~~)) \$2,746,000 of  
19 the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for  
20 technology enhancements and project governance necessary to create  
21 efficiencies that will reduce call center and lobby wait times for  
22 customers of the community services division. Enhancements include,  
23 but are not limited to, ((~~chatbots, robotic process automation,~~))  
24 interactive voice response((~~7~~)) and document upload. The amounts  
25 provided in this subsection ((+32+)) (33)(b) are subject to the  
26 conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of  
27 this act.

28 (c) By June 30, 2025, the department must submit a report to the  
29 governor and the legislature that shows the prior fiscal year's call  
30 and lobby wait times by month and queue, number of customer contacts  
31 by month and queue, processing times for the various queues for the  
32 three most recent fiscal years along with an explanation for any  
33 changes to the most recent year's processing times, number of filled  
34 public benefit specialists 3 positions and vacancies by month, any  
35 available wait time impacts associated with the individual technology  
36 solution enhancements, any telephonic savings experienced due to  
37 fewer customers waiting on hold, and recommendations to continue  
38 reducing customer wait times.

(34) \$270,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$272,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to support the expansion of the federal supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP) tribal eligibility determination project to an additional five tribes.

**Sec. 1206.** 2024 c 376 s 206 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM**

|                                            |                            |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$26,677,000               |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(\$26,976,000)</del>  |
|                                            | <u>\$26,162,000</u>        |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | <del>(\$110,047,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$118,047,000</u>       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(\$163,700,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$170,886,000</u>       |

**\*Sec. 1207.** 2024 c 376 s 207 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—SPECIAL COMMITMENT PROGRAM**

|                                                   |                            |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)        | \$81,273,000               |
| <b>General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)</b> | <del>(\$80,519,000)</del>  |
|                                                   | <u>\$78,805,000</u>        |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                               | <del>(\$161,792,000)</del> |
|                                                   | <u>\$160,078,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The special commitment center may use funds appropriated in this subsection to purchase goods and supplies through hospital group purchasing organizations when it is cost-effective to do so.

(2)(a) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to:

(i) Explore regulatory framework options for conditional release less restrictive alternative placements and make recommendations for a possible future framework. This exploration shall include collaboration with the department of corrections regarding their community custody programs;

1 (ii) Review and refine agency policies regarding communication  
2 and engagement with impacted local governments related to less  
3 restrictive alternatives, including exploring options for public  
4 facing communications on current county fair share status and any  
5 projected future need;

6 (iii) Identify opportunities for greater collaboration and  
7 possible fiscal support for local government entities regarding  
8 placements of conditional release less restrictive alternatives; and

9 (iv) Provide recommendations to improve cost-effectiveness of all  
10 less restrictive alternative placements.

11 (b) The department shall submit a report to the governor and  
12 appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the legislature by  
13 December 1, 2023, with a summary of the results and provide any  
14 additional recommendations to the legislature that the department  
15 identifies. The report shall also include a summary of costs to the  
16 department for contracted and uncontracted less restrictive  
17 alternatives.

18 (3) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 is provided solely for the department to conduct an  
20 assessment of wireless internet implementation needs and options, and  
21 must include an assessment of satellite and fiber options. The  
22 department shall provide a report that includes the assessment and  
23 estimated implementation time frame and costs to the appropriate  
24 committees of the legislature by December 15, 2023.

25 (4) \$189,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to establish one  
27 position for a special commitment center communications manager to  
28 support information sharing to the public related to conditional  
29 release for less restrictive alternative placements.

30 (5) \$2,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
32 Bill No. 6106 (DSHS workers/PSEERS). (~~(If the bill is not enacted by~~  
33 ~~June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~)

*\*Sec. 1207 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

34 \*Sec. 1208. 2024 c 376 s 208 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
35 follows:

36 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—ADMINISTRATION AND**  
37 **SUPPORTING SERVICES PROGRAM**

|                                                            |                            |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .        | \$50,946,000               |
| <b>General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .</b> | <b>((\$62,924,000))</b>    |
|                                                            | <b><u>\$55,117,000</u></b> |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                | ((\$62,593,000))           |
|                                                            | <u>\$62,982,000</u>        |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | \$2,000,000                |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                               | ((\$178,463,000))          |
|                                                            | <u>\$171,045,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the department shall provide to the department of health, where available, the following data for all nutrition assistance programs funded by the United States department of agriculture and administered by the department. The department must provide the report for the preceding federal fiscal year by February 1, 2024, and February 1, 2025. The report must provide:

(a) The number of people in Washington who are eligible for the program;

(b) The number of people in Washington who participated in the program;

(c) The average annual participation rate in the program;

(d) Participation rates by geographic distribution; and

(e) The annual federal funding of the program in Washington.

(2) \$5,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$22,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$14,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the implementation of an agreement reached between the governor and the Washington federation of state employees for the language access providers under the provisions of chapter 41.56 RCW for the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium as provided in section 907 of this act.

(3) \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to support the joint legislative and executive committee on behavioral health established in section 133 of this act.

(4) \$115,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$111,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025, and \$64,000 of the general fund—federal  
2 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
3 Substitute House Bill No. 1745 (diversity in clinical trials).

4 (5) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024, \$96,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2025, and \$149,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
7 provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5497 (medicaid  
8 expenditures).

9 (6) \$231,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$65,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
11 provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5304  
12 (language access/testing).

13 (7) (a) \$4,876,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 and \$2,961,000 of the general fund—federal  
15 appropriation are provided solely for the system for integrated  
16 leave, attendance, and scheduling (SILAS) project and is subject to  
17 the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701  
18 of this act. Funding is provided solely for continued project  
19 expansion at the:

- 20 (i) Yakima Valley school;
- 21 (ii) Maple Lane campus;
- 22 (iii) Brockmann campus;
- 23 (iv) Rainier school; and
- 24 (v) Fircrest school.

25 (b) By July 1, 2024, the department must submit a report to the  
26 appropriate committees of the legislature to include, at least, the  
27 implementation schedule and budget plans by facility deployment for  
28 each of the facilities listed in (a) of this subsection.

29 (c) By June 30, 2025, the department must submit a report to the  
30 appropriate committees of the legislature to include, but not be  
31 limited to, how funding was spent compared to the spending plan and  
32 the actual roll out by facility compared to the implementation  
33 schedule for each facility that the SILAS solution was planned and/or  
34 implemented at in the prior 12 calendar months.

35 (8) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2025 is provided solely for the research and data analysis  
37 division of the department to analyze historical trends of admissions  
38 for felony civil conversion cases based on behavioral health  
39 administrative service organization regions. The research and data

1 analysis division must create a report that provides information on  
2 the monthly averages for admission by region and any information  
3 about trends or cycles, and shall make a recommendation about how  
4 best to predict and model future admissions for this population by  
5 region. The report must be submitted to the governor, office of  
6 financial management, and appropriate committees of the legislature  
7 no later than November 1, 2024.

8 (9) \$2,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for the department to pilot a  
10 statewide network of community assemblies fully centered on  
11 overburdened communities as defined in RCW 70A.02.010. The department  
12 must select topics for community assemblies that fall within its  
13 authority or must consult and coordinate with the agency who has  
14 authority on the proposed topic before selection. These assemblies  
15 will elevate community expertise and solutions to budget and policy  
16 makers on sustainable investments to create a more climate resilient  
17 Washington. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024  
18 general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from  
19 the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in  
20 this subsection.

21 (10) \$20,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$70,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the research and data  
24 analysis division of the department to conduct a study of the costs  
25 to expand apple health categorically needy coverage for SSI-related  
26 individuals who meet the criteria in WAC 182-512-0050. The study  
27 shall provide the cost of expanding medicaid services to individuals  
28 at the following percentages of the federal poverty level: 75  
29 percent, 80 percent, 85 percent, 90 percent, 95 percent, and 100  
30 percent. The study should also provide the cost of eliminating the  
31 state asset limits at each of these income increments. The study must  
32 be submitted to the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
33 December 1, 2024.

34 (11)(a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to complete a  
36 gap analysis of the existing housing and health care system and  
37 provide a report to the legislature detailing its findings. This  
38 report shall include, but not be limited to, a review of existing  
39 models related to individuals experiencing:

(i) Housing instability who have significant medical and/or behavioral health needs, including the inability to stay in or return to their current housing;

(ii) Homelessness and/or a significant history of being unhoused, including permanent supportive housing residents; and

(iii) Significant health-related social needs that are not severe enough to qualify for placement in existing facilities, but are too significant to be met in a shelter or permanent supportive housing.

(b) The gap analysis shall also include a review of:

(i) Hospitals with patients that have resolved the acute hospital-level needs of the patient, but cannot discharge patients to the community because there is no appropriate lower level of care available; and

(ii) Permanent supportive housing and shelter providers with residents whose medical needs exceed the location's ability to provide care.

(c) The department shall provide recommendations to fill the gaps identified in (a) and (b) of this subsection, which may include creation of complex care locations and enhanced behavioral health supports until an individual qualifies for either a higher or lower level of care.

(d) This report must be submitted to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2024.

*\*Sec. 1208 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

**Sec. 1209.** 2024 c 376 s 209 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES—PAYMENTS TO OTHER AGENCIES PROGRAM**

|                                            |                            |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$66,435,000               |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(\$85,489,000)</del>  |
|                                            | <u>\$82,847,000</u>        |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | <del>(\$62,969,000)</del>  |
|                                            | <u>\$62,706,000</u>        |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(\$214,893,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$211,988,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the department must extend master property insurance to all

buildings owned by the department valued over \$250,000 and to all locations leased by the department with contents valued over \$250,000.

**Sec. 1210.** 2024 c 376 s 210 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**

(1)(a) During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the health care authority shall provide support and data as required by the office of the state actuary in providing the legislature with health care actuarial analysis, including providing any information in the possession of the health care authority or available to the health care authority through contracts with providers, plans, insurers, consultants, or any other entities contracting with the health care authority.

(b) Information technology projects or investments and proposed projects or investments impacting time capture, payroll and payment processes and systems, eligibility, case management, and authorization systems within the health care authority are subject to technical oversight by the office of the chief information officer.

(2) The health care authority shall not initiate any services that require expenditure of state general fund moneys unless expressly authorized in this act or other law. The health care authority may seek, receive, and spend, under RCW 43.79.260 through 43.79.282, federal moneys not anticipated in this act as long as the federal funding does not require expenditure of state moneys for the program in excess of amounts anticipated in this act. If the health care authority receives unanticipated unrestricted federal moneys, those moneys shall be spent for services authorized in this act or in any other legislation providing appropriation authority, and an equal amount of appropriated state general fund moneys shall lapse. Upon the lapsing of any moneys under this subsection, the office of financial management shall notify the legislative fiscal committees. As used in this subsection, "unrestricted federal moneys" includes block grants and other funds that federal law does not require to be spent on specifically defined projects or matched on a formula basis by state funds.

(3)(a) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the department of social and health services, the department of health, the department of corrections, and the department of



1 children, youth, and families shall work together within existing  
2 resources to establish the health and human services enterprise  
3 coalition (the coalition). The coalition, led by the health care  
4 authority, must be a multi-organization collaborative that provides  
5 strategic direction and federal funding guidance for projects that  
6 have cross-organizational or enterprise impact, including information  
7 technology projects that affect organizations within the coalition.  
8 The office of the chief information officer shall maintain a  
9 statewide perspective when collaborating with the coalition to ensure  
10 that projects are planned for in a manner that ensures the efficient  
11 use of state resources, supports the adoption of a cohesive  
12 technology and data architecture, and maximizes federal financial  
13 participation. The work of the coalition and any project identified  
14 as a coalition project is subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
15 review provided in section 701 of this act.

16 (b) The health care authority must submit a report on November 1,  
17 2023, and annually thereafter, to the fiscal committees of the  
18 legislature. The report must include, at a minimum:

19 (i) A list of active coalition projects as of July 1st of the  
20 fiscal year. This must include all current and ongoing coalition  
21 projects, which coalition agencies are involved in these projects,  
22 and the funding being expended on each project, including in-kind  
23 funding. For each project, the report must include which federal  
24 requirements each coalition project is working to satisfy, and when  
25 each project is anticipated to satisfy those requirements; and

26 (ii) A list of coalition projects that are planned in the current  
27 and following fiscal year. This must include which coalition agencies  
28 are involved in these projects, including the anticipated in-kind  
29 funding by agency, and if a budget request will be submitted for  
30 funding. This must reflect all funding required by fiscal year and by  
31 fund source and include the budget outlook period.

32 (4) The appropriations to the health care authority in this act  
33 shall be expended for the programs and in the amounts specified in  
34 this act. However, after May 1, ((2024)) 2025, unless prohibited by  
35 this act, the authority may transfer general fund—state  
36 appropriations for fiscal year ((2024)) 2025 among programs after  
37 approval by the director of the office of financial management. To  
38 the extent that appropriations in this section are insufficient to  
39 fund actual expenditures in excess of caseload forecast and  
40 utilization assumptions, the authority may transfer general fund—

state appropriations for fiscal year ((2024)) 2025 that are provided solely for a specified purpose. The authority may not transfer funds, and the director of the office of financial management shall not approve the transfer, unless the transfer is consistent with the objective of conserving, to the maximum extent possible, the expenditure of state funds. The director of the office of financial management shall notify the appropriate fiscal committees of the legislature in writing seven days prior to approving any allotment modifications or transfers under this subsection. The written notification must include a narrative explanation and justification of changes, along with expenditures and allotments by budget unit and appropriation, both before and after any allotment modifications and transfers.

**Sec. 1211.** 2024 c 376 s 211 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY—MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**

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| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .                                              | \$2,853,617,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .                                              | (( <del>\$2,976,729,000</del> ))  |
|                                                                                                  | <u>\$3,361,744,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                                                      | (( <del>\$16,820,407,000</del> )) |
|                                                                                                  | <u>\$17,692,697,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .                                                | (( <del>\$1,252,273,000</del> ))  |
|                                                                                                  | <u>\$1,246,242,000</u>            |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2024). . . . .                             | \$24,105,000                      |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2025). . . . .                             | (( <del>\$23,212,000</del> ))     |
|                                                                                                  | <u>\$18,016,000</u>               |
| Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care Systems<br>Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$15,086,000                      |
| Family Medicine Workforce Development Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . .                    | \$7,000,000                       |
| Hospital Safety Net Assessment Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . .                           | (( <del>\$1,517,493,000</del> ))  |
|                                                                                                  | <u>\$1,505,043,000</u>            |
| Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . .                    | \$314,000                         |
| Medical Aid Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                                                 | \$540,000                         |

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|---|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line  |                                   |
| 2 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                  | (( <del>\$11,624,000</del> ))     |
| 3 |                                                       | <u>\$2,476,000</u>                |
| 4 | Telebehavioral Health Access Account—State            |                                   |
| 5 | Appropriation. . . . .                                | \$8,318,000                       |
| 6 | Ambulance Transport Fund—State Appropriation. . . . . | (( <del>\$14,316,000</del> ))     |
| 7 |                                                       | <u>\$13,256,000</u>               |
| 8 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                          | (( <del>\$25,525,034,000</del> )) |
| 9 |                                                       | <u>\$26,748,454,000</u>           |

10 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
11 conditions and limitations:

12 (1) The authority shall submit an application to the centers for  
13 medicare and medicaid services to renew the 1115 demonstration waiver  
14 for an additional five years as described in subsections (2), (3),  
15 and (4) of this section. The authority may not accept or expend any  
16 federal funds received under an 1115 demonstration waiver except as  
17 described in this section unless the legislature has appropriated the  
18 federal funding. To ensure compliance with legislative requirements  
19 and terms and conditions of the waiver, the authority shall implement  
20 the renewal of the 1115 demonstration waiver and reporting  
21 requirements with oversight from the office of financial management.  
22 The legislature finds that appropriate management of the renewal of  
23 the 1115 demonstration waiver as set forth in subsections (2), (3),  
24 and (4) of this section requires sound, consistent, timely, and  
25 transparent oversight and analytic review in addition to lack of  
26 redundancy with other established measures. The patient must be  
27 considered first and foremost in the implementation and execution of  
28 the demonstration waiver. To accomplish these goals, the authority  
29 shall develop consistent performance measures that focus on  
30 population health and health outcomes. The authority shall limit the  
31 number of projects that accountable communities of health may  
32 participate in under initiative 1 to a maximum of six and shall seek  
33 to develop common performance measures when possible. The joint  
34 select committee on health care oversight will evaluate the measures  
35 chosen: (a) For effectiveness and appropriateness; and (b) to provide  
36 patients and health care providers with significant input into the  
37 implementation of the demonstration waiver to promote improved  
38 population health and patient health outcomes. In cooperation with  
39 the department of social and health services, the authority shall

1 consult with and provide notification of work on applications for  
2 federal waivers, including details on waiver duration, financial  
3 implications, and potential future impacts on the state budget to the  
4 joint select committee on health care oversight prior to submitting  
5 these waivers for federal approval. Prior to final approval or  
6 acceptance of funds by the authority, the authority shall submit the  
7 special terms and conditions as submitted to the centers for medicare  
8 and medicaid services and the anticipated budget for the duration of  
9 the renewed waiver to the governor, the joint select committee on  
10 health care, and the fiscal committees of the legislature. By federal  
11 standard any programs created or funded by this waiver do not create  
12 an entitlement. The demonstration period for the waiver as described  
13 in subsections (2), (3), and (4) of this section begins July 1, 2023.

14 (2) (a) (~~(\$342,398,000)~~) \$394,249,000 of the general fund—federal  
15 appropriation and (~~(\$213,592,000)~~) \$195,181,000 of the general fund—  
16 local appropriation are provided solely for accountable communities  
17 of health described in initiative 1 of the 1115 demonstration waiver  
18 and this is the maximum amount that may be expended for this purpose.  
19 In renewing this initiative, the authority shall consider local input  
20 regarding community needs and shall limit total local projects to no  
21 more than six. To provide transparency to the appropriate fiscal  
22 committees of the legislature, the authority shall provide fiscal  
23 staff of the legislature query ability into any database of the  
24 fiscal intermediary that authority staff would be authorized to  
25 access. The authority shall not supplement the amounts provided in  
26 this subsection with any general fund—state moneys appropriated in  
27 this section or any moneys that may be transferred pursuant to  
28 subsection (1) of this section. The director shall report to the  
29 fiscal committees of the legislature all expenditures under this  
30 subsection and provide such fiscal data in the time, manner, and form  
31 requested by the legislative fiscal committees.

32 (b) (~~(\$467,787,000)~~) \$420,677,000 of the general fund—federal  
33 appropriation and (~~(\$191,068,000)~~) \$171,826,000 of the general fund—  
34 private/local appropriation are provided solely for the medicaid  
35 quality improvement program and this is the maximum amount that may  
36 be expended for this purpose. Medicaid quality improvement program  
37 payments do not count against the 1115 demonstration waiver spending  
38 limits and are excluded from the waiver's budget neutrality  
39 calculation. The authority may provide medicaid quality improvement

1 program payments to apple health managed care organizations and their  
2 partnering providers as they meet designated milestones. Partnering  
3 providers and apple health managed care organizations must work  
4 together to achieve medicaid quality improvement program goals  
5 according to the performance period timelines and reporting deadlines  
6 as set forth by the authority. The authority may only use the  
7 medicaid quality improvement program to support initiatives 1, 2, and  
8 3 as described in the 1115 demonstration waiver and may not pursue  
9 its use for other purposes. Any programs created or funded by the  
10 medicaid quality improvement program do not constitute an entitlement  
11 for clients or providers. The authority shall not supplement the  
12 amounts provided in this subsection with any general fund—state,  
13 general fund—federal, or general fund—local moneys appropriated in  
14 this section or any moneys that may be transferred pursuant to  
15 subsection (1) of this section. The director shall report to the  
16 joint select committee on health care oversight not less than  
17 quarterly on financial and health outcomes. The director shall report  
18 to the fiscal committees of the legislature all expenditures under  
19 this subsection and shall provide such fiscal data in the time,  
20 manner, and form requested by the legislative fiscal committees.

21 (c) In collaboration with the accountable communities of health,  
22 the authority will submit a report to the governor and the joint  
23 select committee on health care oversight describing how each of the  
24 accountable community of health's work aligns with the community  
25 needs assessment no later than December 1, 2023.

26 (d) Performance measures and payments for accountable communities  
27 of health shall reflect accountability measures that demonstrate  
28 progress toward transparent, measurable, and meaningful goals that  
29 have an impact on improved population health and improved health  
30 outcomes, including a path to financial sustainability. While these  
31 goals may have variation to account for unique community  
32 demographics, measures should be standardized when possible.

33 (3) (~~(\$87,665,000)~~) \$63,677,000 of the general fund—federal  
34 appropriation and (~~(\$87,666,000)~~) \$63,684,000 of the general fund—  
35 local appropriation are provided solely for long-term support  
36 services as described in initiative 2 of the 1115 demonstration  
37 waiver as well as administrative expenses for initiative 3 and this  
38 is the maximum amount that may be expended for this purpose. The  
39 authority shall contract with and provide funding to the department

1 of social and health services to administer initiative 2. The  
2 director in cooperation with the secretary of the department of  
3 social and health services shall report to the office of financial  
4 management all of the expenditures of this section and shall provide  
5 such fiscal data in the time, manner, and form requested. The  
6 authority shall not supplement the amounts provided in this  
7 subsection with any general fund—state moneys appropriated in this  
8 section or any moneys that may be transferred pursuant to subsection  
9 (1) of this section.

10 (4) (a) (~~(\$46,450,000)~~) \$61,782,000 of the general fund—federal  
11 appropriation and (~~(\$21,432,000)~~) \$28,451,000 of the general fund—  
12 local appropriation are provided solely for supported housing and  
13 employment services described in initiative 3a and 3b of the 1115  
14 demonstration waiver and this is the maximum amount that may be  
15 expended for this purpose. Under this initiative, the authority and  
16 the department of social and health services shall ensure that  
17 allowable and necessary services are provided to eligible clients as  
18 identified by the department or its third-party administrator. The  
19 authority and the department, in consultation with the medical  
20 assistance expenditure forecast work group, shall ensure that  
21 reasonable reimbursements are established for services deemed  
22 necessary within an identified limit per individual. The authority  
23 shall not supplement the amounts provided in this subsection with any  
24 general fund—state moneys appropriated in this section or any moneys  
25 that may be transferred pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.  
26 The director shall report to the joint select committee on health  
27 care oversight no less than quarterly on financial and health  
28 outcomes. The director shall also report to the fiscal committees of  
29 the legislature all of the expenditures of this subsection and shall  
30 provide such fiscal data in the time, manner, and form requested by  
31 the legislative fiscal committees.

32 (b) (~~(\$28,156,000)~~) \$32,309,000 of the general fund—federal  
33 appropriation and (~~(\$22,067,000)~~) \$23,969,000 of the general fund—  
34 local appropriation are provided solely for additional housing  
35 supports described in the 1115 demonstration waiver and this is the  
36 maximum amount that may be expended for this purpose. The authority  
37 shall not supplement the amounts provided in this subsection with any  
38 general fund—state moneys appropriated in this section or any moneys  
39 that may be transferred pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.

1 The director shall report to the joint select committee on health  
2 care oversight no less than quarterly on financial and health  
3 outcomes. The director shall also report to the fiscal committees of  
4 the legislature all of the expenditures of this subsection and shall  
5 provide such fiscal data in the time, manner, and form requested by  
6 the legislative fiscal committees.

7 (c) The director shall report to the joint select committee on  
8 health care oversight no less than quarterly on utilization and  
9 caseload statistics for both supportive housing and employment  
10 services and its progress toward increasing uptake and availability  
11 for these services.

12 (5) \$1,432,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and (~~(\$3,008,000)~~) \$250,000 of the general fund—state  
14 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for supported  
15 employment services and \$1,478,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$3,162,000)~~) \$750,000 of the  
17 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided  
18 solely for supported housing services, similar to the services  
19 described in initiatives 3a and 3b of the 1115 demonstration waiver  
20 to individuals who are ineligible for medicaid. Under these  
21 initiatives, the authority and the department of social and health  
22 services shall ensure that allowable and necessary services are  
23 provided to eligible clients as identified by the authority or its  
24 third-party administrator. Before authorizing services, eligibility  
25 for initiative 3a or 3b of the 1115 demonstration waiver must first  
26 be determined.

27 (6) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this subsection to  
28 implement the medicaid expansion as defined in the social security  
29 act, section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII).

30 (7) The legislature finds that medicaid payment rates, as  
31 calculated by the health care authority pursuant to the  
32 appropriations in this act, bear a reasonable relationship to the  
33 costs incurred by efficiently and economically operated facilities  
34 for providing quality services and will be sufficient to enlist  
35 enough providers so that care and services are available to the  
36 extent that such care and services are available to the general  
37 population in the geographic area. The legislature finds that the  
38 cost reports, payment data from the federal government, historical

1 utilization, economic data, and clinical input constitute reliable  
2 data upon which to determine the payment rates.

3 (8) Based on quarterly expenditure reports and caseload  
4 forecasts, if the health care authority estimates that expenditures  
5 for the medical assistance program will exceed the appropriations,  
6 the health care authority shall take steps including but not limited  
7 to reduction of rates or elimination of optional services to reduce  
8 expenditures so that total program costs do not exceed the annual  
9 appropriation authority.

10 (9) In determining financial eligibility for medicaid-funded  
11 services, the health care authority is authorized to disregard  
12 recoveries by Holocaust survivors of insurance proceeds or other  
13 assets, as defined in RCW 48.104.030.

14 (10) The legislature affirms that it is in the state's interest  
15 for Harborview medical center to remain an economically viable  
16 component of the state's health care system.

17 (11) When a person is ineligible for medicaid solely by reason of  
18 residence in an institution for mental diseases, the health care  
19 authority shall provide the person with the same benefits as he or  
20 she would receive if eligible for medicaid, using state-only funds to  
21 the extent necessary.

22 (12) \$4,261,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2024, \$4,261,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
24 for fiscal year 2025, and \$8,522,000 of the general fund—federal  
25 appropriation are provided solely for low-income disproportionate  
26 share hospital payments.

27 (13) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the health  
28 care authority shall provide disproportionate share hospital payments  
29 to hospitals that provide services to children in the children's  
30 health program who are not eligible for services under Title XIX or  
31 XXI of the federal social security act due to their citizenship  
32 status.

33 (14) \$7,000,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
34 provided solely for supplemental payments to nursing homes operated  
35 by public hospital districts. The public hospital district shall be  
36 responsible for providing the required nonfederal match for the  
37 supplemental payment, and the payments shall not exceed the maximum  
38 allowable under federal rules. It is the legislature's intent that  
39 the payments shall be supplemental to and shall not in any way offset



1 or reduce the payments calculated and provided in accordance with  
2 part E of chapter 74.46 RCW. It is the legislature's further intent  
3 that costs otherwise allowable for rate-setting and settlement  
4 against payments under chapter 74.46 RCW shall not be disallowed  
5 solely because such costs have been paid by revenues retained by the  
6 nursing home from these supplemental payments. The supplemental  
7 payments are subject to retrospective interim and final cost  
8 settlements based on the nursing homes' as-filed and final medicare  
9 cost reports. The timing of the interim and final cost settlements  
10 shall be at the health care authority's discretion. During either the  
11 interim cost settlement or the final cost settlement, the health care  
12 authority shall recoup from the public hospital districts the  
13 supplemental payments that exceed the medicaid cost limit and/or the  
14 medicare upper payment limit. The health care authority shall apply  
15 federal rules for identifying the eligible incurred medicaid costs  
16 and the medicare upper payment limit.

17 (15) The health care authority shall continue the inpatient  
18 hospital certified public expenditures program for the 2023-2025  
19 fiscal biennium. The program shall apply to all public hospitals,  
20 including those owned or operated by the state, except those  
21 classified as critical access hospitals or state psychiatric  
22 institutions. The health care authority shall submit reports to the  
23 governor and legislature by November 1, 2023, and by November 1,  
24 2024, that evaluate whether savings continue to exceed costs for this  
25 program. If the certified public expenditures (CPE) program in its  
26 current form is no longer cost-effective to maintain, the health care  
27 authority shall submit a report to the governor and legislature  
28 detailing cost-effective alternative uses of local, state, and  
29 federal resources as a replacement for this program. During fiscal  
30 year 2024 and fiscal year 2025, hospitals in the program shall be  
31 paid and shall retain 100 percent of the federal portion of the  
32 allowable hospital cost for each medicaid inpatient fee-for-service  
33 claim payable by medical assistance and 100 percent of the federal  
34 portion of the maximum disproportionate share hospital payment  
35 allowable under federal regulations. For the purpose of determining  
36 the amount of any state grant under this subsection, payments will  
37 include the federal portion of medicaid program supplemental payments  
38 received by the hospitals. Inpatient medicaid payments shall be  
39 established using an allowable methodology that approximates the cost  
40 of claims submitted by the hospitals. Payments made to each hospital

1 in the program in each fiscal year of the biennium shall be compared  
2 to a baseline amount. The baseline amount will be determined by the  
3 total of (a) the inpatient claim payment amounts that would have been  
4 paid during the fiscal year had the hospital not been in the CPE  
5 program based on the reimbursement rates developed, implemented, and  
6 consistent with policies approved in the 2023-2025 biennial operating  
7 appropriations act and in effect on July 1, 2015, (b) one-half of the  
8 indigent assistance disproportionate share hospital payment amounts  
9 paid to and retained by each hospital during fiscal year 2005, and  
10 (c) all of the other disproportionate share hospital payment amounts  
11 paid to and retained by each hospital during fiscal year 2005 to the  
12 extent the same disproportionate share hospital programs exist in the  
13 2019-2021 fiscal biennium. If payments during the fiscal year exceed  
14 the hospital's baseline amount, no additional payments will be made  
15 to the hospital except the federal portion of allowable  
16 disproportionate share hospital payments for which the hospital can  
17 certify allowable match. If payments during the fiscal year are less  
18 than the baseline amount, the hospital will be paid a state grant  
19 equal to the difference between payments during the fiscal year and  
20 the applicable baseline amount. Payment of the state grant shall be  
21 made in the applicable fiscal year and distributed in monthly  
22 payments. The grants will be recalculated and redistributed as the  
23 baseline is updated during the fiscal year. The grant payments are  
24 subject to an interim settlement within 11 months after the end of  
25 the fiscal year. A final settlement shall be performed. To the extent  
26 that either settlement determines that a hospital has received funds  
27 in excess of what it would have received as described in this  
28 subsection, the hospital must repay the excess amounts to the state  
29 when requested.

30 (16) The health care authority shall seek public-private  
31 partnerships and federal funds that are or may become available to  
32 provide ongoing support for outreach and education efforts under the  
33 federal children's health insurance program reauthorization act of  
34 2009.

35 (17) The health care authority shall target funding for maternity  
36 support services towards pregnant women with factors that lead to  
37 higher rates of poor birth outcomes, including hypertension, a  
38 preterm or low birth weight birth in the most recent previous birth,  
39 a cognitive deficit or developmental disability, substance abuse,  
40 severe mental illness, unhealthy weight or failure to gain weight,

1 tobacco use, or African American or Native American race. The health  
2 care authority shall prioritize evidence-based practices for delivery  
3 of maternity support services. To the extent practicable, the health  
4 care authority shall develop a mechanism to increase federal funding  
5 for maternity support services by leveraging local public funding for  
6 those services.

7 (18) The authority shall submit reports to the governor and the  
8 legislature by September 15, 2023, and no later than September 15,  
9 2024, that delineate the number of individuals in medicaid managed  
10 care, by carrier, age, gender, and eligibility category, receiving  
11 preventative services and vaccinations. The reports should include  
12 baseline and benchmark information from the previous two fiscal years  
13 and should be inclusive of, but not limited to, services recommended  
14 under the United States preventative services task force, advisory  
15 committee on immunization practices, early and periodic screening,  
16 diagnostic, and treatment (EPSDT) guidelines, and other relevant  
17 preventative and vaccination medicaid guidelines and requirements.

18 (19) Managed care contracts must incorporate accountability  
19 measures that monitor patient health and improved health outcomes,  
20 and shall include an expectation that each patient receive a wellness  
21 examination that documents the baseline health status and allows for  
22 monitoring of health improvements and outcome measures.

23 (20) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section for the  
24 authority to provide an adult dental benefit.

25 (21) The health care authority shall coordinate with the  
26 department of social and health services to provide referrals to the  
27 Washington health benefit exchange for clients that will be  
28 ineligible for medicaid.

29 (22) To facilitate a single point of entry across public and  
30 medical assistance programs, and to maximize the use of federal  
31 funding, the health care authority, the department of social and  
32 health services, and the health benefit exchange will coordinate  
33 efforts to expand HealthPlanfinder access to public assistance and  
34 medical eligibility staff. The health care authority shall complete  
35 medicaid applications in the HealthPlanfinder for households  
36 receiving or applying for medical assistance benefits.

37 (23) \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024, \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2025, and \$180,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are

1 provided solely to continue operation by a nonprofit organization of  
2 a toll-free hotline that assists families to learn about and enroll  
3 in the apple health for kids program.

4 (24) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
5 authority shall reimburse for primary care services provided by  
6 naturopathic physicians.

7 (25) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
8 authority shall continue to provide coverage for pregnant teens that  
9 qualify under existing pregnancy medical programs, but whose  
10 eligibility for pregnancy related services would otherwise end due to  
11 the application of the new modified adjusted gross income eligibility  
12 standard.

13 (26) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section to  
14 remove the mental health visit limit and to provide the shingles  
15 vaccine and screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment  
16 benefits that are available in the medicaid alternative benefit plan  
17 in the classic medicaid benefit plan.

18 (27) The authority shall use revenue appropriated from the  
19 dedicated cannabis account for contracts with community health  
20 centers under RCW 69.50.540 in lieu of general fund—state payments to  
21 community health centers for services provided to medical assistance  
22 clients, and it is the intent of the legislature that this policy  
23 will be continued in subsequent fiscal biennia.

24 (28) Beginning no later than July 1, 2018, for any service  
25 eligible under the medicaid state plan for encounter payments,  
26 managed care organizations at the request of a rural health clinic  
27 shall pay the full published encounter rate directly to the clinic.  
28 At no time will a managed care organization be at risk for or have  
29 any right to the supplemental portion of the claim. Payments will be  
30 reconciled on at least an annual basis between the managed care  
31 organization and the authority, with final review and approval by the  
32 authority.

33 (29) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section for the  
34 authority to provide a medicaid equivalent adult dental benefit to  
35 clients enrolled in the medical care service program.

36 (30) During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, sufficient amounts are  
37 provided in this section for the authority to provide services  
38 identical to those services covered by the Washington state family  
39 planning waiver program as of August 2018 to individuals who:

40 (a) Are 19 years of age;

1 (b) Are at or below 260 percent of the federal poverty level as  
2 established in WAC 182-505-0100;

3 (c) Are not covered by other public or private insurance; and

4 (d) Need family planning services and are not currently covered  
5 by or eligible for another medical assistance program for family  
6 planning.

7 (31)(a) The authority shall ensure that appropriate resources are  
8 dedicated to implementing the recommendations of the centers for  
9 medicare and medicaid services center for program integrity as  
10 provided to the authority in the January 2019 Washington focused  
11 program integrity review final report. Additionally, the authority  
12 shall:

13 (i) Work to ensure the efficient operations of the managed care  
14 plans, including but not limited to, a deconflicting process for  
15 audits with and among the managed care plans and the medicaid fraud  
16 division at the attorney general's office, to ensure the authority  
17 staff perform central audits of cases that appear across multiple  
18 managed care plans, versus the audits performed by the individual  
19 managed care plans or the fraud division;

20 (ii) Remain accountable for operating in an effective and  
21 efficient manner, including performing program integrity activities  
22 that ensure high value in the medical assistance program in general  
23 and in medicaid managed care specifically;

24 (iii) Work with its contracted actuary and the medical assistance  
25 expenditure forecast work group to develop methods and metrics  
26 related to managed care program integrity activity that shall be  
27 incorporated into annual rate setting; and

28 (iv) Work with the medical assistance expenditure forecast work  
29 group to ensure the results of program integrity activity are  
30 incorporated into the rate setting process in a transparent, timely,  
31 measurable, quantifiable manner.

32 (b) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024, \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2025, and \$100,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
35 provided solely for the authority to consider, as part of its program  
36 integrity activities, whether it is providing economical, efficient,  
37 and quality prescription drug services through its administrative  
38 services model and the quantifiable cost and benefit of this service  
39 delivery method. The authority must establish an annual reporting

1 requirement for all covered entities participating in the 340B drug  
2 pricing program that receive medicaid funds under this section; and  
3 the authority shall provide at an aggregate level, broken down by  
4 covered entities defined by 42 U.S.C. §256b(a)(4)(A)-(O), the  
5 following minimum information to the governor and fiscal committees  
6 of the legislature no later than October 15, 2023:

7 (i) The cost and benefits of providing these prescription drug  
8 benefits through a carved-out fee-for-service benefit, both total  
9 cost and net of rebates;

10 (ii) The cost and benefits of providing these prescription drug  
11 benefits through a carved-in managed care benefit, both total cost  
12 and net of rebates;

13 (iii) The cost and benefits of providing these prescription drug  
14 benefits through the administrative services model, both total and  
15 net of rebates;

16 (iv) The community benefit attributable to 340B providers as a  
17 result of the administrative services or carved-in model as compared  
18 to each other and as compared to the carved-out model; and

19 (v) The federal financial participation provided to the state  
20 under each of these models.

21 (c) The authority shall submit a report to the governor and  
22 appropriate committees of the legislature by October 1, 2023, that  
23 includes, but is not limited to:

24 (i) Specific, quantified actions that have been taken, to date,  
25 related to the recommendations of the centers for medicare and  
26 medicaid services center for program integrity as provided to the  
27 authority in the January 2019 Washington focused program integrity  
28 review final report;

29 (ii) Specific, quantified information regarding the work done  
30 with its contracted actuary and the medical assistance expenditure  
31 forecast expenditure work group to develop methods and metrics  
32 related to managed care program integrity activity that shall be  
33 incorporated into annual rate setting;

34 (iii) Specific, quantified information regarding the work done  
35 with the medical assistance expenditure forecast work group to ensure  
36 the results of program integrity activity are incorporated into the  
37 rate setting process in a transparent, timely, measurable,  
38 quantifiable manner;

39 (iv) Accounting by fiscal year, medicaid eligibility group, and  
40 service beginning with state fiscal year 2020 to include all program

1 integrity recoveries attributable to the authority, including how  
2 these recoveries are categorized, to which year they are reported,  
3 how these recoveries are applied against legislative savings  
4 requirements, and what recoveries are attributable to the office of  
5 the attorney general's medicaid fraud control division and how these  
6 recoveries are considered when reporting program integrity activity  
7 and determining managed care rates; and

8 (v) Information detailing when the agency acquired a new fraud  
9 and abuse detection system and to what extent this system is being  
10 utilized.

11 (32)(a) The authority shall not enter into any future value-based  
12 arrangements with federally qualified health centers or rural health  
13 clinics prior to receiving approval from the office of financial  
14 management and the appropriate committees of the legislature.

15 (b) The authority shall not modify the reconciliation process  
16 with federally qualified health centers or rural health clinics  
17 without notification to and the opportunity to comment from the  
18 office of financial management.

19 (c) The authority shall require all managed care organizations to  
20 provide information to the authority to account for all payments to  
21 rural health clinics and federally qualified health centers to  
22 include how payments are made, including any additional payments and  
23 whether there is a sub-capitation arrangement or value-based  
24 purchasing arrangement.

25 (d) Beginning with fiscal year 2021 and for each subsequent year  
26 thereafter, the authority shall reconcile on an annual basis with  
27 rural health clinics and federally qualified health centers.

28 (e) Beginning with fiscal year 2021 and for each subsequent year  
29 thereafter, the authority shall properly accrue for any anticipated  
30 reconciliations with rural health clinics and federally qualified  
31 health centers during the fiscal year close process following  
32 generally accepted accounting practices.

33 (33) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
34 authority is to include allergen control bed and pillow covers as  
35 part of the durable medical equipment benefit for children with an  
36 asthma diagnosis enrolled in medical assistance programs.

37 (34) \$23,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024, \$324,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025, and \$469,000 of the general fund—federal

1 appropriation are provided solely for the reimbursement of services  
2 provided by doulas for apple health clients consistent with  
3 utilization and uptake assumptions anticipated by the authority in  
4 its report to the legislature on December 1, 2020. The centers for  
5 medicare and medicaid services must approve a state plan amendment to  
6 reimburse for doula services prior to the implementation of this  
7 policy.

8 (35) Sufficient funds are provided in this section for the  
9 authority to extend continuous eligibility for apple health to  
10 children ages zero to six with income at or below 215 percent of the  
11 federal poverty level. The centers for medicare and medicaid services  
12 must approve the 1115 medicaid waiver prior to the implementation of  
13 this policy.

14 (36) Sufficient funds are provided to continue reimbursing dental  
15 health aid therapists for services performed in tribal facilities for  
16 medicaid clients. The authority must leverage any federal funding  
17 that may become available as a result of appeal decisions from the  
18 centers for medicare and medicaid services or the United States court  
19 of appeals for the ninth circuit.

20 (37) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
21 authority shall implement the requirements of RCW 74.09.830  
22 (postpartum health care) and the American rescue plan act of 2021,  
23 P.L. 117-2, in extending health care coverage during the postpartum  
24 period. The authority shall make every effort to expedite and  
25 complete eligibility determinations for individuals who are likely  
26 eligible to receive health care coverage under Title XIX or Title XXI  
27 of the federal social security act to ensure the state is receiving  
28 maximum federal match. This includes, but is not limited to, working  
29 with managed care organizations to provide continuous outreach in  
30 various modalities until the individual's eligibility determination  
31 is completed. Beginning June 1, 2022, the authority must submit  
32 quarterly reports to the caseload forecast work group on the number  
33 of individuals who are likely eligible to receive health care  
34 coverage under Title XIX or Title XXI of the federal social security  
35 act but are waiting for the authority to complete eligibility  
36 determination, the number of individuals who were likely eligible but  
37 are now receiving health care coverage with the maximum federal match  
38 under Title XIX or Title XXI of the federal social security act, and  
39 outreach activities including the work with managed care  
40 organizations.



1 (38) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the perinatal support warm  
4 line to provide peer support, resources, and referrals to new and  
5 expectant parents and people in the emotional transition to  
6 parenthood experiencing, or at risk of, postpartum depression or  
7 other mental health issues.

8 (39) Sufficient funding is provided to remove the asset test from  
9 the medicare savings program review process.

10 (40) Sufficient funding is provided to eliminate the mid-  
11 certification review process for the aged, blind, or disabled and  
12 housing and essential needs referral programs.

13 ~~(41) ((\$403,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
14 ~~fiscal year 2025 and \$1,185,000 of the general fund federal~~  
15 ~~appropriation are provided solely for an adult acupuncture benefit~~  
16 ~~beginning January 1, 2025.~~

17 ~~(42) \$581,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
18 ~~year 2025 and \$1,706,000 of the general fund federal appropriation~~  
19 ~~are provided solely for an adult chiropractic benefit beginning~~  
20 ~~January 1, 2025.~~

21 ~~(43))~~ (a) \$4,109,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2024 and \$4,204,000 of the general fund—state  
23 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,214,000 of the general  
24 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
25 continue the grant program for reimbursement for services to patients  
26 up to age 18 provided by community health workers in primary care  
27 clinics whose patients are significantly comprised of pediatric  
28 patients enrolled in medical assistance under chapter 74.09 RCW until  
29 June 30, 2025. Community health workers may receive merit increases  
30 within this funding. Community health workers funded under this  
31 subsection may provide outreach, informal counseling, and social  
32 supports for health-related social needs. Within the amounts provided  
33 in this subsection, the authority will provide a final report by June  
34 30, 2025. The report shall include, but not be limited to:

35 (i) The quantitative impacts of the grant program;

36 (ii) How many community health workers are participating in the  
37 grant program;

38 (iii) How many clinics these community health workers represent;

39 (iv) How many clients are being served;

1 (v) Evaluation of any measurable health outcomes identified in  
2 the planning period prior to January 2023; and

3 (vi) The number of children who received community health worker  
4 services between June 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024. For the children  
5 who received community health worker services within this period, the  
6 authority must compare the following data to children of the same  
7 ages and languages receiving coverage through apple health: Well-  
8 child visits; mental health services when a need is identified; and  
9 emergency department utilization.

10 (b) To the extent that funds are appropriated, the authority must  
11 establish a community health worker benefit under the medical  
12 assistance program, as codified at Title XIX of the federal social  
13 security act, the state children's health insurance program, as  
14 codified at Title XXI of the federal social security act, and any  
15 other federal funding sources that are now available or may become  
16 available, pursuant to approval from the center for medicare and  
17 medicaid services.

18 (~~((44))~~) (42) \$1,635,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
19 for fiscal year 2024, \$1,024,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,765,000 of the general  
21 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for a technology  
22 solution for an authoritative client identifier, or master person  
23 index, for state programs within the health and human services  
24 coalition to uniformly identify clients across multiple service  
25 delivery systems. The coalition will clearly identify all state  
26 programs impacted by and all fund sources used in development and  
27 implementation of this project. This subsection is subject to the  
28 conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of  
29 this act.

30 (~~((45))~~) (43)(a) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this  
31 section for the authority to provide coverage for all federal food  
32 and drug administration-approved HIV antiviral drugs without prior  
33 authorization. This coverage must be provided to apple health clients  
34 enrolled in both fee-for-service and managed care programs.

35 (b) Beginning July 1, 2023, upon initiation or renewal of a  
36 contract with the authority to administer a medicaid managed care  
37 plan, a managed care health care system shall provide coverage  
38 without prior authorization for all federal food and drug  
39 administration-approved HIV antiviral drugs.

1 (c) By December 1, 2023, and December 1, 2024, the authority must  
2 submit to the fiscal committees of the legislature the projected and  
3 actual expenditures and percentage of medicaid clients who switch to  
4 a new drug class without prior authorization as described in (a) and  
5 (b) of this subsection.

6 ~~((46))~~ (44) The authority shall consider evidence-based  
7 recommendations from the Oregon health evidence review commission  
8 when making coverage decisions for the treatment of pediatric  
9 autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal  
10 infections and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome.

11 ~~((47))~~ (45) \$2,120,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
12 for fiscal year 2024, \$2,120,000 of the general fund—state  
13 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$9,012,000 of the general  
14 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to increase advanced  
15 life support code A0426 by 64 percent, basic life support base rates  
16 for nonemergency ambulance transports code A0428 by 80 percent, and  
17 mileage for both nonemergency and emergency ambulance transportation  
18 code A0425 by 35 percent, beginning July 1, 2023.

19 ~~((48))~~ (46) \$2,047,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
20 for fiscal year 2024, \$3,390,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$5,135,000 of the general  
22 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to increase  
23 reimbursement rates by 20 percent for applied behavior analysis codes  
24 0362T and 0373T for individuals with complex behavioral health care  
25 needs; and by 15 percent for all other applied behavior analysis  
26 codes with the exception of Q3014, beginning January 1, 2024.

27 ~~((49))~~ (47) \$280,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
28 for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,992,000 of the general fund—federal  
29 appropriation are provided solely for modular replacement costs of  
30 the ProviderOne pharmacy point of sale system and are subject to the  
31 conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this  
32 act.

33 ~~((50))~~ (48) \$709,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
34 for fiscal year 2024, \$1,410,000 of the general fund—state  
35 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$4,075,000 of the general  
36 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to maintain and  
37 increase access for behavioral health services through increased  
38 provider rates. The rate increases are effective January 1, 2024, and  
39 must be applied to the following codes for children and adults

enrolled in the medicaid program: 90785, 90791, 90832, 90833, 90834, 90836, 90837, 90838, 90845, 90846, 90847, 90849, 90853, 96156, 96158, 96159, 96164, 96165, 96167, 96168, 96170, 96171, H0004, H0023, H0036, and H2015. The authority may use a substitute code in the event that any of the codes identified in this subsection are discontinued and replaced with an updated code covering the same service. Within the amounts provided in this subsection the authority must:

(a) Implement this rate increase in accordance with the process established in RCW 71.24.885 (medicaid rate increases);

(b) Raise the state fee-for-service rates for these codes by up to 7 percent, except that the state medicaid rate may not exceed the published medicare rate or an equivalent relative value unit rate if a published medicare rate is not available;

(c) Require in contracts with managed care organizations that, beginning January 2024, managed care organizations pay no lower than the fee-for-service rate for these codes, and adjust managed care capitation rates accordingly; and

(d) Not duplicate rate increases provided in subsection ~~((+51+))~~ (49) of this section.

~~((+51+))~~ (49) \$1,055,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$2,046,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to maintain and increase access for primary care services for medicaid-enrolled patients through increased provider rates beginning January 1, 2025. Within the amounts provided in this subsection the authority must:

(a) Increase the medical assistance rates for adult primary care services that are reimbursed solely at the existing medical assistance rates on a fee-for-service basis, as well as through managed care plans, by at least 2 percent above medical assistance rates in effect on January 1, 2023;

(b) Increase the medical assistance rates for pediatric primary care services that are reimbursed solely at the existing medical assistance rates on a fee-for-service basis, as well as through managed care plans, by at least 2 percent above medical assistance rates in effect on January 1, 2023;

(c) Increase the medical assistance rates for pediatric critical care, neonatal critical care, and neonatal intensive care services that are reimbursed solely at the existing medical assistance rates on a fee-for-service basis, as well as through managed care plans, by

1 at least 2 percent above medical assistance rates in effect on  
2 January 1, 2023;

3 (d) Apply reimbursement rates required under this subsection to  
4 payment codes in a manner consistent with the temporary increase in  
5 medicaid reimbursement rates under federal rules and guidance in  
6 effect on January 1, 2014, implementing the patient protection and  
7 affordable care act, except that the authority may not require  
8 provider attestations;

9 (e) Pursue state plan amendments to require medicaid managed care  
10 organizations to increase rates under this subsection through  
11 adoption of a uniform percentage increase for network providers  
12 pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Sec. 438.6(c)(1)(iii)(B), as existing on  
13 January 1, 2023; and

14 (f) Not duplicate rate increases provided in subsection ~~((+50+))~~  
15 (48) of this section.

16 ~~((+52+))~~ (50) The authority shall seek a waiver from the federal  
17 department of health and human services necessary to implement the  
18 requirements of RCW 74.09.670 (medical assistance benefits—  
19 incarcerated or committed persons—suspension). Additionally, the  
20 authority shall implement its waiver application for prerelease  
21 services up to 90 days; and provide the governor and fiscal  
22 committees of the legislature estimates of costs for implementation  
23 or maintenance of effort requirements of this expansion prior to  
24 entering into agreement with the centers for medicare and medicaid  
25 services.

26 (a) \$124,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2025, \$60,925,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation, and  
28 \$60,785,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation are  
29 provided solely for prerelease services including, but not limited  
30 to, case management, clinical consultations, medication assisted  
31 therapy, community health worker services, 30-day supply of  
32 medications, durable medical equipment, medications, laboratory  
33 services, and radiology services.

34 (b) The authority shall coordinate with the department of  
35 corrections for prison reentry implementation pursuant to the waiver  
36 terms. The authority will coordinate with tribes, other state  
37 agencies, and jail administrations as necessary to achieve the terms  
38 of the 1115 medicaid transformation waiver. The authority shall use

1 its statutory reentry advisory work group and subgroups as necessary  
2 to coordinate with partners to achieve these goals.

3 ~~((+53+))~~ (51) Within the amounts appropriated in this section the  
4 authority in collaboration with UW Medicine shall explore funding  
5 options for clinical training programs including, but not limited to,  
6 family medical practice, psychiatric residencies, advanced registered  
7 nurse practitioners, and other primary care providers. Options should  
8 include, but not be limited to, shifting direct medicaid graduate  
9 medical education payments or indirect medicaid graduate medical  
10 education payments, or both, from rates to a standalone program. The  
11 authority in collaboration with UW Medicine shall submit a report  
12 outlining its findings to the office of financial management and the  
13 fiscal committees of the legislature no later than December 1, 2023.

14 ~~((+54+))~~ (52) \$143,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
15 for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Second  
16 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263 (psilocybin).

17 ~~((+55+))~~ (53) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
18 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second  
19 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5532 (small rural hospital payment).

20 ~~((+56+))~~ (54) \$56,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2024, \$111,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
22 for fiscal year 2025, and \$166,000 of the general fund—federal  
23 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to increase  
24 pediatric palliative care rates to the equivalent medicare rates paid  
25 for hospice care in effect October 1, 2022, beginning January 1,  
26 2024.

27 ~~((+57+))~~ (55) \$598,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
28 for fiscal year 2024 and \$591,000 of the general fund—state  
29 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for work  
30 required of the authority as specified in RCW 41.05.840 (universal  
31 health care commission). Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

32 ~~((+i+))~~ (a) \$216,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2024 and \$216,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
34 for fiscal year 2025 are for staff dedicated to contract procurement,  
35 meeting coordination, legislative reporting, federal application  
36 requirements, and administrative support;

37 ~~((+ii+))~~ (b) \$132,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation

1 for fiscal year 2025 are for additional staff dedicated to the work  
2 of the finance technical advisory committee; and

3 ~~((+iii+))~~ (c) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
4 for fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are for consultant services,  
6 dedicated actuarial support, and economic modeling.

7 ~~((+58+))~~ (56) \$2,395,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
8 for fiscal year 2024, \$2,395,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$10,178,000 of the general  
10 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to increase air  
11 ambulance-fixed wing code A0430 by 189 percent, air ambulance-rotary  
12 wing code A0431 by 265 percent, fixed wing air mileage code A0435 by  
13 57 percent, and rotary wing air mileage code A0436 by 68 percent,  
14 beginning July 1, 2023.

15 ~~((+59+))~~ (57) \$37,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2024, \$73,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025, and \$218,000 of the general fund—federal  
18 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to increase the  
19 allowable number of periodontal treatments to up to four per 12 month  
20 period for apple health eligible adults, ages 21 and over, with a  
21 current diagnosis of diabetes, beginning January 1, 2024.

22 ~~((+60+))~~ (58) (a) \$8,000,000 of the general fund—state  
23 appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$3,960,000 of the general fund  
24 —state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
25 one-time bridge grants to hospitals or birth centers in financial  
26 distress or at risk of limiting access to labor and delivery services  
27 due to a low-volume of deliveries at the hospital.

28 (b) To qualify for these grants, a hospital or birth center must:

29 (i) Be located in Washington and not be part of a system of three  
30 or more hospitals;

31 (ii) Serve individuals enrolled in state and federal medical  
32 assistance programs;

33 (iii) Continue to maintain a medicaid population at similar  
34 utilization levels as the most current complete calendar year data;

35 (iv) Be necessary for an adequate provider network for the  
36 medicaid program;

37 (v) Demonstrate a plan for long-term financial sustainability;  
38 and

39 (vi) Meet one of the following criteria:

1 (A) Lack adequate cash-on-hand to remain financially solvent;  
2 (B) Have experienced financial losses during the most current  
3 complete calendar year data;  
4 (C) Be at risk of bankruptcy;  
5 (D) Be at risk of closing labor and delivery services; or  
6 (E) Be at risk of limiting access to labor and delivery services  
7 due to a low-volume of deliveries at the hospital as defined in  
8 (f)(i) and (ii) of this subsection.

9 (c) Of the amounts provided in this subsection for fiscal year  
10 2024, \$4,000,000 must be distributed to a hospital that meets the  
11 qualifications in ~~((subsection))~~ (b) of this subsection and is  
12 located on tribal land.

13 (d) Of the amounts provided in this subsection for fiscal year  
14 2025, \$1,360,000 must be distributed to a hospital that:

15 (i) Is certified by the centers for medicare and medicaid  
16 services as sole community hospitals as of January 1, 2014;

17 (ii) Had fewer than 150 acute care licensed beds in fiscal year  
18 2011;

19 (iii) Has a level III adult trauma service designation from the  
20 department of health as of January 1, 2014; and

21 (iv) Is owned and operated by the state or a political  
22 subdivision.

23 (e) Of the amounts provided in this subsection for fiscal year  
24 2025, \$1,000,000 must be distributed to birth centers that meet the  
25 qualification in (b)(vi)(D) of this subsection. Facilities receiving  
26 funding under this subsection (58)(e) shall provide the authority  
27 with a documented plan for how the funds will be invested in labor  
28 and delivery services and an accounting at the end of the fiscal year  
29 for how the funds were expended.

30 (f) Of the amounts provided in this subsection for fiscal year  
31 2025, \$1,600,000 must be distributed in grant amounts not to exceed  
32 \$200,000 per hospital to a hospital that:

33 (i) Has had fewer than 200 births funded by medicaid in the  
34 hospital's labor and delivery unit in the previous calendar year  
35 according to health care authority records; and

36 (ii) Is located in a municipality with a population of less than  
37 50,000.

38 ~~((+61+))~~ (59)(a) Sufficient funds are provided in this section  
39 for an outpatient directed payment program.

40 (b) The authority shall:



1 (i) Maintain the program to support the state's access and other  
2 quality of care goals and to not increase general fund—state  
3 expenditures;

4 (ii) Seek approval from the centers for medicare and medicaid  
5 services to expand the medicaid outpatient directed payment program  
6 for hospital outpatient services provided to medicaid program managed  
7 care recipients by UW Medicine hospitals and, at their option, UW  
8 Medicine affiliated hospitals;

9 (iii) Direct managed care organizations to make payments to  
10 eligible providers at levels required to ensure enrollees have timely  
11 access to critical high-quality care as allowed under 42 C.F.R.  
12 438.6(c); and

13 (iv) Increase medicaid payments for hospital outpatient services  
14 provided by UW Medicine hospitals and, at their option, UW Medicine  
15 affiliated hospitals to the average payment received from commercial  
16 payers.

17 (c) Any incremental costs incurred by the authority in the  
18 development, implementation, and maintenance of this program shall be  
19 the responsibility of the participating hospitals.

20 (d) Participating hospitals shall retain the full amount of  
21 payments provided under this program.

22 ~~((+62+))~~ (60) (a) No more than \$200,661,000 of the general fund—  
23 federal appropriation and no more than \$91,430,000 of the general  
24 fund—local appropriation may be expended for an inpatient directed  
25 payment program.

26 (b) The authority shall:

27 (i) Design the program to support the state's access and other  
28 quality of care goals and to not increase general fund—state  
29 expenditures;

30 (ii) Seek approval from the centers for medicare and medicaid  
31 services to create a medicaid inpatient directed payment program for  
32 hospital inpatient services provided to medicaid program managed care  
33 recipients by UW Medicine hospitals and, at their option, UW Medicine  
34 affiliated hospitals;

35 (iii) Upon approval, direct managed care organizations to make  
36 payments to eligible providers at levels required to ensure enrollees  
37 have timely access to critical high-quality care as allowed under 42  
38 C.F.R. 438.6(c); and

1 (iv) Increase medicaid payments for hospital inpatient services  
2 provided by UW Medicine and, at their option, UW Medicine affiliated  
3 hospitals to the average payment received from commercial payers.

4 (c) Any incremental costs incurred by the authority in the  
5 development, implementation, and maintenance of this program shall be  
6 the responsibility of the participating hospitals.

7 (d) Participating hospitals shall retain the full amount of  
8 payments provided under this program.

9 (e) Participating hospitals will provide the local funds to fund  
10 the required nonfederal contribution.

11 (f) This program shall be effective as soon as administratively  
12 possible.

13 (~~((+63+))~~) (61) Within the amounts appropriated in this section,  
14 the authority shall maintain and increase access for family planning  
15 services for patients seeking services through department of health  
16 sexual and reproductive health program family planning providers  
17 based on the rates in effect as of July 1, 2022.

18 (~~((+64+))~~) (62) (a) \$5,063,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$17,227,000 of the general fund—  
20 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$259,000 of the general  
21 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
22 implement a pilot program for difficult to discharge individuals as  
23 described in section 133(11) of this act.

24 (b) The authority shall work in collaboration with the contractor  
25 and task force identified in section 133(11) of this act to carry out  
26 the goals and objectives of the pilot program, including but not  
27 limited to:

28 (i) Providing enhanced care management and wraparound services  
29 that shall be provided by or delegated by managed care pilot  
30 participants, based on services currently provided by the Harborview  
31 medical center program;

32 (ii) Providing incentive payments to participating post acute  
33 care providers;

34 (iii) Developing home and community services assessment  
35 timeliness requirements for pilot participants in cooperation with  
36 the department of social and health services; and

37 (iv) Providing reimbursement for administrative support through  
38 Harborview medical center for the duration of the pilot project,  
39 including training and education to support pilot participants.

1 (c) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$44,000 of the  
2 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$42,000 of the  
3 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$259,000  
4 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the  
5 authority to provide staff support to the difficult to discharge task  
6 force described in section 133(11) of this act, including any  
7 associated ad hoc subgroups.

8 ~~((+65+))~~ (63)(a) Within the amounts ~~((appropriated in this~~  
9 ~~section))~~ provided in this subsection the authority, in consultation  
10 with the health and human services enterprise coalition, community-  
11 based organizations, health plans, accountable communities of health,  
12 and safety net providers, shall determine the cost and implementation  
13 impacts of a statewide community information exchange (CIE). A CIE  
14 platform must serve as a tool for addressing the social determinants  
15 of health, defined as nonclinical community and social factors such  
16 as housing, food security, transportation, financial strain, and  
17 interpersonal safety, that affect health, functioning, and quality-  
18 of-life outcomes.

19 (b) Prior to issuing a request for proposals or beginning this  
20 project, the authority must work with stakeholders in (a) of this  
21 subsection to determine which platforms already exist within the  
22 Washington public and private health care system to determine  
23 interoperability needs and fiscal impacts to both the state and  
24 impacted providers and organizations that will be using a single  
25 statewide community information exchange platform.

26 (c) The authority shall provide the office of financial  
27 management and fiscal committees of the legislature a proposal to  
28 leverage medicaid enterprise financing or other federal funds prior  
29 to beginning this project and shall not expend funds under a 1115  
30 waiver or any other waiver without legislative authorization.

31 (d) ~~(((\$4,817,000))~~ \$298,000 of the general fund—federal  
32 appropriation and ~~(((\$4,817,000))~~ \$298,000 of the general fund—  
33 private/local appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
34 implement the community information exchange program. The technology  
35 solution chosen by the health care authority should be capable of  
36 interoperating with other state funded systems in Washington and  
37 should be able to electronically refer individuals to services using  
38 a closed-loop referral process. Funding for the community information

exchange program is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act.

~~((+66+))~~ (64) \$252,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$252,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for staff dedicated to data review, analysis, and management, and policy analysis in support of the health care cost transparency board as described in chapter 70.390 RCW.

~~((+67+))~~ (65) \$76,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$76,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$152,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation, and \$606,000 of the telebehavioral health access account—state appropriation are provided solely for additional staff support for the mental health referral service for children and teens.

~~((+68+))~~ (66) \$1,608,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$2,015,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$3,681,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for a rate increase for the health homes program for fee-for-service enrollees, beginning July 1, 2023.

~~((+69+))~~ (67) \$295,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$307,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$123,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the first approach skills training program through the partnership access line.

~~((+70+))~~ (68)(a) \$362,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$482,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$895,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1357 (prior authorization) and the center for medicare and medicaid services' interoperability and prior authorization final rule (CMS-0057-F).

(b) The authority, in collaboration with managed care organizations, must provide a report to the office of financial management and the fiscal committees of the legislature no later than December 1, 2023, outlining any challenges experienced by carriers in hiring sufficient numbers and types of staff to comply with the prior authorization response times required by Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1357 (prior authorization).

1       (~~((71))~~) (69) \$9,369,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
2 for fiscal year 2025 and \$22,611,000 of the general fund—federal  
3 appropriation are provided solely for an increase in medicaid  
4 reimbursement rates for professional services, beginning July 1,  
5 2024, as follows:

6       (a) Service categories including diagnostics, intense outpatient,  
7 opioid treatment programs, emergency room, inpatient and outpatient  
8 surgery, inpatient visits, low-level behavioral health, office  
9 administered drugs, and other physician services are increased up to  
10 50 percent of medicare rates.

11       (b) Service categories including office and home visits and  
12 consults are increased up to 65 percent of medicare rates.

13       (c) Service categories including maternity services are increased  
14 up to 100 percent of medicare rates.

15       (~~((72))~~—\$11,624,000)) (70) \$2,476,000 of the statewide 988  
16 behavioral health crisis response line account—state appropriation  
17 and (~~((72))~~—\$1,151,000)) \$2,419,000 of the general fund—federal  
18 appropriation are provided solely for the planning phase of the 988  
19 technology platform implementation project as described in RCW  
20 71.24.890 (5) and (6). These amounts are subject to the conditions,  
21 limitations, and review requirements provided in section 701 of this  
22 act and any requirements as established in Senate Bill No. 6308  
23 (extending timelines for implementation of the 988 system). The  
24 authority must actively collaborate with consolidated technology  
25 services and the department of health so that the statewide 988  
26 technology solutions will be coordinated and interoperable.

27       (~~((73))~~) (71) \$969,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
28 for fiscal year 2024, \$1,938,000 of the general fund—state  
29 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$3,024,000 of the general  
30 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority,  
31 beginning January 1, 2024, to increase the children's dental rate for  
32 procedure code D1120 by at least 40 percent above the medical  
33 assistance fee-for-service rate in effect on January 1, 2023.

34       (~~((74))~~) (72) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
35 for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to the nonprofit  
36 foundation managing the Washington patient safety coalition to  
37 support the communication and resolution programs certification  
38 program to improve outcomes for patients by providing in-depth  
39 feedback to health care organizations.

1       (~~((75))~~) (73) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
2 for fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
4 authority to continue a public-private partnership with a state-based  
5 oral health foundation to connect medicaid patients to dental  
6 services and reduce barriers to accessing care. The authority shall  
7 submit a progress report to the appropriate committees of the  
8 legislature by June 30, 2024.

9       (~~((76))~~) (74) \$103,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
10 for fiscal year 2024, \$205,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$442,000 of the general fund—  
12 federal appropriation are provided solely to increase birth center  
13 facility fee reimbursement to \$2,500 and home birth kit reimbursement  
14 to \$500 for providers approved by the authority within the planned  
15 home births and births in birth centers program.

16       (~~((77))~~) (75) \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2024, \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025, and \$133,000 of the general fund—federal  
19 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
20 House Bill No. 1435 (home care safety net assess.).

21       (~~((78))~~) (76) \$194,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
22 for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$1,724,000)~~) \$120,000 of the general fund—  
23 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and (~~(\$1,918,000)~~) \$314,000  
24 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the  
25 authority in coordination with the department of social and health  
26 services to develop and implement a Katie Beckett 1115 demonstration  
27 waiver. The authority shall limit enrollment to 1,000 clients during  
28 the waiver period. Based upon the experience developed during the  
29 waiver period, the authority shall make recommendations to the  
30 legislature for a future tax equity and fiscal responsibility act  
31 state plan option.

32       (~~((79))~~) (77) \$1,089,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
33 for fiscal year 2024, \$2,231,000 of the general fund—state  
34 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$2,657,000 of the general  
35 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for kidney dialysis  
36 services for medicaid-enrolled patients through increased  
37 reimbursement rates beginning January 1, 2024. Within the amounts  
38 provided in this subsection, the authority must increase the medical  
39 assistance rates for revenue code 0821 billed with procedure code

1 90999 and revenue codes 0831, 0841, and 0851, when reimbursed on a  
2 fee-for-service basis or through managed care plans, by at least 30  
3 percent above the fee-for-service composite rates in effect on  
4 January 1, 2023.

5 ~~((+80+))~~ (78) \$1,360,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
6 for fiscal year 2024 and \$3,252,000 of the general fund—federal  
7 appropriation are provided solely to increase the rates paid to rural  
8 hospitals that meet the criteria in (a) through (d) of this  
9 subsection. Payments for state and federal medical assistance  
10 programs for services provided by such a hospital, regardless of the  
11 beneficiary's managed care enrollment status, must be increased to  
12 150 percent of the hospital's fee-for-service rates. The authority  
13 must discontinue this rate increase after June 30, 2024, and return  
14 to the payment levels and methodology for these hospitals that were  
15 in place as of January 1, 2018. Hospitals participating in the  
16 certified public expenditures program may not receive increased  
17 reimbursement for inpatient services. Hospitals qualifying for this  
18 rate increase must:

19 (a) Be certified by the centers for medicare and medicaid  
20 services as sole community hospitals as of January 1, 2014;

21 (b) Have had less than 150 acute care licensed beds in fiscal  
22 year 2011;

23 (c) Have a level III adult trauma service designation from the  
24 department of health as of January 1, 2014; and

25 (d) Be owned and operated by the state or a political  
26 subdivision.

27 ~~((+81+))~~ (79) \$55,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2024 and \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
29 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the authority to  
30 contract with a medicaid managed care organization for continuous  
31 coverage beginning January 1, 2024, for individuals under age 26 that  
32 were enrolled in the unaccompanied refugee minor program as  
33 authorized by the office of refugee and immigrant assistance. There  
34 are no residency, social security number, or citizenship requirements  
35 to receive the continuous coverage as described in this subsection.

36 ~~((+82+))~~ (80) (a) \$221,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2024 and ~~((+\$71,037,000))~~ \$64,622,000 of the general  
38 fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
39 the authority, beginning July 1, 2024, to implement a program with

1 coverage comparable to the amount, duration, and scope of care  
2 provided in the categorically needy medicaid program for adult  
3 individuals who:

4 (i) Have an immigration status making them ineligible for federal  
5 medicaid or federal subsidies through the health benefit exchange;

6 (ii) Are age 19 and older, including over age 65, and have  
7 countable income of up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level;  
8 and

9 (iii) Are not eligible for another full scope federally funded  
10 medical assistance program, including any expansion of medicaid  
11 coverage for deferred action for childhood arrivals recipients.

12 (b) Within the amounts provided in this subsection, the authority  
13 shall use the same eligibility, enrollment, redetermination and  
14 renewal, and appeals procedures as categorically needy medicaid,  
15 except where flexibility is necessary to maintain privacy or minimize  
16 burden to applicants or enrollees.

17 (c) The authority in collaboration with the health benefit  
18 exchange, the department of social and health services, and community  
19 organizations must develop and implement an outreach and education  
20 campaign.

21 (d) The authority must provide the following information to the  
22 governor's office and appropriate committees of the legislature by  
23 February 1st and November 1st of each year:

24 (i) Actual and forecasted expenditures;

25 (ii) Actual and forecasted data from the caseload forecast  
26 council; and

27 (iii) The availability and impact of any federal program or  
28 proposed rule that expands access to health care for the population  
29 described in this subsection, such as the expansion of medicaid  
30 coverage for deferred action for childhood arrivals recipients.

31 (e) The amount provided in this subsection is the maximum amount  
32 allowable for the purposes of this program.

33 ~~((+83+))~~ (81) (a) \$604,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
34 for fiscal year 2024, \$2,528,000 of the general fund—state  
35 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$3,132,000 of the general  
36 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
37 increase the eligibility threshold for the qualified medicare  
38 beneficiary program to up to 110 percent of the federal poverty  
39 level.



1 (b) The authority shall seek to maximize the availability of the  
2 qualified individual program through the centers for medicare and  
3 medicaid services.

4 (c) The authority may adopt any rules necessary to administer  
5 this subsection. Nothing in this subsection limits the authority's  
6 existing rule-making authority related to medicare savings programs.

7 ~~((+84+))~~ (82) \$361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
8 for fiscal year 2024, \$766,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$2,093,000 of the general  
10 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the costs of, and  
11 pursuant to the conditions prescribed for, implementing the rate  
12 increase directed in section 215(44) for children for whom base  
13 funding for community behavioral health services is provided within  
14 this section.

15 ~~((+85+))~~ (83) (a) \$1,301,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the health  
17 care cost transparency board and the implementation of Second  
18 Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1508 (health care cost board).

19 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$100,000 of the  
20 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided  
21 solely for the health care cost transparency board, in conjunction  
22 with the health care authority, to study:

23 (i) Regulatory approaches to encouraging compliance with the  
24 health care cost growth benchmark established under chapter 70.390  
25 RCW; and

26 (ii) Best practices from other states regarding the  
27 infrastructure of state health care cost growth programs, including  
28 the scope, financing, staffing, and agency structure of such  
29 programs.

30 (c) The board may conduct all or part of the study through the  
31 authority, by contract with a private entity, or by arrangement with  
32 another state agency conducting related work.

33 (d) The study, as well as any recommendations for changes to the  
34 health care cost transparency board arising from the study, must be  
35 submitted by the board as part of the annual report required under  
36 RCW 70.390.070, no later than December 1, 2024.

37 ~~((+86+))~~ (84) The authority must enter into an interagency  
38 agreement with consolidated technology services for the federal  
39 funding authority for the electronic health records statewide

1 solution given the authority is the single state agency responsible  
2 for reporting to the federal government on the application for and  
3 use of the federal funding.

4 ~~((+87+))~~ (85) Within the amounts appropriated in this section,  
5 the authority shall make administrative and system changes in  
6 anticipation of receiving federal authority to provide continuous  
7 eligibility for children ages zero to six covered through the apple  
8 health children's health insurance program. The centers for medicare  
9 and medicaid services must approve the section 1115 medicaid waiver  
10 prior to the implementation of this policy.

11 ~~((+88+))~~ (86) (a) No more than \$42,809,000 of the general fund—  
12 federal appropriation and no more than \$13,314,000 of the general  
13 fund—local appropriation may be expended for a medicaid managed care  
14 multidisciplinary graduate medical education direct payment program.

15 (b) Participating hospitals are:

16 (i) University of Washington medical center, a state-owned and  
17 operated teaching hospital; and

18 (ii) Harborview medical center, a state-operated teaching  
19 hospital.

20 (c) The authority shall:

21 (i) Design the program to support the state's access and other  
22 quality of care goals and to not increase general fund—state  
23 expenditures;

24 (ii) Seek approval from the centers for medicare and medicaid  
25 services to create a medicaid managed care direct payment program for  
26 hospital multidisciplinary graduate medical education program for  
27 state-owned and state-operated teaching hospitals;

28 (iii) Reimburse participating hospitals for the medicaid managed  
29 care program's share of the unfunded costs incurred in providing  
30 graduate medical education training; and

31 (iv) Make payments directly to participating hospitals.

32 (d) Participating hospitals shall continue to be paid for  
33 inpatient and outpatient services provided to fee-for-service clients  
34 according to fee-for-service policies and rates, including payments  
35 under the certified public expenditure program.

36 (e) Payments shall be additional and separate from any graduate  
37 medical education funding included in managed care capitation  
38 payments.

1 (f) The authority shall calculate the medicaid managed care  
2 graduate medical education direct payments using cost and utilization  
3 data from the participating hospital's most recently filed medicare  
4 cost report to identify the participating hospital's total graduate  
5 medical education cost.

6 (g) Total allowable graduate medical education costs shall be  
7 calculated using medicare methodologies and must:

8 (i) Exclude medicare full-time equivalent and per resident amount  
9 limits;

10 (ii) Include indirect medical education costs related to both  
11 outpatient and inpatient services; and

12 (iii) Include other reimbursable training costs incurred by  
13 participating hospitals.

14 (h) The authority shall:

15 (i) Use ProviderOne as the primary source for fee-for-service and  
16 managed care claims and encounter data;

17 (ii) Calculate the medicaid managed care program's share of the  
18 total allowable graduate medical education cost as the participating  
19 hospital's total allowable graduate medical education cost, as  
20 derived from the medicare cost report, times the total managed care  
21 charges divided by total medicaid fee-for-service charges plus  
22 managed care charges, as derived from ProviderOne data;

23 (iii) Reduce the medicaid managed care graduate medical education  
24 direct payments by the fee-for-service equivalent graduate medical  
25 education payment included in managed care organization payments by  
26 applying the fee-for-service APR-DRG and EAPG conversion factors and  
27 rate adjustments applicable to the same year as the medicare cost  
28 report used to calculate allowable graduate medical education costs;  
29 and

30 (iv) Calculate the medicaid managed care graduate medical  
31 education direct payments as graduate medical education allowable  
32 cost less fee-for-service equivalent graduate medical education  
33 payment for managed care services.

34 (i) Medicaid managed care graduate medical education direct  
35 payments must be calculated prior to the beginning of the payment  
36 year.

37 (j) Medicaid managed care graduate medical education direct  
38 payments must be made quarterly.

39 (k) Any incremental costs incurred by the authority in the  
40 development, implementation, and maintenance of this program shall be

1 the responsibility of the participating hospitals up to an amount not  
2 to exceed \$150,000 per year.

3 (l) Participating hospitals shall retain the full amount of  
4 payments provided under this program.

5 (m) Payments received by hospitals and nonhospital participants  
6 in this program shall be in addition to all other payments received  
7 and shall not be used to supplant payments received through other  
8 programs.

9 (n) Participating hospitals shall provide the local funds to fund  
10 the required nonfederal contribution through intergovernmental  
11 transfer.

12 (o) The authority shall amend its current interagency agreement  
13 for funding and administration of similar programs to include the  
14 medicaid managed care graduate medical education direct payment  
15 program.

16 (p) This program shall be effective as soon as administratively  
17 possible.

18 ~~((+89+))~~ (87) (a) \$69,957,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$111,234,000 of the general fund—  
20 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$290,634,000 of the  
21 general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for apple  
22 health managed care medical assistance. The authority must not change  
23 its risk sharing requirements without first providing notice to the  
24 governor and fiscal committees of the legislature detailing  
25 anticipated and potential fiscal impacts, unless required by the  
26 centers for medicare and medicaid services.

27 (b) The authority must conduct annual retrospective rate acuity  
28 analyses to ensure that managed care rates have been set using  
29 practicable acuity assumptions. Adjustments must be made as  
30 appropriate.

31 (c) For managed care plan year 2024 only, the authority must  
32 conduct a midyear acuity review to ensure that managed care rates for  
33 plan year 2024 were set using appropriate acuity assumptions and make  
34 any adjustments as appropriate reflective of the unique challenges of  
35 eligibility redeterminations and posteligibility review after the end  
36 of the public health emergency.

37 (d) The authority must provide information about any potential  
38 changes to rates or acuity assumptions to the medicaid expenditure

1 forecast work group at the same time or before providing this  
2 information to managed care organizations.

3 (e) The authority may update managed care contracts as  
4 practicable.

5 (f) The authority must review national best practices for risk  
6 sharing to determine if its contracting methods should be updated. If  
7 the authority, in consultation with its contracted actuary,  
8 determines it is appropriate to update any risk sharing agreements  
9 with managed care organizations, it must share its findings with the  
10 governor and fiscal committees of the legislature detailing  
11 anticipated and potential fiscal impacts prior to implementing these  
12 changes.

13 (~~((+90+))~~) (88) (a) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
14 for fiscal year 2025 and \$100,000 of the general fund—federal  
15 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract with  
16 an external organization for participatory and equity-focused  
17 engagement with doulas and doula partners across the state of  
18 Washington. This organization must work in collaboration with  
19 community partners who advance equitable access to improve perinatal  
20 outcomes and care through holistic services for multiracial  
21 communities.

22 (b) The external organization will be responsible for:

23 (i) Creating a design and implementation plan for a statewide  
24 doula hub and referral system; and

25 (ii) Drafting a report, in partnership with the authority,  
26 summarizing the design and implementation plan, outlining ongoing  
27 funding required to support the doula workforce and clients accessing  
28 doula services through apple health, and providing any  
29 recommendations for both the doula hub and referral system.

30 (c) The report will include, but not be limited to, prioritized  
31 recommendations on how to:

32 (i) Provide statewide professional and workforce development  
33 support for birth doulas;

34 (ii) Increase statewide access to doula services for apple health  
35 birthing people;

36 (iii) Assist doulas with department of health credentialing  
37 requirements;

38 (iv) Assist doulas with the medicaid provider enrollment process,  
39 including, but not limited to, support with:

40 (A) Provider enrollment with the authority;

(B) Contracting with medicaid managed care organizations;  
(C) Provider billing and claims submission processes;  
(D) Provider payment requirements; and  
(E) Eligibility support within ProviderOne; and  
(v) Establish communications with birthing people, families, birth workers, and healthcare providers who are seeking to connect with state-certified and medicaid-enrolled birth doulas through a statewide directory or referral system.

(d) The report required in (c) of this subsection is due to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature no later than June 30, 2025.

~~((91) \$2,548,000))~~ (89) \$1,208,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and ~~((92) \$2,964,000))~~ \$821,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5580 (maternal health outcomes). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

~~(92))~~ (90) (a) \$7,000,000 of the family medicine workforce development account—state appropriation and \$12,834,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority, in collaboration with the family medicine residency network and UW medicine, to establish a medicaid direct payment program to supplement family medicine provider graduate medical education funding in Washington state.

(b) The medicaid family medicine graduate medical education direct payment program shall:

(i) Support graduate medical education training;  
(ii) Improve access to quality healthcare services;  
(iii) Improve the state's ability to ensure that medicaid graduate medical education funding supports the state's workforce development goals; and

(iv) Focus on improving underserved populations' and regions' access to health care.

(c) The medicaid family medicine graduate medical education direct payment program participants shall include teaching sites that pay resident full-time equivalent costs that are eligible for federal financial participation.

(d) The authority must seek any necessary state plan amendments or waivers from the centers for medicare and medicaid services that

1 are necessary to implement this program and receive federal financial  
2 participation at the earliest possible date, but no later than  
3 January 1, 2025.

4 (e) Any incremental costs incurred by the authority in the  
5 development, implementation, and maintenance of this program shall be  
6 the responsibility of the medicaid family medicine graduate medical  
7 education direct payment program up to an amount not to exceed  
8 \$100,000 per year.

9 (f) The family medicine family education advisory board created  
10 in RCW 70.112.080 will have administrative oversight, including the  
11 amount and methodologies used to distribute funds deposited within  
12 the family medicine workforce development account, subject to the  
13 conditions described in this subsection (~~((92))~~) (90).

14 (g) Of the amounts provided in this section, \$150,000 of the  
15 family medicine workforce development account—state appropriation is  
16 provided for consultant assistance, including program design and a  
17 payment model to estimate the effect of family medicine family  
18 education advisory board allocation decisions on all family medicine  
19 residency network participants.

20 (h) Annual allocations from the family medicine workforce  
21 development account—state appropriation will be determined by the  
22 family medicine family education advisory board.

23 (i) Participants in the medicaid family medicine graduate medical  
24 education direct payment program shall retain the full amount of  
25 payments provided under this program.

26 (j) Payments received by participants in the medicaid family  
27 medicine graduate medical education direct payment program shall be  
28 in addition to all other payments received and shall not be used to  
29 supplant payments received through other programs.

30 (~~((93))~~) (91) (a) \$481,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
31 for fiscal year 2025 and \$489,000 of the general fund—federal  
32 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to conduct  
33 internal assessment of indirect costs and staff attrition trends to  
34 inform administrative needs. The assessment shall include, but not be  
35 limited to:

36 (i) Reconciliation of full time equivalent positions as provided  
37 by the legislature for fiscal year 2024, agency financial reporting  
38 system allotments, and vacancies as of June 30, 2024;

1 (ii) A comparison of current needs in relation to current  
2 vacancies;

3 (iii) An analysis of costs and benefits of reallocating  
4 positions, as appropriate, to meet immediate staffing needs,  
5 especially if positions have remained historically, or long-term  
6 vacant; and

7 (iv) A detailed description of assumptions related to indirect  
8 costs used in budget requests to the office of financial management.

9 (b) The authority shall report its findings to the governor and  
10 fiscal committees of the legislature no later than December 31, 2024.

11 ~~((+94+))~~ (92) (a) \$1,615,000 of the general fund—state  
12 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$3,911,000 of the general fund  
13 —federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
14 increase inpatient per diem rates for inpatient prospective payment  
15 system hospitals providing services under the substance using  
16 pregnant people program beginning July 1, 2024. Hospitals  
17 participating in the certified public expenditures program or the  
18 sole community hospital program may not receive increased  
19 reimbursement under this subsection.

20 (b) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
21 authority will review the rates for the substance using pregnant  
22 person program to determine if rebasing is appropriate and what rates  
23 would be required to sustain the program at current utilization  
24 levels.

25 (c) If the authority determines that rates require rebasing for  
26 this program, the authority will submit a request to the legislature  
27 through its normal budget process.

28 ~~((+95+))~~ (93) \$314,000 of the long-term services and supports  
29 trust account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
30 implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 2467 (LTSS trust access).  
31 ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in  
32 this subsection shall lapse.~~

33 ~~(+96+))~~ (94) The authority and department of social and health  
34 services must collaborate in the identification and evaluation of  
35 strategies to obtain federal matching funding opportunities,  
36 specifically focusing on innovative medicaid framework adjustments  
37 and the consideration of necessary state plan amendments for the  
38 treatment facility described in section 203(1)(nn) of this act.



1       ~~((+97+))~~ (95) \$2,854,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
2 for fiscal year 2025 and \$4,208,000 of the general fund—federal  
3 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to increase the  
4 nonemergency medical transportation broker administrative rate to  
5 ensure access to health care services for medicaid patients.

6       ~~((+98+))~~ (96)(a) \$266,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
7 for fiscal year 2025 and \$348,000 of the general fund—federal  
8 appropriation are provided solely for rate increases, effective  
9 January 1, 2025, for private duty nursing, home health, and the  
10 medically intensive children's group home program services.

11       (b) The authority must adopt a payment model that incorporates  
12 the following adjustments:

13       (i) A 7.5 percent rate increase for home health and the medically  
14 intensive children's group home program services; and

15       (ii) Private duty nursing services shall be \$67.89 per hour by a  
16 registered nurse and ~~((+55.70+))~~ \$55.79 per hour by a licensed  
17 practical nurse.

18       ~~((+99+))~~ (97) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 and \$450,000 of the general fund—federal  
20 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract for  
21 the development of an application programming interface or software  
22 to streamline eligibility and provider payments for the foundational  
23 community supports program. In developing the software design, the  
24 authority must consult with current and prospective foundational  
25 community supports providers. A report on the status of  
26 implementation and an end-user satisfaction survey shall be submitted  
27 to the office of financial management and appropriate committees of  
28 the legislature by December 1, 2024.

29       ~~((+100+))~~ (98) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
30 for fiscal year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Bree  
32 collaborative to support collaborative learning and targeted  
33 technical assistance for quality improvement initiatives.

34       ~~((+101+))~~ (99) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
35 for fiscal year 2025 and \$500,000 of the general fund—federal  
36 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract with  
37 access to baby and child dentistry local programs for the purpose of  
38 maintaining and expanding capacity for local program coordinators.

1        ~~((102))~~ (100) \$91,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
2 for fiscal year 2025 and \$91,000 of the general fund—federal  
3 appropriation are provided solely to increase funding for the  
4 existing contract with the University of Washington to support  
5 primary care providers that are designated as an autism spectrum  
6 disorder (ASD) center of excellence.

7        ~~((103))~~ (101) \$1,750,000 of the general fund—state  
8 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$3,250,000 of the general fund  
9 —federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to:

10        (a) Increase screening reimbursement rates for primary care  
11 providers, beginning January 1, 2025, for postnatal, child, and  
12 adolescent mental health screenings sufficient to provide follow up  
13 and coordination in primary care settings for children aged 0-21  
14 years and their families, per the American academy of pediatrics'  
15 bright futures guidelines; and

16        (b) To implement a funding mechanism using code G0136 for a  
17 social determinants of health risk assessment benefit for children  
18 and their families.

19        ~~((104))~~ (102) \$23,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
20 for fiscal year 2025 and \$20,000 of the general fund—federal  
21 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
22 Substitute House Bill No. 2041 (physician assistant practice). ~~((If~~  
23 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in~~  
24 ~~this subsection shall lapse.~~

25        ~~(105))~~ (103) \$181,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
26 for fiscal year 2025 and \$162,000 of the general fund—federal  
27 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
28 Substitute House Bill No. 1941 (health home serv./children). ~~((If the~~  
29 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this~~  
30 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

31        (104) \$1,246,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
32 provided solely for the department of health's statewide 988  
33 technology solution and is subject to the conditions, limitations,  
34 and review requirements of section 701, chapter 376, Laws of 2024.  
35 The state match is appropriated to the department of health, see  
36 section 1220(130) of this act, and the authority must use the same  
37 program index as the department of health and the appropriation index  
38 assigned to the authority for this proviso when allotting and  
39 recording expenditures. This federal funding must be reflected in the

department of health's technology budget, which will show both the federal funding from the authority and the state funding from the department of health.

**Sec. 1212.** 2024 c 376 s 212 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY—PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' BENEFITS BOARD AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PROGRAM**

State Health Care Authority Administrative Account—

State Appropriation. . . . . ((~~\$44,982,000~~))

\$45,334,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ((~~\$44,982,000~~))

\$45,334,000

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Any savings from reduced claims costs must be reserved for funding employee benefits during future fiscal biennia and may not be used for administrative expenses. The health care authority shall deposit any moneys received on behalf of the uniform medical plan resulting from rebates on prescription drugs, audits of hospitals, subrogation payments, or any other moneys received as a result of prior uniform medical plan claims payments, in the public employees' and retirees' insurance account to be used for insurance benefits.

(2) Any changes to benefits must be approved by the public employees' benefits board. The board shall not make any changes to benefits without considering a comprehensive analysis of the cost of those changes, and shall not increase benefits unless offsetting cost reductions from other benefit revisions are sufficient to fund the changes. The board shall not make any change in retiree eligibility criteria that reestablishes eligibility for enrollment in retiree benefits.

(3) Except as may be provided in a health care bargaining agreement pursuant to RCW 41.80.020, to provide benefits within the level of funding provided in part IX of this bill, the public employees' benefits board shall require: Employee premium copayments, increases increase in point-of-service cost sharing, the implementation of managed competition, or make other changes to benefits consistent with RCW 41.05.065.

1 (4) The board shall collect a surcharge payment of not less than  
2 \$25 dollars per month from members who use tobacco products, and a  
3 surcharge payment of not less than \$50 per month from members who  
4 cover a spouse or domestic partner where the spouse or domestic  
5 partner has chosen not to enroll in another employer-based group  
6 health insurance that has benefits and premiums with an actuarial  
7 value of not less than 95 percent of the actuarial value of the  
8 public employees' benefits board plan with the largest enrollment.  
9 The surcharge payments shall be collected in addition to the member  
10 premium payment.

11 (5) \$78,000 of the health care authority administrative account—  
12 state appropriation is provided solely for administrative costs  
13 associated with extending retiree coverage under Substitute House  
14 Bill No. 1804 (PEBB/subdivision retirees).

15 (6) \$500,000 of the state health care authority administrative  
16 account—state appropriation is provided solely for consultation with  
17 retirees, including conducting listening sessions and facilitating  
18 public forums to gather feedback about retiree needs. By December 1,  
19 2023, the authority must report to the legislature with its findings,  
20 including an analysis of government self-insured plans with benefits  
21 that are equal to or richer, and with more affordable premiums, than  
22 uniform medical plan classic medicare. The legislature intends that  
23 the results of stakeholder engagements will be used to inform future  
24 health care plan selections.

25 (7) During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the health care  
26 authority, in consultation with the office of financial management,  
27 shall review consolidating the administrative sections of the  
28 operating budget for the public employees' and school employees'  
29 benefits boards. Any change in budget structure must not result in  
30 changes to board or benefit policies. A budget structure change  
31 developed under this subsection may be included in the 2024  
32 supplemental or the 2025-2027 biennial governor's budget submittal  
33 without being subject to the legislative evaluation and  
34 accountability program committee approval under RCW 43.88.030(7).

35 (8)(a) \$100,000 of the health care authority administrative  
36 account—state appropriation is provided solely for a study on  
37 consolidating the public employees' benefits board (PEBB) and school  
38 employees' benefits board (SEBB) programs. By December 1, 2024, the

1 authority must report to the legislature the necessary statutory and  
2 program changes required to achieve consolidation of:

3 (i) The public employees' benefits board and school employees'  
4 benefits board into a single governing board;

5 (ii) The current risks pools described in RCW 41.05.022 (2) and  
6 (3);

7 (iii) The existing eligibility provisions of the PEBB and SEBB  
8 programs; and

9 (iv) Benefit offerings into more aligned plans.

10 (b) In considering statutory and program changes, the authority  
11 must consider:

12 (i) Ways to engage with impacted participants to understand their  
13 priorities related to consolidation;

14 (ii) Options that maintain benefit eligibility for current  
15 participants;

16 (iii) Options for ensuring equity among participants in a  
17 consolidated program; and

18 (iv) Data and findings from previous reports related to  
19 consolidating PEBB and SEBB plans.

20 (9) By December 1, 2024, the authority shall submit a report to  
21 the legislature describing options, and a recommendation, for  
22 possible future coverage in the uniform medical plan for food and  
23 drug administration approved glucagon-like peptide 1 agonists for the  
24 treatment of obesity and weight loss.

25 **Sec. 1213.** 2024 c 376 s 213 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
26 follows:

27 **FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY—SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' BENEFITS BOARD**

28 School Employees' Insurance Administrative Account—

29 State Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$33,739,000)~~)

30 \$33,981,000

31 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . (~~(\$33,739,000)~~)

32 \$33,981,000

33 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
34 conditions and limitations:

35 (1) \$324,000 of the school employees' insurance administrative  
36 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
37 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5275 (SEBB benefit access).

(2) By December 1, 2024, the authority shall submit a report to the legislature describing options, and a recommendation, for possible future coverage in the uniform medical plan for food and drug administration approved glucagon-like peptide 1 agonists for the treatment of obesity and weight loss.

**Sec. 1214.** 2024 c 376 s 214 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY—HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE**

|                                                                |                           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)                     | \$9,671,000               |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)                     | <del>(\$7,156,000)</del>  |
|                                                                | <u>\$7,616,000</u>        |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                             | <del>(\$67,396,000)</del> |
|                                                                | <u>\$69,055,000</u>       |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation             | \$350,000                 |
| Health Benefit Exchange Account—State Appropriation            | <del>(\$83,528,000)</del> |
|                                                                | <u>\$81,409,000</u>       |
| State Health Care Affordability Account—State<br>Appropriation | \$125,000,000             |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                            | \$293,101,000             |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The receipt and use of medicaid funds provided to the health benefit exchange from the health care authority are subject to compliance with state and federal regulations and policies governing the Washington apple health programs, including timely and proper application, eligibility, and enrollment procedures.

(2)(a) By July 15th, October 15th, and January 15th of each year, the authority shall make a payment of 30 percent of the general fund—state appropriation, 30 percent of the health benefit exchange account—state appropriation, and 30 percent of the health care affordability account—state appropriation to the exchange. By April 15th of each year, the authority shall make a payment of 10 percent of the general fund—state appropriation, 10 percent of the health benefit exchange account—state appropriation, and 10 percent of the health care affordability account—state appropriation to the exchange.

1 (b) The exchange shall monitor actual to projected revenues and  
2 make necessary adjustments in expenditures or carrier assessments to  
3 ensure expenditures do not exceed actual revenues.

4 (c) Payments made from general fund—state appropriation and  
5 health benefit exchange account—state appropriation shall be  
6 available for expenditure for no longer than the period of the  
7 appropriation from which it was made. When the actual cost of  
8 materials and services have been fully determined, and in no event  
9 later than the lapsing of the appropriation, any unexpended balance  
10 of the payment shall be returned to the authority for credit to the  
11 fund or account from which it was made, and under no condition shall  
12 expenditures exceed actual revenue.

13 (3) \$1,939,000 of the health benefit exchange account—state  
14 appropriation and \$6,189,000 of the general fund—federal  
15 appropriation are provided solely for the modernizing  
16 healthplanfinder project. These amounts are subject to the  
17 conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this  
18 act.

19 (4)(a) \$115,000,000 of the state health care affordability  
20 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the exchange to  
21 administer a premium assistance program, beginning for plan year  
22 2023, as established in RCW 43.71.110. An individual is eligible for  
23 the premium assistance provided if the individual: (i) Has income up  
24 to 250 percent of the federal poverty level; and (ii) meets other  
25 eligibility criteria as established in RCW 43.71.110(4)(a).

26 (b) \$260,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 is provided solely for a study, in consultation with the  
28 health care authority and office of the insurance commissioner, of  
29 how the exchange's current section 1332 waiver could be amended to  
30 generate federal pass-through funding to support the affordability  
31 programs established in RCW 43.71.110. The actuarial study must focus  
32 on methods that could be most readily leveraged in Washington,  
33 considering those being used in other public option programs. Study  
34 findings must be reported to the appropriate committees of the  
35 legislature by December 1, 2023.

36 (5) \$10,000,000 of the state health care affordability account—  
37 state appropriation is provided solely to provide premium assistance  
38 for customers ineligible for federal premium tax credits who meet the  
39 eligibility criteria established in subsection (4)(a) of this

1 section, and is contingent upon continued approval of the applicable  
2 waiver described in RCW 43.71.120.

3 (6) \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024, \$865,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation, and  
5 \$123,000 of the health benefit exchange account—state appropriation  
6 are provided solely for a technology solution for an authoritative  
7 client identifier, or master person index, in Healthplanfinder to  
8 support the health and human services coalition in uniformly  
9 identifying clients across multiple state service delivery systems.  
10 These amounts are subject to the conditions, limitations, and review  
11 requirements of section 701 of this act.

12 (7) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the exchange, in  
15 collaboration with the department of social and health services and  
16 the home training network as described in RCW 70.128.305, to provide  
17 educational resources and trainings to help connect owners and  
18 employees of adult family homes to health care coverage.

19 (8) \$299,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024, \$299,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025, and \$202,000 of the general fund—federal  
22 appropriation are provided solely for pass-through funding in the  
23 annual amount of \$100,000 for each lead navigator organization in the  
24 four regions with the highest concentration of citizens of the  
25 compact of free association (COFA) to:

26 (a) Support a staff position within the COFA community to provide  
27 enrollment assistance to the COFA community beyond the scope of the  
28 current COFA program; and

29 (b) Support COFA community-led outreach and enrollment  
30 activities.

31 (9) (a) \$300,000 of the health benefit exchange account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for staff and consultants to  
33 complete a study of options and recommendations for the state to  
34 ensure continuous health care coverage through qualified health plans  
35 for medicaid beneficiaries losing medicaid coverage through  
36 Washington Healthplanfinder. In coordination with the health care  
37 authority and department of social and health services, the study  
38 must include, but not be limited to:



(i) An analysis of transitional solutions used in other states to continue coverage for individuals losing medicaid eligibility;

(ii) In coordination with the department of social and health services' research and data analysis division, an analysis of monthly enrollment rates for persons who are determined no longer eligible for medicaid, including demographic and employment information, and those who enroll in qualified health plans, including demographic and employment information; and

(iii) A feasibility analysis of auto-enrolling clients that lose medicaid eligibility and are eligible for a no-premium qualified health plan through Washington Healthplanfinder.

(b) The study must be submitted to the office of financial management and appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31, 2024.

**Sec. 1215.** 2024 c 376 s 215 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY—COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAM**

|                                                      |                                  |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)           | \$1,025,616,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)           | <del>(( \$1,226,089,000 ))</del> |
|                                                      | <u>\$1,172,621,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                   | <del>(( \$3,078,664,000 ))</del> |
|                                                      | <u>\$3,102,474,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation             | <del>(( \$38,904,000 ))</del>    |
|                                                      | <u>\$38,969,000</u>              |
| Criminal Justice Treatment Account—State             |                                  |
| Appropriation                                        | \$22,001,000                     |
| Problem Gambling Account—State Appropriation         | \$3,738,000                      |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation       |                                  |
| (FY 2024)                                            | \$28,498,000                     |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation       |                                  |
| (FY 2025)                                            | \$28,501,000                     |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State            |                                  |
| Appropriation                                        | <del>(( \$78,744,000 ))</del>    |
|                                                      | <u>\$74,877,000</u>              |
| Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line |                                  |
| Account—State Appropriation                          | <del>(( \$33,499,000 ))</del>    |
|                                                      | <u>\$18,786,000</u>              |

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ((~~\$5,564,254,000~~))  
\$5,516,081,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) For the purposes of this section, "behavioral health entities" means managed care organizations and behavioral health administrative services organizations that reimburse providers for behavioral health services.

(2) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, funding is provided for implementation of the settlement agreement under *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health Services, et al.*, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP. In addition to amounts provided solely for implementation of the settlement agreement, class members must have access to supports and services funded throughout this section for which they meet eligibility and medical necessity requirements. The authority must include language in contracts that requires regional behavioral health entities to develop and implement plans for improving access to timely and appropriate treatment for individuals with behavioral health needs and current or prior criminal justice involvement who are eligible for services under these contracts.

(3) (a) \$43,429,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$48,634,000)~~) \$45,404,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$15,538,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to continue the phase-in of the settlement agreement under *Trueblood, et al. v. Department of Social and Health Services, et al.*, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP. The authority, in collaboration with the department of social and health services and the criminal justice training commission, must implement the provisions of the settlement agreement pursuant to the timeline and implementation plan provided for under the settlement agreement. This includes implementing provisions related to competency evaluations, competency restoration, crisis diversion and supports, education and training, and workforce development. Within these amounts, sufficient funding is provided to implement Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5440 (competency evaluations).

1 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$5,108,000 of the  
2 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$6,341,000  
3 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are  
4 provided for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate  
5 Bill No. 5440 (competency evaluations). Of these amounts, \$186,000 of  
6 the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and  
7 \$186,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025  
8 are provided solely to increase compensation for staff in outpatient  
9 competency restoration programs pursuant to Engrossed Second  
10 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5440 (competency evaluations).

11 (c) By December 1, 2024, the authority must provide notification  
12 to the office of financial management and the appropriate committees  
13 of the legislature of the estimated opening date and operating costs  
14 for the Trueblood phase three crisis stabilization center.

15 (4) \$8,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024 and \$8,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue diversion grant  
18 programs funded through contempt fines pursuant to *Trueblood, et al.*  
19 *v. Department of Social and Health Services, et al.*, United States  
20 District Court for the Western District of Washington, Cause No. 14-  
21 cv-01178-MJP. The authority must consult with the plaintiffs and  
22 court monitor to determine, within the amounts provided, which of the  
23 programs will continue to receive funding through this appropriation.  
24 The programs shall use this funding to provide assessments, mental  
25 health treatment, substance use disorder treatment, case management,  
26 employment, and other social services. By December 1, 2023, the  
27 authority, in consultation with the plaintiffs and the court monitor,  
28 must submit a report to the office of financial management and the  
29 appropriate fiscal committees of the legislature which includes:  
30 Identification of the programs that receive funding through this  
31 subsection; a narrative description of each program model; the number  
32 of individuals being served by each program on a monthly basis;  
33 metrics or outcomes reported as part of the contracts; and  
34 recommendations related to further support of these programs in the  
35 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.

36 (5) \$12,359,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2024, \$24,187,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
38 for fiscal year 2025, and \$28,598,000 of the general fund—federal  
39 appropriation are provided solely for the authority and behavioral

1 health entities to continue to contract for implementation of high-  
2 intensity programs for assertive community treatment (PACT) teams. In  
3 determining the proportion of medicaid and nonmedicaid funding  
4 provided to behavioral health entities with PACT teams, the authority  
5 shall consider the differences between behavioral health entities in  
6 the percentages of services and other costs associated with the teams  
7 that are not reimbursable under medicaid. The authority may allow  
8 behavioral health entities which have nonmedicaid reimbursable costs  
9 that are higher than the nonmedicaid allocation they receive under  
10 this section to supplement these funds with local dollars or funds  
11 received under subsection (7) of this section. The authority and  
12 behavioral health entities shall maintain consistency with all  
13 essential elements of the PACT evidence-based practice model in  
14 programs funded under this section. Of the amounts provided in this  
15 subsection:

16 (a) \$4,628,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2025 and \$920,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
18 provided solely for two new programs for assertive community  
19 treatment teams.

20 (b) \$6,032,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2025 and \$2,907,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation  
22 are provided solely for current assertive community treatment teams  
23 contingent upon a plan submitted to and approved by the authority to  
24 increase and maintain average monthly caseloads to no less than 80  
25 percent of the maximum capacity for full and half teams as  
26 established in the WA-PACT program standards.

27 (c) \$669,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2025 and \$994,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
29 provided solely for a rate increase for existing programs for  
30 assertive community treatment teams. The rate increase must be  
31 implemented to provide the same percentage increase to all providers  
32 and the authority must employ mechanisms such as directed payment or  
33 other options allowable under federal medicaid law to assure funding  
34 provided through managed care organizations must be used to increase  
35 rates for their contracted assertive community treatment team  
36 providers.

37 (d) \$399,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2025 and \$333,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
39 provided solely for administrative costs related to assertive

1 community treatment teams including contracted training, technical  
2 assistance, and assessment services.

3 (e) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2025 is provided solely for the authority to contract for an  
5 assessment on the access of young adults to assertive community  
6 treatment team services. The study must include identification of:

7 (i) The number and percentage of young adults receiving services  
8 through assertive community treatment teams; (ii) barriers and  
9 strategies for increasing access to assertive community treatment  
10 team services for young adults; and (iii) identification of evidence-  
11 based alternative models for providing high intensity wraparound  
12 services that may be more appropriate for some young adult  
13 populations. The authority must submit a report to the office of  
14 financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
15 legislature summarizing the findings and recommendations of the study  
16 by December 1, 2024.

17 (6) \$1,668,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2025 and \$3,280,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation  
19 are provided solely for the authority to maintain a pilot project to  
20 incorporate peer bridging staff into behavioral health regional teams  
21 that provide transitional services to individuals returning to their  
22 communities.

23 (7) \$144,519,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2024 and \$139,238,000 of the general fund—state  
25 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for persons  
26 and services not covered by the medicaid program. To the extent  
27 possible, levels of behavioral health entity spending must be  
28 maintained in the following priority order: Crisis and commitment  
29 services; community inpatient services; and residential care  
30 services, including personal care and emergency housing assistance.  
31 These amounts must be distributed to behavioral health entities as  
32 follows:

33 (a) \$108,803,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2024 and \$124,713,000 of the general fund—state  
35 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
36 authority to contract with behavioral health administrative service  
37 organizations for behavioral health treatment services not covered  
38 under the medicaid program. Within these amounts, behavioral health  
39 administrative service organizations must provide a 15 percent rate

1 increase to providers receiving state funds for nonmedicaid services  
2 under this section effective January 1, 2024.

3 (b) \$35,716,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and \$14,525,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
6 authority to contract with medicaid managed care organizations for  
7 wraparound services to medicaid enrolled individuals that are not  
8 covered under the medicaid program. Within the amounts provided in  
9 this subsection:

10 (i) Medicaid managed care organizations must provide a 15 percent  
11 rate increase to providers receiving state funding for nonmedicaid  
12 services under this section effective January 1, 2024.

13 (ii) Pursuant to RCW 41.56.029, during fiscal year 2024, the  
14 authority may work with the office of financial management to  
15 negotiate a tiered rate structure for behavioral health personal care  
16 services for adult family home providers serving medicaid enrollees.  
17 An agreement reached with the adult family home council must be  
18 submitted to the director of financial management by October 1, 2023,  
19 and certified as financially feasible in order to be considered for  
20 funding during the 2024 legislative session. Upon completion of  
21 bargaining, the authority shall coordinate with the department of  
22 social and health services to develop and submit to the centers for  
23 medicare and medicaid services an application to provide a 1915(i)  
24 state plan home and community-based services benefit. The application  
25 shall be developed to allow for the delivery of wraparound supportive  
26 behavioral health services for individuals with mental illnesses who  
27 also have a personal care need. The 1915(i) state plan shall be  
28 developed to standardize coverage and administration, improve the  
29 current benefit design, and clarify roles in administration of the  
30 behavioral health personal care services benefit.

31 (8) The authority is authorized to continue to contract directly,  
32 rather than through contracts with behavioral health entities for  
33 children's long-term inpatient facility services.

34 (9) \$1,204,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and ((~~\$1,204,000~~)) \$1,529,000 of the general fund—state  
36 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to reimburse  
37 Pierce and Spokane counties for the cost of conducting 180-day  
38 commitment hearings at the state psychiatric hospitals.

1 (10) Behavioral health entities may use local funds to earn  
2 additional federal medicaid match, provided the locally matched rate  
3 does not exceed the upper-bound of their federally allowable rate  
4 range, and provided that the enhanced funding is used only to provide  
5 medicaid state plan or waiver services to medicaid clients.  
6 Additionally, behavioral health entities may use a portion of the  
7 state funds allocated in accordance with subsection (7) of this  
8 section to earn additional medicaid match, but only to the extent  
9 that the application of such funds to medicaid services does not  
10 diminish the level of crisis and commitment, community inpatient,  
11 residential care, and outpatient services presently available to  
12 persons not eligible for medicaid.

13 (11) \$2,291,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,291,000 of the general fund—state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for mental  
16 health services for mentally ill offenders while confined in a county  
17 or city jail and for facilitating access to programs that offer  
18 mental health services upon release from confinement. The authority  
19 must collect information from the behavioral health entities on their  
20 plan for using these funds, the numbers of individuals served, and  
21 the types of services provided.

22 (12) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, funding is  
23 provided for the authority to develop and phase in intensive mental  
24 health services for high needs youth consistent with the settlement  
25 agreement in *T.R. v. Dreyfus and Porter*.

26 (13)(a) The authority must establish minimum and maximum funding  
27 levels for all reserves allowed under behavioral health  
28 administrative service organization contracts and include contract  
29 language that clearly states the requirements and limitations. The  
30 reserve levels must be informed by the types of risk carried by  
31 behavioral health administrative service organizations for mandatory  
32 services and also consider reasonable levels of operating reserves.  
33 The authority must monitor and ensure that behavioral health  
34 administrative service organization reserves do not exceed maximum  
35 levels. The authority must monitor revenue and expenditure reports  
36 and must require a behavioral health administrative service  
37 organization to submit a corrective action plan on how it will spend  
38 its excess reserves within a reasonable period of time, when its  
39 reported reserves exceed maximum levels established under the  
40 contract. The authority must review and approve such plans and

1 monitor to ensure compliance. If the authority determines that a  
2 behavioral health administrative service organization has failed to  
3 provide an adequate excess reserve corrective action plan or is not  
4 complying with an approved plan, the authority must reduce payments  
5 to the entity in accordance with remedial actions provisions included  
6 in the contract. These reductions in payments must continue until the  
7 authority determines that the entity has come into substantial  
8 compliance with an approved excess reserve corrective action plan.  
9 The authority must submit to the office of financial management and  
10 the appropriate committees of the legislature, each December of the  
11 biennium, the minimum and maximum reserve levels established in  
12 contract for each of the behavioral health administrative service  
13 organizations for the prior fiscal year and the actual reserve levels  
14 reported at the end of the fiscal year.

15 (b) In contracts effective during fiscal year 2025, the authority  
16 must allow the north sound behavioral health administrative services  
17 organization to pilot reserve funding flexibility by allowing the  
18 north sound behavioral health administrative services organization to  
19 utilize, for other purposes, 30 percent of funding received prior to  
20 that contract period currently in reserves and that was received  
21 pursuant to a specific legislative proviso. Funding repurposed under  
22 this subsection must be used to support the duties of the  
23 administrative services organization under RCW 71.24.045 through  
24 programs serving individuals with severe and persistent behavioral  
25 health conditions and behavioral health services that promote  
26 stability and recovery within their regional service area.  
27 Expenditures pursuant to this pilot program may include, but are not  
28 limited to, crisis wraparound services, jail transition and diversion  
29 services, court costs, and coresponder programs. The authority, in  
30 partnership with the north sound behavioral health administrative  
31 services organization, must provide a report to the appropriate  
32 committees of the legislature by December 31, 2024, describing the  
33 impacts of this pilot program to the regional crisis continuum of  
34 care. The report must also include information on which specific  
35 legislative provisos north sound behavioral health administrative  
36 services organization repurposed funding from under this subsection  
37 and for what purpose those funds were used.

38 (14) During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, any amounts provided  
39 in this section that are used for case management services for



1 pregnant and parenting women must be contracted directly between the  
2 authority and pregnant and parenting women case management providers.

3 (15) \$3,500,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
4 provided solely for the continued funding of existing county drug and  
5 alcohol use prevention programs.

6 (16) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the  
7 authority may contract with the University of Washington and  
8 community-based providers for the provision of the parent-child  
9 assistance program or other specialized chemical dependency case  
10 management providers for pregnant, postpartum, and parenting women.  
11 For all contractors: (a) Service and other outcome data must be  
12 provided to the authority by request; and (b) indirect charges for  
13 administering the program must not exceed 10 percent of the total  
14 contract amount.

15 (17) Within the amounts provided in this section, behavioral  
16 health entities must provide outpatient chemical dependency treatment  
17 for offenders enrolled in the medicaid program who are supervised by  
18 the department of corrections pursuant to a term of community  
19 supervision. Contracts with behavioral health entities must require  
20 that behavioral health entities include in their provider network  
21 specialized expertise in the provision of manualized, evidence-based  
22 chemical dependency treatment services for offenders. The department  
23 of corrections and the authority must develop a memorandum of  
24 understanding for department of corrections offenders on active  
25 supervision who are medicaid eligible and meet medical necessity for  
26 outpatient substance use disorder treatment. The agreement will  
27 ensure that treatment services provided are coordinated, do not  
28 result in duplication of services, and maintain access and quality of  
29 care for the individuals being served. The authority must provide all  
30 necessary data, access, and reports to the department of corrections  
31 for all department of corrections offenders that receive medicaid  
32 paid services.

33 (18) The criminal justice treatment account—state appropriation  
34 is provided solely for treatment and treatment support services for  
35 offenders with a substance use disorder pursuant to RCW 71.24.580.  
36 The authority must offer counties the option to administer their  
37 share of the distributions provided for under RCW 71.24.580(5)(a). If  
38 a county is not interested in administering the funds, the authority  
39 shall contract with behavioral health entities to administer these  
40 funds consistent with the plans approved by local panels pursuant to

1 RCW 71.24.580(5)(b). Funding from the criminal justice treatment  
2 account may be used to provide treatment and support services through  
3 the conclusion of an individual's treatment plan to individuals  
4 participating in a drug court program as of February 24, 2021, if  
5 that individual wishes to continue treatment following dismissal of  
6 charges they were facing under RCW 69.50.4013(1). Such participation  
7 is voluntary and contingent upon substantial compliance with drug  
8 court program requirements. The authority must provide a report to  
9 the office of financial management and the appropriate committees of  
10 the legislature that identifies the distribution of criminal justice  
11 treatment account funds by September 30, 2023.

12 (19)(a) \$11,426,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2024, \$15,651,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
14 for fiscal year 2025, and \$21,554,000 of the general fund—federal  
15 appropriation are provided solely for crisis triage facilities,  
16 crisis relief centers, or crisis stabilization units. Services in  
17 these facilities may include crisis stabilization and intervention,  
18 individual counseling, peer support, medication management,  
19 education, and referral assistance. The authority shall monitor each  
20 center's effectiveness at lowering the rate of state psychiatric  
21 hospital admissions.

22 (b) Within these amounts, the health care authority shall convene  
23 representatives from medicaid managed care organizations, behavioral  
24 health administrative organizations, private insurance carriers,  
25 self-insured organizations, crisis providers, and the office of the  
26 insurance commissioner to assess gaps in the current funding model  
27 for crisis and co-response services and recommend options for  
28 addressing these gaps including, but not limited to, an alternative  
29 funding model for crisis and co-response services. The assessment  
30 must consider available data to determine to what extent the costs of  
31 crisis and co-response services for clients of private insurance  
32 carriers, medicaid managed care organizations, and individuals  
33 enrolled in medicaid fee-for-service are being subsidized through  
34 state funded behavioral health administrative services organization  
35 contracts. The analysis shall examine crisis and co-response services  
36 provided by mobile crisis teams and co-response teams as well as  
37 facility-based services such as crisis triage and crisis  
38 stabilization units. In the development of an alternative funding  
39 model, the authority and office of the insurance commissioner must

1 explore mechanisms that: (i) Determine the annual cost of operating  
2 crisis and co-response services and collect a proportional share of  
3 the program cost from each health insurance carrier; (ii)  
4 differentiate between crisis and co-response services eligible for  
5 medicaid funding from other nonmedicaid eligible activities; and  
6 (iii) simplify administrative complexity of billing for service  
7 providers such as the use of a third party administrator. The  
8 authority must submit a preliminary report to the office of financial  
9 management and the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
10 December 1, 2023, and a final report by December 1, 2024. Up to  
11 \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
12 2024, and \$450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2025 may be used for the assessment and reporting activities  
14 required under this subsection.

15 (c) Sufficient funding is provided in this subsection to  
16 implement Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5120 (crisis relief  
17 centers).

18 (20) \$9,795,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2024, \$10,015,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
20 for fiscal year 2025, and \$15,025,000 of the general fund—federal  
21 appropriation are provided solely for the operation of secure  
22 withdrawal management and stabilization facilities. The authority may  
23 not use any of these amounts for services in facilities that are  
24 subject to federal funding restrictions that apply to institutions  
25 for mental diseases, unless they have received a waiver that allows  
26 for full federal participation in these facilities. Within these  
27 amounts, funding is provided to increase the fee for service rate for  
28 these facilities up to \$650 per day. The authority must require in  
29 contracts with behavioral health entities that they pay no lower than  
30 the fee for service rate. The authority must coordinate with regional  
31 behavioral health entities to identify and implement purchasing  
32 strategies or regulatory changes that increase access to services for  
33 individuals with complex behavioral health needs at secure withdrawal  
34 management and stabilization facilities.

35 (21) \$1,401,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2024, \$1,401,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2025, and \$3,210,000 of the general fund—federal  
38 appropriation are provided solely for the implementation of intensive  
39 behavioral health treatment facilities within the community

behavioral health service system pursuant to chapter 324, Laws of 2019 (2SHB 1394).

(22)(a) \$12,878,000 of the dedicated cannabis account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$12,878,000 of the dedicated cannabis account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for:

(i) A memorandum of understanding with the department of children, youth, and families to provide substance abuse treatment programs;

(ii) A contract with the Washington state institute for public policy to conduct a cost-benefit evaluation of the implementations of chapter 3, Laws of 2013 (Initiative Measure No. 502);

(iii) Designing and administering the Washington state healthy youth survey and the Washington state young adult behavioral health survey;

(iv) Maintaining increased services to pregnant and parenting women provided through the parent child assistance program;

(v) Maintaining increased prevention and treatment service provided by tribes and federally recognized American Indian organization to children and youth;

(vi) Maintaining increased residential treatment services for children and youth;

(vii) Training and technical assistance for the implementation of evidence-based, research based, and promising programs which prevent or reduce substance use disorder;

(viii) Expenditures into the home visiting services account; and

(ix) Grants to community-based programs that provide prevention services or activities to youth.

(b) The authority must allocate the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection amongst the specific activities proportionate to the fiscal year 2021 allocation.

(23)(a) \$1,125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for Spokane behavioral health entities to implement services to reduce utilization and the census at eastern state hospital. Such services must include:

1 (i) High intensity treatment team for persons who are high  
2 utilizers of psychiatric inpatient services, including those with co-  
3 occurring disorders and other special needs;

4 (ii) Crisis outreach and diversion services to stabilize in the  
5 community individuals in crisis who are at risk of requiring  
6 inpatient care or jail services;

7 (iii) Mental health services provided in nursing facilities to  
8 individuals with dementia, and consultation to facility staff  
9 treating those individuals; and

10 (iv) Services at the 16-bed evaluation and treatment facility.

11 (b) At least annually, the Spokane county behavioral health  
12 entities shall assess the effectiveness of these services in reducing  
13 utilization at eastern state hospital, identify services that are not  
14 optimally effective, and modify those services to improve their  
15 effectiveness.

16 (24) \$1,850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2024, \$1,850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
18 for fiscal year 2025, and \$13,312,000 of the general fund—federal  
19 appropriation are provided solely for substance use disorder peer  
20 support services included in behavioral health capitation rates in  
21 accordance with section 213(5)(ss), chapter 299, Laws of 2018. The  
22 authority shall require managed care organizations to provide access  
23 to peer support services for individuals with substance use disorders  
24 transitioning from emergency departments, inpatient facilities, or  
25 receiving treatment as part of hub and spoke networks.

26 (25) \$1,423,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2024, \$1,423,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
28 for fiscal year 2025, and \$5,908,000 of the general fund—federal  
29 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to continue to  
30 implement discharge wraparound services for individuals with complex  
31 behavioral health conditions transitioning or being diverted from  
32 admission to psychiatric inpatient programs. The authority must  
33 coordinate with the department of social and health services in  
34 establishing the standards for these programs.

35 (26) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024, \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—federal  
38 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to maintain a  
39 memorandum of understanding with the criminal justice training

1 commission to provide funding for community grants pursuant to RCW  
2 36.28A.450.

3 (27) \$350,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
4 \$300,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
5 appropriation are provided solely to contract with a nationally  
6 recognized recovery residence organization and to provide technical  
7 assistance to operators of recovery residences seeking certification  
8 in accordance with chapter 264, Laws of 2019 (2SHB 1528).

9 (28) \$3,396,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2024, \$3,396,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
11 for fiscal year 2025, and \$16,200,000 of the general fund—federal  
12 appropriation are provided solely for support of and to continue to  
13 increase clubhouse programs across the state. The authority shall  
14 work with the centers for medicare and medicaid services to review  
15 opportunities to include clubhouse services as an optional "in lieu  
16 of" service in managed care organization contracts in order to  
17 maximize federal participation.

18 (29) \$708,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024, \$708,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,598,000 of the general fund—federal  
21 appropriation are provided solely for implementing mental health peer  
22 respite centers and a pilot project to implement a mental health  
23 drop-in center in accordance with chapter 324, Laws of 2019 (2SHB  
24 1394).

25 (30) \$800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024, \$800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,452,000 of the general fund—federal  
28 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to implement  
29 strategies related to suicide prevention and treatment.

30 (31) \$446,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024, \$446,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025, and \$178,000 of the general fund—federal  
33 appropriation are provided solely for the University of Washington's  
34 evidence-based practice institute which supports the identification,  
35 evaluation, and implementation of evidence-based or promising  
36 practices. The institute must work with the authority to develop a  
37 plan to seek private, federal, or other grant funding in order to  
38 reduce the need for state general funds. The authority must collect  
39 information from the institute on the use of these funds and submit a

1 report to the office of financial management and the appropriate  
2 fiscal committees of the legislature by December 1st of each year of  
3 the biennium.

4 (32) As an element of contractual network adequacy requirements  
5 and reporting, the authority shall direct managed care organizations  
6 to make all reasonable efforts to develop or maintain contracts with  
7 provider networks that leverage local, federal, or philanthropic  
8 funding to enhance effectiveness of medicaid-funded integrated care  
9 services. These networks must promote medicaid clients' access to a  
10 system of services that addresses additional social support services  
11 and social determinants of health as defined in RCW 43.20.025 in a  
12 manner that is integrated with the delivery of behavioral health and  
13 medical treatment services.

14 (33) \$9,000,000 of the criminal justice treatment account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for the authority to maintain  
16 funding for new therapeutic courts created or expanded during fiscal  
17 year 2021, or to maintain the fiscal year 2021 expansion of services  
18 being provided to an already existing therapeutic court that engages  
19 in evidence-based practices, to include medication assisted treatment  
20 in jail settings pursuant to RCW 71.24.580. Funding provided under  
21 this subsection shall not supplant existing funds utilized for this  
22 purpose.

23 (34) In establishing, re-basing, enhancing, or otherwise updating  
24 medicaid rates for behavioral health services, the authority and  
25 contracted actuaries shall use a transparent process that provides an  
26 opportunity for medicaid managed care organizations, behavioral  
27 health administrative service organizations, and behavioral health  
28 provider agencies, and their representatives, to review and provide  
29 data and feedback on proposed rate changes within their region or  
30 regions of service operation. The authority and contracted actuaries  
31 shall transparently incorporate the information gained from this  
32 process and make adjustments allowable under federal law when  
33 appropriate.

34 (35) The authority shall seek input from representatives of the  
35 managed care organizations (MCOs), licensed community behavioral  
36 health agencies, and behavioral health administrative service  
37 organizations to develop specific metrics related to behavioral  
38 health outcomes under integrated managed care. These metrics must  
39 include, but are not limited to: (a) Revenues and expenditures for  
40 community behavioral health programs, including medicaid and

1 nonmedicaid funding; (b) access to services, service denials, and  
2 utilization by state plan modality; (c) claims denials and record of  
3 timely payment to providers; (d) client demographics; and (e) social  
4 and recovery measures and managed care organization performance  
5 measures. The authority must work with managed care organizations and  
6 behavioral health administrative service organizations to integrate  
7 these metrics into an annual reporting structure designed to evaluate  
8 the performance of the behavioral health system in the state over  
9 time. The authority must submit a report to the office of financial  
10 management and the appropriate committees of the legislature, before  
11 December 30th of each year during the fiscal biennium, that details  
12 the implemented metrics and relevant performance outcomes for the  
13 prior calendar year.

14 (36) \$4,061,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024, \$3,773,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
16 for fiscal year 2025, and \$6,419,000 of the general fund—federal  
17 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to maintain pilot  
18 programs for intensive outpatient services and partial  
19 hospitalization services for certain children and adolescents and,  
20 pursuant to chapter 94, Laws of 2022 (2SSB 5736), add coverage for  
21 these services into the state medicaid program beginning January 1,  
22 2024.

23 (a) The authority must establish minimum standards, eligibility  
24 criteria, authorization and utilization review processes, and payment  
25 methodologies for the programs in contract.

26 (b) Eligibility for the pilot sites is limited pursuant to the  
27 following:

28 (i) Children and adolescents discharged from an inpatient  
29 hospital treatment program who require the level of services offered  
30 by the pilot programs in lieu of continued inpatient treatment;

31 (ii) Children and adolescents who require the level of services  
32 offered by the pilot programs in order to avoid inpatient  
33 hospitalization; and

34 (iii) Services may not be offered if there are less costly  
35 alternative community-based services that can effectively meet the  
36 needs of an individual referred to the program.

37 (c) Eligibility for services through the state medicaid program  
38 shall be consistent with criteria approved by the centers for



1 medicare and medicaid services pursuant to implementation of chapter  
2 94, Laws of 2022 (2SSB 5736).

3 (d) The authority must collect data on the program sites and work  
4 with the actuaries responsible for establishing managed care rates  
5 for medicaid enrollees to develop and submit an annual report to the  
6 office of financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
7 legislature each December of the fiscal biennium that includes the  
8 following information:

9 (i) A narrative description of the services provided at each  
10 program site and identification of any specific gaps the sites were  
11 able to fill in the current continuum of care;

12 (ii) Clinical outcomes and estimated reductions in psychiatric  
13 inpatient costs associated with each of the program sites;

14 (iii) Recommendations for whether the pilot models should be  
15 expanded statewide, whether modifications should be made to the  
16 models to better address gaps in the continuum identified through the  
17 pilot sites, whether the models could be expanded to community  
18 behavioral health providers, and whether statewide implementation  
19 should be achieved through a state plan amendment or some other  
20 mechanism for leveraging federal medicaid match;

21 (iv) Actuarial projections on the statewide need for services  
22 related to the pilot sites and estimated costs of adding each of the  
23 services to the medicaid behavioral health benefit for children and  
24 adolescents and adults; and

25 (v) Annual costs and any quantifiable cost offsets associated  
26 with the program sites.

27 (37) \$25,587,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation (ARPA)  
28 and \$9,828,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
29 solely to promote the recovery of individuals with substance use  
30 disorders through expansion of substance use disorder services. The  
31 authority shall implement this funding to promote integrated, whole-  
32 person care to individuals with opioid use disorders, stimulant use  
33 disorders, and other substance use disorders. The authority shall use  
34 this funding to support evidence-based and promising practices as  
35 follows:

36 (a) \$8,500,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
37 provided solely for treatment services to low-income individuals with  
38 substance use disorders who are not eligible for services under the  
39 medicaid program and for treatment services that are not covered  
40 under the medicaid program. A minimum of \$7,500,000 of this amount

1 must be contracted through behavioral health administrative services  
2 organizations. The amounts in this subsection may be used for  
3 services including, but not limited to, outpatient treatment,  
4 residential treatment, mobile opioid use disorder treatment programs,  
5 law enforcement assisted diversion programs, contingency management  
6 interventions, modified assertive community treatment, trauma  
7 informed care, crisis respite, and for reimbursement of one-time  
8 start-up operating costs for opening new beds in withdrawal  
9 management treatment programs.

10 (b) \$2,015,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
11 provided solely for outreach programs that link individuals with  
12 substance use disorders to treatment options to include medication  
13 for opioid use disorder. The authority must contract for these  
14 services with programs that use interdisciplinary teams, which  
15 include peer specialists, to engage and facilitate linkage to  
16 treatment for individuals in community settings such as homeless  
17 encampments, shelters, emergency rooms, harm reduction programs,  
18 churches, community service offices, food banks, libraries, legal  
19 offices, and other settings where individuals with substance use  
20 disorders may be engaged. The services must be coordinated with  
21 emergency housing assistance and other services administered by the  
22 authority to promote access to a full continuum of treatment and  
23 recovery support options.

24 (c) \$7,500,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
25 provided solely for substance use disorder recovery support services  
26 not covered by the medicaid program including, but not limited to,  
27 emergency housing, recovery housing vouchers, supported employment,  
28 skills training, peer support, peer drop-in centers, and other  
29 community supports.

30 (d) \$3,550,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
31 provided solely for efforts to support the recovery of American  
32 Indians and Alaska natives with substance use disorders. This funding  
33 may be used for grants to urban Indian organizations, tribal opioid  
34 prevention media campaigns, and support for government to government  
35 communication, planning, and implementation of opioid use disorder  
36 related projects.

37 (e) \$5,000,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
38 provided solely for the authority, in coordination with the  
39 department of health, to expand the distribution of naloxone through  
40 the department's overdose education and naloxone distribution

1 program. Funding must be prioritized to fill naloxone access gaps in  
2 community behavioral health and other community settings, including  
3 providing naloxone for agency staff in organizations such as syringe  
4 service programs, housing providers, and street outreach programs,  
5 and for law enforcement and emergency responders.

6 (f) \$7,100,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
7 provided solely for community services grants that support the  
8 implementation and evaluation of substance use disorder prevention  
9 services.

10 (g) Up to \$1,750,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection  
11 may be used for the authority's administrative costs associated with  
12 services funded in this subsection.

13 (38) \$3,109,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,109,000 of the general fund—state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for short-term  
16 rental subsidies for individuals with mental health or substance use  
17 disorders. This funding may be used for individuals enrolled in the  
18 foundational community support program while waiting for a longer  
19 term resource for rental support or for individuals transitioning  
20 from behavioral health treatment facilities or local jails.  
21 Individuals who would otherwise be eligible for the foundational  
22 community support program but are not eligible because of their  
23 citizenship status may also be served. Each December of the fiscal  
24 biennium, the authority must submit a report identifying the  
25 expenditures and number of individuals receiving short-term rental  
26 supports through the agency budget during the prior fiscal year  
27 broken out by region, treatment need, and the demographics of those  
28 served, including but not limited to age, country of origin within  
29 racial/ethnic categories, gender, and immigration status.

30 (39) \$25,332,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation (ARPA)  
31 is provided solely to promote the recovery of individuals with mental  
32 health disorders through expansion of mental health services. The  
33 authority shall implement this funding to promote integrated, whole-  
34 person care through evidence based and promising practices as  
35 follows:

36 (a) \$8,153,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
37 provided solely for treatment services to low-income individuals with  
38 mental health disorders who are not eligible for services under the  
39 medicaid program and for treatment services that are not covered

1 under the medicaid program. A minimum of \$7,000,000 of this amount  
2 must be contracted through behavioral health administrative services  
3 organizations. The amounts in this subsection may be used for  
4 services including, but not limited to, outpatient treatment,  
5 residential treatment, law enforcement assisted diversion programs,  
6 modified assertive community treatment, and trauma informed care.

7 (b) \$8,200,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
8 provided solely for mental health recovery support services not  
9 covered by the medicaid program including, but not limited to,  
10 supportive housing, emergency housing vouchers, supported employment,  
11 skills training, peer support, peer drop-in centers, and other  
12 community supports.

13 (c) \$2,553,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
14 provided solely for efforts to support the recovery of American  
15 Indians and Alaska natives with mental health disorders.

16 (d) \$1,300,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
17 provided solely to enhance crisis services and may be used for crisis  
18 respite care.

19 (e) \$2,600,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection is  
20 provided solely for the expansion of first episode psychosis  
21 programs.

22 (f) Up to \$1,279,000 of the amounts provided in this subsection  
23 may be used for the authority's administrative costs associated with  
24 services funded in this subsection.

25 (40) The authority must pursue opportunities for shifting state  
26 costs to the state's unused allocation of federal institutions for  
27 mental disease disproportionate share hospital funding.

28 (41) \$500,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
29 provided solely to establish an emotional support network program for  
30 individuals employed as peer specialists. The authority must contract  
31 for these services which shall include, but not be limited to,  
32 facilitating support groups for peer specialists, support for the  
33 recovery journeys of the peer specialists themselves, and targeted  
34 support for the secondary trauma inherent in peer work.

35 (42) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
36 provided solely for the authority to contract on a one-time basis  
37 with the University of Washington behavioral health institute to  
38 continue and enhance its efforts related to training and workforce  
39 development. This funding may be used for the following activities:

1 (a) Making substance use disorder training content accessible to  
2 all community behavioral health providers;

3 (b) Refining and implementing a substance use disorder provider  
4 needs assessment to advance best practice implementation for  
5 treatment in inpatient and outpatient settings;

6 (c) Disseminating innovative best practices through training and  
7 technical assistance;

8 (d) Developing and launching a telebehavioral health training  
9 series, providing webinars and packaging the training content so that  
10 it is accessible to all community behavioral health providers;

11 (e) Planning for advanced telebehavioral health training and  
12 support to providers;

13 (f) Convening a race, equity, and social justice in behavioral  
14 health conference annually;

15 (g) Developing training and technical assistance opportunities  
16 for an annual series that translates lessons learned in behavioral  
17 health equity into actionable and sustainable change at the provider,  
18 organizational, and system levels;

19 (h) Developing recommendations for reducing health disparities  
20 and training the workforce in culturally and linguistically relevant  
21 practices to achieve improved outcomes;

22 (i) Increasing the number of community substance use providers  
23 that are trained in best practice assessment and treatment models;

24 (j) Convening a telebehavioral health summit of leading experts  
25 regarding long-term provider telebehavioral health training and  
26 workforce needs;

27 (k) Creating a behavioral health workforce strategy plan that  
28 identifies gaps that are not being addressed and suggests system  
29 improvements to address those gaps;

30 (l) Working with community partners and key stakeholders to  
31 identify best practice strategies to evaluate and measure equity and  
32 health disparities within the behavioral health system and make  
33 recommendations regarding potential metrics to help advance system  
34 change; and

35 (m) Developing metrics and evaluating telebehavioral health  
36 training needs and the impact of telebehavioral health training on  
37 provider knowledge and treatment protocols.

38 (43) \$1,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,250,000 of the general fund—state  
40 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the

1 authority to contract with the King county behavioral health  
2 administrative services organization to maintain children's crisis  
3 outreach response system services that were previously funded through  
4 the department of children, youth, and families. The authority, in  
5 consultation with the behavioral health administrative services  
6 organization, medicaid managed care organizations, and the actuaries  
7 responsible for developing medicaid managed care rates, must work to  
8 maximize federal funding provided for the children's crisis outreach  
9 response system program.

10 (44) \$31,891,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2024, \$63,395,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
12 for fiscal year 2025, and \$172,425,000 of the general fund—federal  
13 appropriation are provided solely to implement a 15 percent increase  
14 to medicaid reimbursement for community behavioral health providers  
15 contracted through managed care organizations to be effective January  
16 1, 2024. The authority must employ mechanisms such as directed  
17 payment or other options allowable under federal medicaid law to  
18 assure the funding is used by the managed care organizations for a 15  
19 percent provider rate increase as intended and verify this pursuant  
20 to the process established in chapter 285, Laws of 2020 (EHB 2584).  
21 The rate increase shall be implemented to all behavioral health  
22 nonhospital inpatient, residential, and outpatient providers  
23 contracted through the medicaid managed care organizations.  
24 Psychiatric hospitals and other providers receiving rate increases  
25 under other subsections of this section must be excluded from the  
26 rate increase directed in this subsection.

27 ~~(((\$532,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
28 ~~fiscal year 2024, \$2,935,000))~~ \$8,843,000 of the general fund—state  
29 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and ~~(((\$3,467,000))~~ \$21,499,000 of  
30 the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely ~~((to~~  
31 ~~increase the number of beds and rates))~~ for the community children's  
32 long-term inpatient program ~~((providers. The number of beds is~~  
33 ~~increased on a phased in basis to 72 beds by the end of fiscal year~~  
34 ~~2024))~~. The bed day rates are increased from \$1,030 per day to \$1,121  
35 per day effective July 1, 2023.

36 (46) \$505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024, \$1,011,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,095,000 of the general fund—federal

1 appropriation are provided solely to increase rates for parent child  
2 assistance program providers by 15 percent effective January 1, 2024.

3 (47) \$300,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
4 provided solely for training of behavioral health consumer advocates.  
5 The authority must enter into a memorandum of understanding with the  
6 department of commerce to provide support for training of behavioral  
7 health consumer advocates pursuant to chapter 202, Laws of 2021  
8 (E2SHB 1086).

9 (48) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the authority to contract  
12 with a statewide mental health nonprofit organization that provides  
13 free community and school-based mental health education and support  
14 programs for consumers and families. The contractor must use this  
15 funding to provide access to programs tailored to peers living with  
16 mental illness as well as family members of people with mental  
17 illness and the community at large. Services provided by the  
18 contracted program shall include education, support, and assistance  
19 to reduce isolation and help consumers and families understand the  
20 services available in their communities.

21 (49) \$15,474,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2024, \$17,125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
23 for fiscal year 2025, and \$14,562,000 of the general fund—federal  
24 appropriation are provided solely for maintaining the expansion of  
25 local behavioral health mobile crisis response team capacity and  
26 ensuring each region has at least one adult and one children and  
27 youth mobile crisis team that is able to respond to calls coming into  
28 the 988 crisis hotline.

29 (a) In prioritizing this funding, the health care authority shall  
30 assure that there are a minimum of six new children and youth mobile  
31 crisis teams in comparison to the number of teams at the end of  
32 fiscal year 2021 and that there is one children and youth mobile  
33 crisis team in each region.

34 (b) In implementing funding for adult and youth mobile crisis  
35 response teams, the authority must establish standards in contracts  
36 with managed care organizations and behavioral health administrative  
37 services organizations for the services provided by these teams.

38 (c) Of these amounts, \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state  
39 appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$3,000,000 of the general fund—

1 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$2,024,000 of the  
2 general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to maintain  
3 increased capacity for mobile crisis services in King county that was  
4 funded in fiscal year 2023. These amounts must supplement and not  
5 supplant funding to the county previously allocated by the authority  
6 under this subsection.

7 (d) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$1,651,000 of the  
8 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$250,000 of  
9 the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for adding  
10 or increasing stabilization services provided through existing  
11 children and youth mobile crisis teams.

12 (50) \$45,094,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$71,107,000)~~) \$45,736,000 of the general fund—  
14 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$69,409,000)~~)  
15 \$69,690,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
16 solely for the authority to contract with community hospitals or  
17 freestanding evaluation and treatment centers to provide long-term  
18 inpatient care beds as defined in RCW 71.24.025. Within these  
19 amounts, the authority must meet the requirements for reimbursing  
20 counties for the judicial services for patients being served in these  
21 settings in accordance with RCW 71.05.730. The authority must  
22 coordinate with the department of social and health services in  
23 developing the contract requirements, selecting contractors, and  
24 establishing processes for identifying patients that will be admitted  
25 to these facilities. Of the amounts in this subsection, sufficient  
26 amounts are provided in fiscal year 2024 and fiscal year 2025 for the  
27 authority to reimburse community hospitals and nonhospital  
28 residential treatment centers serving clients in long-term inpatient  
29 care beds as defined in RCW 71.24.025 as follows:

30 (a) For a hospital licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW that requires  
31 a hospital specific medicaid inpatient psychiatric per diem payment  
32 rate for long-term civil commitment patients because the hospital has  
33 completed a medicare cost report, the authority shall analyze the  
34 most recent medicare cost report of the hospital after a minimum of  
35 200 medicaid inpatient psychiatric days. The authority shall  
36 establish the inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate for long-  
37 term civil commitment patients for the hospital at 100 percent of the  
38 allowable cost of care, based on the most recent medicare cost report  
39 of the hospital.



1 (b) For a hospital licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW that has not  
2 completed a medicare cost report with more than 200 medicaid  
3 inpatient psychiatric days, the authority shall establish the  
4 medicaid inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate for long-term  
5 civil commitment patients for the hospital at the higher of the  
6 hospital's current medicaid inpatient psychiatric rate; or the  
7 annually updated statewide average of the medicaid inpatient  
8 psychiatric per diem payment rate of all acute care hospitals  
9 licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW providing long-term civil commitment  
10 services.

11 (c) For a hospital licensed under chapter 71.12 RCW and currently  
12 providing long-term civil commitment services, the authority shall  
13 establish the medicaid inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate at  
14 \$940 for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,250 for fiscal year 2025 plus  
15 adjustments that may be needed to capture costs associated with long-  
16 term psychiatric patients that are not allowable on the medicare cost  
17 report or reimbursed separately. The hospital may provide the  
18 authority with supplemental data to be considered and used to make  
19 appropriate adjustments to the medicaid inpatient psychiatric per  
20 diem payment rate of the hospital. Adjustment of costs may include:

21 (i) Costs associated with professional services and fees not  
22 accounted for in the hospital's medicare cost report or reimbursed  
23 separately;

24 (ii) Costs associated with the hospital providing the long-term  
25 psychiatric patient access to involuntary treatment court services  
26 that are not reimbursed separately; and

27 (iii) Other costs associated with caring for long-term  
28 psychiatric patients that are not reimbursed separately.

29 (d) For a hospital licensed under chapter 71.12 RCW that requires  
30 an initial medicaid inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate for  
31 long-term civil commitment services because it has not yet completed  
32 a medicare cost report, the authority shall establish the medicaid  
33 inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate at the higher of:

34 (i) The hospital's current medicaid inpatient psychiatric rate;  
35 or

36 (ii) The annually updated statewide average of the medicaid long-  
37 term inpatient psychiatric per diem payment rate of all freestanding  
38 psychiatric hospitals licensed under chapter 71.12 RCW providing  
39 long-term civil commitment services.

1 (e) For nonhospital residential treatment centers certified to  
2 provide long-term inpatient care beds as defined in RCW 71.24.025,  
3 the authority shall establish the medicaid psychiatric per diem  
4 payment rate at the fiscal year 2023 level for fiscal year 2024 and  
5 \$1,250 per bed for fiscal year 2025.

6 (f) Beginning in fiscal year 2024, the authority shall pay a rate  
7 enhancement for patients committed pursuant to the dismissal of  
8 criminal charges and a civil evaluation ordered under RCW 10.77.086  
9 or 10.77.088. The enhancement shall be available to all hospital and  
10 nonhospital facilities providing services under this subsection  
11 except those whose rates are set at 100 percent of their most recent  
12 medicare cost report. The rate enhancement shall not exceed the  
13 tiered rate enhancements established under the 1915(i) state plan.

14 (g) Beginning in fiscal year 2025, the authority may pay a rate  
15 enhancement of \$500 per day for individuals with complex medical  
16 needs, challenging behaviors often diagnosed with co-occurring  
17 intellectual or developmental disability, traumatic brain injury,  
18 dementia, or significant medical issues requiring personal care. The  
19 rate enhancement shall be available to providers contracting directly  
20 with the authority.

21 (h) Provider payments for vacant bed days shall not exceed six  
22 percent of their annual contracted bed days.

23 (i) The authority, in coordination with the department of social  
24 and health services, the office of the governor, the office of  
25 financial management, and representatives from medicaid managed care  
26 organizations, behavioral health administrative service  
27 organizations, and community providers, must update its plan to  
28 continue the expansion of civil community long-term inpatient  
29 capacity. The plan shall identify gaps and barriers in the current  
30 array of community long-term inpatient beds in serving higher need  
31 individuals including those committed to a state hospital pursuant to  
32 the dismissal of criminal charges and a civil evaluation ordered  
33 under RCW 10.77.086 or 10.77.088. The plan shall identify strategies  
34 to overcome these barriers including, but not limited to, potential  
35 rate enhancements for high needs clients. The authority must submit  
36 its updated implementation plan to the office of financial management  
37 and the appropriate fiscal committees of the legislature by December  
38 1, 2023, and submit a status update on the implementation plan by  
39 October 15, 2024.

(51)(a) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a one-time grant to Island county to maintain support for a pilot program to improve behavioral health outcomes for young people in rural communities. In administering the pilot program, Island county shall coordinate with school districts, community groups, and health care providers to increase access to behavioral health programs for children and youth aged birth to 24 years of age. The grant funds shall be used to coordinate and expand behavioral health services. The grant funding must not be used to supplant funding from existing programs. No more than 10 percent of the funds may be used for administrative costs incurred by Island county in administering the program. Services that may be provided with the grant funding include, but are not limited to:

(i) Support for children and youth with significant behavioral health needs to address learning loss caused by COVID-19 and remote learning;

(ii) School based behavioral health education, assessment, and brief treatment;

(iii) Screening and referral of children and youth to long-term treatment services;

(iv) Behavioral health supports provided by community agencies serving youth year-round;

(v) Expansion of mental health first aid, a program designed to prepare adults who regularly interact with youth for how to help people in both crisis and noncrisis mental health situations;

(vi) Peer support services; and

(vii) Compensation for the incurred costs of clinical supervisors and internships.

(b) The authority, in coordination with Island county, must submit to the office of financial management and the appropriate committees of the legislature, a report summarizing how the funding was used and providing the number of children and youth served by the pilot during fiscal year 2024 by December 1, 2024.

(52) \$315,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$494,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$809,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract with

1 the University of Washington's project extension for community health  
2 outcomes (ECHO) and the systemic, therapeutic, assessment, resources,  
3 and treatment (START) programs for specialized training and  
4 consultation for physicians and professionals to support:

5 (a) Children with developmental disabilities and behavioral  
6 health needs;

7 (b) Applied behavior analysis provider training, education, and  
8 consultation; and

9 (c) The screening and diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder.

10 (53) \$2,262,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
11 \$2,262,000 of the general fund—local appropriation are provided  
12 solely for supported housing and employment services described in  
13 initiative 3a and 3b of the 1115 demonstration waiver and this is the  
14 maximum amount that may be expended for this purpose. Within these  
15 amounts, funding is provided for the authority to support community  
16 discharge efforts for patients at the state hospitals. Under this  
17 initiative, the authority and the department of social and health  
18 services shall ensure that allowable and necessary services are  
19 provided to eligible clients as identified by the authority or its  
20 providers or third party administrator. The department and the  
21 authority in consultation with the medicaid forecast work group,  
22 shall ensure that reasonable reimbursements are established for  
23 services deemed necessary within an identified limit per individual.  
24 The authority shall not increase general fund—state expenditures  
25 above appropriated levels for this specific purpose. The secretary in  
26 collaboration with the director of the authority shall report to the  
27 joint select committee on health care oversight no less than  
28 quarterly on financial and health outcomes. The secretary in  
29 cooperation with the director shall also report to the fiscal  
30 committees of the legislature the expenditures of this subsection and  
31 shall provide such fiscal data in the time, manner, and form  
32 requested by the legislative fiscal committees.

33 (54) \$130,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
34 provided solely for the authority to participate in efforts to ensure  
35 behavioral health agencies are compensated for their role as teaching  
36 clinics for students seeking professional education in behavioral  
37 health disciplines and for new graduates working toward licensure.

38 (55) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024, \$934,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,447,000 of the general fund—federal  
2 appropriation are provided solely for increasing case management  
3 services to pregnant and parenting women provided through the parent  
4 child assistance program and for increasing the number of residential  
5 treatment beds available for pregnant and parenting women.

6 (56) Within the amounts provided in this section, sufficient  
7 funding is provided for the authority to maintain and increase the  
8 capabilities of a tool to track medication assisted treatment  
9 provider capacity.

10 (57) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
11 provided solely for grants to law enforcement and other first  
12 responders to include a mental health professional on the team of  
13 personnel responding to emergencies.

14 ~~(((\$855,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
15 ~~fiscal year 2025 and \$1,149,000 of the general fund federal~~  
16 ~~appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract for~~  
17 ~~long-term involuntary treatment services in a 16-bed residential~~  
18 ~~treatment facility being developed by the Tulalip tribe in Stanwood.~~

19 ~~(+59+))~~ \$956,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2024 and \$956,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
21 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for wraparound with  
22 intensive services for youth ineligible for medicaid as outlined in  
23 the settlement agreement under *AGC v. Washington State Health Care*  
24 *Authority*, Thurston county superior court no. 21-2-00479-34.

25 ~~((+60+))~~ (59) \$14,637,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
26 for fiscal year 2024 and ~~(((\$14,637,000))~~ \$16,004,000 of the general  
27 fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
28 claims for services rendered to medicaid eligible clients admitted to  
29 institutions of mental disease that were determined to be unallowable  
30 for federal reimbursement due to medicaid's institutions for mental  
31 disease exclusion rules.

32 ~~((+61+))~~ (60) \$6,010,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
33 for fiscal year 2024, \$6,010,000 of the general fund—state  
34 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,980,000 of the general  
35 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority, in  
36 coordination with the department of health, to deploy an opioid  
37 awareness campaign and to contract with syringe service programs and  
38 other service settings assisting people with substance use disorders  
39 to: Prevent and respond to overdoses; provide other harm reduction

1 services and supplies, including but not limited to distributing  
2 naloxone; fentanyl testing and other drug testing supplies; and for  
3 expanding contingency management services. The authority is  
4 encouraged to use these funds to leverage federal funding for this  
5 purpose to expand buying power when possible. The authority should  
6 prioritize funds for naloxone in coordination with the department of  
7 health, to expand the distribution of naloxone through the  
8 department's overdose education and naloxone distribution program.  
9 Funding must be prioritized to fill naloxone access gaps in community  
10 behavioral health and other community settings, including providing  
11 naloxone for agency staff in organizations such as syringe service  
12 programs, housing providers, and street outreach programs. Of the  
13 amounts provided in this subsection, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—  
14 state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the  
15 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided  
16 solely for the authority to deploy an opioid awareness campaign  
17 targeted at youth to increase the awareness of the dangers of  
18 fentanyl.

19 ~~((+62+))~~ (61) \$4,763,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
20 for fiscal year 2024, \$4,763,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$25,754,000 of the general  
22 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to maintain a rate  
23 increase authorized for opioid treatment providers on January 1,  
24 2023.

25 ~~((+63+))~~ (62) \$2,387,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
26 for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,387,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to support  
28 individuals enrolled in the foundational community supports  
29 initiative who are transitioning from benefits under RCW 74.04.805  
30 due to increased income or other changes in eligibility. The  
31 authority, department of social and health services, and department  
32 of commerce shall collaborate on this effort.

33 ~~((+64+))~~ (63) \$2,249,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
34 for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,249,000 of the general fund—state  
35 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
36 authority to contract with programs to provide medical respite care  
37 for individuals with behavioral health needs. The programs must serve  
38 individuals with complex medical issues, who may also have  
39 significant behavioral health needs who do not require

1 hospitalization but are unable to provide adequate self-care for  
2 their medical conditions. The programs must prioritize services to  
3 individuals with complex medical and behavioral health issues who are  
4 homeless or who were recently discharged from a hospital setting. The  
5 services must meet quality standards and best practices developed by  
6 the national health care for the homeless council and may include,  
7 but are not limited to, medical oversight and health education; care  
8 transitions; and discharge planning to and from primary care,  
9 inpatient hospital, emergency rooms, and supportive housing. In  
10 selecting the contractors, the authority must prioritize projects  
11 that demonstrate the active involvement of an established medical  
12 provider that is able to leverage federal medicaid funding in the  
13 provision of these services. The authority must work with the  
14 medicaid managed care organizations to encourage their participation  
15 and assist the plans and the contractor in identifying mechanisms for  
16 appropriate use of medicaid reimbursement in this setting.

17 ~~((+65+))~~ (64) \$988,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
18 for fiscal year 2024, \$988,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$618,000 of the general fund—  
20 federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
21 contract for three regional behavioral health mobile crisis response  
22 teams focused on supported housing to prevent individuals with  
23 behavioral health conditions at high risk of losing housing from  
24 becoming homeless, identify and prioritize serving the most  
25 vulnerable people experiencing homelessness, and increase alternative  
26 housing options to include short-term alternatives which may  
27 temporarily deescalate situations where there is high risk of a  
28 household from becoming homeless.

29 ~~((+66+))~~ (65) \$5,623,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
30 for fiscal year 2024, \$5,623,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$3,748,000 of the general  
32 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to maintain and expand  
33 access to no barrier, and low-barrier programs using a housing first  
34 model designed to assist and stabilize housing supports for adults  
35 with behavioral health conditions. Housing supports and services  
36 shall be made available with no requirement for treatment for their  
37 behavioral health condition and must be individualized to the needs  
38 of the individual. The authority and department of commerce shall  
39 collaborate on this effort and must submit a status report to the

1 office of financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
2 legislature by December 31, 2023.

3 ~~((+67))~~ (66) \$675,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
4 for fiscal year 2024 and \$675,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a rental  
6 voucher and bridge program and to implement strategies to reduce  
7 instances where an individual leaves a state operated behavioral or  
8 private behavioral health facility directly into homelessness. The  
9 authority must prioritize this funding for individuals being  
10 discharged from state operated behavioral health facilities.

11 ~~((+68))~~ (67) \$361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
12 for fiscal year 2024, \$361,000 of the general fund—state  
13 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$482,000 of the general fund—  
14 federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority, in  
15 collaboration with the department of social and health services  
16 research and data analysis division, to implement community  
17 behavioral health service data into the existing executive management  
18 information system. Of these amounts, \$288,000 of the general fund—  
19 state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$288,000 of the general  
20 fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$384,000 of the  
21 general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the  
22 authority to reimburse the research and data analysis division for  
23 staff costs associated with this project. The data elements shall be  
24 incorporated into the monthly executive management information system  
25 reports on a phased-in basis, allowing for elements which are readily  
26 available to be incorporated in the initial phase, and elements which  
27 require further definition and data collection changes to be  
28 incorporated in a later phase. The authority must collaborate with  
29 the research and data analysis division to ensure data elements are  
30 clearly defined and must include requirements in medicaid managed  
31 care organization and behavioral health administrative services  
32 organization contracts to provide the data in a consistent and timely  
33 manner for inclusion into the system. The community behavioral health  
34 executive management system information data elements must include,  
35 but are not limited to: Psychiatric inpatient bed days; evaluation  
36 and treatment center bed days; long-term involuntary community  
37 psychiatric inpatient bed days; children's long-term inpatient bed  
38 days; substance use disorder inpatient, residential, withdrawal  
39 evaluation and management, and secure withdrawal evaluation and



1 management bed days; crisis triage and stabilization services bed  
2 days; mental health residential bed days; mental health and substance  
3 use disorder outpatient treatment services; opioid substitution and  
4 medication assisted treatment services; program of assertive  
5 treatment team services; wraparound with intensive services; mobile  
6 outreach crisis services; recovery navigator team services;  
7 foundational community supports housing and employment services;  
8 projects for assistance in transition from homelessness services;  
9 housing and recovery through peer services; other housing services  
10 administered by the authority; mental health and substance use  
11 disorder peer services; designated crisis responder investigations  
12 and outcomes; involuntary commitment hearings and outcomes; pregnant  
13 and parenting women case management services; and single bed  
14 certifications and no available bed reports. Wherever possible and  
15 practical, the data must include historical monthly counts and shall  
16 be broken out to distinguish services to medicaid and nonmedicaid  
17 individuals and children and adults. The authority and the research  
18 and data analysis division must consult with the office of financial  
19 management and staff from the fiscal committees of the legislature on  
20 the development and implementation of the community behavioral health  
21 data elements.

22 ~~((+69))~~ (68) \$2,587,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
23 for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,587,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
25 authority to support efforts by counties and cities to implement  
26 local response teams. Of these amounts:

27 (a) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the authority to provide a  
30 grant to the association of Washington cities to assist cities with  
31 the costs of implementing alternative response teams. This funding  
32 must be used to reimburse cities for documented costs associated with  
33 creating co-responder teams within different alternative diversion  
34 models including law enforcement assisted diversion programs,  
35 community assistance referral and education programs, and as part of  
36 mobile crisis teams. Cities are encouraged to partner with each other  
37 to create a regional response model. In awarding these funds, the  
38 association must prioritize applicants with demonstrated capacity for  
39 facility-based crisis triage and stabilization services. The

1 association and authority must collect and report information  
2 regarding the number of facility-based crisis stabilization and  
3 triage beds available in the locations receiving funding through this  
4 subsection and submit a report to the office of financial management  
5 and the appropriate committees of the legislature with this  
6 information by December 1, 2023.

7 (b) \$587,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024 and \$587,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to support the Whatcom county  
10 alternative response team.

11 ~~((+70+))~~ (69) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
12 for fiscal year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state  
13 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
14 authority to contract with the University of Washington addictions,  
15 drug, and alcohol institute. This funding must be used for advanced,  
16 evidence-based training for law enforcement to improve interactions  
17 with individuals who use drugs. The training must be developed so it  
18 can be adapted and used statewide to decrease stigmatizing beliefs  
19 among law enforcement through positive contact with people who use  
20 drugs and improve officer well-being and effectiveness by providing  
21 skills and techniques to address the drug overdose epidemic. The  
22 institute must develop and refine this training, leveraging prior  
23 work, and in partnership with a steering committee that includes  
24 people with lived or living experience of substance use disorder and  
25 criminal legal involvement, researchers, clinicians, law enforcement  
26 officers, and others. The training must complement, but not  
27 duplicate, existing curricula already provided by the criminal  
28 justice training commission. The institute must pilot the advanced  
29 training in a subset of regional law enforcement agencies and  
30 evaluate its acceptability and feasibility through participant  
31 interviews and pretraining and posttraining ratings of stigmatizing  
32 beliefs. The institute must incorporate feedback from the pilot  
33 training sessions into a final training program that it must make  
34 available to law enforcement agencies across the state.

35 ~~((+71+))~~ (70) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
36 for fiscal year 2024 ~~((and))~~, \$600,000 of the general fund—state  
37 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$350,000 of the general fund—  
38 federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
39 continue development and implementation of the certified community

behavioral health clinic model for comprehensive behavioral health services. Funding must be used to secure actuarial expertise, conduct research into national data and other state models, including obtaining resources and expertise from the national council for mental well-being certified community behavioral health clinic success center; and engage stakeholders, including representatives of licensed community behavioral health agencies and medicaid managed care organizations, in the process. The authority must provide a report to the office of financial management and the appropriate committees of the legislature with findings, recommendations, and cost estimates by December 31, 2024. The study must build on the preliminary report submitted to the legislature in December 2022 and include:

(a) Overviews of options and considerations for implementing the certified community behavioral health clinic model within Washington state, including participation as a certified community behavioral health clinic demonstration state or for independent statewide implementation;

(b) An analysis of the impact of expanding the certified community behavioral health clinic model on the state's behavioral health systems;

(c) Relevant federal regulations and options to implement the certified community behavioral health clinic model under those regulations;

(d) Options for implementing a prospective payment system methodology;

(e) An analysis of the benefits and potential challenges for integrating the certified community behavioral health clinic reimbursement model within an integrated care environment;

(f) Actuarial analysis on the costs for implementing the certified community behavioral health clinic model, including opportunities for leveraging federal funding; and

(g) Recommendations to the legislature on a pathway for statewide implementation including a plan for implementation no later than fiscal year 2027 that must include the following:

(i) Implementation of the certified community behavioral health clinic model with clinics that adhere to the program standards under the federal substance abuse and mental health services administration demonstration program established under section 223 of the federal protecting access to medicare act of 2014 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1396a

note), as amended by the bipartisan safer communities act (P.L. 117-159);

(ii) Incorporation in the planned funding model of at least one of the prospective payment system methodologies approved by the centers for medicare and medicaid services;

(iii) The plan may allow for the certified community behavioral health clinic funding model to be implemented either by applying for and joining the federal demonstration program referenced in (g)(i) of this subsection, applying to the centers for medicare and medicaid services for a medicaid state plan waiver or amendment, or both;

(iv) Continued consultation with the national council for mental wellbeing's certified community behavioral health clinic success center for technical assistance and meaningful opportunities for community behavioral health agencies to participate and offer feedback throughout the implementation process; and

(v) Inclusion of services to children, youth, and families through the certified community behavioral health clinic funding model through providers that serve individuals of all ages as well as specialty providers that serve children, youth, and families.

~~((72) \$1,135,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$568,000 of the general fund federal appropriation are provided solely to develop and operate a 16-bed substance use disorder inpatient facility in Grays Harbor county that specializes in treating pregnant and parenting women using a family preservation model. The authority must contract for these services through behavioral health entities in a manner that allows leveraging of federal medicaid funds to pay for a portion of the costs. The authority must consult with the department of children, youth, and families in the implementation of this funding. The facility must allow families to reside together while a parent is receiving treatment. Of these amounts, \$568,000 may be used for documented startup costs including the recruitment, hiring, and training of staff. If the authority is able to identify a provider that can begin developing these services before July 2024, it must notify the office of financial management and the appropriate committees of the legislature and submit a request for funding in the fiscal year 2024 supplemental operating budget.~~

~~(73))~~ (71) \$160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided on a one-time basis solely for the

1 authority to continue a grant to the city of Snoqualmie to pilot  
2 behavioral health emergency response and coordination services  
3 through a regional behavioral health coordinator. The regional  
4 behavioral health coordinator shall be a licensed mental health or  
5 substance use disorder professional who works directly with and  
6 accompanies law enforcement officers and fire and rescue first  
7 responders to help respond to crises involving persons with  
8 behavioral health needs. The coordinator shall plan, implement, and  
9 coordinate services related to crisis response and social service  
10 needs with the city of Snoqualmie, the city of North Bend, the  
11 Snoqualmie police and fire departments, and the eastside fire and  
12 rescue agency serving North Bend, and local community services,  
13 school districts, hospitals, and crisis response systems provided by  
14 King county for the region. The coordinator shall support the social  
15 services needs identified through police and fire response in the  
16 lower Snoqualmie valley and serve as a liaison between law  
17 enforcement, first responders, and persons accessing or requesting  
18 emergency services with social service needs. The authority shall  
19 collect information on the pilot project and, in coordination with  
20 the city of Snoqualmie, must submit a report to the office of  
21 financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
22 legislature by December 31, 2023, summarizing the services provided  
23 through the grant funds and identifying recommendations on how to  
24 implement effective, integrated, coordinated behavioral health  
25 emergency response and community care services. The authority must  
26 also provide the report to the criminal justice training commission,  
27 the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, and the  
28 Washington fire commissioners association.

29 ~~((+74))~~ (72) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
30 for fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
32 authority to contract for services with a statewide recovery  
33 community organization. The authority must award this funding to an  
34 organization that: (a) Has experience building the capacity of the  
35 recovery community to advance substance use recovery and mental  
36 health wellness by catalyzing public understanding and shaping public  
37 policy; (b) is led and governed by representatives of local  
38 communities of recovery; (c) centers the voices of people with lived  
39 experience who are touched by addiction and mental health challenges,  
40 and harnesses the power of story to drive change in the mental health

1 and addiction treatment systems; and (d) provides free community  
2 education, skills trainings, events, and a conference in order to  
3 increase the understanding of issues around behavioral health and  
4 recovery. Services provided by the contracted program must include  
5 education, support, and assistance to increase connection of the  
6 recovery community, recovery capital, and knowledge about recovery  
7 and mental health resources. In conducting this work, the contractor  
8 must engage diverse individuals in recovery, impacted families, and  
9 providers from all regions of the state and leverage the assistance  
10 of affiliated groups and organizations. The organization must also  
11 prioritize diversity, equity, and justice in their work to eradicate  
12 health disparities of marginalized communities.

13 ~~((+75+))~~ (73) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
14 for fiscal year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
16 authority to continue and expand a contract with a Seattle based  
17 nonprofit organization with experience matching voluntary specialty  
18 care providers with patients in need of care to provide pro bono  
19 counseling and behavioral health services to uninsured and  
20 underinsured individuals with incomes below 300 percent of the  
21 federal poverty level. The authority may require the contractor to  
22 seek, document, and report to the authority on efforts to leverage  
23 local, federal, or philanthropic funding to provide sustained  
24 operational support for the program.

25 ~~((+76+))~~ (74) \$3,437,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
26 for fiscal year 2024, \$4,772,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,705,000 of the general  
28 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
29 contract for youth inpatient navigator services in seven regions of  
30 the state. The services must be provided through clinical response  
31 teams that receive referrals for children and youth inpatient  
32 services and manage a process to coordinate placements and  
33 alternative community treatment plans. Of these amounts for each  
34 fiscal year, \$445,000 of the general fund—state appropriation and  
35 \$79,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely  
36 to contract for services through an existing program located in  
37 Pierce county.

38 ~~((+77+))~~ (75) \$7,601,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
39 for fiscal year 2024, \$7,601,000 of the general fund—state

1 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$2,820,000 of the general  
2 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for assisted  
3 outpatient treatment and other costs associated with implementation  
4 of chapter 210, Laws of 2022 (SHB 1773). Of the amount provided in  
5 this subsection, \$1,000 is for implementation of Engrossed Senate  
6 Bill No. 5130 (assisted outpatient treatment).

7 ~~((+78+))~~ (76) \$1,664,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
8 for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,883,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue to  
10 support the children and youth behavioral health work group to  
11 consider and develop longer term strategies and recommendations  
12 regarding the delivery of behavioral health services for children,  
13 transitioning youth, and their caregivers pursuant to chapter 76,  
14 Laws of 2022 (2SHB 1890).

15 ~~((+79+))~~ (77) Sufficient funding is provided for the authority to  
16 extend continuous eligibility for apple health to children ages zero  
17 to six with income at or below 215 percent of the federal poverty  
18 level. The centers for medicare and medicaid services must approve  
19 the 1115 medicaid waiver prior to the implementation of this policy.

20 ~~((+80+))~~ (78) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
21 for fiscal year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state  
22 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
23 contingency management resources in accordance with chapter 311, Laws  
24 of 2021 (ESB 5476).

25 ~~((+81+))~~ (79) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
26 for fiscal year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
28 authority to continue a contract for services funded in section  
29 215(127), chapter 297, Laws of 2022 (ESSB 5693) to provide  
30 information and support related to safe housing and support services  
31 for youth exiting inpatient mental health and/or substance use  
32 disorder facilities to stakeholders, inpatient treatment facilities,  
33 young people, and other community providers that serve unaccompanied  
34 youth and young adults.

35 ~~((+82+))~~ (80) \$2,616,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
36 for fiscal year 2024, \$3,322,000 of the general fund—state  
37 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$2,145,000 of the general fund—  
38 federal appropriation, and \$2,624,000 of the opioid abatement  
39 settlement account—state appropriation are provided solely for the

1 authority to contract with opioid treatment providers to operate  
2 mobile methadone units to address treatment gaps statewide. Within  
3 the amounts provided, the authority must provide service support  
4 subsidies to all mobile methadone units including those that began  
5 operations prior to fiscal year 2024. The authority must work with  
6 the actuaries responsible for setting medicaid managed care rates to  
7 explore options for creating a specific rate for mobile medication  
8 units that reflects the unique costs of these programs. The authority  
9 must provide a report to the office of financial management and the  
10 appropriate committees of the legislature which summarizes the  
11 analysis and identifies the options and related costs by December 1,  
12 2024.

13 ~~((+83+))~~ (81) \$216,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
14 for fiscal year 2024, \$427,000 of the general fund—state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,454,000 of the general  
16 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
17 increase fee for service rates for mental health and substance use  
18 disorder treatment by 22 percent. This rate increase shall be  
19 effective January 1, 2024. This rate increase does not apply to per  
20 diem costs for long-term civil commitment inpatient services or for  
21 services for which rate increases were provided under other  
22 subsections of this section. Services affected by the psychiatric  
23 rebase in subsection ~~((+84+))~~ (82) of this section are excluded from  
24 this rate increase. The authority must include the proportional costs  
25 of increasing fee-for-service rates for mental health and substance  
26 use disorder treatment paid on behalf of tribal members not electing  
27 enrollment in managed care plans in any agency request decision  
28 package it submits during the fiscal biennium for increasing provider  
29 rates in the managed care behavioral health program.

30 ~~((+84+))~~ (82) Sufficient amounts are provided in this section for  
31 the authority to rebase community hospital psychiatric inpatient  
32 rates effective January 1, 2024. Rebasing adjustments shall be based  
33 on adjusted calendar year 2020 medicare cost reports.

34 ~~((+85+))~~ (83) (a) \$5,778,000 of the general fund—state  
35 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the  
36 authority, beginning July 1, 2024, to implement a program with  
37 coverage comparable to the amount, duration, and scope of care  
38 provided in the categorically needy medicaid program for adult  
39 individuals who:



1 (i) Have an immigration status making them ineligible for federal  
2 medicaid or federal subsidies through the health benefit exchange;

3 (ii) Are age 19 and older, including over age 65, and have  
4 countable income of up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level;  
5 and

6 (iii) Are not eligible for another full scope federally funded  
7 medical assistance program, including any expansion of medicaid  
8 coverage for deferred action for childhood arrivals recipients.

9 (b) Within the amount provided in this subsection, the authority  
10 shall use the same eligibility, enrollment, redetermination and  
11 renewal, and appeals procedures as categorically needy medicaid,  
12 except where flexibility is necessary to maintain privacy or minimize  
13 burden to applicants or enrollees.

14 (c) The authority in collaboration with the health benefit  
15 exchange, the department of social and health services, and community  
16 organizations must develop and implement an outreach and education  
17 campaign.

18 (d) The authority must provide the following information to the  
19 governor's office and appropriate committees of the legislature by  
20 February 1st and November 1st of each year:

21 (i) Actual and forecasted expenditures;

22 (ii) Actual and forecasted data from the caseload forecast  
23 council; and

24 (iii) The availability and impact of any federal program or  
25 proposed rule that expands access to health care for the population  
26 described in this subsection, such as the expansion of medicaid  
27 coverage for deferred action for childhood arrivals recipients.

28 (e) The amount provided in this subsection is the maximum amount  
29 that may be expended for the purposes of this program.

30 ~~((+86+))~~ (84) (a) \$2,317,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$4,433,000 of the general fund  
32 —state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a  
33 targeted grant program to three behavioral health administrative  
34 services organizations to transition persons who are either being  
35 diverted from criminal prosecution to behavioral health treatment  
36 services or are in need of housing upon discharge from crisis  
37 stabilization services. The authority must provide an opportunity for  
38 all of the behavioral health administrative service organizations to  
39 submit plans for consideration.

40 (b) Grant criteria must include, but are not limited to:

1 (i) A commitment to matching individuals with temporary lodging  
2 or permanent housing, including supportive housing services and  
3 supports, that is reasonably likely to fit their actual needs and  
4 situation, is noncongregate whenever possible, and takes into  
5 consideration individuals' immediate and long-term needs and  
6 abilities to achieve and maintain housing stability; and

7 (ii) A commitment to transition individuals who are initially  
8 matched to temporary lodging into a permanent housing placement,  
9 including appropriate supportive housing supports and services,  
10 within six months except under unusual circumstances.

11 (c) When awarding grants, the authority must prioritize  
12 applicants that:

13 (i) Provide matching resources;

14 (ii) Focus on ensuring an expeditious path to sustainable  
15 permanent housing solutions; and

16 (iii) Demonstrate an understanding of working with individuals  
17 who experience homelessness or have interactions with the criminal  
18 legal system to understand their optimal housing type and level of  
19 ongoing services.

20 ~~((+87+))~~ (85) (a) \$2,266,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$14,151,000 of the general fund—  
22 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$19,269,000 of the  
23 general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for services  
24 to medicaid and state funded clients in behavioral health residential  
25 treatment facilities that are scheduled to open during the 2023-2025  
26 fiscal biennium.

27 (b) Within the amounts provided in this subsection, \$125,000 of  
28 the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and  
29 \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025  
30 are provided solely for the authority to reimburse the department of  
31 social and health services for staffing costs related to tracking  
32 behavioral health community capacity through the community behavioral  
33 health executive management information system and providing annual  
34 reports on the implementation of new behavioral health community  
35 capacity.

36 (c) The department of commerce, the department of health, and the  
37 authority must cooperate with the department of social and health  
38 services in collecting and providing the data necessary to  
39 incorporate tracking of behavioral health beds into the behavioral

1 health executive management information system and to prepare the  
2 required reports. The agencies must work to ensure they are using  
3 consistent definitions in classifying behavioral health bed types for  
4 the purpose of reporting capacity and utilization.

5 (d) The authority and the department of social and health  
6 services must begin tracking behavioral health bed utilization for  
7 medicaid and state funded clients by type of bed in the executive  
8 management information system by October 1, 2023. The department of  
9 commerce shall identify to the department of social and health  
10 services all providers that have received funding through their  
11 capital grant program since the 2013-2015 fiscal biennium. The  
12 department of social and health services must incorporate tracking of  
13 services by provider including an element to identify providers that  
14 have received funding through the capital budget so that reports can  
15 be provided related to the average daily client counts for medicaid  
16 and state funded clients being served by provider and by facility  
17 type.

18 (e) By November 1, 2023, the department of social and health  
19 services, in coordination with the department of commerce, the  
20 department of health, and the authority, must submit an annual report  
21 to the office of financial management and the appropriate committees  
22 of the legislature. The first annual report must provide information  
23 on the facilities that received funding through the department of  
24 commerce's behavioral health community capacity grant funding since  
25 the 2013-2015 fiscal biennium and the utilization across all  
26 behavioral health facilities for medicaid and state funded clients.  
27 The report must provide the following information for each facility  
28 that has received funding through the capital budget: (i) The amount  
29 received by the state and the total project cost; (ii) the facility  
30 address; (iii) the number of new beds or additional bed capacity by  
31 the service type being provided; and (iv) the utilization of the  
32 additional beds by medicaid or state funded clients by service type.

33 (f) By November 1, 2024, the department of social and health  
34 services must submit the second annual report to the office of  
35 financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
36 legislature. The second annual report must update the bed capacity  
37 and utilization information required in the first report and compare  
38 that capacity to demand by service type by geographical region of the  
39 state.

1        ~~((+88+))~~ (86) \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2        fiscal year 2024 and \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
3        for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to support the efforts of  
4        the joint legislative and executive committee on behavioral health  
5        established in section 135 of this act.

6        ~~((+89+))~~ (87) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
7        for fiscal year 2024, \$500,000 of the general fund—state  
8        appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,000,000 of the general  
9        fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to support the  
10       provision of behavioral health co-responder services on nonlaw  
11       enforcement emergency medical response teams.

12       ~~((+90+))~~ (88) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
13       for fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state  
14       appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
15       authority to contract on a one-time basis with the King county  
16       behavioral health administrative services organization to expand  
17       medication for opioid use disorder treatment services in King county.

18       ~~((+91+))~~ (89) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
19       for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the authority to contract  
20       on a one-time basis with the behavioral health administrative  
21       services organization serving Kitsap county for crisis triage  
22       services in the county that are not being reimbursed through the  
23       medicaid program.

24       ~~((+92+))~~ (90) \$1,100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
25       for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,100,000 of the general fund—state  
26       appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
27       authority to contract on a one-time basis with the behavioral health  
28       administrative services organization serving Snohomish county for  
29       start-up costs in a new 32-bed community recovery center in Lynnwood  
30       that will provide crisis services to medicaid and other low income  
31       residents.

32       ~~((+93+))~~ (91) \$313,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation  
33       is provided solely to support a media campaign for Native Americans  
34       related to the prevention of substance abuse and suicide.

35       ~~((+94+))~~ (92) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
36       for fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state  
37       appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
38       authority to contract with up to two behavioral health agencies that  
39       are interested in offering or expanding wraparound with intensive

1 services for children and youth. The funds may be used to support  
2 costs associated with recruitment, training, technical assistance, or  
3 other appropriate costs required to develop the capacity to offer  
4 these specialized services.

5 ~~((+95+))~~ (93) \$22,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
6 for fiscal year 2024 and \$24,500,000 of the general fund—state  
7 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
8 authority to contract with behavioral health administrative service  
9 organizations to implement the statewide recovery navigator program  
10 established in chapter 311, Laws of 2021 (ESB 5476) and for related  
11 technical assistance to support this implementation. This includes  
12 funding for recovery navigator teams to provide community-based  
13 outreach and case management services based on the law enforcement  
14 assisted diversion model and for technical assistance support from  
15 the law enforcement assisted diversion national support bureau. The  
16 authority and technical assistance contractor must encourage recovery  
17 navigator programs to provide educational information and outreach  
18 regarding recovery navigator program services to local retailers that  
19 have high levels of retail theft. Of the amounts provided in this  
20 subsection:

21 (a) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 must be allocated to maintain recovery navigator  
24 services in King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties. These amounts must  
25 be in addition to the proportion of the allocation of the remaining  
26 funds in this subsection the regional behavioral health  
27 administrative services organizations serving those counties were  
28 allocated pursuant to section 22(1), chapter 311, Laws of 2021.

29 (b) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2025 is provided solely for expanding recovery navigator program  
31 services in regions where fiscal year 2025 projected expenditures  
32 will exceed revenues provided under this subsection. In allocating  
33 these amounts, the authority must prioritize regions where the  
34 combined fiscal year 2025 recovery navigator program allocations and  
35 recovery navigator program reserve balances are inadequate to cover  
36 estimated fiscal year 2025 expenditures.

37 ~~((+96+))~~ (94) \$3,114,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
38 for fiscal year 2024, \$3,114,000 of the general fund—state  
39 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$5,402,000 of the general

1 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
2 implement clubhouse services in every region of the state.

3 ~~((+97+))~~ (95) \$7,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
4 for fiscal year 2024 and \$7,500,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
6 authority to implement homeless outreach stabilization teams pursuant  
7 to chapter 311, Laws of 2021 (ESB 5476).

8 ~~((+98+))~~ (96) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
9 for fiscal year 2024, \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state  
10 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$81,000 of the general fund—  
11 federal appropriation, and ~~((+\$12,280,000))~~ \$9,280,000 of the opioid  
12 abatement settlement account—state appropriation are provided solely  
13 for the authority to expand efforts to provide opioid use disorder  
14 and alcohol use disorder medication in city, county, regional, and  
15 tribal jails.

16 ~~((+99+))~~ (97) \$1,400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
17 for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,400,000 of the general fund—state  
18 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for behavioral  
19 health administrative service organizations to develop regional  
20 recovery navigator program plans pursuant to chapter 311, Laws of  
21 2021 (ESB 5476), and to establish positions focusing on regional  
22 planning to improve access to and quality of regional behavioral  
23 health services with a focus on integrated care.

24 ~~((+100+))~~ (98) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
25 for fiscal year 2024 and \$75,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
27 authority to contract with an organization with expertise in  
28 supporting efforts to increase access to and improve quality in  
29 recovery housing and recovery residences. This funding shall be used  
30 to increase recovery housing availability through partnership with  
31 private landlords, increase accreditation of recovery residences  
32 statewide, operate a grievance process for resolving challenges with  
33 recovery residences, and conduct a recovery capital outcomes  
34 assessment for individuals living in recovery residences.

35 ~~((+101+))~~ (99) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
36 for fiscal year 2024 ~~((, —\$500,000 of the general fund—state~~  
37 ~~appropriation for fiscal year 2025,))~~ and ~~((+\$4,000,000))~~ \$4,500,000  
38 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state appropriation are

1 provided solely for the authority to provide short-term housing  
2 vouchers for individuals with substance use disorders.

3 ~~((102))~~ (100) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
4 for fiscal year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
6 authority to convene and provide staff and contracted services  
7 support to the recovery oversight committee established in chapter  
8 311, Laws of 2021 (ESB 5476).

9 ~~((103))~~ (101) \$2,565,000 of the general fund—state  
10 appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,565,000 of the general fund  
11 —state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
12 authority to develop and implement the recovery services plan and to  
13 carry out other requirements of chapter 311, Laws of 2021 (ESB 5476).  
14 Within these amounts, funding is provided for the authority to:

15 (a) Establish an occupational nurse consultant position within  
16 the authority to provide contract oversight, accountability, and  
17 performance improvement activities, and to ensure medicaid managed  
18 care organization plan compliance with provisions in law and contract  
19 related to care transitions work with local jails; and

20 (b) Establish a position within the authority to create and  
21 oversee a program to initiate and support emergency department  
22 programs for inducing medications for patients with opioid use  
23 disorder paired with a referral to community-based outreach and case  
24 management programs.

25 ~~((104))~~ (102) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
26 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the authority to continue  
27 work with the convener of the Washington state children's behavioral  
28 health statewide family network to develop a parent online platform,  
29 known as BH360, to continue work on ecosystem mapping, technical  
30 development of the portal platform, and to engage families with lived  
31 experience on strategic development of the platform.

32 ~~((105) —\$23,148,000))~~ (103) \$25,522,000 of the general fund—  
33 federal appropriation is provided solely for the authority to  
34 contract with the University of Washington behavioral health teaching  
35 facility to provide long-term inpatient care beds as defined in RCW  
36 71.24.025. The authority must coordinate with the department of  
37 social and health services and the University of Washington to  
38 evaluate and determine criteria for the current population of state  
39 hospital patients, committed pursuant to the dismissal of criminal

1 charges and a civil evaluation ordered under RCW 10.77.086 or  
2 10.77.088, who can be effectively treated at the University of  
3 Washington behavioral health teaching facility. The authority, in  
4 coordination with the department of social and health services and  
5 the University of Washington, must submit a report to the office of  
6 financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
7 legislature by December 1, 2023, summarizing the numbers and types of  
8 patients that are committed to the state hospitals pursuant to the  
9 dismissal of criminal charges and a civil evaluation ordered under  
10 RCW 10.77.086 or 10.77.088, the numbers and types that would be  
11 appropriate to be served at the University of Washington behavioral  
12 health teaching facility, and the criteria that was used to make the  
13 determination.

14 ~~((106))~~ (104) \$444,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
15 for fiscal year 2024, \$444,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$716,000 of the general fund—  
17 federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
18 Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1515 (behavioral health  
19 contracts).

20 ~~((107))~~ (105) (a) \$320,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2024, ~~((1,796,000))~~ \$1,347,000 of the  
22 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and  
23 ~~((1,196,000))~~ \$1,004,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation  
24 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House  
25 Bill No. 1168 (prenatal substance exposure).

26 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$500,000  
27 of the general fund—federal appropriation is provided solely for the  
28 authority to contract with a statewide nonprofit entity with  
29 expertise in fetal alcohol spectrum disorders and experience in  
30 supporting parents and caregivers to offer free support groups for  
31 individuals living with fetal alcohol spectrum disorders and their  
32 parents and caregivers.

33 ~~((108))~~ (106) \$91,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
34 for fiscal year 2024, \$91,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
35 for fiscal year 2025, and \$126,000 of the general fund—federal  
36 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
37 Substitute House Bill No. 1580 (children in crisis).

38 ~~((109))~~ (107) \$5,474,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral health  
39 crisis response line account—state appropriation and \$210,000 of the



1 general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the  
2 authority to implement Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No.  
3 1134 (988 system).

4 (a) Within these amounts, \$4,000,000 of the statewide 988  
5 behavioral health crisis response line account—state appropriation is  
6 provided solely for the authority to provide grants to new or  
7 existing mobile rapid response teams and to community-based crisis  
8 teams to support efforts for meeting the standards and criteria for  
9 receiving an endorsement pursuant to provisions of the bill. In  
10 awarding grants under this subsection, the authority must prioritize  
11 funding for proposals that demonstrate experience and strategies that  
12 prioritize culturally relevant services to community members with the  
13 least access to behavioral health services.

14 (b) Within the remaining amounts, sufficient funding is provided  
15 for the authority to conduct the actuarial analysis and development  
16 of options for payment mechanisms for rate enhancements as directed  
17 in section 9, chapter 454, Laws of 2023 and to implement other  
18 activities required by the bill.

19 (~~((110) \$26,854,000))~~ (108) \$12,141,000 of the statewide 988  
20 behavioral health crisis response line account—state appropriation  
21 and \$17,636,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
22 provided solely for the authority to expand and enhance regional  
23 crisis services. These amounts must be used to expand services  
24 provided by mobile crisis teams and community-based crisis teams  
25 either endorsed or seeking endorsement pursuant to standards adopted  
26 by the authority. Beginning in fiscal year 2025, the legislature  
27 intends to direct amounts within this subsection to be used for  
28 performance payments to mobile rapid response teams and community-  
29 based crisis teams that receive endorsements pursuant to Engrossed  
30 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1134 (988 system).

31 (~~((111))~~) (109) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state  
32 appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund  
33 —state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the  
34 authority to increase resources for behavioral health administrative  
35 service organizations and managed care organizations for the  
36 increased costs of room and board for behavioral health inpatient and  
37 residential services provided in nonhospital facilities.

1        (~~((112))~~)    (110)    \$6,000,000    of    the    general    fund—state  
2    appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for youth  
3    behavioral health services in Clark and Spokane counties as follows:

4        (a) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5    year 2025 is provided solely for a contract with a youth behavioral  
6    inpatient and outpatient program which has taken ownership of and  
7    submitted a plan to the authority to reopen a facility in Clark  
8    county previously closed due to state licensing issues with the  
9    former owner. The facility must be developed to serve over 60 percent  
10    medicaid eligible clients for co-occurring substance use and mental  
11    health disorders and sexual exploitation behavioral health treatment.  
12    This funding is provided on a one-time basis and must be used  
13    consistent with the approved plan and contract for reopening costs,  
14    treatment, and services. The facility must submit a fiscal year 2025  
15    assessment and future needs report to the authority that describes  
16    implementation strategies that ensure the programs plan to build the  
17    capacity to serve over 60 percent medicaid eligible clients for co-  
18    occurring substance use and mental health disorders and sexual  
19    exploitation behavioral health treatment, in line with funding  
20    solutions as they are developed.

21        (b) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22    year 2025 is provided solely for the authority to contract for  
23    behavioral health stabilization and support services for homeless  
24    youth in Spokane. The selected contractor must currently provide  
25    permanent supportive housing and services in Spokane and operate a  
26    low barrier homeless shelter for youth under the age of 18 and young  
27    adults aged 18 to 24.

28        (~~((113)—\$18,868,000))~~)    (111)    \$18,303,000    of the opioid abatement  
29    settlement account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
30    prevention, treatment, and recovery support services to address and  
31    remediate the opioid epidemic. Of these amounts:

32        (a)    (~~((2,500,000))~~)    \$2,139,000    is provided solely for the  
33    authority to provide or contract for opioid prevention, outreach,  
34    treatment, or recovery support services that are not reimbursable  
35    under the state medicaid plan.

36        (b) \$500,000 is provided solely for Spanish language opioid  
37    prevention services.

38        (c) \$2,000,000 is provided solely to maintain prevention services  
39    that address underage drinking, cannabis and tobacco prevention, and

1 opioid, prescription, and other drug misuse among individuals between  
2 the ages of 12 and 25.

3 (d) (~~(\$1,830,000)~~) \$1,626,000 is provided solely for programs to  
4 prevent inappropriate opioid prescribing.

5 (e) \$538,000 is provided solely for technical support to improve  
6 access to medications for opioid use disorder in jails.

7 (f) \$2,000,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely for the authority, in coordination  
9 with the department of health, to develop and implement a health  
10 promotion and education campaign, with a focus on synthetic drug  
11 supplies, including fentanyl, and accurate harm reduction messaging  
12 for communities, law enforcement, emergency responders, and others.

13 (g) \$3,500,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for the authority to provide support  
15 funds to new and established clubhouses throughout the state.

16 (h) \$6,000,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
17 appropriation is provided solely for the authority to provide grants  
18 for the operational costs of new staffed recovery residences which  
19 serve individuals with substance use disorders who require more  
20 support than a level 1 recovery residence.

21 (i) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, the authority may  
22 use up to 10 percent for staffing and administrative expenses.

23 (j) In contracting for programs and services under this  
24 subsection, the authority must consider data and implement strategies  
25 that prioritize culturally relevant services to community members  
26 with the least access to behavioral health services.

27 (~~((114))~~) (112) \$5,000,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
28 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the authority to  
29 maintain funding for ongoing grants to law enforcement assisted  
30 diversion programs outside of King county under RCW (~~((71.24.590))~~)  
31 71.24.589.

32 (~~((115))~~) (113) \$5,500,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
33 account—state appropriation is provided on a one-time basis solely  
34 for the authority to implement a pilot program to reimburse a  
35 licensed pediatric transitional care facility in Spokane county to  
36 provide neonatal abstinence syndrome services to infants who have  
37 prenatal substance exposure. The pilot program must study and  
38 evaluate the efficacy, outcomes, and impact of providing these  
39 services to avoid more costly medical interventions. Within these

1 amounts, \$190,000 is provided solely for the authority to contract  
2 with Washington State University to conduct research analyzing the  
3 prevalence of neonatal abstinence syndrome and infant and maternal  
4 health outcomes associated with neonatal transitional nurseries in  
5 Washington. The university must submit a report articulating findings  
6 to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2024.  
7 The report must identify to what extent the federal medicaid program  
8 allows for reimbursement of these services and identify the barriers  
9 in leveraging federal medicaid funding for these services in  
10 Washington's state medicaid plan.

11 ~~((116))~~ (114) \$15,447,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
12 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the authority to  
13 pass through to tribes and urban Indian health programs for opioid  
14 and overdose response activities. The funding must be used for  
15 prevention, outreach, treatment, recovery support services, and other  
16 strategies to address and mitigate the effects of the misuse and  
17 abuse of opioid related products. The authority must provide the  
18 tribes and urban Indian health programs the latitude to use the  
19 funding as they see fit to benefit their communities, provided the  
20 activities are allowable under the terms of the opioid settlement  
21 agreements.

22 ~~((117))~~ (115) \$66,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
23 for fiscal year 2024, \$502,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$171,000 of the general fund—  
25 federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
26 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5189 (behavioral health support).

27 ~~((118))~~ (116) \$190,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
28 for fiscal year 2024, \$354,000 of the general fund—state  
29 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,106,000 of the general  
30 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
31 Senate Bill No. 5228 (behavioral health OT).

32 ~~((119))~~ (117) \$3,605,000 of the general fund—state  
33 appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$1,850,000 of the general fund—  
34 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,539,000 of the  
35 general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for  
36 implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5555 (certified  
37 peer specialists).

38 ~~((120))~~ (118) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
39 for fiscal year 2024 and \$375,000 of the general fund—state

1 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to  
2 the city of Arlington in partnership with the north county regional  
3 fire authority for a mobile integrated health pilot project. The  
4 project shall provide mobile integrated health services for residents  
5 who cannot navigate resources through typical methods through brief  
6 therapeutic intervention, biopsychosocial assessment and referral,  
7 and community care coordination.

8 ~~((+121+))~~ (119) \$1,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
9 for fiscal year 2024 is for implementation of Engrossed Second  
10 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5536 (controlled substances).

11 ~~((+122+))~~ (120) \$300,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
12 account—state appropriation is provided for support of a statewide  
13 safe supply work group. The purpose of the work group is to evaluate  
14 potential models for safe supply services and make recommendations on  
15 inclusion of a safe supply framework in the Washington state  
16 substance use recovery services plan to provide a regulated, tested  
17 supply of controlled substances to individuals at risk of drug  
18 overdose. The work group membership shall be reflective of the  
19 community of individuals living with substance use disorder,  
20 including persons who are black, indigenous, and persons of color,  
21 persons with co-occurring substance use disorders and mental health  
22 conditions, as well as persons who represent the unique needs of  
23 rural communities.

24 (a) The work group membership shall consist of, but is not  
25 limited to, members appointed by the governor representing the  
26 following:

- 27 (i) At least one adult in recovery from substance use disorder;  
28 (ii) At least one youth in recovery from substance use disorder;  
29 (iii) One expert from the addictions, drug, and alcohol institute  
30 at the University of Washington;  
31 (iv) One outreach services provider;  
32 (v) One substance use disorder treatment provider;  
33 (vi) One peer recovery services provider;  
34 (vii) One recovery housing provider;  
35 (viii) One expert in serving persons with co-occurring substance  
36 use disorders and mental health conditions;  
37 (ix) One expert in antiracism and equity in health care delivery  
38 systems;

(x) One employee who provides substance use disorder treatment or services as a member of a labor union representing workers in the behavioral health field;

(xi) One representative of the association of Washington healthcare plans;

(xii) One representative of sheriffs and police chiefs;

(xiii) One representative of a federally recognized tribe; and

(xiv) One representative of local government.

(b) The work group's evaluation shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

(i) Examining the concept of "safe supply," defined as a legal and regulated supply of mind or body altering substances that traditionally only have been accessible through illicit markets;

(ii) Examining whether there is evidence that a proposed "safe supply" would have an impact on fatal or nonfatal overdose, drug diversion, or associated health and community impacts;

(iii) Examining whether there is evidence that a proposed "safe supply" would be accompanied by increased risks to individuals, the community, or other entities or jurisdictions;

(iv) Examining historical evidence regarding the overprescribing of opioids; and

(v) Examining whether there is evidence that a proposed "safe supply" would be accompanied by any other benefits or consequences.

(c) Staffing for the work group shall be provided by the authority.

(d) The work group shall provide a preliminary report and recommendations to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2023, and shall provide a final report by December 1, 2024.

~~((+123+))~~ (121) \$1,450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$26,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementing a postinpatient housing program designed for young adults in accordance with the provisions of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1929 (postinpatient housing). Contracts with postinpatient housing providers are exempt from the competitive procurement requirements in chapter 39.26 RCW.

~~((+124+))~~ (122) Within existing resources, the authority shall collaborate with the department of social and health services to develop a new program for individuals admitted to a state hospital

1 for purposes of civil commitment under RCW 10.77.086. The program  
2 must prioritize the use of assisted outpatient treatment resources  
3 for eligible individuals and draw upon existing programs, including  
4 the program of assertive community treatment and the governor's  
5 opportunity for supportive housing program to provide wraparound  
6 services for individuals who may be ready to quickly return to the  
7 community following an admission.

8 ~~((125))~~ (123) \$1,675,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
9 account—state appropriation and \$175,000 of the general fund—federal  
10 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract for  
11 the support of an opioid recovery and care access center in Seattle.  
12 The contractor must be an established Seattle based behavioral health  
13 provider that has developed a partnership for the project and has  
14 leveraged additional operations and research funding from other  
15 sources. The contract is exempt from the competitive procurement  
16 requirements in chapter 39.26 RCW.

17 ~~((126))~~ (124) \$3,000,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
18 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the authority to  
19 increase access to long-acting injectable buprenorphine products.

20 (a) The authority must use these funds to:

21 (i) On a one-time basis, provide long-acting injectable  
22 buprenorphine products to small providers that are not financially  
23 affiliated with a hospital; and

24 (ii) Cover the cost and administration of the drug for uninsured  
25 individuals that do not qualify for other state or federal health  
26 insurance programs.

27 (b) The authority shall study alternative models that will ease  
28 access to long-acting injectable buprenorphine products and report  
29 recommendations to the office of financial management and the  
30 appropriate committees of the legislature by October 15, 2024.

31 ~~((127))~~ (125) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
32 for fiscal year 2025 is provided on a one-time basis solely for the  
33 authority to enhance clinical best practices in addiction medicine  
34 across the medical field in Washington state. The authority must  
35 contract these amounts with a Washington state chapter of a national  
36 organization that provides a physician-led professional community for  
37 those who prevent, treat, and promote remission and recovery from the  
38 disease of addiction and whose comprehensive set of guidelines for  
39 determining placement, continued stay, and transfer or discharge of

1 enrollees with substance use disorders and co-occurring disorders  
2 have been incorporated into medicaid managed care contracts. Priority  
3 for the activities established must be given to prescribers from a  
4 variety of settings including emergency rooms, primary care, and  
5 community behavioral health settings. The activities may include  
6 other licensed professionals as resources allow. At a minimum, the  
7 following activities must be supported: (a) An addiction medicine  
8 summit; (b) intermittent lunch and learn webinars that are partially  
9 presentation based and partially discussion based; and (c)  
10 establishment and operation of a mechanism for case consultation.  
11 Whenever feasible and appropriate, the activities should incorporate  
12 content specific to managing chronic pain patients.

13 ~~((128) \$561,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
14 ~~fiscal year 2025 and \$184,000 of the general fund federal~~  
15 ~~appropriation are provided solely for the authority to contract for a~~  
16 ~~pilot program offering digital behavioral health services to school-~~  
17 ~~aged youth. The authority must issue a request for interest or a~~  
18 ~~request for proposals and evaluate all qualified responses before~~  
19 ~~selecting a contractor. The authority must track data related to use~~  
20 ~~and outcomes of the pilot project and submit a report to the office~~  
21 ~~of financial management and the appropriate committees of the~~  
22 ~~legislature that includes a summary of the services provided,~~  
23 ~~outcomes, and recommendations related to continuation or expansion of~~  
24 ~~the pilot program. The data elements and outcomes that must be~~  
25 ~~tracked and reported include, but are not limited to:~~

26 ~~(a) The number of youth provided access to the digital service~~  
27 ~~through the pilot program;~~

28 ~~(b) The number of pilot participants using the digital service;~~

29 ~~(c) The total and average number of hours pilot participants used~~  
30 ~~the digital service;~~

31 ~~(d) Regional and demographic data on those provided access to and~~  
32 ~~those using the pilot program services;~~

33 ~~(e) The number of participants and hours of direct counseling~~  
34 ~~services provided through the pilot program;~~

35 ~~(f) The number of participant referrals to crisis services~~  
36 ~~occurring through the pilot program; and~~

37 ~~(g) User satisfaction with the pilot program services.~~

38 ~~(129))~~ (126) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
39 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for bridge funding grants to



community behavioral health agencies participating in federal certified community behavioral health clinic expansion grant programs to sustain their continued level of operations following expiration of federal grant funding during the planning process for adoption of the certified community behavioral health clinic model statewide.

~~((130))~~ (127) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ~~((3,502,000))~~ \$465,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the authority to contract for community behavioral health services to be provided at the Olympic heritage behavioral health facility pursuant to the following requirements:

(a) The authority must conduct a survey of provider interest to determine service options for operating up to 40 beds at the Olympic heritage behavioral health facility, with a target opening date of April 1, 2025.

(b) The primary focus must be addressing the needs of adults with a history or likelihood of criminal legal involvement to reduce the number of people with behavioral health or other diagnoses accessing treatment through the criminal legal system.

(c) The survey must seek information from providers, including tribal governments, interested in offering one or more, but not limited to, the following types of services:

(i) Short-term or step down residential behavioral health care, particularly for individuals who may have received treatment or services through crisis stabilization or a 23-hour crisis facility;

(ii) Residential, transitional, or supportive services that would divert individuals from the criminal legal system or emergency departments;

(iii) Substance use or co-occurring treatment, including inpatient or outpatient programming as well as programs designed for the treatment of opioid use disorder; and

(iv) Supportive and residential services for individuals in outpatient competency restoration, subject to assisted outpatient treatment orders, or released on personal recognizance while awaiting competency services.

(d) The authority must provide a summary of the survey results to the office of financial management and the appropriate committees of the legislature.

(e) Based upon a review of the survey results and in consultation with the department of social and health services, the authority must

1 develop and submit a recommendation for approval to the office of  
2 financial management for issuing a request for proposals for specific  
3 beds to be contracted at the Olympic heritage behavioral health  
4 facility.

5 (f) No later than August 1, 2024, and pursuant to approval from  
6 the office of financial management, the authority must release a  
7 request for proposals for contracted services at the Olympic heritage  
8 behavioral health facility that requires applicants to provide the  
9 following information:

10 (i) A timeline and cost proposal for the operations of selected  
11 services;

12 (ii) An explanation of how the proposal would reduce the number  
13 of individuals with behavioral health needs entering the criminal  
14 legal system; and

15 (iii) Additional information as identified by the authority  
16 including relevant information identified in the survey of interest.

17 (g) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$100,000 of the  
18 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$150,000 of  
19 the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are  
20 provided solely for the authority to implement the survey under (a)  
21 of this subsection and the request for proposals under (f) of this  
22 subsection.

23 ~~((131))~~ (128) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
24 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the authority to provide  
25 a one-time grant to the city of Maple Valley to support a project for  
26 a community resource coordinator position for the city of Maple  
27 Valley, Tahoma school district, and the greater Maple Valley area.  
28 This amount must be used to develop programs, projects, and training  
29 that specifically address behavioral health awareness and education  
30 and facilitate access to school-based and community behavioral health  
31 resources.

32 ~~((132) \$1,000,000 of the general fund state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for establishing grants to crisis  
34 services providers to establish and expand 23-hour crisis relief  
35 center capacity in accordance with the provisions of section 33,  
36 chapter 1, Laws of 2023 sp. sess. (2E2SSB 5536).~~

37 ~~(133))~~ (129) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
38 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a one-time grant to a  
39 nonprofit organization to provide services to medicaid clients and

1 uninsured clients in a crisis stabilization and secure withdrawal  
2 management center located in Island county.

3 ~~((134))~~ (130) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
4 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the authority to develop  
5 and issue a request for information to identify digital technologies  
6 that can be used for supporting youth and young adult behavioral  
7 health prevention, intervention, treatment, and recovery support  
8 services. In developing the request for information, the authority  
9 must convene a panel of experts in adolescent and young adult  
10 behavioral health prevention and treatment, suicide prevention and  
11 treatment, and digital behavioral health technologies. The panel must  
12 be used to evaluate responses to the request for information and make  
13 recommendations for technologies to pursue in future agency budget  
14 requests. The authority must submit a report to the children and  
15 youth behavioral health work group established pursuant to RCW  
16 74.09.4951, the office of financial management, and the appropriate  
17 committees of the legislature, by June 30, 2025, identifying the  
18 technologies being recommended for implementation and the associated  
19 costs for piloting and/or statewide implementation.

20 ~~((135) \$3,000,000))~~ (131) \$2,198,000 of the opioid abatement  
21 settlement account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
22 establishing three additional health engagement hub pilot program  
23 sites in accordance with the provisions of chapter 1, Laws of 2023  
24 sp. sess. (2E2SSB 5536). Prior to initiating another request for  
25 interest process, the authority must consider acceptable proposed  
26 projects from the request for interest survey initiated by the  
27 authority and the department of health in October 2023. In selecting  
28 proposals, the authority should consider geographic distribution  
29 across the state, and prioritize proposals that demonstrate an  
30 ability to serve communities disproportionately impacted by overdose,  
31 health issues, and other harms related to drugs, including American  
32 Indian/Alaska Native communities, Black/African American communities,  
33 Latino/Hispanic communities, Asian American and Native Hawaiian/  
34 Pacific Islander communities, people experiencing homelessness, and  
35 communities impacted by the criminal-legal system. When determining  
36 the contracts for direct services, priority may be given to BIPOC-led  
37 organizations, including Tribes.

38 ~~((136))~~ (132) \$1,500,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
39 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the authority to

1 establish high-intensity community-based teams serving people with  
2 opioid use disorder. The funding must be used to significantly  
3 increase administration of long-acting injectable buprenorphine to  
4 people at highest risk for overdose. The authority must prioritize  
5 funding to augment existing field-based teams funded with federal  
6 state opioid response grants, such as opioid treatment network, low-  
7 barrier buprenorphine, or street medicine teams to enhance low-  
8 barrier services in areas with high rates of overdose. Funding must  
9 be used to engage people with opioid use disorder in nontraditional  
10 settings such as supportive housing, shelters, and encampments to  
11 provide low-barrier, immediate, and continual care for people with  
12 opioid use disorders to initiate and maintain buprenorphine, with  
13 preferential focus on long-acting injectable buprenorphine. The  
14 authority must submit a report to the office of financial management  
15 and the appropriate committees of the legislature summarizing the  
16 implementation of this funding and identifying barriers which impact  
17 treatment access for people at high risk for overdose including, but  
18 not limited to: (a) State and federal regulations; (b) managed care  
19 provider network adequacy; (c) contracting practices between managed  
20 care organizations and behavioral health providers, including  
21 delegation arrangements with provider networks; (d) reimbursement  
22 models and rate adequacy; (e) training and technical assistance  
23 needs; and (f) other factors identified by the authority. The report  
24 must include recommendations for reducing barriers to medication for  
25 opioid use disorder, including long-acting injectable buprenorphine.

26 ~~((+137+))~~ (133) \$328,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
27 for fiscal year 2025 and \$328,000 of the general fund—federal  
28 appropriation are provided solely for the authority to ~~((contract~~  
29 ~~with the University of Washington addictions, drug, and alcohol~~  
30 ~~institute for implementing))~~ implement Second Substitute House Bill  
31 No. 2320 (high THC cannabis products). If the bill is not enacted by  
32 June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

33 ~~((+138+))~~ (134) \$893,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
34 for fiscal year 2025 and \$722,000 of the general fund—federal  
35 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
36 Substitute House Bill No. 1877 (behavioral health/tribes). If the  
37 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this  
38 subsection shall lapse.

1        ~~((139))~~ (135) \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
2 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to reimburse either King  
3 county or other legal services organizations, or both, for the cost  
4 of conducting ~~((180-day))~~ involuntary treatment act commitment  
5 hearings at ~~((state-operated))~~ facilities operating within King  
6 county. These amounts must be prioritized for the cost of conducting  
7 180-day commitment hearings at state-operated facilities including  
8 facilities operated by the department of social and health services  
9 and the University of Washington center for behavioral health and  
10 learning. Any remaining amounts may be used to reimburse either King  
11 county or other legal services organizations for the cost of other  
12 involuntary treatment act commitment hearings provided in other  
13 facilities within King county.

14        ~~((140))~~ (136) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
15 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the authority to contract  
16 with an entity that operates as a recovery resource center in north  
17 Kitsap county. This funding is provided on a one-time basis and must  
18 be used by the contracting entity to expand service hours, provide  
19 recovery café services, and promote peer support and vocational,  
20 educational, and drug and alcohol-free social opportunities for the  
21 local recovery community.

22        ~~((141))~~ (137) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
23 for fiscal year 2024 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to  
25 a Seattle based opioid use disorder treatment provider in Seattle  
26 that experienced a severe flooding event in a clinic in January 2024.  
27 This funding is provided on a one-time basis and must be used to  
28 allow the clinic to continue to provide services by providing support  
29 for the increased per client costs resulting from temporarily  
30 delivering services to a smaller volume of clients while services are  
31 being re-established at the clinic and by supporting efforts to  
32 provide transitional services for clients in other settings while the  
33 facility is being restored.

34        ~~((142))~~ (138) \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
35 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the authority to purchase  
36 dispensing machines for distribution of naloxone, fentanyl test  
37 strips, and other public health supplies. In selecting a contractor  
38 for these machines, the authority must not provide any preference for  
39 machines that have the capacity to provide telehealth services.

1        (~~((143))~~ ~~\$2,000,000~~) (139) \$500,000 of the opioid abatement  
2 settlement account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
3 authority to implement a rapid methadone induction pilot program. The  
4 pilot program must provide rapid methadone induction services to  
5 clients in hospitals electing to provide these services on an  
6 inpatient basis. Of these amounts, \$250,000 is provided solely for  
7 the authority to contract for technical assistance to the hospitals  
8 participating in the pilot. The authority must contract the amounts  
9 provided for technical assistance to a Washington state chapter of a  
10 national organization that provides a physician-led professional  
11 community for those who prevent, treat, and promote remission and  
12 recovery from the disease of addiction and whose comprehensive set of  
13 guidelines for determining placement, continued stay, and transfer or  
14 discharge of enrollees with substance use disorders and co-occurring  
15 disorders have been incorporated into Washington state medicaid  
16 managed care contracts. The authority must develop procedures for  
17 incorporating this service through the apple health program including  
18 development of an amendment to the state medicaid plan or waiver if  
19 required. The authority must submit a preliminary report to the  
20 office of financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
21 legislature by June 30, 2025, which provides the status of the pilot  
22 project, identifies the mechanism that will be required to implement  
23 these services statewide through the apple health program, and  
24 provides estimates regarding the cost to implement the program  
25 statewide.

26        (~~((144))~~) (140) \$3,700,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the  
28 authority to contract for five street medicine teams that rapidly  
29 assess and address the acute and chronic physical and behavioral  
30 health needs of homeless people. The teams must offer integrated,  
31 team-based medical, mental health, substance use, and infectious  
32 disease treatment and prevention, and navigation and case management  
33 services. One of the teams must provide services to people in Seattle  
34 and one of the teams must provide services to people in Spokane. The  
35 authority must submit a report to the office of financial management  
36 and the appropriate committees of the legislature on the  
37 implementation of this program with recommendations for maximizing  
38 leveraging of federal medicaid match and further expansion of the  
39 street medicine model by June 30, 2025. Of the amounts provided in  
40 this subsection:

(a) \$1,000,000 is provided solely for a grant to King county;

(b) \$1,000,000 is provided solely for a grant to the city of Spokane;

(c) \$1,000,000 is provided solely for a grant to the city of Tacoma;

(d) \$500,000 is provided solely for a grant to the city of Everett; and

(e) \$200,000 is provided solely for a grant to Kitsap county.

~~((145))~~ (141) (a) \$480,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a Washington state tribal opioid and fentanyl response task force with members as provided in this subsection:

(i) The president of the senate shall appoint one member from each of the two largest caucuses of the senate;

(ii) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint one member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of representatives;

(iii) Each federally recognized Indian tribe in Washington state may appoint one member through tribal resolution;

(iv) The attorney general shall appoint one representative from the office of the attorney general;

(v) The superintendent of public instruction shall appoint one representative from the office of the superintendent of public instruction; and

(vi) The governor shall appoint the following members:

(A) A member of the Seattle Indian health board;

(B) A member of the NATIVE project;

(C) One member of the executive leadership team from each of the following state agencies: The health care authority; the department of children, youth, and families; the department of commerce; the department of corrections; the department of health; the department of social and health services; the governor's office of Indian affairs; and the Washington state patrol;

(D) Two indigenous members that have lived experience related to opioids or fentanyl; and

(E) Two representatives of local governments.

(b) Where feasible, the task force may invite and consult with representatives of:

(i) The federal bureau of investigation;

(ii) The offices of the United States attorneys;

1 (iii) Federally recognized tribes in a state adjacent to  
2 Washington state;

3 (iv) Tribal organizations with specific expertise including but  
4 not limited to tribal sovereignty, jurisdiction, cultural practices,  
5 and data; and

6 (v) Any experts or professionals having expertise in the topics  
7 of prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and recovery support  
8 related to opioids or fentanyl in federal, tribal, and/or state  
9 jurisdiction.

10 (c)(i) The legislative members must convene the initial meeting  
11 of the task force no later than August 1, 2024. Thereafter, the task  
12 force shall meet at least quarterly.

13 (ii) The task force must be cochaired by one legislative member  
14 and four tribal leader members selected by members of the task force  
15 at the first meeting.

16 (iii) The task force shall convene one summit in fiscal year 2025  
17 with the state agencies identified in (a)(vi) of this subsection,  
18 federally recognized Indian tribes in Washington state, federally  
19 recognized tribes located in a state adjacent to Washington state,  
20 urban Indian organizations, and tribal organizations.

21 (d)(i) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$295,000 of  
22 the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided  
23 solely for the authority to contract with the American Indian health  
24 commission, as defined in RCW 43.71B.010, to provide support for the  
25 Washington state tribal opioid and fentanyl response task force,  
26 committees, and work groups and to organize the annual summit, and  
27 oversee the development of the task force reports. The American  
28 Indian health commission may, when deemed necessary by the task  
29 force, retain consultants to provide data analysis, research,  
30 recommendations, and other services to the task force for the  
31 purposes provided in (e) of this subsection. The amounts within this  
32 subsection (d)(i) shall be used for the costs of meetings, the annual  
33 summit, American Indian health commission staff support, consultants  
34 as deemed necessary, and for stipends pursuant to (d)(v) of this  
35 subsection.

36 (ii) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$100,000 of the  
37 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided  
38 solely for the authority to contract with tribes and urban Indian  
39 health organizations to provide stipends for participation and  
40 attendance at task force and committee meetings.



1 (iii) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$85,000 of the  
2 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided  
3 solely for the authority to support the Washington state tribal  
4 opioid and fentanyl response task force.

5 (iv) Legislative members of the task force are reimbursed for  
6 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative  
7 members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they  
8 are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer,  
9 governmental entity, or other organization. Except as provided under  
10 (d)(v) of this subsection, any reimbursement for other nonlegislative  
11 members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

12 (v) Subject to the provisions of RCW 43.03.220, eligible task  
13 force members may be provided a stipend in an amount not to exceed  
14 \$200 and other expenses for each day during which the member attends  
15 an official meeting of the task force.

16 (e)(i) The task force shall review the laws and policies relating  
17 to opioid and fentanyl use, illicit sale of opioids and fentanyl,  
18 jurisdictional authority, tribal exclusionary authority, and any  
19 related impacts affecting American Indian and Alaska Native people.  
20 The task force shall develop recommendations including legislative  
21 and executive policy changes and budget initiatives for the purpose  
22 of addressing priority areas identified at the first annual  
23 Washington state tribal opioid and fentanyl summit in May of 2023 in  
24 the overarching topic areas of justice; prevention, treatment, and  
25 recovery; housing and homelessness; and community and family as well  
26 as additional topic areas included in subsequent summits.

27 (ii) The task force may create subgroups and work with existing  
28 state or tribal work groups to develop recommendations to the task  
29 force on each of the topics listed in (e)(i) of this subsection.

30 (iii) The task force, with the assistance of the American Indian  
31 health commission and the authority, must submit a status report  
32 including any initial findings, recommendations, and progress updates  
33 to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
34 June 30, 2025. The report shall include but is not limited to  
35 recommendations related to proposed new statutes or amendment of  
36 current statutes, proposed executive branch action items or  
37 regulatory changes, and proposed funding and budget requests. To the  
38 extent possible, the report may include fiscal analysis related to  
39 the cost of implementing specific recommendations.

1       (~~(146)~~) (142) (a)   \$250,000   of   the   general   fund—state  
2   appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$250,000 of the general fund—  
3   federal appropriation are provided solely for the authority to  
4   continue work on the behavioral health comparison rate project,  
5   including:

6       (i) Developing phase 3 comparison rates for all major medicaid  
7   managed care behavioral health services not addressed in phase 1 or  
8   phase 2 of the behavioral health comparison rates project or through  
9   other work streams; and

10      (ii) Preparing to implement a minimum fee schedule for behavioral  
11   health services, including developing solutions to resolve any  
12   current data and systems limitations.

13      (b) By December 31, 2024, the authority must provide a  
14   preliminary report to the office of financial management and  
15   appropriate committees of the legislature that:

16      (i) Estimates the cost and other impacts to fee for service and  
17   managed care programs of establishing a minimum fee schedule  
18   effective January 1, 2026, based on the comparison rates developed as  
19   part of phase 1 and phase 2 of the behavioral health comparison rates  
20   project;

21      (ii) Identifies any data or other limitations that need to be  
22   resolved, and plans for addressing those limitations including  
23   funding needs if any, to implement the minimum fee schedule by  
24   January 1, 2026;

25      (iii) Provides additional analysis of variation between the  
26   comparison rates and current payment levels at a service and regional  
27   level;

28      (iv) Describes how the authority plans to propose to the  
29   legislature implementation of the phase 1 and phase 2 minimum fee  
30   schedule by January 1, 2026, to better match medicaid payments to the  
31   cost of care; and

32      (v) Outlines options to periodically update the behavioral health  
33   fee schedules.

34      (c) By October 1, 2025, the authority must provide a final report  
35   to the office of financial management and appropriate committees of  
36   the legislature that:

37      (i) Summarizes the new comparison rates developed as part of  
38   phase 3;

1 (ii) Updates comparison rates developed in phase 1 and phase 2  
2 for new salary and wage information based on most current bureau of  
3 labor statistics data;

4 (iii) Estimates the cost and other impacts to fee for service and  
5 managed care of incorporating additional behavioral health services  
6 developed as part of phase 3 of the behavioral health comparison  
7 rates project into a minimum fee schedule effective January 1, 2027;

8 (iv) Identifies planned actions and funding needs if any to  
9 resolve any remaining limitations to implement the phase 3 minimum  
10 fee schedule by January 1, 2027;

11 (v) Provides additional analysis of variation between the  
12 comparison rates developed as part of phase 3 and current payment  
13 levels at a service and regional level; and

14 (vi) Describes how the authority plans to propose to the  
15 legislature implementation of the phase 3 minimum fee schedule by  
16 January 1, 2027, to better match medicaid payments to the cost of  
17 care.

18 (d) It is the intent of the legislature to continue funding the  
19 study in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, with a final report due by  
20 October 1, 2025.

21 (~~((147))~~) (143) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
22 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the authority to provide  
23 support to behavioral health agencies interested in establishing  
24 occupational therapy services for behavioral health clients. This  
25 funding must be used for establishing and integrating occupational  
26 therapy into behavioral health agency programs and operations.  
27 Funding may be used for occupational therapist and occupational  
28 therapy assistant services, recruitment, training, technical  
29 assistance, fieldwork opportunities, and for other approved  
30 activities targeted to increase access to occupational therapy  
31 services within behavioral health agency settings. The authority must  
32 submit a preliminary report to the legislature on the number of  
33 patients receiving occupational therapy through this initiative, the  
34 programs in which services were provided, and the number and type of  
35 fieldwork students trained in each participating behavioral health  
36 agency program by June 30, 2025.

37 (~~((148))~~) (144) (a) (~~(\$39,101,000)~~) \$58,966,000 of the general  
38 fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and (~~(\$33,435,000)~~)  
39 \$48,595,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided

solely for the authority to implement supportive supervision and oversight services pursuant to a 1915(i) state plan amendment that is assumed to be effective on July 1, 2024. This reflects a change in purchasing structure and a transition of clients from behavioral health personal care services to the new services established under the 1915(i) state plan amendment. For medicaid clients enrolled in managed care, the authority must contract for these services through managed care organizations utilizing an actuarially sound rate structure as established by the authority and approved by the centers for medicare and medicaid services. The authority may not implement a skills development and restoration benefit until funding is provided for that specific purpose.

(b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, ~~((\$24,661,000))~~ \$33,893,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and ~~((\$26,931,000))~~ \$37,013,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are for implementing supportive supervision and oversight services in adult family home settings in accordance with and contingent upon execution of the collective bargaining agreement negotiated between the state and the adult family homes and referenced in part IX of this act.

(c) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, ~~((\$5,611,000))~~ \$10,262,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and ~~((\$6,128,000))~~ \$11,207,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are for implementing supportive supervision and oversight services in assisted living or enhanced services facility settings.

(d) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, ~~((\$8,453,000))~~ \$14,435,000 is for managed care organizations to provide reimbursement for the state share of exceptional behavioral health personal care services for individuals who have not transitioned into the new 1915(i) state plan services.

(e) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$376,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year ~~((2024))~~ 2025 and \$376,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is for administrative costs associated with implementation of the new 1915(i) state plan.

~~((In the event that either the 1915(i) state plan amendment is not approved by the center for medicaid and medicare services or the collective bargaining agreement negotiated between the state and~~

1 the adult family homes as referenced in part IX of this act is not  
2 executed in fiscal year 2025, then from the amounts provided in (a)  
3 of this subsection, up to \$23,850,000 of the general fund state  
4 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 may be used for the authority to  
5 continue the reimbursement structure for behavioral health personal  
6 care services in place during fiscal year 2024.

7 ~~(g))~~ Within the amounts provided in this subsection, the  
8 authority must assure that managed care organizations reimburse the  
9 department of social and health services aging and long term support  
10 administration for the general fund—state cost of exceptional  
11 behavioral health personal care services for medicaid enrolled  
12 individuals who require these services because of a psychiatric  
13 disability.

14 ~~((149))~~ (145) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
15 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the authority to contract  
16 with a nonprofit organization to provide education on innovative care  
17 for individuals with mental illnesses. The contracting organization  
18 must:

19 (a) Have experience holding mental health focused summits that  
20 bring together provider, advocacy communities, and other  
21 stakeholders; and in distributing mental health first aid manuals and  
22 online resources for mental health curricula;

23 (b) Have a mission to (i) create an environment through education  
24 to eliminate stigma around mental illness; (ii) help to boost  
25 effectiveness of current treatment pathways through proactive care  
26 coordination and management; (iii) aid efforts in psychiatric  
27 research and innovations; and (iv) identify and elevate systems of  
28 excellence; and

29 (c) Use this funding to support initiatives related to the  
30 distribution of mental health curricula and training manuals, and  
31 innovation in the identification and treatment of individuals with  
32 mental illnesses.

33 ~~((150))~~ (146) \$282,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
34 for fiscal year 2025 and \$253,000 of the general fund—federal  
35 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
36 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6251 (behavioral crisis coord.). If  
37 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in  
38 this subsection shall lapse.

1        ~~((151))~~ (147) \$611,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
2 for fiscal year 2025 and \$462,000 of the general fund—federal  
3 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
4 Substitute Senate Bill No. 6228 (substance use treatment). If the  
5 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this  
6 subsection shall lapse.

7        ~~((152))~~ (148) \$248,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
8 for fiscal year 2025 and \$213,000 of the general fund—federal  
9 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
10 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5660 (mental health adv directives). If  
11 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in  
12 this subsection shall lapse.

13        ~~((153))~~ (149) \$330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
14 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of  
15 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5588 (mental health sentencing alt). If  
16 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
17 subsection shall lapse.

18        ~~((154))~~ (150) \$1,500,000 of the ~~((general—fund—state~~  
19 ~~appropriation for fiscal year 2025))~~ opioid abatement settlement  
20 account—state appropriation is provided solely to increase existing  
21 contracts for current community prevention and wellness initiative  
22 programs across the state.

23        ~~((155))~~ (151) \$750,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
24 account—state appropriation is provided solely for additional  
25 outreach workers to support the expansion of oxford houses.

26        ~~((156))~~ (152) \$500,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
27 account—state appropriation and \$250,000 of the general fund—federal  
28 appropriation are provided solely for support of a tribal fentanyl  
29 summit in fiscal years 2024 and 2025.

30        ~~((157))~~ (153) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for grants to  
32 tribes to implement the Icelandic model of prevention in their  
33 communities.

34        ~~((158))~~ (154) \$2,000,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
35 account—state appropriation is provided solely for a tribal opioid  
36 prevention campaign to inform and educate tribal communities about  
37 opioid misuse prevention, overdose response, and treatment.

38        (155) \$67,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2025 is provided solely to reimburse Thurston county for the

cost of conducting 180-day commitment hearings at the Maple Lane facility.

**Sec. 1216.** 2024 c 376 s 218 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COMMISSION**

|                                                           |                                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . .      | \$55,098,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . .      | <del>(( \$66,092,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                           | <u>\$66,178,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .         | \$8,328,000                    |
| Death Investigations Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$1,708,000                    |
| Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance Account—State       |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$460,000                      |
| Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority Account—       |                                |
| State Appropriation. . . . .                              | \$10,467,000                   |
| Washington Internet Crimes Against Children Account—      |                                |
| State Appropriation. . . . .                              | \$2,270,000                    |
| 24/7 Sobriety Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$20,000                       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | <del>(( \$144,443,000 ))</del> |
|                                                           | <u>\$144,529,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided to the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs solely to verify the address and residency of registered sex offenders and kidnapping offenders under RCW 9A.44.130.

(2) Funding in this section is sufficient for 75 percent of the costs of providing 23 statewide basic law enforcement trainings in ~~((each))~~ fiscal year 2024 and 100 percent of the costs of providing 22 statewide basic law enforcement trainings in fiscal year 2025. The criminal justice training commission must schedule its funded classes to minimize wait times throughout each fiscal year and meet statutory wait time requirements. The criminal justice training commission must track and report the average wait time for students at the beginning of each class and provide the findings in an annual report to the legislature due in December of each year. At least three classes must be held in Spokane each year.

1 (3) The criminal justice training commission may not run a basic  
2 law enforcement academy class of fewer than 30 students.

3 (4) \$2,270,000 of the Washington internet crimes against children  
4 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the implementation  
5 of chapter 84, Laws of 2015.

6 (5) \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the mental health field  
9 response team program administered by the Washington association of  
10 sheriffs and police chiefs. The association must distribute  
11 \$7,000,000 in grants to the phase one and phase two regions as  
12 outlined in the settlement agreement under *Trueblood, et. al. v.*  
13 *Department of Social and Health Services, et. al.*, U.S. District  
14 Court-Western District, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-MJP. The association  
15 must submit an annual report to the Governor and appropriate  
16 committees of the legislature by September 1st of each year of the  
17 biennium. The report shall include best practice recommendations on  
18 law enforcement and behavioral health field response and include  
19 outcome measures on all grants awarded.

20 (6) \$899,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$899,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for crisis intervention training  
23 for the phase one regions as outlined in the settlement agreement  
24 under *Trueblood, et. al. v. Department of Social and Health Services,*  
25 *et. al.*, U.S. District Court-Western District, Cause No. 14-cv-01178-  
26 MJP.

27 (7) \$1,598,000 of the death investigations account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for the commission to provide 240  
29 hours of medicolegal forensic investigation training to coroners and  
30 medical examiners to meet the recommendations of the national  
31 commission on forensic science for certification and accreditation.

32 (8) \$346,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of chapter 321, Laws  
34 of 2021 (officer duty to intervene).

35 (9) \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for additional grants to local  
38 jurisdictions to investigate instances where a purchase or transfer



1 of a firearm was attempted by an individual who is prohibited from  
2 owning or possessing a firearm.

3 (10) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
6 criminal justice training commission to provide grant funding to  
7 local law enforcement agencies to support law enforcement wellness  
8 programs. Of the amount provided in this subsection:

9 (a) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the commission to provide  
12 grants to local law enforcement and corrections agencies for the  
13 purpose of establishing officer wellness programs. Grants provided  
14 under this subsection may be used for, but not limited to building  
15 resilience, injury prevention, peer support programs, physical  
16 fitness, proper nutrition, stress management, suicide prevention, and  
17 physical or behavioral health services. The commission must consult  
18 with a representative from the Washington association of sheriffs and  
19 police chiefs and a representative of the Washington state fraternal  
20 order of police and the Washington council of police and sheriffs in  
21 the development of the grant program.

22 (b) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Washington association  
25 of sheriffs and police chiefs to establish and coordinate an online  
26 or mobile-based application for any Washington law enforcement  
27 officer; 911 operator or dispatcher; and any other current or retired  
28 employee of a Washington law enforcement agency, and their families,  
29 to anonymously access on-demand wellness techniques, suicide  
30 prevention, resilience, physical fitness, nutrition, and other  
31 behavioral health and wellness supports.

32 (11) \$290,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$290,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for academy training for limited  
35 authority Washington peace officers employed by the Washington state  
36 gambling commission, Washington state liquor and cannabis board,  
37 Washington state parks and recreation commission, department of  
38 natural resources, and the office of the insurance commissioner.

1 (a) Up to 30 officers must be admitted to attend the basic law  
2 enforcement academy and up to 30 officers must be admitted to attend  
3 basic law enforcement equivalency academy.

4 (b) Allocation of the training slots amongst the agencies must be  
5 based on the earliest application date to the commission. Training  
6 does not need to commence within six months of employment.

7 (c) The state agencies must reimburse the commission for the  
8 actual cost of training.

9 (12) \$6,987,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$4,968,000)~~) \$4,212,000 of the general fund—  
11 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to  
12 establish and provide basic law enforcement academy classes at three  
13 new regional training academies, one in Pasco, one in Snohomish  
14 county, and one in Clark county. Funding in this subsection is  
15 sufficient for 75 percent of the costs of providing six classes (~~(per~~  
16 ~~year beginning)~~) in fiscal year 2024 and 100 percent of the costs of  
17 providing five classes in fiscal year 2025. The criminal justice  
18 training commission must schedule its funded classes to minimize wait  
19 times throughout each fiscal year and meet statutory wait time  
20 requirements. The criminal justice training commission must track and  
21 report the average wait time for students at the beginning of each  
22 class and provide the findings in an annual report to the legislature  
23 due in December of each year. The (~~six~~) classes (~~(per year)~~) in  
24 this subsection are in addition to the classes in subsection (2) of  
25 this section.

26 (13) \$120,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the criminal justice  
29 training commission to develop plans for increasing training  
30 capacity. The planning process should include engagement with limited  
31 law enforcement agencies, tribal law enforcement representatives, and  
32 local law enforcement agencies and representatives. The criminal  
33 justice training commission will provide recommendations to the  
34 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature in a  
35 preliminary report due November 15, 2023, and in a final report due  
36 September 30, 2024. The reports should include the following:

37 (a) Identifying the demand for additional basic law enforcement  
38 academy courses to support law enforcement agencies and develop a

1 proposal to meet any identified training needs, including basic law  
2 enforcement academy and advanced training needs;

3 (b) A plan for how to provide basic law enforcement academy  
4 training to limited law enforcement officers and tribal law  
5 enforcement officers, including providing additional capacity for  
6 training classes. The plan should also consider alternatives for  
7 distribution of the costs of the training course; and

8 (c) A plan for providing at least two basic law enforcement  
9 training academy classes per year to candidates who are not yet  
10 employed with a law enforcement agency. The plan should, at a  
11 minimum, include the following:

12 (i) A recruitment strategy that emphasizes recruitment of diverse  
13 candidates from different geographic areas of the state; diverse  
14 race, ethnicity, gender, and sexual orientation; and candidates with  
15 diverse backgrounds and experiences including nontraditional  
16 educational programs or work experience;

17 (ii) Pathways from training to employment with a law enforcement  
18 agency; and

19 (iii) Plans to address capacity for and delivery of training.

20 (14) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
22 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
23 criminal justice training commission to provide accreditation  
24 incentive awards.

25 (a) The commission may provide an accreditation incentive award  
26 totaling up to \$50,000 to each law enforcement agency that receives  
27 an accreditation during the fiscal biennium from a national or state  
28 accrediting entity recognized by the commission. The commission must  
29 divide award amounts provided pursuant to this section equally among  
30 qualifying law enforcement agencies. A law enforcement agency may not  
31 receive more than one accreditation incentive award per fiscal  
32 biennium. Funds received by a law enforcement agency pursuant to this  
33 subsection must be made available to the law enforcement agency to  
34 which they are awarded and may not supplant or replace existing  
35 funding received by the law enforcement agency.

36 (b) The commission must submit a report to the legislature by  
37 June 30th of each fiscal year during the biennium that lists each law  
38 enforcement agency that received an accreditation incentive award  
39 during the fiscal year.

1 (15) \$1,085,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,040,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
4 implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1028 (crime  
5 victims & witnesses).

6 (16) \$236,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$226,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
9 House Bill No. 1132 (limited authority officers).

10 (17) \$1,200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
12 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for body camera grant  
13 funding to local law enforcement agencies.

14 (a) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs  
15 shall develop and implement a body-worn camera grant program. The  
16 purpose of the program is to assist law enforcement agencies to  
17 establish and expand body-worn camera programs.

18 (b) Law enforcement agencies may use the grants for: (i) The  
19 initial purchase, maintenance, and replacement of body-worn cameras;  
20 (ii) ongoing costs related to the maintenance and storage of data  
21 recorded by body worn cameras; (iii) costs associated with public  
22 records requests for body worn-camera footage; and (iv) hiring of  
23 personnel necessary to operate a body-worn camera program.

24 (c) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs  
25 shall develop and implement a grant application process and review  
26 applications from agencies based on locally developed proposals to  
27 establish or expand body-worn camera programs.

28 (d) Law enforcement agencies that are awarded grants must:

29 (i) Comply with the provisions of chapter 10.109 RCW;

30 (ii) Demonstrate the ability to redact body-worn camera footage  
31 consistent with RCW 42.56.240 and other applicable provisions;

32 (iii) Provide training to officers who will wear body-worn  
33 cameras and other personnel associated with implementation of the  
34 body-worn camera program; and

35 (iv) Agree to comply with any data collection and reporting  
36 requirements that are established by the Washington association of  
37 sheriffs and police chiefs.

38 (e) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs must  
39 submit an annual report regarding the grant program to the governor

1 and appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1st of each  
2 year the program is funded. The report must be submitted in  
3 compliance with RCW 43.01.036.

4 (18) \$381,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 and \$628,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
7 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1715 (domestic violence).

8 (19) \$280,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2025 is provided solely for confidential secretary staff for the  
10 training bureau director and the accountability bureau director.

11 (20) \$694,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
13 Senate Bill No. 5780 (public defense & prosecution) to contract out  
14 trial skills training for practitioners who are new to prosecution  
15 and to administer a law student rural prosecution program. (~~If the~~  
16 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
17 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

18 (21) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2025 is provided solely for the commission to provide training  
20 to the Okanogan county sheriff's office. The commission must  
21 coordinate with the sheriff's office to provide the training on a  
22 date or dates least likely to interrupt the operations of the  
23 sheriff's office and the training must take place virtually or at a  
24 suitable agreed upon location. The training must, at a minimum,  
25 include best practices for victim centered, trauma-informed policing  
26 practices, trauma-informed investigation and interviewing skills,  
27 understanding the lethality potentials of stalking, best practices in  
28 serving and enforcing protection orders, investigation of potential  
29 violations of protection orders, and assistance to and services for  
30 victims and children. The commission is encouraged to utilize  
31 existing relevant training materials assembled pursuant to RCW  
32 10.99.033, RCW 43.101.276, and other evidence-based resources as  
33 deemed appropriate by the commission. The commission may not  
34 insinuate or otherwise communicate that the training is mandatory for  
35 any employee of the sheriff's office, but the commission must keep a  
36 detailed attendance and participation record for each employee of the  
37 sheriff's office who attends. The amounts provided in this  
38 subsection, not required for use by the commission to conduct the  
39 training listed above, must be made available to reimburse the

1 sheriff's office for any reasonable and necessary overtime costs  
2 associated with participating in the training.

3 (22) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the commission to support the  
5 law enforcement assisted diversion program for drug possession and  
6 public use in Seattle. These funds must supplement, not supplant,  
7 current levels of local funding in the city of Seattle budget.

8 (23) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
10 1635 (police dogs/liability) for the commission to develop model  
11 standards for the training and certification of canine teams to  
12 detect fentanyl. ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the  
13 amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

14 (24) \$1,384,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
16 Second Substitute House Bill No. 2311 (first responder wellness) for  
17 the commission to convene a task force on first responder wellness  
18 and to contract with various entities to develop trainings. ~~((If the  
19 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
20 subsection shall lapse.))~~

21 (25) \$484,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024, \$3,187,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,169,000 of the general fund—private/local  
24 appropriation are provided solely for the commission to conduct  
25 additional corrections officer academy classes. These classes may be  
26 conducted at the corrections officer academy in Burien or at a  
27 regional corrections officer academy established by the commission.

28 ~~((26) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2025 is provided solely for the commission to complete a study  
30 on establishing a regional basic law enforcement academy or a  
31 regional corrections officer academy, or both, on the Kitsap  
32 peninsula. At a minimum, the study must estimate the costs and  
33 identify a possible timeline for establishing one or both academies.  
34 A report providing recommendations is due to the governor and the  
35 appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by June  
36 30, 2025.))~~

37 **Sec. 1217.** 2024 c 376 s 219 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
38 follows:

**FOR THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIONS**

|                                            |                               |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$17,014,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | (( <del>\$20,196,000</del> )) |
|                                            | <u>\$17,196,000</u>           |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | (( <del>\$37,210,000</del> )) |
|                                            | <u>\$34,210,000</u>           |

~~((The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:~~

~~(1) \$9,383,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$9,383,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for dedicated staffing at regional offices to include at least regional investigator supervisors, investigators, forensic investigators, family liaisons, and evidence technicians.~~

~~(2) \$1,124,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,124,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to contract with the Washington state patrol for laboratory-based testing and processing of crime scene evidence collected during investigations.~~

~~(3) \$251,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$251,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for contracted specialized training for investigators relating to death investigations in cases involving deadly force.~~

~~(4) \$2,257,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,057,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for training development, additional staff training costs, crime lab processing, and contract services to include polygraphs, background checks, personnel evaluations, contracted security, and software licensing.~~

~~(5) \$3,000,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office to pay for one-time tenant improvements necessary for a central evidence storage facility and regional offices.))~~

**Sec. 1218.** 2024 c 376 s 220 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES**

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$17,526,000 |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|

|    |                                                              |                                  |
|----|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . .         | (( <del>\$25,305,000</del> ))    |
| 2  |                                                              | <u>\$20,846,000</u>              |
| 3  | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                  | (( <del>\$11,521,000</del> ))    |
| 4  |                                                              | <u>\$12,473,000</u>              |
| 5  | Asbestos Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                | \$628,000                        |
| 6  | Electrical License Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | (( <del>\$74,072,000</del> ))    |
| 7  |                                                              | <u>\$74,037,000</u>              |
| 8  | Farm Labor Contractor Account—State Appropriation. . . . .   | \$28,000                         |
| 9  | Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State                    |                                  |
| 10 | Appropriation. . . . .                                       | \$250,000                        |
| 11 | Worker and Community Right to Know Fund—State                |                                  |
| 12 | Appropriation. . . . .                                       | \$1,138,000                      |
| 13 | Construction Registration Inspection Account—State           |                                  |
| 14 | Appropriation. . . . .                                       | (( <del>\$31,418,000</del> ))    |
| 15 |                                                              | <u>\$31,427,000</u>              |
| 16 | Public Works Administration Account—State                    |                                  |
| 17 | Appropriation. . . . .                                       | (( <del>\$18,011,000</del> ))    |
| 18 |                                                              | <u>\$17,999,000</u>              |
| 19 | Manufactured Home Installation Training Account—             |                                  |
| 20 | State Appropriation. . . . .                                 | \$454,000                        |
| 21 | Accident Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                | (( <del>\$437,590,000</del> ))   |
| 22 |                                                              | <u>\$437,323,000</u>             |
| 23 | Accident Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .              | \$19,953,000                     |
| 24 | Medical Aid Account—State Appropriation. . . . .             | (( <del>\$421,049,000</del> ))   |
| 25 |                                                              | <u>\$420,819,000</u>             |
| 26 | Medical Aid Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .           | \$3,920,000                      |
| 27 | Plumbing Certificate Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | (( <del>\$3,649,000</del> ))     |
| 28 |                                                              | <u>\$3,650,000</u>               |
| 29 | Pressure Systems Safety Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$5,116,000                      |
| 30 | Workforce Education Investment Account—State                 |                                  |
| 31 | Appropriation. . . . .                                       | \$20,500,000                     |
| 32 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                 | (( <del>\$1,092,128,000</del> )) |
| 33 |                                                              | <u>\$1,088,087,000</u>           |

34 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
35 conditions and limitations:

36 (1) \$6,756,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
37 \$6,753,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are  
38 provided solely for the labor and industries workers' compensation



1 information system replacement project and is subject to the  
2 conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this  
3 act. The department must:

4 (a) Submit quarterly data within 30 calendar days of the end of  
5 each quarter, effective July 1, 2023, on:

6 (i) The quantifiable deliverables accomplished and the amount  
7 spent by each deliverable in each of the following subprojects:

8 (A) Business readiness;

9 (B) Change readiness;

10 (C) Commercial off the shelf procurement;

11 (D) Customer access;

12 (E) Program foundations;

13 (F) Independent assessment; and

14 (G) In total by fiscal year;

15 (ii) All of the quantifiable deliverables accomplished by  
16 subprojects identified in (a)(i)(A) through (F) of this subsection  
17 and in total and the associated expenditures by each deliverable by  
18 fiscal month;

19 (iii) The contract full time equivalent charged by subprojects  
20 identified in (a)(i)(A) through (F) of this subsection, and in total,  
21 compared to the budget spending plan by month for each contracted  
22 vendor and what the ensuing contract equivalent budget spending plan  
23 by subprojects identified in (a)(i)(A) through (F) of this  
24 subsection, and in total, assumes by fiscal month;

25 (iv) The performance metrics by subprojects identified in  
26 (a)(i)(A) through (F) of this subsection, and in total, that are  
27 currently used, including monthly performance data; and

28 (v) The risks identified independently by at least the quality  
29 assurance vendor and the office of the chief information officer, and  
30 how the project:

31 (A) Has mitigated each risk; and

32 (B) Is working to mitigate each risk, and when it will be  
33 mitigated;

34 (b) Submit the report in (a) of this subsection to fiscal and  
35 policy committees of the legislature; and

36 (c) Receive an additional gated project sign off by the office of  
37 financial management, effective September 1, 2023. Prior to spending  
38 any project funding in this subsection each quarter, there is an  
39 additional gate of approval required for this project. The director  
40 of financial management must agree that the project shows

1 accountability, effective and appropriate use of the funding, and  
2 that risks are being mitigated to the spending and sign off on the  
3 spending for the ensuing quarter.

4 (2) \$250,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation and  
5 \$250,000 of the accident account—state appropriation are provided  
6 solely for the department of labor and industries safety and health  
7 assessment and research for prevention program to conduct research to  
8 address the high injury rates of the janitorial workforce. The  
9 research must quantify the physical demands of common janitorial work  
10 tasks and assess the safety and health needs of janitorial workers.  
11 The research must also identify potential risk factors associated  
12 with increased risk of injury in the janitorial workforce and measure  
13 workload based on the strain janitorial work tasks place on janitors'  
14 bodies. The department must conduct interviews with janitors and  
15 their employers to collect information on risk factors, identify the  
16 tools, technologies, and methodologies used to complete work, and  
17 understand the safety culture and climate of the industry. The  
18 department must produce annual progress reports through the year 2025  
19 or until the tools are fully developed and deployed. The annual  
20 progress report must be submitted to the governor and legislature by  
21 December 1st of each year such report is due.

22 (3) \$258,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
23 \$258,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
24 solely for the department of labor and industries safety and health  
25 assessment research for prevention program to conduct research to  
26 prevent the types of work-related injuries that require immediate  
27 hospitalization. The department will develop and maintain a tracking  
28 system to identify and respond to all immediate in-patient  
29 hospitalizations and will examine incidents in defined high-priority  
30 areas, as determined from historical data and public priorities. The  
31 research must identify and characterize hazardous situations and  
32 contributing factors using epidemiological, safety-engineering, and  
33 human factors/ergonomics methods. The research must also identify  
34 common factors in certain types of workplace injuries that lead to  
35 hospitalization. The department must submit a report to the governor  
36 and appropriate legislative committees by August 30, 2023, and  
37 annually thereafter, summarizing work-related immediate  
38 hospitalizations and prevention opportunities, actions that employers

1 and workers can take to make workplaces safer, and ways to avoid  
2 severe injuries.

3 (4) (a) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$2,000,000)~~) \$1,940,000 of the general fund—  
5 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
6 grants to promote workforce development in aerospace and aerospace  
7 related supply chain industries by: Expanding the number of  
8 registered apprenticeships, preapprenticeships, and aerospace-related  
9 programs; and providing support for registered apprenticeships or  
10 programs in aerospace and aerospace-related supply chain industries.

11 (b) Grants awarded under this section may be used for:

12 (i) Equipment upgrades or new equipment purchases for training  
13 purposes;

14 (ii) New training space and lab locations to support capacity  
15 needs and expansion of training to veterans and veteran spouses, and  
16 underserved populations;

17 (iii) Curriculum development and instructor training for industry  
18 experts;

19 (iv) Tuition assistance for degrees in engineering and high-  
20 demand degrees that support the aerospace industry; and

21 (v) Funding to increase capacity and availability of child care  
22 options for shift work schedules.

23 (c) An entity is eligible to receive a grant under this  
24 subsection if it is a nonprofit, nongovernmental, or institution of  
25 higher education that provides training opportunities, including  
26 apprenticeships, preapprenticeships, preemployment training,  
27 aerospace-related degree programs, or incumbent worker training to  
28 prepare workers for the aerospace and aerospace-related supply chain  
29 industries.

30 (d) The department may use up to 5 percent of these funds for  
31 administration of these grants.

32 (5) \$3,774,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
33 \$890,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
34 solely for the creation of an agriculture compliance unit within the  
35 division of occupational safety and health. The compliance unit will  
36 perform compliance inspections and provide bilingual outreach to  
37 agricultural workers and employers.

38 (6) \$1,642,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation is  
39 provided solely to cover the overhead rent costs to increase the

1 number of labor and industry vocational specialists embedded in  
2 WorkSource offices and to implement a comprehensive quality-assurance  
3 team to ensure the continuous improvement of vocational services for  
4 injured workers through the workers' compensation program.

5 (7) \$1,798,000 of the public works administration account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely to maintain expanded capacity to  
7 investigate and enforce prevailing-wage complaints.

8 (8) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024 and (~~(\$2,500,000)~~) \$500,000 of the general fund—state  
10 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the crime  
11 victims' compensation program to pay for medical exams for suspected  
12 victims of domestic violence. Neither the hospital, medical facility,  
13 nor victim is to pay for the cost of the medical exam. This funding  
14 must not supplant existing funding for sexual assault medical exams.  
15 If the cost of medical exams exceeds the funding provided in this  
16 subsection, the program shall not reduce the reimbursement rates for  
17 medical providers seeking reimbursement for other claimants, and  
18 instead the program shall return to paying for domestic violence  
19 medical exams after insurance.

20 (9) (a) \$1,209,000 of the construction registration inspection  
21 account—state appropriation, \$66,000 of the accident account—state  
22 appropriation, and \$14,000 of the medical aid account—state  
23 appropriation are provided solely for the conveyance management  
24 system replacement project and are subject to the conditions,  
25 limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this act.

26 (b) \$270,000 of the construction registration inspection account—  
27 state appropriation, \$17,000 of the accident account—state  
28 appropriation, and \$3,000 of the medical aid account—state  
29 appropriation are provided solely for the maintenance and operations  
30 of the conveyance management system replacement project.

31 (10) \$250,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for the department to analyze  
33 patients who are maintained on chronic opioids. The department must  
34 submit an annual report of its findings to the governor and the  
35 appropriate committees of the legislature no later than October 1st  
36 of each year of the fiscal biennium. The report shall include  
37 analysis of patient data, describing the characteristics of patients  
38 who are maintained on chronic opioids and their clinical needs, and a

1 preliminary evaluation of potential interventions to improve care and  
2 reduce harms in this population.

3 (11) \$1,363,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation is  
4 provided solely to improve access to medical and vocational providers  
5 of the workers' compensation program by expanding the use of  
6 navigators to recruit and assist providers in underserved communities  
7 and by ensuring access to high quality and reliable interpreter  
8 services.

9 (12) \$3,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
10 state appropriation, \$1,870,000 of the accident account—state  
11 appropriation, and \$330,000 of the medical aid account—state  
12 appropriation are provided solely for the department, in coordination  
13 with the Washington state apprenticeship council, to administer  
14 grants to continue the growth of behavioral health apprenticeship  
15 programs. Grants may be awarded for provider implementation costs,  
16 apprentice tuition and stipend costs, curriculum development, and  
17 program administration. Grant awardees must use a minimum of one-half  
18 of amounts provided to compensate behavioral health providers for  
19 employer implementation costs including mentor wage differentials,  
20 related instruction wages, and administrative costs. In awarding this  
21 funding, special preference must be given to entities with experience  
22 in implementation of behavioral health sector apprenticeships and  
23 labor-management partnerships. By June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025,  
24 grantees must report to the department on the number of individuals  
25 that were recruited and upskilled in the preceding fiscal year. The  
26 department may use up to five percent of the amount provided in this  
27 subsection for administration of these grants.

28 (13) \$1,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
29 state appropriation is provided solely for the department, in  
30 coordination with the Washington state apprenticeship training  
31 council, to administer grants to address the behavioral health  
32 workforce shortage through behavioral health preapprenticeship and  
33 behavioral health entry level training, including nursing assistant  
34 certified programs. Grants may cover program costs including, but not  
35 limited to, provider implementation costs, apprentice tuition and  
36 stipend costs, curriculum development, and program administration. In  
37 awarding this funding, special preference must be given to entities  
38 with experience in implementation of behavioral health sector  
39 apprenticeships and labor-management partnerships. By June 30, 2024,

1 and June 30, 2025, grantees must report to the department on the  
2 number of individuals that were recruited and upskilled in the  
3 preceding fiscal year. The department may use up to five percent of  
4 the amount provided in this subsection for administration of these  
5 grants.

6 (14)(a) \$300,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
7 state appropriation is provided solely for certified construction  
8 trade preapprenticeship programs that use a nationally approved  
9 multicraft curriculum and emphasize construction math, tool use, job  
10 safety, equipment, life skills, and financial literacy. The  
11 preapprenticeship programs should focus on disadvantaged,  
12 nontraditional, and underrepresented populations, and on populations  
13 reentering the community from incarceration and houselessness.  
14 Funding provided in this subsection may be used to:

15 (i) Provide incentives for participation in preapprenticeship  
16 programs, such as covering program costs, providing stipends to  
17 preapprentices, or covering the costs of construction tools; or

18 (ii) Address barriers for participation in preapprenticeship  
19 programs, such as covering costs of child care or transportation, or  
20 facilitating interviews for apprenticeship programs.

21 (b) The department may use up to five percent of the amount  
22 provided in (a) of this subsection for administration of these  
23 grants.

24 (15)(a) \$400,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
25 state appropriation is provided solely for grants to nonprofit  
26 organizations to:

27 (i) Expand meatcutter registered apprenticeship and  
28 preapprenticeship programs to new locations; or

29 (ii) Develop a new fishmonger registered apprenticeship program.

30 (b) Grants awarded under this subsection may be used for:

31 (i) Equipment upgrades or new equipment purchases for training  
32 purposes;

33 (ii) New training space and lab locations to support the  
34 expansion and establishment of apprenticeship and preapprenticeship  
35 training in new locations;

36 (iii) Curriculum development, including the creation of elearning  
37 content, and instructor training for apprenticeship and  
38 preapprenticeship instructors;

1 (iv) Tuition assistance for apprentices in registered  
2 apprenticeship programs accredited by a community or technical  
3 college;

4 (v) Stipends for preapprentices; and

5 (vi) Apprenticeship and preapprenticeship coordination and  
6 administration services.

7 (c) An entity is eligible to receive a grant under this  
8 subsection if it is a nonprofit organization that administers or  
9 directly provides apprenticeship and preapprenticeship training  
10 opportunities, overseen by a committee with at least one labor union  
11 and one employer representative or with an active program with  
12 participation of both labor union and employer partners, for retail  
13 meatcutters and/or fishmongers.

14 (d) The department may use up to five percent of the amount  
15 provided in this subsection for administration of these grants.

16 (16) \$12,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
17 state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
18 distribute funding to multiemployer nonprofit programs providing  
19 apprenticeship education and job training for general journey level  
20 (01) electricians to increase funding for related supplemental  
21 instruction costs. Funding shall be allocated to programs by formula  
22 based on delivered related supplemental instruction hours for active  
23 apprentices under chapter 49.04 RCW and operating in compliance for  
24 administrative procedures. If a program is partnered with a  
25 Washington community or technical college to deliver the related  
26 supplemental instruction, the program may apply for up to a 25  
27 percent increase in allocated funding based on the level of  
28 contracted support provided by the college. The department may use up  
29 to five percent of the amount provided in this subsection for  
30 administration of these grants.

31 (17) \$873,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
32 \$883,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
33 solely for the creation of the center for work equity research. The  
34 center will study and systematically address employer and employment  
35 factors that place historically marginalized workers at increased  
36 risk for work-related injuries and illnesses and social and economic  
37 hardship.

38 (18) \$2,908,000 of the public works administration account—state  
39 appropriation is provided solely for system improvements to the

1 prevailing wage program information technology system. This project  
2 is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in  
3 section 701 of this act.

4 (19) \$205,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 and \$205,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue conducting a four-  
7 year retention study of state registered apprentices as provided in  
8 chapter 156, Laws of 2022 (apprenticeship programs). The study shall  
9 include the collection of data from all apprentices three months into  
10 their apprenticeship to understand challenges and barriers they face  
11 towards program participation. The aggregate data by trade must be  
12 displayed on a publicly available dashboard. Study data must be  
13 provided with apprenticeship coordinators to implement an early  
14 response to connect apprentices with needed supports. The department  
15 shall submit an annual report to the governor and appropriate  
16 legislative committees on June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2025.

17 (20) \$3,500,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
18 state appropriation is provided solely to administer a grant program  
19 intended to provide wraparound support services to mitigate barriers  
20 to beginning or participating in apprenticeship programs as described  
21 in chapter 156, Laws of 2022. Up to five percent of the total funding  
22 provided in this subsection may be used to cover administrative  
23 expenses.

24 (21) \$1,798,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
25 \$960,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
26 solely to expand access to worker rights and safety information for  
27 workers with limited English proficiency (LEP) through outreach and  
28 translation of safety-related information, training, and other  
29 materials. \$1,000,000 of the amount provided in this subsection is  
30 provided solely for grants to community-based organizations to  
31 provide workplace rights and safety outreach to underserved workers.

32 (22) \$857,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
33 \$855,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
34 solely for enhancements to the workers' compensation training modules  
35 to include strategies on reducing long-term disability among  
36 claimants.

37 (23) \$6,702,000 from the electrical license account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for an additional wage increase for  
39 all positions within the electrical construction inspector,



1 electrical construction inspector lead, electrical inspection field  
2 supervisor/technical specialist, and electrical plans examiner job  
3 class series consistent with the July 1, 2023, range differentials,  
4 subject to an agreement between the state and the exclusive  
5 collective bargaining representative of the electrical construction  
6 inspectors.

7 (24) \$165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024 and \$165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to an organization  
10 in Pierce county experienced in providing peer-to-peer training to  
11 continue implementation of a program aimed at reducing workplace  
12 sexual harassment in the agricultural sector. The department may use  
13 up to five percent of the amount provided in this subsection for  
14 administration of this grant. The organization receiving the grant  
15 must:

16 (a) Continue peer-to-peer trainings for farmworkers in Yakima  
17 county and expand to provide peer-to-peer trainings for farmworkers  
18 in Grant and Benton counties;

19 (b) Support an established network of peer trainings as  
20 farmworker leaders, whose primary purpose is to prevent workplace  
21 sexual harassment and assault through leadership, education, and  
22 other tools; and

23 (c) Share best practices from the peer-to-peer model at a  
24 statewide conference for farmworkers, industry representatives, and  
25 advocates.

26 (25) \$250,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
27 \$278,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation is provided  
28 solely for implementation of House Bill No. 1197 (workers' comp.  
29 providers).

30 (26) \$1,088,000 of the public works administration account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
32 Substitute House Bill No. 1050 (apprenticeship utilization).

33 (27) \$318,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
34 \$56,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
35 solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1217 (wage  
36 complaints).

37 (28) \$105,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
38 \$19,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided

1 solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1323 (fire-  
2 resistant materials).

3 (29) \$239,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
4 \$239,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
5 solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1521  
6 (industrial insurance/duties).

7 (30) \$256,000 of the construction registration inspection account  
8 —state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
9 Substitute House Bill No. 1534 (construction consumers).

10 (31) \$1,311,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
11 \$243,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
12 solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1762  
13 (warehouse employees).

14 (32) \$431,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
15 \$76,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
16 solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1013  
17 (regional apprenticeship prgs).

18 (33) \$560,000 of the public works administration account—state  
19 appropriation is provided solely to update computer applications for  
20 implementation of Senate Bill No. 5088 (contractor registration).  
21 This project is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review  
22 provided in section 701 of this act.

23 (34) \$84,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
24 \$84,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
25 solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5084 (self-insured  
26 pensions/fund).

27 (35) \$226,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and \$240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Senate  
30 Bill No. 5070 (nonfatal strangulation).

31 (36) \$216,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
32 \$37,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
33 solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5156 (farm  
34 internship program).

35 (37) \$1,470,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
36 \$260,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
37 solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No.  
38 5217 (musculoskeletal injuries/L&I).

1 (38) \$354,000 of the public works administration account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
3 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5268 (public works procurement).

4 (39) \$234,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
5 \$41,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
6 solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill  
7 No. 5582 (nurse supply).

8 (40) \$230,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
9 \$41,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
10 solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No.  
11 5111 (sick leave/construction).

12 (41) \$4,663,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
13 \$884,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
14 solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill  
15 No. 5236 (hospital staffing standards).

16 (42) \$367,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
17 \$369,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
18 solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5454  
19 (RN PTSD/industrial insurance).

20 (43) \$1,906,000 of the electrical license account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely for electrical inspector staffing to  
22 expand capacity to conduct electrical inspections, effective July 1,  
23 2024.

24 (44) \$200,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
25 \$200,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
26 solely for the department of labor and industries to contract with a  
27 third-party vendor to produce a study that assesses post-traumatic  
28 stress disorder related workers' compensation policies and claims in  
29 Washington and other states. The intent of the study is to inform the  
30 department on policy and best practices that improve worker outcomes  
31 for law enforcement officers, firefighters, and nurses. The  
32 department shall submit a report describing the outcomes, best  
33 practices, and recommendations to the governor and appropriate  
34 legislative committees by June 30, 2025.

35 (45) \$240,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to a statewide-serving  
37 nonprofit organization providing support services to apprentices and  
38 preapprentices for the provision of new work boots and other  
39 resources to state recognized apprenticeship preparation participants

1 in correctional facilities and as they transition from incarceration  
2 to state registered apprenticeship programs. The work boots and other  
3 resources must be within allowable guidelines for incarcerated and  
4 community supervised individuals. The department may use up to five  
5 percent of the amount provided in this subsection for administration  
6 of this grant.

7 (46) \$300,000 of the surgical smoke evacuation nonappropriated  
8 account—state appropriation is provided solely to implement the  
9 reimbursement requirements established in chapter 129, Laws of 2022.

10 (47) \$60,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for costs for instructors for the  
12 preapprenticeship construction programs pursuant to subsection (14)  
13 of this section.

14 (48) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract with the  
16 municipal research and services center to conduct a public works  
17 study. The study shall evaluate the application of public works  
18 requirements, including prevailing wage and apprentice utilization,  
19 on publicly funded construction, including those supported in part or  
20 in whole with state funds, the granting or loaning of public dollars,  
21 and tax deferrals or reimbursements. The department may use up to  
22 five percent of these funds for administration. A report to the  
23 relevant committees of the legislature shall be submitted by June 30,  
24 2025.

25 (49) \$100,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation and  
26 \$100,000 of the accident account—state appropriation are provided  
27 solely for the staffing of a resolution process for complaints  
28 regarding light duty work under Title 51 RCW. The department shall  
29 submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
30 June 30, 2025, on outcomes related to this funding and data regarding  
31 light duty resolution processes provided in this subsection.

32 (50) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to survey registered  
34 apprenticeship programs and assimilate data that documents the fee  
35 structure and contractual elements of partnerships between the  
36 various registered apprenticeship programs and community and  
37 technical college system. This information will be used to inform a  
38 report and recommendations to the legislature on registered  
39 apprenticeship funding and how this funding is directed to community

1 and technical colleges. The department shall submit a report to the  
2 legislature summarizing the survey findings by November 15, 2024.

3 ~~(51) ((\$350,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
4 ~~fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department of labor and~~  
5 ~~industries to convene and to staff the underground economy task force~~  
6 ~~created in section 906 of this act.~~

7 ~~(52))~~ \$479,000 of the accident account—state appropriation and  
8 \$102,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are provided  
9 solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No.  
10 5793 (paid sick leave). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30,~~  
11 ~~2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

12 ~~(53))~~ (52) \$8,000 of the plumbing certificate account—state  
13 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
14 Senate Bill No. 5997 (plumbing hours reporting). ~~((If the bill is not~~  
15 ~~enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
16 ~~shall lapse.~~

17 ~~(54) \$477,000))~~ (53) \$1,133,000 of the accident account—state  
18 appropriation and ~~(((\$84,000))~~ \$200,000 of the medical account—state  
19 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
20 Substitute Senate Bill No. 6105 (adult entertainment workers). ~~((If~~  
21 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in~~  
22 ~~this subsection shall lapse.~~

23 ~~(55))~~ (54) \$44,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2024 and \$139,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
25 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of  
26 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6069 (retirement savings). ~~((If~~  
27 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in~~  
28 ~~this subsection shall lapse.~~

29 ~~(56))~~ (55) \$79,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2024 and ~~(((\$471,000))~~ \$521,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
32 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5937  
33 (crime victims/witnesses). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30,~~  
34 ~~2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

35 ~~(57))~~ (56) \$50,000 from the electrical license account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for the department to work with the  
37 association of Washington cities and associated stakeholders having  
38 an interest in the installation and maintenance of electric security  
39 alarm systems to identify appropriate pathways to streamline the

1 permitting process and any other recommendations in order to  
2 facilitate the installation of these systems in this state. The  
3 department shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of the  
4 legislature with its findings and recommendations, in accordance with  
5 RCW 43.01.036, by December 15, 2024.

6 ~~((458))~~ (57) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
7 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for increasing access to  
8 manufacturing apprenticeships.

9 ~~((459))~~ (58) \$665,000 of the accident account—state  
10 appropriation and \$118,000 of the medical aid account—state  
11 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
12 House Bill No. 1905 (equal pay/protected classes). ~~((If the bill is  
13 not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection  
14 shall lapse.~~

15 ~~(60))~~ (59) \$202,000 of the accident account—state appropriation  
16 and \$202,000 of the medical aid account—state appropriation are  
17 provided solely for implementation of House Bill No. 1927 (temporary  
18 total disability). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the  
19 amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

20 ~~(61) \$1,933,000))~~ (60) \$1,317,000 of the accident account—state  
21 appropriation and ~~((294,000))~~ \$187,000 of the medical aid account—  
22 state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
23 Substitute House Bill No. 2022 (construction crane safety). ~~((If the  
24 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this  
25 subsection shall lapse.~~

26 ~~(62) \$219,000))~~ (61) \$168,000 of the accident account—state  
27 appropriation and ~~((38,000))~~ \$29,000 of the medical aid account—  
28 state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
29 Substitute House Bill No. 2061 (health employees/overtime). ~~((If the  
30 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this  
31 subsection shall lapse.~~

32 ~~(63) \$226,000))~~ (62) \$200,000 of the accident account—state  
33 appropriation and ~~((76,000))~~ \$72,000 of the medical aid account—  
34 state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
35 Substitute House Bill No. 2097 (worker wage recovery). ~~((If the bill  
36 is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this  
37 subsection shall lapse.~~

38 ~~(64))~~ (63) \$226,000 of the public works administration account—  
39 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of

Substitute House Bill No. 2136 (prevailing wage sanctions). (~~If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~)

**Sec. 1219.** 2024 c 376 s 221 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

(1) The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The department of veterans affairs shall not initiate any services that will require expenditure of state general fund moneys unless expressly authorized in this act or other law. The department may seek, receive, and spend, under RCW 43.79.260 through 43.79.282, federal moneys that are unrelated to the coronavirus response and not anticipated in this act as long as the federal funding does not require expenditure of state moneys for the program in excess of amounts anticipated in this act. If the department receives unanticipated unrestricted federal moneys that are unrelated to the coronavirus response, those moneys must be spent for services authorized in this act or in any other legislation that provides appropriation authority, and an equal amount of appropriated state moneys shall lapse. Upon the lapsing of any moneys under this subsection, the office of financial management shall notify the legislative fiscal committees. As used in this subsection, "unrestricted federal moneys" includes block grants and other funds that federal law does not require to be spent on specifically defined projects or matched on a formula basis by state funds.

(b) Each year, there is fluctuation in the revenue collected to support the operation of the state veteran homes. When the department has foreknowledge that revenue will decrease, such as from a loss of census or from the elimination of a program, the legislature expects the department to make reasonable efforts to reduce expenditures in a commensurate manner and to demonstrate that it has made such efforts. In response to any request by the department for general fund—state appropriation to backfill a loss of revenue, the legislature shall consider the department's efforts in reducing its expenditures in light of known or anticipated decreases to revenues.

(2) HEADQUARTERS

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . \$5,029,000

|    |                                                     |                               |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | (( <del>\$5,324,000</del> ))  |
| 2  |                                                     | <u>\$5,240,000</u>            |
| 3  | Charitable, Educational, Penal, and Reformatory     |                               |
| 4  | Institutions Account—State Appropriation. . . . .   | \$10,000                      |
| 5  | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | (( <del>\$10,363,000</del> )) |
| 6  |                                                     | <u>\$10,279,000</u>           |
| 7  | (3) FIELD SERVICES                                  |                               |
| 8  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . | \$11,113,000                  |
| 9  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | (( <del>\$12,007,000</del> )) |
| 10 |                                                     | <u>\$11,146,000</u>           |
| 11 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .         | \$10,328,000                  |
| 12 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .   | \$6,542,000                   |
| 13 | Veteran Estate Management Account—Private/Local     |                               |
| 14 | Appropriation. . . . .                              | \$718,000                     |
| 15 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | (( <del>\$40,708,000</del> )) |
| 16 |                                                     | <u>\$39,847,000</u>           |

17       The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the  
18 following conditions and limitations:

19       (a) \$1,200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$1,200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
22 Senate Bill No. 5358 (veterans' services). Of the amounts provided in  
23 this subsection:

24       (i) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for one veterans service officer  
27 each in Island county, Walla Walla county, Clallam county, and  
28 Stevens county.

29       (b) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to contract with an organization  
32 located in Thurston county that has experience in the delivery of no-  
33 cost equine therapy for military veterans and active members of the  
34 military.

35       (c) \$138,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
38 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5268 (public works procurement).



(d) \$566,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2014 (definition of veteran). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(4) STATE VETERANS HOMES PROGRAM

|                                            |                               |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$26,775,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(((\$19,507,000))</del>  |
|                                            | <u>\$16,274,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | <del>(((\$136,196,000))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$146,250,000</u>          |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | <del>(((\$11,982,000))</del>  |
|                                            | <u>\$12,936,000</u>           |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(((\$194,460,000))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$202,235,000</u>          |

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) \$1,300,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is provided solely for changes in federal resources as a result of potential census changes and use of these funds are contingent upon the department placing in unallotted status general fund—state resources in an amount to be determined by the methodology utilized for census adjustments in the maintenance level budget. If the department receives additional unanticipated federal resources that are unrelated to the coronavirus response at any point during the remainder of the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, an equal amount of general fund—state must be placed in unallotted status so as not to exceed the total appropriation level specified in this subsection. The department may submit as part of the policy level budget submittal documentation required by RCW 43.88.030 a request to maintain the general fund—state resources that were unallotted as required by this subsection.

(b) Appropriations have been adjusted in this section to reflect anticipated changes in state, federal, and local resources as a result of census changes. The department shall incorporate these adjustments in the governor's projected maintenance level budget required in RCW 43.88.030.

(5) CEMETERY SERVICES

|   |                                                     |             |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . | \$167,000   |
| 2 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | \$169,000   |
| 3 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .         | \$1,055,000 |
| 4 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | \$1,391,000 |

5       **Sec. 1220.** 2024 c 376 s 222 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
6 follows:

7       **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

|    |                                                               |                                |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 8  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .           | \$190,116,000                  |
| 9  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .           | <del>(( \$184,729,000 ))</del> |
| 10 |                                                               | <u>\$168,256,000</u>           |
| 11 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                   | <del>(( \$589,612,000 ))</del> |
| 12 |                                                               | <u>\$611,612,000</u>           |
| 13 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .             | <del>(( \$189,255,000 ))</del> |
| 14 |                                                               | <u>\$190,497,000</u>           |
| 15 | Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation                |                                |
| 16 | (FY 2024). . . . .                                            | \$11,863,000                   |
| 17 | Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation                |                                |
| 18 | (FY 2025). . . . .                                            | \$12,368,000                   |
| 19 | Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | <del>(( \$91,000,000 ))</del>  |
| 20 |                                                               | <u>\$89,822,000</u>            |
| 21 | Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$902,000                      |
| 22 | Foundational Public Health Services Account—State             |                                |
| 23 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$23,066,000                   |
| 24 | Hospital Data Collection Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$592,000                      |
| 25 | Health Professions Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | <del>(( \$197,115,000 ))</del> |
| 26 |                                                               | <u>\$197,015,000</u>           |
| 27 | Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State                       |                                |
| 28 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$642,000                      |
| 29 | Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care Systems            |                                |
| 30 | Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                    | \$10,175,000                   |
| 31 | Medicaid Fraud Penalty Account—State Appropriation. . . . .   | \$3,027,000                    |
| 32 | Natural Climate Solutions Account—State                       |                                |
| 33 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$72,000                       |
| 34 | Safe Drinking Water Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | <del>(( \$8,964,000 ))</del>   |
| 35 |                                                               | <u>\$10,801,000</u>            |
| 36 | Drinking Water Assistance Account—Federal                     |                                |
| 37 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$25,901,000                   |
| 38 | Waterworks Operator Certification Account—State               |                                |

|    |                                                      |                                  |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1  | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$2,089,000                      |
| 2  | Drinking Water Assistance Administrative Account—    |                                  |
| 3  | State Appropriation. . . . .                         | \$2,479,000                      |
| 4  | Site Closure Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | \$197,000                        |
| 5  | Biotoxin Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$1,772,000                      |
| 6  | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State         |                                  |
| 7  | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$10,382,000                     |
| 8  | Medical Test Site Licensure Account—State            |                                  |
| 9  | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$5,238,000                      |
| 10 | Secure Drug Take-Back Program Account—State          |                                  |
| 11 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$1,474,000                      |
| 12 | Youth Tobacco and Vapor Products Prevention Account— |                                  |
| 13 | State Appropriation. . . . .                         | \$3,272,000                      |
| 14 | Public Health Supplemental Account—Private/Local     |                                  |
| 15 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$4,117,000                      |
| 16 | Accident Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$387,000                        |
| 17 | Medical Aid Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$58,000                         |
| 18 | Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line |                                  |
| 19 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                 | (( <del>\$55,066,000</del> ))    |
| 20 |                                                      | <u>\$49,797,000</u>              |
| 21 | Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal       |                                  |
| 22 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$3,222,000                      |
| 23 | Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State            |                                  |
| 24 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$19,785,000                     |
| 25 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | (( <del>\$1,648,937,000</del> )) |
| 26 |                                                      | <u>\$1,650,996,000</u>           |

27 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
28 conditions and limitations:

29 (1) The department of health shall not initiate any services that  
30 will require expenditure of state general fund moneys unless  
31 expressly authorized in this act or other law. The department of  
32 health and the state board of health shall not implement any new or  
33 amended rules pertaining to primary and secondary school facilities  
34 until the rules and a final cost estimate have been presented to the  
35 legislature, and the legislature has formally funded implementation  
36 of the rules through the omnibus appropriations act or by statute.  
37 The department may seek, receive, and spend, under RCW 43.79.260  
38 through 43.79.282, federal moneys not anticipated in this act as long  
39 as the federal funding does not require expenditure of state moneys

1 for the program in excess of amounts anticipated in this act. If the  
2 department receives unanticipated unrestricted federal moneys, those  
3 moneys shall be spent for services authorized in this act or in any  
4 other legislation that provides appropriation authority, and an equal  
5 amount of appropriated state moneys shall lapse. Upon the lapsing of  
6 any moneys under this subsection, the office of financial management  
7 shall notify the legislative fiscal committees. As used in this  
8 subsection, "unrestricted federal moneys" includes block grants and  
9 other funds that federal law does not require to be spent on  
10 specifically defined projects or matched on a formula basis by state  
11 funds.

12 (2) During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, each person subject to  
13 RCW 43.70.110(3)(c) is required to pay only one surcharge of up to  
14 \$25 annually for the purposes of RCW 43.70.112, regardless of how  
15 many professional licenses the person holds.

16 (3) In accordance with RCW 43.70.110 and 71.24.037, the  
17 department is authorized to adopt license and certification fees in  
18 fiscal years 2024 and 2025 to support the costs of the regulatory  
19 program. The department's fee schedule shall have differential rates  
20 for providers with proof of accreditation from organizations that the  
21 department has determined to have substantially equivalent standards  
22 to those of the department, including but not limited to the joint  
23 commission on accreditation of health care organizations, the  
24 commission on accreditation of rehabilitation facilities, and the  
25 council on accreditation. To reflect the reduced costs associated  
26 with regulation of accredited programs, the department's fees for  
27 organizations with such proof of accreditation must reflect the lower  
28 costs of licensing for these programs than for other organizations  
29 which are not accredited.

30 (4) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, and in  
31 accordance with RCW 70.41.100, the department shall set fees to  
32 include the full costs of the performance of inspections pursuant to  
33 RCW 70.41.080.

34 (5) In accordance with RCW 43.70.110 and 71.24.037, the  
35 department is authorized to adopt fees for the review and approval of  
36 mental health and substance use disorder treatment programs in fiscal  
37 years 2024 and 2025 as necessary to support the costs of the  
38 regulatory program. The department's fee schedule must have  
39 differential rates for providers with proof of accreditation from  
40 organizations that the department has determined to have

1 substantially equivalent standards to those of the department,  
2 including but not limited to the joint commission on accreditation of  
3 health care organizations, the commission on accreditation of  
4 rehabilitation facilities, and the council on accreditation. To  
5 reflect the reduced costs associated with regulation of accredited  
6 programs, the department's fees for organizations with such proof of  
7 accreditation must reflect the lower cost of licensing for these  
8 programs than for other organizations which are not accredited.

9 (6) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the  
10 department of social and health services, the department of health,  
11 the department of corrections, and the department of children, youth,  
12 and families shall work together within existing resources to  
13 establish the health and human services enterprise coalition (the  
14 coalition). The coalition, led by the health care authority, must be  
15 a multi-organization collaborative that provides strategic direction  
16 and federal funding guidance for projects that have cross-  
17 organizational or enterprise impact, including information technology  
18 projects that affect organizations within the coalition. The office  
19 of the chief information officer shall maintain a statewide  
20 perspective when collaborating with the coalition to ensure that  
21 projects are planned for in a manner that ensures the efficient use  
22 of state resources, supports the adoption of a cohesive technology  
23 and data architecture, and maximizes federal financial participation.  
24 The work of the coalition and any project identified as a coalition  
25 project is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review  
26 provided in section 701 of this act.

27 (7) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, and in  
28 accordance with RCW 43.70.110 and 71.12.470, the department shall set  
29 fees to include the full costs of the performance of inspections  
30 pursuant to RCW 71.12.485.

31 (8) \$492,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 and \$492,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to coordinate  
34 with local health jurisdictions to establish and maintain  
35 comprehensive group B programs to ensure safe drinking water. These  
36 funds shall be used for implementation costs, including continued  
37 development and adoption of rules, policies, and procedures;  
38 technical assistance; and training.

(9) \$96,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$92,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for community outreach to prepare culturally and linguistically appropriate hepatitis B information in a digital format to be distributed to ethnic and cultural leaders and organizations to share with foreign-born and limited or non-English speaking community networks.

(10) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the Washington board of nursing must hire sufficient staff to process applications for nursing licenses so that the time required for processing does not exceed seven days.

(11) \$725,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,225,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the Washington poison center. This funding is provided in addition to funding pursuant to RCW 69.50.540.

(12) \$622,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$622,000)~~) \$503,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$3,000,000 of the medicaid fraud penalty account—state appropriation are provided solely for the ongoing operations and maintenance of the prescription monitoring program maintained by the department.

(13) \$2,265,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,265,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for:

(a) Staffing by the department, the department of veterans affairs, and the department of corrections to expand statewide suicide prevention efforts, which efforts include suicide prevention efforts for military service members and veterans and incarcerated persons;

(b) A suicide prevention public awareness campaign to provide education regarding the signs of suicide, interventions, and resources for support;

(c) Staffing for call centers to support the increased volume of calls to suicide hotlines;

(d) Training for first responders to identify and respond to individuals experiencing suicidal ideation;

(e) Support for tribal suicide prevention efforts;

1 (f) Strengthening behavioral health and suicide prevention  
2 efforts in the agricultural sector;

3 (g) Support for the three priority areas of the governor's  
4 challenge regarding identifying suicide risk among service members  
5 and their families, increasing the awareness of resources available  
6 to service members and their families, and lethal means safety  
7 planning;

8 (h) Training for community health workers to include culturally  
9 informed training for suicide prevention;

10 (i) Coordination with the office of the superintendent of public  
11 instruction; and

12 (j) Support for the suicide prevention initiative housed in the  
13 University of Washington.

14 (14) \$4,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$4,600,000)~~) \$4,523,000 of the general fund—  
16 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
17 fruit and vegetable incentives program. Of the amounts provided in  
18 this subsection, \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2024 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
20 for fiscal year 2025 are for the fruit and vegetable prescription  
21 program, which provides food as medicine to individuals experiencing  
22 food insecurity or are at high risk of developing a chronic health  
23 condition.

24 (15) \$627,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024 and \$627,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to implement the recommendations  
27 from the community health workers task force to provide statewide  
28 leadership, training, and integration of community health workers  
29 with insurers, health care providers, and public health systems.

30 (16) \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state  
32 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
33 Washington board of nursing to manage a grant process to incentivize  
34 nurses to supervise nursing students in health care settings. The  
35 goal of the grant program is to create more clinical placements for  
36 nursing students to complete required clinical hours to earn their  
37 nursing degree and related licensure.

38 (17) \$1,490,000 of the health professional services account—state  
39 appropriation is provided solely for the Washington board of nursing

1 to continue to implement virtual nursing assistant training and  
2 testing modalities, create an apprenticeship pathway into nursing for  
3 nursing assistants, implement rule changes to support a career path  
4 for nursing assistants, and collaborate with the workforce training  
5 and educational coordinating board on a pilot project to transform  
6 the culture and practice in long term care settings. The goal of  
7 these activities is to expand the nursing workforce for long term  
8 care settings.

9 (18) \$186,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and (~~(\$186,000)~~) \$100,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
12 department to test for lead in child care facilities to prevent child  
13 lead exposure and to research, identify, and connect facilities to  
14 financial resources available for remediation costs.

15 (19) \$814,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024 and \$814,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide  
18 grants to support school-based health centers and behavioral health  
19 services.

20 (20) \$1,300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,300,000 of the general fund—state  
22 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
23 department to coordinate and lead a multi-agency approach to youth  
24 suicide prevention and intervention.

25 (21)(a) \$486,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2024 and \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
27 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for maintenance of the  
28 community health worker platform and continued implementation of the  
29 community health worker trainings in the pediatric setting for  
30 children with behavioral health needs.

31 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection for fiscal year  
32 2024, \$250,000 is provided solely for a grant to a pediatric  
33 organization to convene a learning collaborative to support community  
34 health workers to ensure their success while on the job with their  
35 multidisciplinary clinic teams and for the development of this new  
36 integrated health care worker field.

37 (22) \$1,390,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,378,000 of the general fund—state



1 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the child  
2 profile health promotion notification system.

3 (23) (a) \$10,250,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—  
4 state appropriation is provided solely for the department to expand  
5 the distribution of naloxone through the department's overdose  
6 education and naloxone distribution program. Funding must be  
7 prioritized to fill naloxone access gaps in community behavioral  
8 health and other community settings, including providing naloxone to  
9 first responders and agency staff in organizations such as syringe  
10 service programs, house providers, and street outreach programs.

11 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$1,250,000 of the  
12 opioid abatement settlement account—state appropriation is provided  
13 solely for the department to purchase a dedicated supply of naloxone  
14 for first responders across the state.

15 (24) \$2,000,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for prevention, treatment, and  
17 recovery support services to remediate the impacts of the opioid  
18 epidemic. This funding must be used consistent with conditions of the  
19 opioid settlement agreements that direct how funds deposited into the  
20 opioid abatement settlement account created in Engrossed Substitute  
21 Senate Bill No. 5293 must be used.

22 (25) \$400,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for the completion of work  
24 identified in the state opioid response plan related to maternal and  
25 infant health.

26 (26)(a) \$10,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
27 appropriation is provided solely to support and administer a  
28 workplace health and safety program for workers who are affected by  
29 climate impacts, including but not limited to, extreme heat and cold,  
30 wildfire smoke, drought, and flooding. This program will focus on  
31 workplace health and safety for farmworkers, construction workers,  
32 and other workers who face the most risk from climate-related  
33 impacts. This amount shall be limited to supporting vulnerable  
34 populations in overburdened communities under the climate commitment  
35 act as defined in RCW 70A.65.010. Funding shall be provided for:

36 (i) Pass through grants to community-based organizations, tribal  
37 governments, and tribal organizations to support workplace health and  
38 safety for workers who are burdened by the intersection of their work  
39 and climate impacts; and

1 (ii) Procurement and distribution of equipment and resources for  
2 workers who are burdened by the intersection of their work and  
3 climate impacts directly by the department of health, or through  
4 pass-through grants to community-based organizations, tribal  
5 governments, and tribal organizations. Equipment and resources may  
6 include but are not limited to: Personal protective equipment, other  
7 protective or safety clothing for cold and heat, air purifiers for  
8 the workplace or worker housing, protection from ticks and  
9 mosquitoes, and heating and cooling devices.

10 (b) The department of health, in consultation with the  
11 environmental justice council, community groups, and the department  
12 of labor and industries, shall evaluate mechanisms to provide workers  
13 with financial assistance to cover lost wages or other financial  
14 hardships caused by extreme weather events and climate threats.

15 (c) No more than five percent of this funding may be used to  
16 administer this grant program.

17 (27) \$5,996,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for the department to implement the  
19 healthy environment for all act under chapter 70A.02 RCW, including  
20 additional staff and support for the environmental justice council  
21 and implementation of a community engagement plan.

22 (28)(a) \$26,355,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for the department to administer  
24 capacity grants to tribes and tribal organizations and to  
25 overburdened communities and vulnerable populations to provide  
26 guidance and input:

27 (i) To agencies and to the environmental justice council on  
28 implementation of the healthy environment for all act; and

29 (ii) To the department on updates to the environmental health  
30 disparities map.

31 (b) At least 50 percent of the total amount distributed for  
32 capacity grants in this subsection must be reserved for grants to  
33 tribes and tribal organizations.

34 (c) Funding provided in this subsection may be used for tribes  
35 and tribal organizations to hire staff or to contract with  
36 consultants to engage in updating the environmental health  
37 disparities map or on implementing the healthy environment for all  
38 act.

39 (d) The department may use a reasonable amount of funding  
40 provided in this subsection to administer the grants.

1 (29) \$17,752,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely to sustain information technology  
3 infrastructure, tools, and solutions developed to respond to the  
4 COVID-19 pandemic. The department shall submit a plan to the office  
5 of financial management by September 15, 2023, that identifies a new  
6 funding strategy to maintain these information technology investments  
7 within the department's existing state, local, and federal funding.  
8 Of this amount, a sufficient amount is appropriated for the  
9 department to create an implementation plan for real-time bed  
10 capacity and tracking for hospitals and skilled nursing facilities,  
11 excluding behavioral health hospitals and facilities. The department  
12 will provide the implementation plan and estimated cost for an  
13 information technology system and implementation costs to the office  
14 of financial management by September 15, 2023, for the bed capacity  
15 and tracking tool.

16 (30) \$18,700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,300,000 of the coronavirus state fiscal  
18 recovery fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to support  
19 COVID-19 public health and response activities. The department must  
20 continue to distribute COVID-19 testing supplies to agricultural  
21 workers and tribal governments. The department must submit a spending  
22 plan to the office of financial management for approval. These funds  
23 may only be allocated and expended after approval of the spending  
24 plan.

25 (31) \$7,657,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2024 and \$7,853,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for programs  
28 and grants to maintain access to abortion care(~~(. Of the amounts~~  
29 ~~provided in this subsection:~~

30 ~~(a) \$2,939,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal~~  
31 ~~year 2024 and \$2,939,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~  
32 ~~fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to providers of~~  
33 ~~abortion care;~~

34 ~~(b) \$368,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal~~  
35 ~~year 2024 and \$364,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~  
36 ~~fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for outreach, patient~~  
37 ~~navigation, staffing at the department, and training;~~

38 ~~(c) \$4,100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal~~  
39 ~~year 2024 and \$4,300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~

1 ~~fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to providers of~~  
2 ~~abortion care who participate in the department's sexual and~~  
3 ~~reproductive health program for workforce retention and recruitment~~  
4 ~~initiatives to ensure continuity of services; and~~

5 ~~(d) \$250,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
6 ~~year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
7 ~~fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to providers of~~  
8 ~~abortion care that participate in the department's sexual and~~  
9 ~~reproductive health program for security investments)).~~

10 (32) \$285,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024, \$295,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025, and \$214,000 of the general fund—private/local  
13 appropriation are provided solely for the behavioral health agency  
14 program for licensure and regulatory activities.

15 (33) \$104,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024, \$104,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025, and \$42,000 of the health professions account—state  
18 appropriation are provided solely for the department to conduct  
19 credentialing and inspections under chapter 324, Laws of 2019  
20 (behavioral health facilities).

21 (34) \$1,398,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,900,000 of the general fund—state  
23 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
24 breast, cervical and colon screening program, comprehensive cancer  
25 community partnerships, and Washington state cancer registry.

26 (35) \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 is provided solely for continued implementation of chapter  
28 58, Laws of 2022 (cardiac & stroke response).

29 (36) \$671,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and ~~(( \$329,000 ))~~ \$12,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the care-  
32 a-van mobile health program.

33 (37) \$702,000 of the climate investment account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 316,  
35 Laws of 2021 (climate commitment act).

36 (38) \$200,000 of the climate investment account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely for the environmental justice  
38 council to coordinate with the department of ecology on a process to  
39 track state agency expenditures from climate commitment act accounts,

as described in section 302(13) of this act. Funding is for the following as they relate to development of the department of ecology process:

(a) Public engagement with tribes and vulnerable populations within the boundaries of overburdened communities; and

(b) Cost recovery or stipends for participants in the public process to reduce barriers to participation, as described in RCW 43.03.220.

(39) \$31,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$31,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 204, Laws of 2022 (truck drivers/restrooms).

(40) \$808,000 of the drinking water assistance administrative account—state appropriation is provided solely for the water system consolidation grant program.

(41) \$1,044,000 of the safe drinking water account—state appropriation is provided solely for the drinking water technical services program.

(42) \$288,000 of the secure drug take-back program account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 155, Laws of 2021 (drug take-back programs).

(43) \$7,146,000 of the drinking water assistance account—federal appropriation is provided solely for the office of drinking water to provide technical assistance, direct engineering support, and construction management to small water systems.

(44) \$381,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$607,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the early hearing detection, diagnosis, and intervention program.

(45) \$954,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 (~~and \$686,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are~~) is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263 (psilocybin).

(46) \$12,509,000 of the health professions account—state appropriation and \$13,187,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation are provided solely for the regulation of health professions.

(47) \$599,000 of the health professions account—state appropriation is provided solely for ongoing maintenance of the

1 HEALWA web portal to provide access to health information for health  
2 care providers.

3 (48) \$1,359,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024, \$680,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
5 for fiscal year 2025, and \$680,000 of the general fund—private/local  
6 appropriation are provided solely for the department to perform  
7 investigations to address the backlog of hospital complaints.

8 (49) \$12,000 of the health professions account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 204,  
10 Laws of 2021 (international medical grads).

11 (50) \$634,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 and (~~(\$350,000)~~) \$200,000 of the general fund—state  
13 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
14 department to onboard systems to, and maintain, the master person  
15 index as part of the health and human services coalition master  
16 person index initiative, and funding for fiscal year 2024 is subject  
17 to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section  
18 701 of this act.

19 (51) \$2,062,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$1,454,000)~~) \$1,127,000 of the general fund—  
21 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
22 department to complete upgrades to the medical cannabis authorization  
23 database to improve reporting functions and accessibility, and is  
24 subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of  
25 section 701 of this act.

26 (52) \$1,865,000 of the medical test site licensure account—state  
27 appropriation is provided solely for the medical test site regulatory  
28 program for inspections and other regulatory activities.

29 (53) \$2,276,000 of the health professions account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for the Washington board of nursing  
31 for nursing licensure and other regulatory activities.

32 (54) \$813,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and (~~(\$811,000)~~) \$345,000 of the general fund—state  
34 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
35 department to assist with access to safe drinking water for homes and  
36 businesses with individual wells or small water systems that are  
37 contaminated.

1 (55) \$146,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 264,  
3 Laws of 2022 (chemicals/consumer products).

4 (56) \$1,150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,150,000 of the general fund—state  
6 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
7 department to expand the birth equity project with the goal of  
8 reducing prenatal and perinatal health disparities.

9 (57) \$1,738,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation  
10 is provided solely for implementation of chapter 115, Laws of 2020  
11 (psychiatric patient safety).

12 (58) \$23,066,000 of the foundational public health services  
13 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
14 maintain the RAINIER (reporting array for incident, noninfectious and  
15 infectious event response) suite, RHINO (rapid health information  
16 network) program, WAIIS (Washington immunization information system)  
17 system, and data exchange services.

18 (59) \$5,100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$7,355,000)~~) \$5,822,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,922,000 of the coronavirus  
21 state fiscal recovery fund—federal appropriation are provided solely  
22 for operation of the statewide medical logistics center. Within these  
23 amounts, the department must coordinate with the department of social  
24 and health services to develop processes that will minimize the  
25 disposal and destruction of personal protective equipment and for  
26 interagency distribution of personal protective equipment.

27 (60) \$315,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and \$315,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to operate  
30 the universal development screening system.

31 (61) \$2,000,000 of the health professions account—state  
32 appropriation and \$293,000 of the public health supplemental account—  
33 state appropriation are provided solely for the Washington medical  
34 commission for regulatory activities, administration, and addressing  
35 equity issues in processes and policies.

36 (62) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 is provided solely for the department, in collaboration  
38 with the Washington medical coordination center, to create an  
39 implementation plan for real-time bed capacity and tracking for

1 hospitals. The department must provide the implementation plan and  
2 estimated costs for the bed capacity and tracing tool to the office  
3 of the governor and the office of financial management by September  
4 1, 2024.

5 (63) \$48,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely for the Puget Sound clean air agency  
7 to coordinate meetings with local health jurisdictions in King,  
8 Pierce, Snohomish, and Kitsap counties to better understand air  
9 quality issues, align messaging, and facilitate delivery of ready-to-  
10 go air quality and health interventions. The amount provided in this  
11 subsection may be used for agency staff time, meetings and events,  
12 outreach materials, and tangible air quality and health  
13 interventions.

14 (64) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the midwifery licensure and  
17 regulatory program to supplement revenue from fees. The department  
18 shall charge no more than \$525 annually for new or renewed licenses  
19 for the midwifery program.

20 (65) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 is provided solely for the office of radiation protection  
22 to conduct a review of the state's readiness for licensing fusion  
23 energy projects. The legislature intends for Washington to support  
24 the deployment of fusion energy projects and larger research  
25 facilities by taking a leading role in the licensing of future fusion  
26 power plants. The department, in consultation with relevant state-  
27 level regulatory agencies, must review and provide recommendations  
28 and costs estimates for the necessary staffing and technical  
29 resources to fulfill the state's registration, inspection, and  
30 licensure obligations. The department must report its findings and  
31 any recommendations to the governor and appropriate legislative  
32 committees by December 1, 2023.

33 (66) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024 is provided solely for blood supply relief. The department  
35 must distribute this amount equally between the four largest  
36 nonprofit blood donation organizations operating in the state. The  
37 amounts distributed may be used only for activities to rebuild the  
38 state's blood supply, including increased staffing support for  
39 donation centers and mobile blood drives.



1 (67) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$3,000,000)~~) \$2,768,000 of the general fund—  
3 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
4 tobacco, vapor product, and nicotine control, cessation, treatment,  
5 and prevention, and other substance use prevention and education,  
6 with an emphasis on community-based strategies. These strategies must  
7 include programs that consider the disparate impacts of nicotine  
8 addiction on specific populations, including youth and racial or  
9 other disparities.

10 (68) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 is provided solely for an existing program that works with  
12 community members and partners to bridge health equity gaps to  
13 establish a pilot health care program in Pierce county to serve the  
14 unique needs of the African American community, including addressing  
15 diabetes, high blood pressure, low birth weight, and health care for  
16 preventable medical, dental, and behavioral health diagnoses.

17 (69) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and (~~(\$150,000)~~) \$87,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to  
20 Island county to contract for a study of cost-effective waste  
21 treatment solutions, as an alternative to septic and sewer, for  
22 unincorporated parts of Island county. The study must:

23 (a) Identify any regulatory barriers to the use of alternative  
24 technology-based solutions;

25 (b) Include an opportunity for review and consultation by the  
26 department; and

27 (c) Include any recommendations from the department in the final  
28 report.

29 (70) \$2,656,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation  
30 is provided solely for the department to provide cystic fibrosis DNA  
31 testing and to engage with a courier service to transport specimens  
32 to the public health laboratory.

33 (71) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024 and \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely in support of the department's  
36 activities pursuant to chapter 226, Laws of 2016 (commonly known as  
37 the caregiver advise, record, enable act). This funding must be used  
38 to:

1 (a) Create a communication campaign to notify hospitals across  
2 the state of available resources to support family caregivers;

3 (b) Curate or create a set of online training videos on common  
4 caregiving tasks including, but not limited to, medication  
5 management, injections, nebulizers, wound care, and transfers; and

6 (c) Provide information to patients and family caregivers upon  
7 admission.

8 (72) \$29,000 of the health professions account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
10 House Bill No. 1275 (athletic trainers).

11 (73) \$126,000 of the health professions account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
13 1001 (audiology & speech compact).

14 (74) (~~(\$9,157,000)~~) \$8,557,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral  
15 health crisis response line account—state appropriation is provided  
16 solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill  
17 No. 1134 (988 system).

18 (75) \$1,016,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$453,000)~~) \$390,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$30,000 of the general fund—  
21 private/local appropriation, and \$676,000 of the health professions  
22 account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
23 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1724 (behavioral health workforce).

24 (76) \$72,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
26 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1170 (climate response strategy).

27 (77) \$418,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
29 House Bill No. 1047 (cosmetic product chemicals).

30 (78) \$46,000 of the health professions account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
32 Substitute House Bill No. 1466 (dental auxiliaries).

33 (79) \$12,000 of the health professions account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
35 1287 (dental hygienists).

36 (80) \$136,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2025 and \$193,000 of the health professions account—state  
38 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
39 Substitute House Bill No. 1678 (dental therapists).

1       (81)   \$158,000   of   the   health   professions   account—state  
2   appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
3   Substitute House Bill No. 1576 (dentist compact).

4       (82)   \$4,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5   year 2025 and \$700,000 of the health professions account—state  
6   appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
7   Substitute House Bill No. 1503 (health care licenses/info.).

8       (83)   \$29,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9   year 2024 and \$124,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10   fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
11   House Bill No. 1255 (health care prof. SUD prg.).

12       (84)   \$48,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13   year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second  
14   Substitute House Bill No. 1694 (home care workforce shortage).

15       (85)   \$282,000   of   the   health   professions   account—state  
16   appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
17   Substitute House Bill No. 1039 (intramuscular needling).

18       (86)   \$1,892,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19   fiscal year 2024 and \$2,895,000 of the general fund—private/local  
20   appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
21   Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5236 (hospital staffing standards).

22       (87)   \$407,000   of   the   climate   commitment   account—state  
23   appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
24   Second Substitute House Bill No. 1181 (climate change/planning).

25       (88)   \$65,000   of   the   health   professions   account—state  
26   appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
27   Substitute House Bill No. 1073 (medical assistants).

28       (89)   \$447,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29   year 2024 and (~~(\$448,000)~~) \$375,000 of the general fund—state  
30   appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
31   implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1452 (medical  
32   reserve corps).

33       (90)   (~~(\$195,000)~~) \$95,000 of the health professions account—state  
34   appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
35   House Bill No. 1069 (mental health counselor comp).

36       (91)   \$158,000   of   the   health   professions   account—state  
37   appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
38   Substitute House Bill No. 1009 (military spouse employment).

(92) \$165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$400,000)~~) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1457 (motor carriers/restrooms).

(93) \$126,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$202,000)~~) \$152,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$81,000 of the health professions account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1247 (music therapists).

(94) \$39,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$119,000)~~) \$69,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1271 (organ transport vehicles).

(95) \$627,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$761,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1470 (private detention facilities).

(96) \$97,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$27,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of House Bill No. 1230 (school websites/drug info.).

(97) \$77,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$76,000)~~) \$8,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1578 (wildland fire safety).

(98) \$2,773,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$3,273,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grant funding and administrative costs for the school-based health center program established in chapter 68, Laws of 2021 (school-based health centers).

(99) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract with a community-based nonprofit organization located in the Yakima Valley to continue a Spanish-language public radio media campaign

1 aimed at providing education on the COVID-19 pandemic through an  
2 outreach program. The goal of the radio media campaign is to reach  
3 residents considered "essential workers," including but not limited  
4 to farmworkers, and provide information on health and safety  
5 guidelines, promote vaccination events, and increase vaccine  
6 confidence. The nonprofit organization must coordinate with medical  
7 professionals and other stakeholders on the content of the radio  
8 media campaign. The department, in coordination with the nonprofit,  
9 must provide a preliminary report to the legislature no later than  
10 December 31, 2024. A final report to the legislature must be  
11 submitted no later than June 30, 2025. Both reports must include: (a)  
12 A description of the outreach program and its implementation; (b) the  
13 number of individuals reached through the outreach program; and (c)  
14 any relevant demographic data regarding those individuals.

15 (100) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024 and \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract  
18 with an equity consultant to evaluate the effect of changes made by,  
19 and vulnerabilities in, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5179  
20 (death with dignity act). The consultant shall partner with  
21 interested parties, vulnerable populations, and communities of color  
22 to solicit feedback on barriers to accessing the provisions of the  
23 act, any unintended consequences, and any challenges and  
24 vulnerabilities in the provision of services under the act,  
25 recommendations on ways to improve data collection, and  
26 recommendations on additional measures to be reported to the  
27 department. The department must report the findings and  
28 recommendations to the legislature by June 30, 2025.

29 (101) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 is provided solely for a rural nursing workforce initiative  
31 to create a hub for students to remain in rural environments while  
32 working toward nursing credentials, including for program personnel,  
33 support, and a rural nursing needs assessment. Funding is provided to  
34 develop a program based on the rural nursing needs assessment.

35 (102) (a) \$1,393,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for grants to King county to address  
37 the disproportionate rates of asthma among children who reside within  
38 10 miles of the Seattle-Tacoma international airport.

1 (b) Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$971,000 is  
2 provided to increase access to community health worker asthma  
3 interventions.

4 (c) Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$412,000 is for an  
5 independent investigation of the added benefit of indoor air quality  
6 interventions, including high efficiency particulate air filters, on  
7 disparities in indoor air pollution.

8 (d) Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$10,000 is for a  
9 regional data analysis and surveillance of asthma diagnoses and  
10 hospitalizations in King county.

11 (e) The county may contract with the University of Washington for  
12 the work described in (c) and (d) of this subsection.

13 (103) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue the collaboration  
16 between the local public health jurisdiction, related accountable  
17 communities of health, and health care providers to reduce  
18 potentially preventable hospitalizations in Pierce county. This  
19 collaboration will build from the first three years of the project,  
20 planning to align care coordination efforts across health care  
21 systems and support the related accountable communities of health  
22 initiatives, including innovative, collaborative models of care.  
23 Strategies to reduce costly hospitalizations include the following:  
24 (a) Working with partners to prevent chronic disease; (b) improving  
25 heart failure rates; (c) incorporating community health workers as  
26 part of the health care team and improving care coordination; (d)  
27 supporting the COVID-19 response with improved access to  
28 immunizations; and (e) the use of community health workers to provide  
29 necessary resources to prevent hospitalization of people who are in  
30 isolation and quarantine. By December 15, 2024, the members of the  
31 collaboration shall report to the legislature regarding the  
32 effectiveness of each of the strategies identified in this  
33 subsection. In addition, the report shall describe the most  
34 significant challenges and make further recommendations for reducing  
35 costly hospitalizations.

36 (104) \$70,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract  
39 with a community-based organization to host a deliberative democratic

processes workshop for the HEAL act interagency work group established under RCW 70A.02.110, then develop, in consultation with environmental justice council or its staff, best practices for how agencies can incorporate deliberative democratic processes into community engagement practices.

(105) \$1,305,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the climate health adaptation initiative.

(106) \$65,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5179 (death with dignity act).

(107) \$604,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$552,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5582 (nurse supply).

(108) \$95,000 of the health professions account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5389 (optometry).

(109) \$1,205,000 of the health professions account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5499 (multistate nurse licensure).

(110) \$30,000 of the general fund state—appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$52,000 of the health professions account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5547 (nursing pool transparency).

(111) \$32,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5569 (kidney disease centers).

(112) \$446,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$441,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5453 (female genital mutilation).

(113) \$466,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$487,000)~~) \$390,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5278 (home care aide certification).

1 (114) \$131,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and (~~(\$91,000)~~) \$24,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
4 implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5523 (forensic  
5 pathologist).

6 (115) \$36,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation is  
7 provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate  
8 Bill No. 5515 (child abuse and neglect).

9 (116) \$339,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and (~~(\$485,000)~~) \$335,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
12 implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5555 (certified  
13 peer specialists).

14 (117) \$198,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation is  
15 provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill  
16 No. 5120 (crisis relief centers).

17 (118) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024, (~~(\$207,000)~~) \$157,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$133,000 of the health  
20 professions account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
21 implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5189 (behavioral health  
22 support).

23 (119) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department of health to  
26 provide grants to federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) for the  
27 purchase of long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs). For LARCs  
28 purchased with the funding provided in this subsection, FQHCs shall  
29 provide patients with LARCs the same day they are seeking that family  
30 planning option.

31 (a) The department shall develop criteria for how the grant  
32 dollars will be distributed, including that FQHCs are required to  
33 participate in contraceptive training related to patient-centered  
34 care, shared decision making, and reproductive bias and coercion.

35 (b) The department shall survey the FQHCs participating in the  
36 grant program regarding the use of LARCs by their patients, as  
37 compared to the two years prior to participation in the grant  
38 program, and report the results of the survey to the appropriate  
39 committees of the legislature by December 1, 2025.



1 (120) \$63,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 is provided solely for the department to utilize materials  
3 from the "count the kicks" program in designing, preparing, and  
4 making available online written materials to inform health care  
5 providers and staff of evidence-based research and practices that  
6 reduce the incident of stillbirth, by December 31, 2023.

7 (121) \$351,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024 and \$624,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Snohomish county health  
10 department to convene a leadership planning group that will:

11 (a) Conduct a landscape analysis of current sexually transmitted  
12 infection, postexposure prophylaxis, preexposure prophylaxis, and  
13 hepatitis B virus services and identify treatment improvements for  
14 HIV preexposure prophylaxis;

15 (b) Establish sexually transmitted infection clinical services at  
16 the Snohomish county health department and identify opportunities to  
17 expand sexual health services provided outside of clinical settings;

18 (c) Conduct research on opportunities to expand jail-based sexual  
19 health services;

20 (d) Establish an epidemiology and technical team;

21 (e) Expand field-based treatment for syphilis; and

22 (f) Establish an in-house comprehensive, culturally responsive  
23 sexual health clinic at the Snohomish county health department.

24 (122) \$49,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024 and \$53,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
27 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (clean energy siting).

28 (123) \$5,496,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide grants  
30 to school districts making updates to existing heating, venting, and  
31 air conditioning systems using small district modernization grants.

32 (124) \$38,600,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for the department to develop a  
34 grant program to fund projects that benefit overburdened communities  
35 as defined in RCW 70A.02.010(11). Of the amount provided in this  
36 subsection:

37 (a) \$6,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for the department and the  
39 environmental justice council created in RCW 70A.02.110 to engage in

1 a participatory budgeting process with at least five geographically  
2 diverse overburdened communities, as identified by the department, to  
3 develop a process to select and fund projects that mitigate the  
4 disproportional impacts of climate change on overburdened  
5 communities. The process must allow for full community engagement and  
6 develop criteria for eligible entities and projects and establish  
7 priorities to achieve the greatest gain for decarbonization and  
8 resiliency. A report of the outcomes of the participatory budgeting  
9 process detailing its recommendations for funding as well as future  
10 improvements to the participatory budgeting process must be provided  
11 to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31,  
12 2023.

13 (b) \$32,600,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide grants  
15 that benefit overburdened communities. The department must submit to  
16 the governor and the legislature a ranked list of projects consistent  
17 with the recommendations developed in (a) of this subsection. The  
18 department shall not sign contracts or otherwise financially obligate  
19 funds under this section until the legislature has approved a  
20 specific list of projects.

21 (125) \$5,430,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$5,326,000)~~) \$5,225,000 of the general fund—  
23 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
24 department to maintain the current level of credentialing staff until  
25 the completion of the study on fees by Results WA.

26 (126) \$280,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$280,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract  
29 with the central nursing resource center established in RCW 18.79.202  
30 to facilitate communication between nursing education programs and  
31 health care facilities that offer clinical placements for the purpose  
32 of increasing clinical education and practice experiences for nursing  
33 students. The department shall contract with the central nursing  
34 resource center to:

35 (a) Gather data to assess current clinical placement practices,  
36 opportunities, and needs;

37 (b) Identify all approved nursing education programs and health  
38 care facilities that offer clinical placement opportunities in the  
39 state;

1 (c) Convene and facilitate quarterly stakeholder meetings between  
2 representatives from approved nursing education programs and health  
3 care facilities that offer clinical placement opportunities, and  
4 other relevant stakeholders, in order to:

5 (i) Connect representatives by region;

6 (ii) Facilitate discussions between representatives, by region,  
7 to determine:

8 (A) Clinical placement barriers;

9 (B) The number and types of clinical placement opportunities  
10 needed; and

11 (C) The number and types of clinical placement opportunities  
12 available; and

13 (iii) Develop strategies to resolve clinical placement barriers;

14 (d) Provide a digital message board and communication platform  
15 representatives can use to maintain ongoing communication and  
16 clinical placement needs and opportunities;

17 (e) Identify other policy options and recommendations to help  
18 increase the number of clinical placement opportunities, if possible;  
19 and

20 (f) Submit a report of findings, progress, and recommendations to  
21 the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature by  
22 December 1, 2025.

23 (127) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department of health to  
26 contract with an organization located in Thurston county that  
27 dedicates itself to the promotion of education, holistic health, and  
28 trauma healing in the African American community to provide  
29 behavioral health education, mental wellness training, evidence based  
30 health programs, events, and conferences to individuals, youth/  
31 adults, parents/parent partners, and families, that have suffered  
32 from generational and systemic racism. In conducting this work, the  
33 organization will engage diverse individuals in racial healing and  
34 reparative justice in the field of mental wellness. The organization  
35 will also prioritize mental health equity and reparative justice in  
36 their work to eradicate health disparities that African American  
37 communities have faced due to generational racism.

1 (128) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
3 House Bill No. 1745 (diversity in clinical trials).

4 (129) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2025 is provided solely for three full-time emergency medical  
6 technicians and other resources necessary for ((the)) Franklin county  
7 public ((health)) hospital district #1 to provide health services as  
8 part of medical transport operations services, including services to  
9 the Coyote Ridge corrections center.

10 (130) ((~~\$9,982,000~~)) \$1,338,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral  
11 health crisis response line account—state appropriation is provided  
12 solely for the 988 technology platform implementation project as  
13 described in RCW 71.24.890(5)(a). This amount is subject to the  
14 conditions, limitations, and review requirements provided in section  
15 701 of this act and any requirements as established in Senate Bill  
16 No. 6308 (extending timelines for implementation of the 988 system).  
17 The department must actively collaborate with consolidated technology  
18 services and the health care authority so that the statewide 988  
19 technology solutions will be coordinated and interoperable.

20 (131) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely as pass-through funding to an  
23 organization that specializes in culturally relevant sports programs  
24 for indigenous children and adolescents, with the goal of keeping at-  
25 risk youth out of the juvenile justice system.

26 (132)(a) \$450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract  
28 with an independent third-party consultant to review the department's  
29 commercial shellfish regulatory program, including licensing,  
30 testing, and certification practices and requirements. The consultant  
31 must assess how the department sets commercial shellfish fees under  
32 RCW 43.70.250.

33 (i) The consultant must seek input from the department, the  
34 commercial shellfish industry, and tribes and must consider:

35 (A) Data sources and methods used by the department in setting or  
36 proposing increases to commercial shellfish fees;

37 (B) All costs associated with administering the department's  
38 regulatory authority over the testing of shellfish, the certification

1 of operations and the issuance of licenses, and issuing export  
2 certificates for the commercial shellfish industry;

3 (C) Activities conducted by the department related to regulating  
4 the shellfish industry's regulatory activities that should be exempt  
5 from inclusion in the fee; and

6 (D) Relevant fees, methods, and considerations from other states  
7 that regulate the commercial shellfish industry under the Model  
8 Ordinance of the Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference for  
9 comparable services the department is providing the shellfish  
10 industry.

11 (ii) The consultant must also evaluate the viability of the  
12 industry to support full cost recovery as required under RCW  
13 43.70.250 and recommend strategies to address any shortfalls. The  
14 consultant shall submit a report to the governor and legislature by  
15 June 30, 2025.

16 (b) Using the amounts provided in this subsection, the department  
17 shall also contract with a LEAN management consultant to review the  
18 shellfish licensing and certification program to identify program  
19 improvements and consider methods to offer data transparency to the  
20 industry and measures to potentially reduce program administration  
21 costs. The LEAN assessment must be completed and provided to the  
22 department by June 30, 2025.

23 (c) The department shall not increase commercial shellfish fees  
24 under RCW 43.70.250 during fiscal year 2025.

25 (133)(a) (~~(\$15,953,000)~~) \$10,902,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to maintain  
27 public health information technology infrastructure in a cloud-based  
28 environment.

29 (b) The department shall develop an initial plan to identify  
30 efficiencies in the cloud-based environment and submit it to the  
31 office of financial management and the office of the chief  
32 information officer by October 1, 2024. The plan should include, at a  
33 minimum, strategies to identify efficiencies within the cloud-based  
34 environment; new funding strategies for cloud technology for the  
35 2025-2027 fiscal biennium budget; an update on the department's cloud  
36 road map that identifies key systems that will be modernized,  
37 consolidated, and migrated or implemented in the cloud; an overview  
38 of existing public health technology data systems in the cloud and  
39 data systems that are scheduled to transition to the cloud with an  
40 estimated implementation schedule, including a summary of data

1 retention policies; and strategies to minimize cost increases where  
2 possible through efficient implementation strategies.

3 (134) \$1,000,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
4 state appropriation is provided solely to implement actions provided  
5 in the nitrate water hazard mitigation plan to support safe drinking  
6 water in the lower Yakima valley. Implementation of this plan  
7 includes, but is not limited to, education and outreach, well  
8 testing, and provision of alternate water supplies. The department  
9 may contract with local governments, local health jurisdictions, and  
10 nonprofit organizations to administer the plan.

11 (135) \$120,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
13 House Bill No. 1924 (fusion technology policies). ~~((If the bill is  
14 not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
15 shall lapse.))~~ Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended  
16 or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. ~~((If Initiative Measure No.  
17 2117 is approved in the general election, the amount provided in this  
18 subsection shall lapse upon the effective date of the measure.))~~

19 (136) \$154,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2025 and \$150,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
21 appropriation are provided solely to support health equity zones, as  
22 defined in RCW 43.70.595, in identification and implementation of  
23 targeted interventions to have a significant impact on health  
24 outcomes and health disparities. Use of the climate commitment  
25 account—state appropriation must be for permitted uses defined in RCW  
26 70A.65.260. ~~((If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024  
27 general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from  
28 the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes of  
29 this subsection.))~~

30 (137) ~~(((\$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to support the  
32 community hospital utilization and financial data reporting program.  
33 The department shall provide sufficient staff resources to ensure  
34 data quality, accurate reporting, timely collection of data elements,  
35 and analysis of community hospital utilization and financial data.  
36 This amount must supplement and not supplant existing funding  
37 provided for this program.~~

38 ~~(138))~~ \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to conduct an

1 analysis of the certificate of need program established under chapter  
2 70.38 RCW and report its findings and recommendations for statutory  
3 updates to the governor and appropriate legislative committees by  
4 June 30, 2025. The department must, at a minimum, consider other  
5 state approaches to certificate of need, impacts on access to care,  
6 cost control of health services, and equity, and approaches to  
7 identifying health care service needs at the statewide and community  
8 levels.

9 ~~((139))~~ (138) \$40,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
10 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to promote  
11 evidence-based breastfeeding guidelines for individuals with a  
12 substance use disorder or who receive medication-assisted treatment  
13 for a substance use disorder, and to adapt the guidelines for tribal  
14 communities.

15 ~~((140))~~ (139) \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
16 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely as pass-through funding to a  
17 nonprofit organization located in the city of Seattle that  
18 specializes in resources and support for those impacted by cancer,  
19 including support groups, camps for kids impacted by cancer, and risk  
20 reduction education for teens.

21 ~~((141)—\$196,000))~~ (140) \$117,000 of the general fund—state  
22 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for community  
23 compensation stipends for low-income individuals who participate in  
24 priority engagements across the department.

25 ~~((142))~~ (141)(a) \$300,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the  
27 department to provide grants to support community-based health  
28 assessments for overburdened or highly impacted communities, and to  
29 develop a process for a grant program for federally recognized  
30 tribes.

31 (b) Of the amount provided in (a) of this subsection for fiscal  
32 year 2025:

33 (i) \$200,000 is provided solely for the department to leverage  
34 its existing health equity zone initiative to provide grants to  
35 overburdened or highly impacted communities to conduct community-  
36 based health assessments; and

37 (ii) \$100,000 is provided solely for the department to develop a  
38 process, in consultation with tribal governments, for a grant program

1 for federally recognized tribes to conduct community-based health  
2 assessments.

3 ~~((143))~~ (142) \$3,172,000 of the health professions account—  
4 state appropriation is provided solely for implementing improvements  
5 to licensure processes. Improvements may include, but are not limited  
6 to, updating internal policies and procedures, creating web-based  
7 tutorials for applicants, updating existing web content for  
8 applicants, and researching the feasibility of live chat technology  
9 for applicants.

10 ~~((144))~~ (143) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
11 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to pass-  
12 through to a nonprofit Washington-based organization with expertise  
13 in end-of-life care and in chapter 70.245 RCW (death with dignity  
14 act), to provide training, outreach, and education to medical  
15 professionals, hospice teams, and other Washingtonians, to support  
16 the provision of care under chapter 70.245 RCW.

17 ~~((145)—\$168,000))~~ (144) \$116,000 of the general fund—state  
18 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the  
19 department to coordinate work related to dementia, including but not  
20 limited to:

21 (a) Coordinating dementia-related activities with the department  
22 of social and health services, the health care authority, and other  
23 state agencies as needed;

24 (b) Implementing recommendations from the dementia action  
25 collaborative in the updated state Alzheimer's plan within the  
26 department; and

27 (c) Other dementia-related activities as determined by the  
28 secretary.

29 ~~((146))~~ (145) \$400,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
30 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
31 provide increased support for emergency medical services and fire  
32 departments in their opioid overdose prevention efforts, including  
33 naloxone leave-behind programs, overdose response communications, and  
34 staffing costs for community-based paramedics serving as navigators  
35 for education, resource, and follow-up supports.

36 ~~((147))~~ (146) \$56,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,107,000 of the general fund—state  
38 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for additional  
39 staffing and contracted services for the health disparities council.



1        ~~((148))~~ (147) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
2 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a community  
3 organization located in King county that specializes in building a  
4 health care workforce equipped to meet the needs of Black, people of  
5 color, indigenous, LGBTQIA+ and other marginalized communities and  
6 addressing identified gaps through recruitment and training  
7 initiatives and research. This funding will support the development  
8 and execution of recruitment strategies, human resources systems, and  
9 administrative systems that address health care workforce gaps of  
10 primary care and mental health providers.

11        ~~((149))~~ (148) \$83,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
12 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the development of an in-  
13 home services road map to help individuals assess their in-home  
14 services needs and locate providers to serve those needs in their  
15 communities. The department must work in consultation with  
16 appropriate stakeholders, including but not limited to the department  
17 of social and health services. The department must complete the  
18 document and make hard copies available for distribution no later  
19 than June 30, 2025.

20        ~~((150))~~ (149)(a) \$300,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the  
22 department to collaborate with the department of commerce to assess  
23 the need for and feasibility of a statewide low-income assistance  
24 program for water utility customers. The study must include, but is  
25 not limited to:

26        (i) A summary of existing local, state, and federal low-income  
27 assistance;

28        (ii) A review of low-income populations' water utility service  
29 cost burden; and

30        (iii) Recommendations for the design of a statewide drinking  
31 water and wastewater utility assistance program, which must include:

32        (A) Ongoing data collection on water-related assistance need of  
33 households;

34        (B) Intake coordination and data sharing across statewide  
35 programs serving low-income households;

36        (C) Program eligibility;

37        (D) Multilingual services;

38        (E) Outreach and community engagement;

39        (F) Program administration;

1 (G) Funding; and

2 (H) Reporting.

3 (b) Before commencing the study, the department of health and the  
4 department of commerce must convene a stakeholder group to advise the  
5 agencies throughout the study. The stakeholder group must include  
6 representatives from the governor's office, low-income advocates,  
7 wastewater system operators, drinking water system operators, and  
8 other interested parties.

9 (c) By June 30, 2025, the department must submit the study to the  
10 appropriate committees of the legislature.

11 (~~((151))~~) (150) \$2,000,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
12 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
13 administer grants to local health jurisdictions for opioid and  
14 fentanyl awareness, prevention, and education campaigns.

15 (~~((152))~~) (151) (a) \$750,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
16 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
17 contract with the Tacoma-Pierce county health department to develop a  
18 comprehensive model toolkit that includes prevention, education,  
19 awareness, and policy strategies to address local opioid and fentanyl  
20 crisis response needs.

21 (b) The elements of the toolkit must:

22 (i) Be based upon evidence-based research;

23 (ii) Include community or participatory approaches and policy,  
24 systems, and environment strategies; and

25 (iii) Be in alignment with the state opioid response plan.

26 (~~((153)—\$400,000)~~) (152) \$341,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the  
28 department to support local health jurisdictions, community-based  
29 organizations, and tribes in opioid-related harm reduction, care  
30 linkage, and prevention work.

31 (~~((154))~~) (153) (a) \$745,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
32 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the purchase of  
33 naloxone and fentanyl test strips, for distribution to high schools  
34 and public institutions of higher education.

35 (b) Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$345,000 of the  
36 opioid abatement settlement account—state appropriation is provided  
37 solely for the department for the purchase and distribution of  
38 naloxone administered by nasal inhalation for barrier-free and cost-  
39 free distribution to high school students. The department shall

1 utilize and expand, as necessary, its existing bulk purchasing and  
2 distribution arrangements with educational service districts, which  
3 shall distribute further to high schools.

4 (i) The department shall enter into agreements with educational  
5 service districts and school districts to prioritize distribution to  
6 high school juniors and seniors.

7 (ii) The naloxone must be made available to students via health  
8 offices or vending or other machines, to promote confidence that a  
9 student may bring naloxone home, to provide anonymity for access, and  
10 to prevent any tracking of which students obtain naloxone.

11 (iii) Information on how naloxone is administered and how to  
12 recognize an opioid overdose must be made available to all students.

13 (iv) The department may prioritize distribution to districts and  
14 schools with a higher prevalence of opioid use and overdoses, based  
15 on data, including the healthy youth survey.

16 (c) Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$400,000 of the  
17 opioid abatement settlement account—state appropriation is provided  
18 solely for the department for the purchase of naloxone administered  
19 by nasal inhalation and fentanyl test strips for barrier-free and  
20 cost-free distribution to students at public institutions of higher  
21 education, with the goal of distributing naloxone kits to five  
22 percent of enrolled students.

23 (~~((155))~~) (154) \$133,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
24 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
25 maintain a supply of naloxone in public libraries for emergency  
26 response. This funding may be used:

27 (a) To supply naloxone directly to libraries; or

28 (b) As pass-through grants to libraries, for:

29 (i) The development of partnerships with local public health  
30 agencies or other governmental entities;

31 (ii) Purchases, delivery, and replacements of naloxone supply;

32 (iii) Training employees; or

33 (iv) Other activities and items that would ensure the  
34 availability of naloxone in the library.

35 (~~((156)—\$154,000))~~ (155) \$86,000 of the general fund—state  
36 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for staffing to  
37 support a new office of tribal policy at the department.

38 (~~((157)—\$4,000,000))~~ (156) \$1,105,000 of the general fund—state  
39 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the

department for enhanced opioid and fentanyl data dashboards and data systems, to provide a centralized place for local data gathering efforts to be collected, analyzed, and used in larger collaborative efforts. The data dashboards and systems must support use by state, local, public, and private partners in making strategic decisions on program implementation, emergency response, and regional coordination. Examples of data that may be better collected and used include public naloxone access, naloxone use data, mapping for overdoses, and related public health trends. The data dashboards and systems may include a data collection, evaluation, and usage plan for the state opioid and overdose response plan.

~~((158) \$1,500,000))~~ (157) \$1,450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to stabilize and expand community-based harm reduction programs that provide evidence-based interventions, care navigation, and services, such as prevention of bloodborne infections, increasing naloxone access, and connecting people to resources and services.

~~((159))~~ (158)(a) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to review and update the rules for school environmental health and safety. The state board of health and the department shall conduct the review in collaboration with a multi-disciplinary technical advisory committee. The proposed new rules shall establish the minimum statewide health and safety standards for schools. The state board of health shall consider the size of school districts, regional cost differences, the age of the schools, the feasibility of implementing the proposed rules by section or subject area, and any other variables that may affect the implementation of the rules. In developing proposed rules, the state board of health shall:

(i) Convene and consult with an advisory committee consisting of, at minimum, representatives from:

(A) The office of the superintendent of public instruction;

(B) Small and large school districts;

(C) The Washington association of school administrators;

(D) The Washington state school directors' association;

(E) The Washington association of maintenance and operations administrators; and

(F) The Washington association of school business officials;

(ii) After the development of the draft rules, the state board of health shall meet at least one time with the advisory committee and

1 provide the opportunity for the advisory committee to comment on the  
2 draft rules;

3 (iii) Collaborate with the office of the superintendent of public  
4 instruction and develop a fiscal analysis regarding proposed rules  
5 that considers the size of school districts, regional cost  
6 differences, the age of the schools, range of costs for implementing  
7 the proposed rules by section or subject area, and any other  
8 variables that may affect costs as identified by the advisory  
9 committee; and

10 (iv) Assist the department in completing environmental justice  
11 assessments on any proposed rules.

12 (b) The office of the superintendent of public instruction, the  
13 department, the state board of health, the advisory committee, and  
14 local health jurisdictions shall work collaboratively to develop and  
15 provide a report to the office of the governor and appropriate  
16 committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025, detailing prioritized  
17 sections or subject areas of the proposed rules that will provide the  
18 greatest health and safety benefits for students, the order in which  
19 they should be implemented, and any additional recommendations for  
20 implementation.

21 ~~((160))~~ (159) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
22 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department as pass-  
23 through funding for an organization in Pierce county with expertise  
24 in dispute resolution to convene a work group on oral health equity.  
25 The work group:

26 (a) Must include representatives from community-based  
27 organizations, dental providers, medical providers, federally  
28 qualified health centers, tribal dental clinics, oral health  
29 foundations, and public health and water systems;

30 (b) Shall review the findings from the department's oral health  
31 equity assessment, identify the communities in Washington  
32 experiencing the greatest oral health disparities, identify  
33 communities that should be prioritized for outreach and community  
34 water fluoridation efforts, and develop recommendations for how to  
35 partner with communities to address oral health disparities and  
36 provide education about community water fluoridation and other oral  
37 health measures;

38 (c) May convene its meetings virtually or by telephone; and

39 (d) Shall report its findings and recommendations to the  
40 legislature by June 30, 2025.

1       ~~((161))~~ (160) \$426,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
2 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for two new area health  
3 education centers to recruit, train, and retain health care  
4 professionals in rural and underserved areas.

5       ~~((162))~~ (161) \$428,000 of the model toxics control operating  
6 account—state appropriation is provided solely for continued  
7 implementation of chapter 156, Laws of 2021 (ESHB 1184) (risk-based  
8 water standards), to create standards for developers seeking to reuse  
9 wastewater in buildings.

10       ~~((163))~~ (162) \$29,000 of the health professions account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
12 2416 (ARNP legal title). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30,~~  
13 ~~2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

14       ~~((164) \$719,000))~~ (163) \$384,000 of the general fund—state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the  
16 department to establish a statewide registry that stores and  
17 digitally reproduces portable orders for life sustaining treatment  
18 (POLST) forms. In establishing the registry, to the extent  
19 practicable, the department shall leverage and build upon any  
20 previous work at the department to establish a similar registry.

21       ~~((165) \$194,000))~~ (164) \$67,000 of the general fund—state  
22 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$94,000 of the health  
23 professions account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
24 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2247  
25 (behavioral health providers). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June~~  
26 ~~30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

27       ~~((166))~~ (165) \$49,000 of the health professions account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill  
29 No. 5184 (anesthesiologist assistants). ~~((If the bill is not enacted~~  
30 ~~by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

31       ~~((167))~~ (166) \$134,000 of the general fund—private/local  
32 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
33 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5853 (behav crisis services/  
34 minors). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount~~  
35 ~~provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

36       ~~((168))~~ (167) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second  
38 Substitute House Bill No. 2320 (high THC cannabis products). ~~((If the~~

1 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
2 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~

3 ~~(169))~~ (168) \$161,000 of the general fund—private/local  
4 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
5 House Bill No. 2295 (hospital at-home service). ~~((If the bill is not~~  
6 ~~enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
7 ~~shall lapse.~~

8 ~~(170))~~ (169) \$53,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
10 House Bill No. 2075 (Indian health care providers). ~~((If the bill is~~  
11 ~~not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
12 ~~shall lapse.~~

13 ~~(171))~~ (170) \$114,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
14 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of  
15 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5829 (congenital cytomegalovirus). The  
16 amount provided is for the department to develop, translate, and  
17 distribute educational materials regarding congenital  
18 cytomegalovirus. ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the~~  
19 ~~amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

20 ~~(172))~~ (171) \$95,000 of the health professions account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
22 House Bill No. 2355 (MRI technologists). ~~((If the bill is not enacted~~  
23 ~~by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

24 ~~(173))~~ (172) \$5,000 of the health professions account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
26 1917 (physician assistant compact). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by~~  
27 ~~June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

28 ~~(174))~~ (173) \$68,000 of the health professions account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
30 Substitute House Bill No. 2041 (physician assistant practice). ~~((If~~  
31 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
32 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~

33 ~~(175))~~ (174) \$22,000 of the health professions account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
35 1972 (physician health prg. fees). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by~~  
36 ~~June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

37 ~~(176))~~ (175) \$29,000 of the general fund—private/local  
38 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
39 Senate Bill No. 5920 (psychiatric/cert. of need). ~~((If the bill is~~

1 ~~not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
2 ~~shall lapse.~~

3 ~~(177))~~ (176) \$100,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account  
4 —state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
5 Substitute House Bill No. 2396 (synthetic opioids). ~~((If the bill is~~  
6 ~~not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
7 ~~shall lapse.~~

8 ~~(178))~~ (177) \$59,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
10 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5271 (DOH facilities/enforcement). ~~((If~~  
11 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
12 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~

13 ~~(179) —\$2,219,000))~~ (178) \$1,145,000 of the statewide 988  
14 behavioral health crisis response line account—state appropriation is  
15 provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute  
16 Senate Bill No. 6251 (behavioral crisis coord.). ~~((If the bill is not~~  
17 ~~enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
18 ~~shall lapse.~~

19 ~~(180))~~ (179) \$162,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
20 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of  
21 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6286 (nurse anesthetist  
22 workforce). The amount provided is for the department to provide  
23 grants to certified registered nurse anesthetists that precept nurse  
24 anesthesia residents. ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024,~~  
25 ~~the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

26 ~~(181))~~ (180) \$49,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
28 Senate Bill No. 5986 (out-of-network health costs). ~~((If the bill is~~  
29 ~~not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
30 ~~shall lapse.~~

31 ~~(182))~~ (181) \$175,000 of the health professions account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
33 Substitute Senate Bill No. 6228 (substance use treatment). ~~((If the~~  
34 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
35 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~

36 ~~(183))~~ (182) \$29,000 of the health professions account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
38 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5983 (syphilis treatment). ~~((If the bill~~



1 ~~is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
2 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~

3 ~~(184))~~ (183) \$2,623,000 of the opioid abatement settlement  
4 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
5 Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5906 (drug overdose prevention) or  
6 Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1956 (substance use  
7 prevention ed). The amount provided is for implementation of a drug  
8 overdose prevention campaign for youth and adults. ~~((If neither bill~~  
9 ~~is enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
10 ~~shall lapse.~~

11 ~~(185))~~ (184) \$384,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account  
12 —state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
13 Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6109 (children and  
14 families). Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$359,000 of the  
15 opioid abatement settlement account—state appropriation is for two  
16 full-time equivalent staff to provide health education to the Latinx  
17 community. ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount~~  
18 ~~provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

19 ~~(186) \$972,000))~~ (185) \$111,000 of the general fund—state  
20 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for  
21 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5937  
22 (crime victims/witnesses). The amount provided is for creation of the  
23 statewide forensic nurse coordination program. ~~((If the bill is not~~  
24 ~~enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
25 ~~shall lapse.~~

26 ~~(187))~~ (186) \$10,000 of the general fund—private/local  
27 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
28 Substitute Senate Bill No. 6127 (HIV prophylaxis). ~~((If the bill is~~  
29 ~~not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
30 ~~shall lapse.~~

31 ~~(188))~~ (187) \$29,000 of the health professions account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
33 Senate Bill No. 5940 (medical assistant-EMT cert.). ~~((If the bill is~~  
34 ~~not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
35 ~~shall lapse.~~

36 ~~(189))~~ (188) \$215,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Senate  
38 Bill No. 6234 (newborn screening for BCKDK). ~~((If the bill is not~~

1 ~~enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
2 ~~shall lapse.))~~

3 (189) \$2,051,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the healthcare enforcement  
5 and licensing management solution (HELMS) and is subject to the  
6 conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of  
7 this act.

8 (190) \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2025 is provided solely for the Washington medical coordination  
10 center operating costs.

11 (191) \$268,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2025 is provided solely for the safe medication return program  
13 operating costs.

14 **Sec. 1221.** 2024 c 376 s 223 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
15 follows:

16 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

17 (1)(a) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange,  
18 the department of social and health services, the department of  
19 health, the department of corrections, and the department of  
20 children, youth, and families shall work together within existing  
21 resources to establish the health and human services enterprise  
22 coalition (the coalition). The coalition, led by the health care  
23 authority, must be a multiorganization collaborative that provides  
24 strategic direction and federal funding guidance for projects that  
25 have cross-organizational or enterprise impact, including information  
26 technology projects that affect organizations within the coalition.  
27 The office of the chief information officer shall maintain a  
28 statewide perspective when collaborating with the coalition to ensure  
29 that the development of projects identified in this report are  
30 planned for in a manner that ensures the efficient use of state  
31 resources and maximizes federal financial participation. The work of  
32 the coalition and any project identified as a coalition project is  
33 subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in  
34 section 701 of this act.

35 (b) The appropriations to the department of corrections in this  
36 act shall be expended for the programs and in the amounts specified  
37 in this act. However, after May 1, ~~((2024))~~ 2025, after approval by  
38 the director of financial management and unless specifically

prohibited by this act, the department may transfer general fund—state appropriations for fiscal year ((2024)) 2025 between programs. The department may not transfer funds, and the director of financial management may not approve the transfer, unless the transfer is consistent with the objective of conserving, to the maximum extent possible, the expenditure of state funds. The director of financial management shall notify the appropriate fiscal committees of the legislature in writing seven days prior to approving any deviations from appropriation levels. The written notification must include a narrative explanation and justification of the changes, along with expenditures and allotments by budget unit and appropriation, both before and after any allotment modifications or transfers.

(c) Within existing resources, and based on the budget structure changes in policy transfers included in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium omnibus operating appropriations act, chapter . . ., Laws of 2025 (Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5167), the department of corrections must:

(i) Provide a narrative description of change to include how this change will affect the availability and understanding of budget and accounting information for policy makers and the public;

(ii) Provide a crosswalk that displays details within the affected programs in the existing structure compared to the proposed structure;

(iii) Provide a comparison of the current structure to the proposed structure that must compare the current total estimated biennial expenditures and FTEs for all programs, before and after the proposed changes; and

(iv) Complete and submit a 10-year restructure of historical data.

((~~1~~)) (2) ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES

|                                            |                                |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$100,954,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | (( <del>\$101,900,000</del> )) |
|                                            | <u>\$103,359,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | (( <del>\$400,000</del> ))     |
|                                            | <u>\$838,000</u>               |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$168,000                      |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | (( <del>\$203,422,000</del> )) |
|                                            | <u>\$205,319,000</u>           |

1       The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the  
2 following conditions and limitations:

3       (a) \$1,959,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and (~~(\$169,000)~~) \$1,001,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to acquire and  
6 implement a sentencing calculation module for the offender management  
7 network information system and is subject to the conditions,  
8 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act. This  
9 project must use one discrete organizational index across all  
10 department of corrections programs. Implementation of this sentencing  
11 calculation module must result in a reduction of tolling staff within  
12 six months of the project implementation date and the department must  
13 report this result. In addition, the report must include the budgeted  
14 and actual tolling staffing levels by fiscal month beginning with  
15 fiscal year 2023 and the count of tolling staff reduced by fiscal  
16 month from date of implementation through six months post  
17 implementation. The report must be submitted to the senate ways and  
18 means and house appropriations committees within 30 calendar days  
19 after six months post implementation.

20       (b) \$445,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and (~~(\$452,000)~~) \$292,000 of the general fund—state  
22 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
23 restrictive housing to reduce the use of solitary confinement by  
24 increasing correctional staffing, incorporating mental health  
25 training, and implementing change to restrictive housing  
26 environments.

27       (c) \$932,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and (~~(\$434,000)~~) \$934,000 of the general fund—state  
29 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the amend  
30 collaboration and training statewide program administration team.

31       (d) \$2,056,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 and \$2,297,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for reentry investments to  
34 include reentry and discharge services and staffing to support the  
35 iCOACH supervision model. The staffing and resources must provide  
36 expanded reentry and discharge services to include, but not limited  
37 to, transition services, preemployment testing, enhanced discharge  
38 planning, housing voucher assistance, cognitive behavioral

1 interventions, educational programming, health care discharge teams,  
2 and community partnership programs.

3 (e) \$127,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 is provided solely for chapter 160, Laws of 2022 (body  
5 scanners).

6 (f) \$127,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to operate body  
8 scanner programs to conduct security screenings for employees,  
9 contractors, visitors, volunteers, incarcerated individuals, and  
10 other persons entering the secure perimeters at the Washington  
11 corrections center for women and the Washington corrections center.

12 (g) \$2,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
14 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5891 (school bus trespass). ~~((If the bill  
15 is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
16 subsection shall lapse.))~~

17 (h) \$3,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
19 Bill No. 5917 (bias-motivated defacement). ~~((If the bill is not  
20 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
21 shall lapse.))~~

22 (i) \$15,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
24 Bill No. 6146 (tribal warrants). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June  
25 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

26 (j) \$23,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
28 House Bill No. 2084 (construction training/DOC) for data collection  
29 and tracking of employment outcomes. ~~((If the bill is not enacted by  
30 June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

31 (k) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2025 is provided solely for the amend (Washington way program)  
33 contract and the collaboration and training program.

34 (l) \$129,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2025 is provided solely for the staffing and operational costs  
36 to operate the sixth avenue reentry center in Tacoma as a state-run  
37 facility.

38 ~~((2))~~ (3) CORRECTIONAL OPERATIONS

39 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . ~~(( \$481,053,000 ))~~

|    |                                                      |                                  |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1  |                                                      | <u>\$480,993,000</u>             |
| 2  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . . | (( <del>\$766,351,000</del> ))   |
| 3  |                                                      | <u>\$565,101,000</u>             |
| 4  | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .          | \$4,326,000                      |
| 5  | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .    | \$334,000                        |
| 6  | Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal       |                                  |
| 7  | Appropriation. . . . .                               | (( <del>\$262,300,000</del> ))   |
| 8  |                                                      | <u>\$486,137,000</u>             |
| 9  | Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State            |                                  |
| 10 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$217,000                        |
| 11 | Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority Account—  |                                  |
| 12 | State Appropriation. . . . .                         | \$4,837,000                      |
| 13 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | (( <del>\$1,519,418,000</del> )) |
| 14 |                                                      | <u>\$1,541,945,000</u>           |

15       The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the  
16 following conditions and limitations:

17       (a) The department may contract for local jail beds statewide to  
18 the extent that it is at no net cost to the department. The  
19 department shall calculate and report the average cost per offender  
20 per day, inclusive of all services, on an annual basis for a facility  
21 that is representative of average medium or lower offender costs. The  
22 department shall not pay a rate greater than \$85 per day per offender  
23 excluding the costs of department of corrections provided services,  
24 including evidence-based substance abuse programming, dedicated  
25 department of corrections classification staff on-site for  
26 individualized case management, transportation of offenders to and  
27 from department of corrections facilities, and gender responsive  
28 training for jail staff. The capacity provided at local correctional  
29 facilities must be for offenders whom the department of corrections  
30 defines as close medium or lower security offenders. Programming  
31 provided for offenders held in local jurisdictions is included in the  
32 rate, and details regarding the type and amount of programming, and  
33 any conditions regarding transferring offenders must be negotiated  
34 with the department as part of any contract. Local jurisdictions must  
35 provide health care to offenders that meets standards set by the  
36 department. The local jail must provide all medical care including  
37 unexpected emergent care. The department must utilize a screening  
38 process to ensure that offenders with existing extraordinary medical/  
39 mental health needs are not transferred to local jail facilities. If

1 extraordinary medical conditions develop for an inmate while at a  
2 jail facility, the jail may transfer the offender back to the  
3 department, subject to terms of the negotiated agreement. Health care  
4 costs incurred prior to transfer are the responsibility of the jail.

5 (b) \$671,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 is provided solely for the department to maintain the  
7 facility, property, and assets at the institution formerly known as  
8 the maple lane school in Rochester.

9 (c) \$4,270,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and (~~(\$422,000)~~) \$1,883,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to acquire and  
12 implement a sentencing calculation module for the offender management  
13 network information system and is subject to the conditions,  
14 limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act. This  
15 project must use one discrete organizational index across all  
16 department of corrections programs. Implementation of this sentencing  
17 calculation module must result in a reduction of tolling staff within  
18 six months of the project implementation date and the department must  
19 report this result. In addition, the report must include the budgeted  
20 and actual tolling staffing levels by fiscal month beginning with  
21 fiscal year 2023 and the count of tolling staff reduced by fiscal  
22 month from date of implementation through six months post  
23 implementation. The report must be submitted to the senate ways and  
24 means and house appropriations committees within 30 calendar days  
25 after six months post implementation.

26 (d) Within the appropriated amounts in this subsection, the  
27 department of corrections must provide a minimum of one dedicated  
28 prison rape elimination act compliance specialist at each  
29 institution.

30 (e) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024 and \$320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for continuing two contracted  
33 parent navigator positions. One parent navigator must be located at  
34 the Washington correction center for women and one parent navigator  
35 position must be located at the Airway Heights corrections center or  
36 another state correctional facility that houses incarcerated male  
37 individuals and is selected by the department of corrections as a  
38 more suitable fit for a parent navigator. The parent navigators must  
39 have lived experience in navigating the child welfare system. The

parent navigators must provide guidance and support to incarcerated individuals towards family reunification including, but not limited to, how to access services, navigating the court system, assisting with guardianship arrangements, and facilitating visitation with their children. The goal of the parent navigator program is to assist incarcerated parents involved in dependency or child welfare cases to maintain connections with their children and to assist these individuals in successfully transitioning and reuniting with their families upon release from incarceration. As part of the parent navigation program, the department of corrections must also review and provide a report to the legislature on the effectiveness of the program that includes the number of incarcerated individuals that received assistance from the parent navigators and the type of assistance the incarcerated individuals received, and that tracks the outcome of the parenting navigator program. A final report must be submitted to the legislature by September 1, 2024. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$20,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department's review and report on the effectiveness of the parent navigator program.

(f) \$4,504,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$5,417,000)~~) \$5,577,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for restrictive housing to reduce the use of solitary confinement by increasing correctional staffing, incorporating mental health training, and implementing change to restrictive housing environments.

(g) \$579,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,058,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the amend collaboration and training program.

(h) \$1,294,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,294,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for reentry investments to include reentry and discharge services and staffing to support the iCOACH supervision model. The staffing and resources must provide expanded reentry and discharge services to include, but not limited to, transition services, preemployment testing, enhanced discharge planning, housing voucher assistance, cognitive behavioral



1 interventions, educational programming, health care discharge teams,  
2 and community partnership programs.

3 (i) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No.  
5 5131 (commissary funds).

6 (j) \$1,839,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$1,839,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
9 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5134 (reentry services & supports) to  
10 increase gate money from \$40 to \$300 at release.

11 (k) \$2,871,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 is provided solely for chapter 160, Laws of 2022 (body  
13 scanners).

14 (l) \$586,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$576,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a planning and development  
17 manager and an executive secretary in the women's prison division.

18 (m) \$1,817,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$3,627,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide  
21 specialized gender-affirming services, including medical and mental  
22 health services, to transgender incarcerated individuals in a manner  
23 that is consistent with the October 2023 settlement agreement in  
24 *Disability Rights Washington v. Washington Department of Corrections*,  
25 United States district court for the western district of Washington.

26 (n) \$3,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$3,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department of  
29 corrections to provide wages and gratuities of no less than \$1.00 per  
30 hour to incarcerated persons working in class III correctional  
31 industries.

32 (o) \$2,039,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$1,423,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to maintain  
35 the facility, property, and assets at the Larch corrections center in  
36 Yacolt.

37 (p) \$6,050,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 is provided solely for operational costs incurred by the  
39 department in closing the Larch corrections center in Yacolt.

1 (q) \$1,684,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$5,051,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to reopen and  
4 operate living unit G at the Washington state penitentiary in Walla  
5 Walla.

6 (r) \$1,377,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$3,304,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to reopen and  
9 operate living units G and H at the Clallam Bay corrections center in  
10 Clallam Bay.

11 (s) \$1,209,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 and \$2,074,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to reopen and  
14 operate living unit F at the coyote ridge corrections center in  
15 Connell.

16 (t) \$858,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 and ~~(((\$192,000))~~ \$142,000 of the general fund—state  
18 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a mobile  
19 dental unit vehicle and staffing that will provide dental services to  
20 each of the stand-alone minimum camps for the department.

21 (u) \$1,839,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$1,839,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided for direct variable costs for  
24 incarcerated individuals.

25 ~~((+w))~~ (v) \$2,871,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
26 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to operate  
27 body scanner programs to conduct security screenings for employees,  
28 contractors, visitors, volunteers, incarcerated individuals, and  
29 other persons entering the secure perimeters at the Washington  
30 corrections center for women and the Washington corrections center.

31 ~~((+x))~~ (w) \$117,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
33 Second Substitute House Bill No. 2099 (state custody/ID cards) for  
34 identification cards. ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024,~~  
35 ~~the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

36 ~~(+y))~~ (x) \$155,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
38 House Bill No. 2048 (domestic violence/sentencing). ~~((If the bill is~~

not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

~~(3))~~ (4) COMMUNITY SUPERVISION

|                                                       |                                |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)            | \$252,551,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)            | <del>(( \$259,315,000 ))</del> |
|                                                       | <u>\$215,202,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                    | \$4,142,000                    |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation              | \$10,000                       |
| <u>Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal</u> |                                |
| <u>Appropriation</u>                                  | <u>\$45,251,000</u>            |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                   | <del>(( \$516,018,000 ))</del> |
|                                                       | <u>\$517,156,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The department of corrections shall contract with local and tribal governments for jail capacity to house offenders who violate the terms of their community supervision. A contract rate increase may not exceed five percent each year. The department may negotiate to include medical care of offenders in the contract rate if medical payments conform to the department's offender health plan and pharmacy formulary, and all off-site medical expenses are preapproved by department utilization management staff. If medical care of offender is included in the contract rate, the contract rate may exceed five percent to include the cost of that service. Beginning July 1, 2024, the department shall pay the bed rate for the day of release.

(b) The department shall engage in ongoing mitigation strategies to reduce the costs associated with community supervision violators, including improvements in data collection and reporting and alternatives to short-term confinement for low-level violators.

(c) \$2,880,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ~~(( \$253,000 ))~~ \$1,249,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to acquire and implement a sentencing calculation module for the offender management network information system and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701 of this act. This project must use one discrete organizational index across all department of corrections programs. Implementation of this sentencing calculation module must result in a reduction of tolling staff within

1 six months of the project implementation date and the department must  
2 report this result. In addition, the report must include the budgeted  
3 and actual tolling staffing levels by fiscal month beginning with  
4 fiscal year 2023 and the count of tolling staff reduced by fiscal  
5 month from date of implementation through six months post  
6 implementation. The report must be submitted to the senate ways and  
7 means and house appropriations committees within 30 calendar days  
8 after six months post implementation.

9 (d) \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2025 is provided solely for the amend collaboration and training  
11 program.

12 (e) \$1,409,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$1,386,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for staffing and operational  
15 costs to operate the Bellingham reentry center as a state-run  
16 facility.

17 (f) \$615,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$1,320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for staffing and operational  
20 costs to operate the Helen B. Ratcliff reentry center as a state-run  
21 facility.

22 (g) \$18,813,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2024 and \$19,027,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for reentry  
25 investments to include reentry and discharge services and staffing to  
26 support the iCOACH supervision model. The staffing and resources must  
27 provide expanded reentry and discharge services to include, but not  
28 limited to, transition services, preemployment testing, enhanced  
29 discharge planning, housing voucher assistance, cognitive behavioral  
30 interventions, educational programming, health care discharge teams,  
31 and community partnership programs.

32 (h) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a jail medical bed rate  
35 adjustment.

36 (i) \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
38 Bill No. 6146 (tribal warrants) for data tracking, documentation, and  
39 reporting on outcomes of warrants and detainers. (~~If the bill is not~~

enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))

(j) \$270,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to contract with a third-party expert to examine jail rates needed by local governments to recover the cost of housing individuals under the jurisdiction of the Washington state department of corrections who have violated the conditions of their court community supervision order. The analysis must examine the availability of specialized jail beds for medical and behavioral health care that include services such as acute mental health care, detoxification, medications for opioid use disorder, and other substance use disorder treatment. The study must also include an analysis of costs to expand access to specialized jail beds statewide while maximizing medicaid coverage under Washington's section 1115 medicaid transformation waiver. The analysis must include a recommended methodology, to include detailed fiscal backup materials in Excel, to update daily jail bed rates going forward. A report is due to the governor and appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by October 1, 2024.

(k) \$331,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the staffing and operational costs to operate the sixth avenue reentry center in Tacoma as a state-run facility.

((4)) (5) CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES

|                                            |                               |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$9,348,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | (( <del>\$9,100,000</del> ))  |
|                                            | <u>\$11,680,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$600,000                     |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$2,634,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | (( <del>\$21,682,000</del> )) |
|                                            | <u>\$24,262,000</u>           |

((5)) (6) INTERAGENCY PAYMENTS

|                                            |                                |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$67,877,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | (( <del>\$79,185,000</del> ))  |
|                                            | <u>\$79,199,000</u>            |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State  |                                |
| Appropriation                              | \$25,000                       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | (( <del>\$147,087,000</del> )) |
|                                            | <u>\$147,101,000</u>           |

1 The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the  
2 following conditions and limitations:

3 (a) \$19,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$19,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
6 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5502 (sub. use disorder treatment).

7 (b) \$36,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024 is provided solely for chapter 160, Laws of 2022 (body  
9 scanners).

10 (c) \$3,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
12 Bill No. 6146 (tribal warrants). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June~~  
13 ~~30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

14 (d) \$36,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to operate body  
16 scanner programs to conduct security screenings for employees,  
17 contractors, visitors, volunteers, incarcerated individuals, and  
18 other persons entering the secure perimeters at the Washington  
19 corrections center for women and the Washington corrections center.

20 (e) \$24,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2025 is provided solely for the staffing and operational costs  
22 to operate the sixth avenue reentry center in Tacoma as a state-run  
23 facility.

24 ~~((+6+))~~ (7) OFFENDER CHANGE

25 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . \$85,926,000

26 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . ~~(( \$90,206,000 ))~~

27 \$85,580,000

28 General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . . \$1,436,000

29 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal

30 Appropriation. . . . . \$4,212,000

31 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ~~(( \$177,568,000 ))~~

32 \$177,154,000

33 The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the  
34 following conditions and limitations:

35 (a) The department of corrections shall use funds appropriated in  
36 this subsection ~~((+6+))~~ (7) for programming for incarcerated  
37 individuals. The department shall develop and implement a written  
38 comprehensive plan for programming for incarcerated individuals that

1 prioritizes programs which follow the risk-needs-responsivity model,  
2 are evidence-based, and have measurable outcomes. The department is  
3 authorized to discontinue ineffective programs and to repurpose  
4 underspent funds according to the priorities in the written plan.

5 (b) The department of corrections shall collaborate with the  
6 state health care authority to explore ways to utilize federal  
7 medicaid funds as a match to fund residential substance use disorder  
8 treatment-based alternative beds under RCW 9.94A.664 under the drug  
9 offender sentencing alternative program and residential substance use  
10 disorder treatment beds that serve individuals on community custody.

11 (c) Within existing resources, the department of corrections may  
12 provide reentry support items such as disposable cell phones, prepaid  
13 phone cards, hygiene kits, housing vouchers, and release medications  
14 associated with individuals resentenced or ordered released from  
15 confinement as a result of policies or court decisions including, but  
16 not limited to, the *State v. Blake* decision.

17 (d) \$11,454,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2024 and \$11,728,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for expanded  
20 reentry investments to include, but not be limited to, transition  
21 services, preemployment testing, enhanced discharge planning, housing  
22 voucher assistance, cognitive behavioral interventions, educational  
23 programming, health care discharge teams, and community partnership  
24 programs.

25 (e) \$1,177,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$1,154,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
28 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5502 (sub. use disorder treatment) for  
29 dedicated staffing for substance use disorder assessments and for  
30 coordinated treatment care in the community at release.

31 (f) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 is provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit organization  
33 to assist fathers transitioning from incarceration to community and  
34 family reunification. The grant recipient must have experience  
35 contracting with the department of corrections to support  
36 incarcerated individual betterment projects and contracting with the  
37 department of social and health services to provide access and  
38 visitation services.

1 (g) \$424,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 is provided solely for chapter 160, Laws of 2022 (body  
3 scanners).

4 (h) \$424,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to operate body  
6 scanner programs to conduct security screenings for employees,  
7 contractors, visitors, volunteers, incarcerated individuals, and  
8 other persons entering the secure perimeters at the Washington  
9 corrections center for women and the Washington corrections center.

10 (i) \$122,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2025 is provided solely for work on reentry 2030, continued  
12 internal and cross agency reentry collaboration, and work on the  
13 state's medicaid 1115 transformation waiver impacts to the  
14 department. By October 1, 2024, the department must report to fiscal  
15 committees of the legislature:

16 (i) The total spend in fiscal years 2022 and 2023 for authorized  
17 prerelease services under the medicaid 1115 transformation waiver,  
18 including but not limited to medications, laboratory services, and  
19 radiology; and

20 (ii) How much of each qualifying service listed in (i)(i) of this  
21 subsection would be required for reinvestment and how much would be  
22 allowable to offset existing expenditures based on federal medicaid  
23 rules for state fiscal years 2022 and 2023 if the waiver had been in  
24 place during those fiscal years.

25 (j) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2025 is provided solely for the department of corrections to  
27 contract with the T.E.A.C.H. (taking education and creating history)  
28 program to provide liberatory education, foster positive self-  
29 reflection, and offer educational courses that encourage critical  
30 thinking, self-awareness, and personal growth to incarcerated  
31 individuals in correctional facilities.

32 (k) \$152,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second  
34 Substitute House Bill No. 2099 (state custody/ID cards). (~~(If the~~  
35 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
36 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~)

37 (l) \$134,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
39 House Bill No. 2084 (construction training/DOC). (~~(If the bill is not~~



enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

~~(7))~~ (8) HEALTH CARE SERVICES

|                                                       |                                |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)            | \$251,239,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)            | <del>(( \$262,391,000 ))</del> |
|                                                       | <u>\$205,463,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                    | \$6,720,000                    |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation              | \$2,000                        |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State             |                                |
| Appropriation                                         | \$4,458,000                    |
| <u>Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal</u> |                                |
| <u>Appropriation</u>                                  | <u>\$55,700,000</u>            |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                   | <del>(( \$524,810,000 ))</del> |
|                                                       | <u>\$523,582,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The state prison medical facilities may use funds appropriated in this subsection to purchase goods, supplies, and services through hospital or other group purchasing organizations when it is cost effective to do so.

(b) \$842,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,256,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for restrictive housing to reduce the use of solitary confinement by increasing correctional staffing, incorporating mental health training, and implementing change to restrictive housing environments.

(c) \$73,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$387,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the amend collaboration and training program.

(d) \$1,236,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$3,089,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for reentry investments to include reentry and discharge services and staffing to support the iCOACH supervision model. The staffing and resources must provide expanded reentry and discharge services to include, but not limited to, transition services, enhanced health care discharge planning,

1 case management, health care discharge teams, and evaluation of  
2 physical health and behavioral health.

3 (e) \$13,605,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and \$13,605,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for medical  
6 staffing in prisons for patient centered care and behavioral health  
7 care. Funding must be used to increase access to care, addiction  
8 care, and expanded screening of individuals in prison facilities to  
9 include chronic illnesses, infectious disease, diabetes, heart  
10 disease, serious mental health, and behavioral health services.

11 (f) \$1,612,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 is provided solely for chapter 160, Laws of 2022 (body  
13 scanners).

14 (g) \$1,115,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$1,115,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for an electronic health records  
17 system solution and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
18 review requirements of section 701 of this act and must be in  
19 compliance with the statewide electronic health records plan that  
20 must be approved by the office of financial management and the  
21 technology services board.

22 (h) \$405,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$399,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Senate  
25 Bill No. 5768 (DOC/abortion medications).

26 (i) \$627,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$1,715,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide  
29 specialized gender-affirming services, including medical and mental  
30 health services, to transgender incarcerated individuals in a manner  
31 that is consistent with the October 2023 settlement agreement in  
32 *Disability Rights Washington v. Washington Department of Corrections*,  
33 United States district court for the western district of Washington.

34 (j) To promote the safety, health, and well-being of health care  
35 workers and to support patient quality of care, the department will  
36 continue to engage in reasonable efforts to reduce the use of  
37 overtime for licensed practical nurses, registered nurses, and  
38 certified nursing assistants.

1 (k) \$4,458,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for opioid treatment. (~~Out of the~~  
3 ~~amount provided in this subsection (k):~~

4 ~~(i) \$2,700,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state~~  
5 ~~appropriation is provided solely for approved long-term injectable~~  
6 ~~medication for the treatment of opioid use disorder of incarcerated~~  
7 ~~individuals; and~~

8 ~~(ii))~~ Funding is provided to ensure each and every single  
9 individual transferring into the department of corrections' custody  
10 on full confinement is provided medications for opioid use disorder  
11 if they were on medications for opioid use disorder in jail or out of  
12 custody prior to their transfer to the department of corrections.

13 (l) \$1,612,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to operate body  
15 scanner programs to conduct security screenings for employees,  
16 contractors, visitors, volunteers, incarcerated individuals, and  
17 other persons entering the secure perimeters at the Washington  
18 corrections center for women and the Washington corrections center.

19 (m) \$118,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$354,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for medical staff for the  
22 department to reopen and operate living unit G at the Washington  
23 state penitentiary in Walla Walla.

24 (n) \$68,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024 and \$164,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for medical staff for the  
27 department to reopen and operate living units G and H at the Clallam  
28 Bay corrections center in Clallam Bay.

29 (o) \$207,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$354,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for medical staff for the  
32 department to reopen and operate living unit F at the coyote ridge  
33 corrections center in Connell.

34 (p) (~~(\$312,000)~~) \$362,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
35 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for medical staffing of the  
36 mobile dental clinic that will provide dental services to each of the  
37 stand-alone minimum camps for the department.

**Sec. 1222.** 2024 c 376 s 224 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SERVICES FOR THE BLIND**

|                                            |                               |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$7,065,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(( \$9,370,000 ))</del>  |
|                                            | <u>\$8,581,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$32,824,000                  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$67,000                      |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(( \$49,326,000 ))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$48,537,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$201,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$201,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the continuation of statewide services for blind or low vision youth under the age of 14.

(2) \$184,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$367,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the independent living program.

(3) \$1,820,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the renovation of the food service café located in the natural resources building.

**\*Sec. 1223.** 2024 c 376 s 225 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT**

|                                                         |                                |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)              | \$29,354,000                   |
| <del>((General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)</del> | <del>\$28,800,000))</del>      |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                      | <del>(( \$177,579,000 ))</del> |
|                                                         | <u>\$186,961,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                | \$38,529,000                   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation          | \$404,000                      |
| Unemployment Compensation Administration Account—       |                                |
| Federal Appropriation                                   | <del>(( \$309,454,000 ))</del> |
|                                                         | <u>\$317,019,000</u>           |
| Administrative Contingency Account—State                |                                |
| Appropriation                                           | <del>(( \$42,652,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                         | <u>\$69,853,000</u>            |

|    |                                                     |                                    |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1  | Employment Service Administrative Account—State     |                                    |
| 2  | Appropriation. . . . .                              | (( <del>\$97,414,000</del> ))      |
| 3  |                                                     | <u>\$104,921,000</u>               |
| 4  | Family and Medical Leave Insurance Account—State    |                                    |
| 5  | Appropriation. . . . .                              | (( <del>\$160,205,000</del> ))     |
| 6  |                                                     | <u>\$157,327,000</u>               |
| 7  | <b>Workforce Education Investment Account—State</b> |                                    |
| 8  | <b>Appropriation. . . . .</b>                       | <b>((<del>\$15,557,000</del>))</b> |
| 9  |                                                     | <b><u>\$7,278,000</u></b>          |
| 10 | Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Account—State |                                    |
| 11 | Appropriation. . . . .                              | (( <del>\$45,441,000</del> ))      |
| 12 |                                                     | <u>\$35,856,000</u>                |
| 13 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | (( <del>\$945,389,000</del> ))     |
| 14 |                                                     | <u>\$947,502,000</u>               |

15       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
16 conditions and limitations:

17       (1) The department is directed to maximize the use of federal  
18 funds. The department must update its budget annually to align  
19 expenditures with anticipated changes in projected revenues.

20       (2) ((~~\$15,399,000~~)) \$9,002,000 of the long-term services and  
21 supports trust account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
22 implementation of the long-term services and support trust program  
23 information technology project and is subject to the conditions,  
24 limitations, and review provided in section 701 of this act.

25       (3) Within existing resources, the department must reassess its  
26 ongoing staffing and funding needs for the paid family medical leave  
27 program and submit documentation of the updated need to the governor  
28 and appropriate committees of the legislature by September 1, 2023,  
29 and annually thereafter.

30       (4) Within existing resources, the department shall coordinate  
31 outreach and education to paid family and medical leave benefit  
32 recipients with a statewide family resource, referral, and linkage  
33 system that connects families with children prenatal through age five  
34 and residing in Washington state to appropriate services and  
35 community resources. This coordination shall include but is not  
36 limited to placing information about the statewide family resource,  
37 referral, and linkage system on the paid family and medical leave  
38 program web site and in printed materials, and conducting joint  
39 events.

(5) Within existing resources, the department shall report the following to the legislature and the governor by October 15, 2023, and each year thereafter:

(a) An inventory of the department's programs, services, and activities, identifying federal, state, and other funding sources for each;

(b) Federal grants received by the department, segregated by line of business or activity, for the most recent five fiscal years, and the applicable rules;

(c) State funding available to the department, segregated by line of business or activity, for the most recent five fiscal years;

(d) A history of staffing levels by line of business or activity, identifying sources of state or federal funding, for the most recent five fiscal years;

(e) A projected spending plan for the employment services administrative account and the administrative contingency account. The spending plan must include forecasted revenues and estimated expenditures under various economic scenarios.

***(6) (a) (~~(\$15,510,000)~~) \$7,231,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation (~~(is)~~) and \$8,279,000 of the administrative contingency account—state appropriation are provided solely for career connected learning grants as provided in RCW 28C.30.050, including sector intermediary grants and administrative expenses associated with grant administration.***

***(b) Within the amount provided in (a) of this subsection:***

***(i) Up to \$921,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation may be used for the department to contract with the student achievement council to lead the career connected learning cross-agency work group and provide staffing support as required in RCW 28C.30.040.***

***(ii) Up to \$2,192,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation may be used for technical assistance and implementation support grants associated with the career connected learning grant program as provided in RCW 28C.30.050.***

***(7) (~~(\$2,000,000)~~) \$5,774,000 of the unemployment compensation administration account—federal appropriation is provided solely for the department to continue implementing the federal United States department of labor equity grant. This grant includes improving the translation of notices sent to claimants as part of their***

1 unemployment insurance claims into any of the 10 languages most  
2 frequently spoken in the state and other language, demographic, and  
3 geographic equity initiatives approved by the grantor. The department  
4 must also ensure that letters, alerts, and notices produced manually  
5 or by the department's unemployment insurance technology system are  
6 written in plainly understood language and evaluated for ease of  
7 claimant comprehension before they are approved for use.

8 (8) \$3,136,000 of the unemployment compensation administration  
9 account—federal appropriation is provided solely for a continuous  
10 improvement team to make customer, employer, and equity enhancements  
11 to the unemployment insurance program. If the department does not  
12 receive adequate funding from the United States department of labor  
13 to cover these costs, the department may use funding made available  
14 to the state through section 903 (d), (f), and (g) of the social  
15 security act (Reed act) in an amount not to exceed the amount  
16 provided in this subsection.

17 (9) \$404,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for participation on the clean  
19 energy technology work force advisory committee and collaboration on  
20 the associated report established in Second Substitute House Bill No.  
21 1176 (climate-ready communities).

22 (10) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
23 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
24 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
25 302(13) of this act.

26 (11) \$18,948,000 of the employment service administrative account  
27 —state appropriation is provided solely for the replacement of the  
28 WorkSource integrated technology platform. The replacement system  
29 must support the workforce administration statewide to ensure  
30 adoption of the United States department of labor's integrated  
31 service delivery model and program performance requirements for the  
32 state's workforce innovation and opportunity act and other federal  
33 grants. This subsection is subject to the conditions, limitations,  
34 and review provided in section 701 of this act.

35 (12) \$6,208,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2024 and \$6,208,000 of the ~~((general fund—state~~  
37 ~~appropriation for fiscal year 2025))~~ employment service  
38 administrative account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
39 the continuation of the economic security for all program. The

1 department must collect quarterly data on the number of participants  
2 that participate in the program, the costs associated with career,  
3 training, and other support services provided by category, including  
4 but not limited to, child care, housing, transportation, and car  
5 repair, and progress made towards self-sufficiency. The department  
6 must provide a report to the governor and the legislature on December  
7 1 and June 1 of each year that includes an analysis of the program, a  
8 detailed summary of the quarterly data collected, and associated  
9 recommendations for program delivery.

10 (13)(a) \$5,292,000 of the employment service administrative  
11 account—state appropriation is provided to expand the economic  
12 security for all program to residents of Washington state that are  
13 over 200 percent of the federal poverty level but who demonstrate  
14 financial need for support services or assistance with training costs  
15 to either maintain or secure employment. Unspent funds from this  
16 subsection may be used for economic security for all participants who  
17 are under 200 percent of the federal poverty level as defined in  
18 subsection (12) of this section.

19 (b) The department must collect quarterly data on the number of  
20 participants that participate in the program, the costs associated  
21 with career, training, and other support services provided by  
22 category, including but not limited to, child care, housing,  
23 transportation, and car repair, and progress made towards self-  
24 sufficiency. The department must provide a report to the governor and  
25 the legislature on December 1 and June 1 of each year that includes  
26 an analysis of the program, a detailed summary of the quarterly data  
27 collected, and associated recommendations for program delivery.

28 (c) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, the department may  
29 use \$146,000 each year to cover program administrative expenses.

30 (14) \$1,655,000 of the administrative contingency account—state  
31 appropriation is provided to increase the department's information  
32 security team to proactively address critical security  
33 vulnerabilities, audit findings, and process gaps.

34 (15) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$300,000 of the ((~~general fund state appropriation for~~  
36 ~~fiscal year 2025~~)) administrative contingency account—state  
37 appropriation are provided solely for two project managers to assist  
38 with the coordination of state audits.



1 (16) \$1,448,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,448,000 of the (~~general fund—state~~  
3 ~~appropriation for fiscal year 2025~~) administrative contingency  
4 account—state appropriation are provided solely for business  
5 navigators at the local workforce development boards to increase  
6 employer engagement in an effort to support industry recovery and  
7 growth. Of the amounts in this subsection, the department may use  
8 \$148,000 per year to cover associated administrative expenses.

9 (17) (~~(\$11,895,000)~~) \$13,537,000 of the general fund—federal  
10 appropriation is provided solely for the implementation of the  
11 quality jobs, equity strategy, and training (QUEST) grant to enhance  
12 the workforce system's ongoing efforts to support employment equity  
13 and employment recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. The funds are for  
14 partnership development, community outreach, business engagement, and  
15 comprehensive career and training services.

16 (18) \$3,264,000 of the employment services administration account  
17 —state appropriation is provided solely for the continuation of the  
18 office of agricultural and seasonal workforce services.

19 (19) \$3,539,000 of the long-term services and supports trust  
20 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the programs in  
21 the department's leave and care division to increase outreach to  
22 underserved communities, perform program evaluation and data  
23 management, perform necessary fiscal functions, and make customer  
24 experience enhancements.

25 (20) \$140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$140,000 of the (~~general fund—state appropriation for~~  
27 ~~fiscal year 2025~~) administrative contingency account—state  
28 appropriation are provided solely for one full-time employee to  
29 provide casework on behalf of constituents who contact their  
30 legislators to escalate unresolved claims.

31 (21)(a) \$250,000 of the family and medical leave insurance  
32 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
33 contract with the University of Washington Evans school of public  
34 policy and governance to conduct a study on the impacts of the state  
35 family and medical leave program's job protection standards on  
36 equitable utilization of paid leave benefits under the program.

37 (b) The study shall consider the following:

1 (i) The rates at which paid leave benefits under chapter 50A.15  
2 RCW are used by persons who qualify for job protection under RCW  
3 50A.35.010 or the federal family and medical leave act;

4 (ii) Worker perspectives on the effects of job protection under  
5 RCW 50A.35.010 and the federal family and medical leave act on the  
6 use of paid leave benefits under chapter 50A.15 RCW; and

7 (iii) Employment outcomes and other impacts for persons using  
8 paid leave benefits under chapter 50A.15 RCW.

9 (c)(i) In conducting the study, the university must collect  
10 original data directly from workers about paid leave and job  
11 protection, including demographic information such as race, gender,  
12 income, geography, primary language, and industry or job sector.

13 (ii) In developing the study, the university must consult with  
14 the advisory committee under RCW 50A.05.030, including three  
15 briefings: An overview on the initial research design with an  
16 opportunity to provide feedback; a midpoint update; and final  
17 results. The university must consult with the committee regarding  
18 appropriate methods for collecting and assessing relevant data in  
19 order to protect the reliability of the study.

20 (d) A preliminary report, including the initial research design  
21 and available preliminary results must be submitted by December 1,  
22 2023, and a final report by December 1, 2024, to the governor and the  
23 appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature, in  
24 accordance with RCW 43.01.036.

25 (22) \$4,433,000 of the family and medical leave insurance account  
26 —state appropriation and \$351,000 of the unemployment compensation  
27 administration account—federal appropriation are provided solely for  
28 implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1570 (TNC insurance  
29 programs).

30 (23) \$50,000 of the unemployment compensation administration  
31 account—federal appropriation is provided solely for implementation  
32 of Substitute House Bill No. 1458 (apprenticeship programs/UI).

33 (24)(a) \$10,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$11,227,000 of the general fund—state~~  
35 ~~appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$9,963,000))~~ \$21,190,000 of the  
36 administrative contingency account—state appropriation, and  
37 \$4,271,000 of the employment service administrative account—state  
38 appropriation are provided solely to address a projected shortfall of

1 federal revenue that supports the administration of the unemployment  
2 insurance program.

3 (b) The department must submit an initial report no later than  
4 November 1, 2023, and a subsequent report no later than November 1,  
5 2024, to the governor and the appropriate committees of the  
6 legislature outlining how the funding in (a) of this subsection is  
7 being utilized and recommendations for long-term solutions to address  
8 future decreases in federal funding.

9 (25) \$7,644,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2024 and \$4,332,000 of the ~~((general fund—state~~  
11 ~~appropriation for fiscal year 2025))~~ administrative contingency  
12 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the department to  
13 create a dedicated team of staff to process the unemployment  
14 insurance overpayment caseload backlog.

15 ***(26) \$3,389,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for***  
16 ***fiscal year 2024 and ~~(((\$4,540,000)) \$870,000 of the ((general fund—~~***  
17 ***~~state appropriation for fiscal year 2025))~~ administrative contingency***  
18 ***account—state appropriation are provided solely to increase the***  
19 ***stipend for Washington service corps members to \$26,758 per year and***  
20 ***for one staff member to assist with program outreach. The stipend***  
21 ***increase is for members that enter into a service year with income***  
22 ***below 200 percent of the federal poverty level.***

23 (27) \$794,000 of the unemployment compensation administration  
24 account—federal appropriation is provided solely for implementation  
25 of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5176 (employee-owned coop UI).

26 (28) \$30,000 of the family and medical leave insurance account—  
27 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
28 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5286 (paid leave premiums).

29 (29) \$2,896,000 of the family and medical leave insurance account  
30 —state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
31 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5586 (paid leave data).

32 (30) \$35,000 of the employment service administrative account—  
33 state appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide  
34 research and consultation on the feasibility of replicating the  
35 unemployment insurance program for and expanding other social net  
36 programs to individuals regardless of their citizenship status.

37 (31) \$10,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 is provided solely for the department to design a form for  
39 employer use to voluntarily report no show, no call interview data.

1 This data shall be used to inform potential trend analysis or policy  
2 development for job search compliance.

3 (32) \$961,000 of the unemployment compensation administration  
4 account—federal appropriation is provided solely for implementation  
5 of House Bill No. 1975 (unemployment overpayments). (~~(If the bill is~~  
6 ~~not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
7 ~~shall lapse.))~~)

8 (33) \$5,655,000 of the family and medical leave insurance account  
9 —state appropriation is provided solely to increase staffing for the  
10 paid family and medical leave program to process claims and respond  
11 to customer inquiries in a timely manner.

12 (34) (~~(\$7,305,000))~~ \$4,427,000 of the family and medical leave  
13 insurance account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
14 information technology staffing to complete system enhancements for  
15 any remaining statutorily required components of the paid family and  
16 medical leave program, including, but not limited to, the  
17 establishment and collection of overpayments, crossmatching  
18 eligibility with other programs, and elective coverage for tribes.

19 (35) \$483,000 of the long-term services and supports trust  
20 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
21 process nonimmigrant work visa holder exemption requests for the  
22 long-term services and supports program.

23 (36) ***\$200,000 of the ((general fund state appropriation for***  
24 ***fiscal year 2025)) administrative contingency account—state***  
25 ***appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide grants***  
26 ***to community-based organizations to become transportation network***  
27 ***company navigators. The navigators will assist transportation network***  
28 ***company drivers in accessing the pilot program established in chapter***  
29 ***451, Laws of 2023 (TNC insurance programs) by providing outreach,***  
30 ***language assistance, cultural competency services, education, and***  
31 ***other supports.***

32 (37) \$100,000 of the unemployment compensation administration  
33 account—federal appropriation is provided solely for the department  
34 to develop and deploy training to assist apprentices and apprentice  
35 advocate groups in filing claims and navigating the unemployment  
36 insurance system.

37 (38) \$409,000 of the family and medical leave insurance account—  
38 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
39 Substitute House Bill No. 2102 (PFML benefits/health info.). (~~(If the~~

1 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
2 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

3 (39) \$495,000 of the employment service administrative account—  
4 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
5 Substitute House Bill No. 2226 (H-2A worker program data). ~~((If the~~  
6 ~~bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
7 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~

8 (40) ~~(((\$51,000 of the employment service administrative account—~~  
9 ~~state appropriation is provided solely to support the underground~~  
10 ~~economy task force created in section 906 of this act.~~

11 ~~(41) \$3,863,000))~~ \$675,000 of the long-term services and supports  
12 trust account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
13 implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 2467 (LTSS trust access).  
14 ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in~~  
15 ~~this subsection shall lapse.~~

16 ~~(42))~~ (41) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2024 and \$200,000 of the ((general fund—state  
18 appropriation for fiscal year 2025)) administrative contingency  
19 account—state appropriation are provided solely for North Central  
20 education service district 171 to expand industry and education  
21 partnerships in order to support emerging workforce needs through  
22 career awareness, exploration, and preparation activities for youth  
23 in Grant county.

24 ~~((43))~~ (42) \$100,000 of the ((general fund—state appropriation  
25 for fiscal year 2025)) administrative contingency account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for the department to report how it  
27 will collect employee race and ethnicity information from employers  
28 that participate in the unemployment insurance program and employees  
29 who participate in the paid family medical leave program.

30 (a) The department may contract to complete the report.

31 (b) The department must submit a report to the legislature by  
32 June 30, 2025. The report must include accurate cost and time  
33 estimates needed to collect the race and ethnicity information from  
34 employers and employees. The department must consult with the office  
35 of equity to ensure that data collections is consistent with other  
36 efforts. The report must also include, but is not limited to, the  
37 following information:

38 (i) The cost and time required for the department to revise  
39 current reporting requirements to include race and ethnicity data;

1 (ii) The cost and time required for the department to incorporate  
2 the collection of race and ethnicity data into future reporting;

3 (iii) The cost and time required for the department to  
4 incorporate the collection of race and ethnicity data into its  
5 existing information technology systems;

6 (iv) Recommendations on any exclusions from the requirement to  
7 report race and ethnicity data; and

8 (v) Any statutory changes required to collect race and ethnicity  
9 data.

10 ~~((44))~~ (43)(a) \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
11 for fiscal year 2024 and \$70,000 of the ~~((general fund—state~~  
12 ~~appropriation for fiscal year 2025))~~ administrative contingency  
13 account—state appropriation are provided solely to convene a wage  
14 replacement program for undocumented workers work group. The work  
15 group shall convene by June 1, 2024, and must include:

16 (i) Three members representing immigrants' interests;

17 (ii) Two members representing workers' interests in unemployment,  
18 each of whom must be appointed from a list of names submitted by a  
19 recognized statewide organization of employees;

20 (iii) Two members representing employers' interests in  
21 unemployment, each of whom must be appointed from a list of names  
22 submitted by a recognized statewide organization of employers;

23 (iv) Three ex officio members, representing the state commission  
24 on African American affairs, the state commission on Hispanic  
25 affairs, and the state commission on Asian Pacific American affairs;  
26 and

27 (v) One ex officio member, representing the department and who  
28 will serve as the chair.

29 (b) The work group shall:

30 (i) Identify dedicated streams of revenue within the current  
31 unemployment insurance taxation model to fully fund an equitable wage  
32 replacement program for undocumented workers;

33 (ii) Review funding mechanisms from other states administering  
34 similar programs;

35 (iii) Identify funding mechanisms that do not duplicate employer  
36 contributions paid into the unemployment trust fund on behalf of  
37 undocumented workers nor increase social taxes paid for employers;

38 (iv) Explore the impact of identified funding mechanisms on  
39 solvency of the unemployment trust fund; and

1       (v) *Provide a calculation of the amount of benefits that would be*  
2 *annually provided to undocumented workers through this program.*

3       (c) *By November 15, 2024, the department shall submit a report to*  
4 *the governor and related legislative committees that includes the*  
5 *information included in (b) of this subsection and a recommended plan*  
6 *of how to fully fund the program.*

*\*Sec. 1223 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

7       **Sec. 1224.** 2024 c 376 s 226 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
8 follows:

9 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES—GENERAL**

10       (1)(a) The appropriations to the department of children, youth,  
11 and families in this act shall be expended for the programs and in  
12 the amounts specified in this act. Appropriations made in this act to  
13 the department of children, youth, and families shall initially be  
14 allotted as required by this act. The department shall seek approval  
15 from the office of financial management prior to transferring moneys  
16 between sections of this act except as expressly provided in this  
17 act. Subsequent allotment modifications shall not include transfers  
18 of moneys between sections of this act except as expressly provided  
19 in this act, nor shall allotment modifications permit moneys that are  
20 provided solely for a specified purpose to be used for other than  
21 that purpose. However, after May 1, (~~2024~~) 2025, unless prohibited  
22 by this act, the department may transfer general fund—state  
23 appropriations for fiscal year (~~2024~~) 2025 among programs after  
24 approval by the director of the office of financial management.  
25 However, the department may not transfer state appropriations that  
26 are provided solely for a specified purpose except as expressly  
27 provided in (b) of this subsection.

28       (b) To the extent that transfers under (a) of this subsection are  
29 insufficient to fund actual expenditures in excess of fiscal year  
30 (~~2024~~) 2025 caseload forecasts and utilization assumptions in the  
31 foster care, adoption support, child protective services, working  
32 connections child care, and juvenile rehabilitation programs, the  
33 department may transfer appropriations that are provided solely for a  
34 specified purpose.

35       (2) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the  
36 department of social and health services, the department of health,  
37 the department of corrections, and the department of children, youth,  
38 and families shall work together within existing resources to

1 establish the health and human services enterprise coalition (the  
2 coalition). The coalition, led by the health care authority, must be  
3 a multi-organization collaborative that provides strategic direction  
4 and federal funding guidance for projects that have cross-  
5 organizational or enterprise impact, including information technology  
6 projects that affect organizations within the coalition. The office  
7 of the chief information officer shall maintain a statewide  
8 perspective when collaborating with the coalition to ensure that  
9 projects are planned for in a manner that ensures the efficient use  
10 of state resources, supports the adoption of a cohesive technology  
11 and data architecture, and maximizes federal financial participation.

12 (3) Information technology projects or investments and proposed  
13 projects or investments impacting time capture, payroll and payment  
14 processes and systems, eligibility, case management, and  
15 authorization systems within the department are subject to technical  
16 oversight by the office of the chief information officer.

17 **Sec. 1225.** 2024 c 376 s 227 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
18 follows:

19 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES—CHILDREN AND**  
20 **FAMILIES SERVICES PROGRAM**

|    |                                                      |                                  |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 21 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . . | \$488,871,000                    |
| 22 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . . | (( <del>\$527,084,000</del> ))   |
| 23 |                                                      | <u>\$527,006,000</u>             |
| 24 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .          | (( <del>\$518,649,000</del> ))   |
| 25 |                                                      | <u>\$515,138,000</u>             |
| 26 | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .    | (( <del>\$2,824,000</del> ))     |
| 27 |                                                      | <u>\$3,124,000</u>               |
| 28 | Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State            |                                  |
| 29 | Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$6,807,000                      |
| 30 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | (( <del>\$1,544,235,000</del> )) |
| 31 |                                                      | <u>\$1,540,946,000</u>           |

32 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
33 conditions and limitations:

34 (1) \$748,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$748,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to contract for the operation of  
37 one pediatric interim care center. The center shall provide  
38 residential care for up to 13 children through two years of age.



1 Seventy-five percent of the children served by the center must be in  
2 need of special care as a result of substance abuse by their mothers.  
3 The center shall also provide on-site training to biological,  
4 adoptive, or foster parents. The center shall provide at least three  
5 months of consultation and support to the parents accepting placement  
6 of children from the center. The center may recruit new and current  
7 foster and adoptive parents for infants served by the center. The  
8 department shall not require case management as a condition of the  
9 contract.

10 (2) \$453,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$453,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the costs of hub home foster  
13 and kinship families that provide a foster care delivery model that  
14 includes a hub home. Use of the hub home model is intended to support  
15 foster parent retention, provide support to biological families,  
16 improve child outcomes, and encourage the least restrictive community  
17 placements for children in out-of-home care.

18 (3) \$579,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024, \$579,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025, and \$110,000 of the general fund—federal  
21 appropriation are provided solely for a receiving care center east of  
22 the Cascade mountains.

23 (4) \$1,620,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$1,620,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for services provided through  
26 children's advocacy centers.

27 (5) In fiscal year 2024 and in fiscal year 2025, the department  
28 shall provide a tracking report for social service specialists and  
29 corresponding social services support staff to the office of  
30 financial management, and the appropriate policy and fiscal  
31 committees of the legislature. The report shall detail continued  
32 implementation of the targeted 1:18 caseload ratio standard for child  
33 and family welfare services caseload-carrying staff and targeted 1:8  
34 caseload ratio standard for child protection services caseload  
35 carrying staff. To the extent to which the information is available,  
36 the report shall include the following information identified  
37 separately for social service specialists doing case management work,  
38 supervisory work, and administrative support staff, and identified  
39 separately by job duty or program, including but not limited to

1 intake, child protective services investigations, child protective  
2 services family assessment response, and child and family welfare  
3 services:

4 (a) Total full-time equivalent employee authority, allotments and  
5 expenditures by region, office, classification, and band, and job  
6 duty or program;

7 (b) Vacancy rates by region, office, and classification and band;  
8 and

9 (c) Average length of employment with the department, and when  
10 applicable, the date of exit for staff exiting employment with the  
11 department by region, office, classification and band, and job duty  
12 or program.

13 (6) \$94,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$94,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a contract with a child  
16 advocacy center in Spokane to provide continuum of care services for  
17 children who have experienced abuse or neglect and their families.

18 (7)(a) \$999,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2024, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
20 for fiscal year 2025, \$656,000 of the general fund—private/local  
21 appropriation, and \$252,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation  
22 are provided solely for a contract with an educational advocacy  
23 provider with expertise in foster care educational outreach. The  
24 amounts in this subsection are provided solely for contracted  
25 education coordinators to assist foster children in succeeding in  
26 K-12 and higher education systems and to assure a focus on education  
27 during the department's transition to performance-based contracts.  
28 Funding must be prioritized to regions with high numbers of foster  
29 care youth, regions where backlogs of youth that have formerly  
30 requested educational outreach services exist, or youth with high  
31 educational needs. The department is encouraged to use private  
32 matching funds to maintain educational advocacy services.

33 (b) The department shall contract with the office of the  
34 superintendent of public instruction, which in turn shall contract  
35 with a nongovernmental entity or entities to provide educational  
36 advocacy services pursuant to RCW 28A.300.590.

37 (8) For purposes of meeting the state's maintenance of effort for  
38 the state supplemental payment program, the department of children,  
39 youth, and families shall track and report to the department of

1 social and health services the monthly state supplemental payment  
2 amounts attributable to foster care children who meet eligibility  
3 requirements specified in the state supplemental payment state plan.  
4 Such expenditures must equal at least \$3,100,000 annually and may not  
5 be claimed toward any other federal maintenance of effort  
6 requirement. Annual state supplemental payment expenditure targets  
7 must continue to be established by the department of social and  
8 health services. Attributable amounts must be communicated by the  
9 department of children, youth, and families to the department of  
10 social and health services on a monthly basis.

11 (9) \$197,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 and \$197,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to conduct  
14 biennial inspections and certifications of facilities, both overnight  
15 and day shelters, that serve those who are under 18 years old and are  
16 homeless.

17 (10)(a) \$6,195,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$8,981,000)~~) \$6,481,000 of the general fund—state  
19 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,188,000 of the general  
20 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the department to  
21 operate emergent placement and enhanced emergent placement contracts.

22 (b) The department shall not include the costs to operate  
23 emergent placement contracts in the calculations for family foster  
24 home maintenance payments and shall submit as part of the budget  
25 submittal documentation required by RCW 43.88.030 any costs  
26 associated with increases in the number of emergent placement  
27 contract beds after the effective date of this section that cannot be  
28 sustained within existing appropriations.

29 (11) Beginning January 1, 2024, and continuing through the  
30 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the department must provide semiannual  
31 reports to the governor and appropriate legislative committees that  
32 includes the number of in-state behavioral rehabilitation services  
33 providers and licensed beds, the number of out-of-state behavioral  
34 rehabilitation services placements, and a comparison of these numbers  
35 to the same metrics expressed as an average over the prior six  
36 months. The report shall identify separately beds with the enhanced  
37 behavioral rehabilitation services rate. Effective January 1, 2024,  
38 and to the extent the information is available, the report shall

1 include the same information for emergency placement services beds  
2 and enhanced emergency placement services beds.

3 (12) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementing the supportive  
6 visitation model that utilizes trained visit navigators to provide a  
7 structured and positive visitation experience for children and their  
8 parents.

9 (13) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for enhanced adoption placement  
12 services for legally free children in state custody, through a  
13 partnership with a national nonprofit organization with private  
14 matching funds. These funds must supplement, but not supplant, the  
15 work of the department to secure permanent adoptive homes for  
16 children with high needs.

17 (14) The department of children, youth, and families shall make  
18 foster care maintenance payments to programs where children are  
19 placed with a parent in a residential program for substance abuse  
20 treatment. These maintenance payments are considered foster care  
21 maintenance payments for purposes of forecasting and budgeting at  
22 maintenance level as required by RCW 43.88.058.

23 (15) \$511,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024, \$511,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025, and \$306,000 of the general fund—federal  
26 appropriation are provided solely for continued implementation of  
27 chapter 210, Laws of 2021 (2SHB 1219) (youth counsel/dependency).

28 (16) If the department receives an allocation of federal funding  
29 through an unanticipated receipt, the department shall not expend  
30 more than what was approved or for another purpose than what was  
31 approved by the governor through the unanticipated receipt process  
32 pursuant to RCW 43.79.280.

33 (17) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state  
35 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
36 department to contract with one or more nonprofit, nongovernmental  
37 organizations to purchase and deliver concrete goods to low-income  
38 families.

1 (18) \$2,400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,400,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
4 implementation of performance-based contracts for family support and  
5 related services pursuant to RCW 74.13B.020.

6 (19) The department will only refer child welfare cases to the  
7 department of social and health services division of child support  
8 enforcement when the court has found a child to have been abandoned  
9 by their parent or guardian as defined in RCW 13.34.030.

10 (20) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the provision of SafeCare,  
13 an evidence-based parenting program, for families in Grays Harbor  
14 county.

15 (21) \$7,685,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2024, \$11,329,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
17 for fiscal year 2025, and \$3,326,000 of the general fund—federal  
18 appropriation are provided solely for the phase-in of the settlement  
19 agreement under *D.S. et al. v. Department of Children, Youth and*  
20 *Families et al.*, United States district court for the western  
21 district of Washington, cause no. 2:21-cv-00113-BJR. The department  
22 must implement the provisions of the settlement agreement pursuant to  
23 the timeline and implementation plan provided for under the  
24 settlement agreement. This includes implementing provisions related  
25 to the emerging adulthood housing program, professional therapeutic  
26 foster care, statewide hub home model, revised licensing standards,  
27 family group planning, referrals and transition, qualified  
28 residential treatment program, exceptional placement costs, and  
29 monitoring and implementation. (~~To comply with the settlement~~  
30 ~~agreement, funding in this subsection is provided as follows:~~

31 ~~(a) \$276,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
32 ~~year 2024, \$264,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
33 ~~fiscal year 2025, and \$104,000 of the general fund federal~~  
34 ~~appropriation are provided solely for implementation and monitoring~~  
35 ~~of the state's implementation plan, which includes receiving~~  
36 ~~recurring updates, requesting data on compliance, reporting on~~  
37 ~~progress, and resolving disputes that may arise.~~

38 ~~(b) \$2,022,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
39 ~~year 2024, \$2,682,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~

1 ~~fiscal year 2025, and \$42,000 of the general fund federal~~  
2 ~~appropriation are provided solely for the statewide hub home model.~~  
3 ~~The department shall develop and adapt the existing hub home model to~~  
4 ~~serve youth as described in the settlement agreement.~~

5 ~~(c) \$452,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
6 ~~year 2024, \$864,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
7 ~~fiscal year 2025, and \$334,000 of the general fund federal~~  
8 ~~appropriation are provided solely for the department to establish a~~  
9 ~~negotiated rule-making method to align and update foster care and~~  
10 ~~group care licensing standards.~~

11 ~~(d) \$2,195,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
12 ~~year 2024, \$2,110,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
13 ~~fiscal year 2025, and \$238,000 of the general fund federal~~  
14 ~~appropriation are provided solely for revised referral and transition~~  
15 ~~procedures for youth entering foster care.~~

16 ~~(e) \$1,868,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
17 ~~year 2024, \$1,852,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
18 ~~fiscal year 2025, and \$1,543,000 of the general fund federal~~  
19 ~~appropriation are provided solely for the department to develop and~~  
20 ~~implement a professional therapeutic foster care contract and~~  
21 ~~licensing category. Therapeutic foster care professionals are not~~  
22 ~~required to have another source of income and must receive~~  
23 ~~specialized training and support.~~

24 ~~(f) \$872,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
25 ~~year 2024, \$832,000 of the general fund state appropriation for~~  
26 ~~fiscal year 2025, and \$421,000 of the general fund federal~~  
27 ~~appropriation are provided solely to update assessment and placement~~  
28 ~~procedures prior to placing a youth in a qualified residential~~  
29 ~~treatment program, as well as updating the assessment schedule to~~  
30 ~~every 90 days.~~

31 ~~(g) \$2,725,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal~~  
32 ~~year 2025 and \$644,000 of the general fund federal appropriation are~~  
33 ~~provided solely for family team decision making and shared planning~~  
34 ~~meetings as informed by attachment a stakeholder facilitator and~~  
35 ~~process description.~~

36 ~~(h) The department shall implement all provisions of the~~  
37 ~~settlement agreement, including those described in (a) through (f) of~~  
38 ~~this subsection; revisions to shared planning meeting and family team~~

1 ~~decision-making policies and practices; and any and all additional~~  
2 ~~settlement agreement requirements and timelines established.))~~

3 (22) \$7,379,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$26,325,000))~~ \$13,519,000 of the general fund—  
5 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$7,195,000))~~  
6 \$5,788,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided  
7 solely for implementation of a seven-level foster care support  
8 system. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

9 (a) \$5,527,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024, \$11,054,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025, and \$5,284,000 of the general fund—federal  
12 appropriation are provided solely to expand foster care maintenance  
13 payments from a four-level to a seven-level support system, beginning  
14 January 1, 2024.

15 (b) \$1,032,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024, (~~(\$14,521,000))~~ \$2,157,000 of the general fund—state  
17 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$1,773,000))~~ \$366,000 of  
18 the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for  
19 expanded caregiver support services. Services include, but are not  
20 limited to, placement, case aide, and after-hours support, as well as  
21 training, coaching, child care, and respite coordination.

22 (c) \$573,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and (~~(\$566,000))~~ \$124,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for project  
25 management to oversee the shift in systems and practices.

26 (d) \$247,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024, \$184,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025, and \$138,000 of the general fund—federal  
29 appropriation are provided solely for a contract with the department  
30 of social and health services research and data analysis division to  
31 track program outcomes through monitoring and analytics.

32 (23) \$732,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024, \$732,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025, and \$362,000 of the general fund—federal  
35 appropriation are provided solely to increase staff to support  
36 statewide implementation of the kinship caregiver engagement unit.

37 (24) \$2,113,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2024 and \$4,119,000 of the general fund—state  
39 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to issue

1 foster care maintenance payments for up to 90 days to those kinship  
2 caregivers who obtain an initial license.

3 (25) \$6,696,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024, \$6,696,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
5 for fiscal year 2025, and \$2,940,000 of the general fund—federal  
6 appropriation are provided solely for contracted visitation services  
7 for children in temporary out-of-home care. Funding is provided to  
8 reimburse providers for certain uncompensated services, which may  
9 include work associated with missed or canceled visits.

10 (26) \$4,104,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$5,589,000)~~) \$3,939,000 of the general fund—  
12 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to  
13 expand combined in-home services to serve more families. By December  
14 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, the department shall provide a  
15 report to the legislature detailing combined in-home services  
16 expenditures and utilization, including the number of families served  
17 and a listing of services received by those families.

18 (27) \$892,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024, \$892,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025, and \$796,000 of the general fund—federal  
21 appropriation are provided solely for increased licensing staff.  
22 Licensing staff are increased in anticipation that more kinship  
23 placements will become licensed due to recent legislation and court  
24 decisions, including *In re Dependency of K.W.* and chapter 211, Laws  
25 of 2021 (E2SHB 1227) (child abuse or neglect).

26 (28) \$755,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$2,014,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
29 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5124 (nonrelative kin placement).

30 (29) \$338,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024, (~~(\$317,000)~~) \$197,000 of the general fund—state  
32 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$54,000 of the general fund—  
33 federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
34 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5515 (child abuse and neglect).

35 (30) \$851,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024, \$2,412,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025, and \$108,000 of the general fund—federal  
38 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill  
39 No. 5683 (foster care/Indian children).



1 (31) \$2,304,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
2 appropriation is for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute  
3 Senate Bill No. 5536 (controlled substances).

4 (32) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024, \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025, and \$112,000 of the general fund—federal  
7 appropriation are provided solely for the department to develop,  
8 implement, and expand strategies to improve the capacity,  
9 reliability, and effectiveness of contracted visitation services for  
10 children in temporary out-of-home care and their parents and  
11 siblings. Strategies may include, but are not limited to, increasing  
12 mileage reimbursement for providers, offering transportation-only  
13 contract options, and mechanisms to reduce the level of parent-child  
14 supervision when doing so is in the best interest of the child. The  
15 department shall report to the office of financial management and the  
16 relevant fiscal and policy committees of the legislature regarding  
17 these strategies by September 1, 2023. The report shall include the  
18 number and percentage of parents requiring supervised visitation and  
19 the number and percentage of parents with unsupervised visitation,  
20 prior to reunification.

21 (33) \$499,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024, \$499,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025, and \$310,000 of the general fund—federal  
24 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
25 Substitute House Bill No. 1204 (family connections program), which  
26 will support the family connections program in areas of the state in  
27 which the program is already established. To operate the program, the  
28 department must contract with a community-based organization that has  
29 experience working with the foster care population and administering  
30 the family connections program.

31 (34) \$2,020,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2024, \$1,894,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
33 for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,247,000 of the general fund—federal  
34 appropriation are provided solely to increase the basic foster care  
35 maintenance rate for all age groups and the supervised independent  
36 living subsidy for youth in extended foster care each by \$50 per  
37 youth per month effective July 1, 2023.

38 (35) \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract  
2 with a Bellevue-based nonprofit organization to support the  
3 continuation of its home visiting services for children ages three  
4 through five years old who are in the child welfare system. The  
5 nonprofit organization must provide educational and therapeutic  
6 services for children with developmental delays, disabilities, and  
7 behavioral needs.

8 (36) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024 and \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a contract with a Washington  
11 state mentoring organization to provide oversight and training for a  
12 pilot program that mentors foster youth. The goal of the program is  
13 to improve outcomes for youth in foster care by surrounding them with  
14 ongoing support from a caring adult mentor. Under the program,  
15 mentors provide a positive role model and develop a trusted  
16 relationship that helps the young person build self-confidence,  
17 explore career opportunities, access their own resourcefulness, and  
18 work to realize their fullest potential. The organization shall serve  
19 as the program administrator to provide grants to nonprofit  
20 organizations based in Washington state that meet department approved  
21 criteria specific to mentoring foster youth. Eligible grantees must  
22 have programs that currently provide mentoring services within the  
23 state and can provide mentors who provide one-to-one services to  
24 foster youth, or a maximum ratio of one mentor to three youth.

25 (37) \$1,100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,400,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to  
28 a nonprofit organization in Spokane that has experience administering  
29 a family-centered drug treatment and housing program for families  
30 experiencing substance use disorder. The amount provided in this  
31 subsection is intended to support the existing program while the  
32 department works to develop a sustainable model of the program and  
33 expand to new regions of the state.

34 (38) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 is provided solely for the department to lead the  
36 development of a sustainable operating funding model for programs  
37 using the rising strong model that provides comprehensive, family-  
38 centered drug treatment and housing services to keep families  
39 together while receiving treatment and support. The department shall

1 work in coordination with the health care authority, the department  
2 of commerce, other local agencies, and stakeholders on development of  
3 the model. The department shall submit the sustainable operating  
4 model to the appropriate committees of the legislature by July 1,  
5 2024.

6 (39) \$107,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024, \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025, and \$50,000 of the general fund—federal  
9 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second  
10 Substitute House Bill No. 1580 (children in crisis).

11 (40) \$269,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 and \$269,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to increase the new foster home  
14 incentive payment for child-placing agencies to \$1,000 for each new  
15 foster home certified for licensure, effective July 1, 2023.

16 (41) \$1,484,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to fund a memorandum of  
18 understanding to be negotiated between the Washington federation of  
19 state employees and the department of children, youth, and families,  
20 which provides for group A assignment pay for reference 77B for SSS2s  
21 in-training on a one-time basis beginning July 1, 2024.

22 (42)(a) \$3,153,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—  
23 state appropriation and \$337,000 of the general fund—federal  
24 appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
25 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6109 (children and families). If  
26 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in  
27 this subsection shall lapse.

28 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection:

29 (i) \$1,515,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for a pilot program to include  
31 third-party safety plan participants and public health nurses in  
32 child protective services safety planning.

33 (ii) \$574,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
34 appropriation and \$301,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation  
35 are provided solely for at least one legal liaison position in each  
36 region to work with both the department and the office of the  
37 attorney general for the purpose of assisting with the preparation of  
38 child abuse and neglect court cases.

1 (iii) \$972,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
2 appropriation (~~((+s))~~) and \$300,000 of the general fund—private/local  
3 appropriation are provided solely for two pilot programs to implement  
4 an evidence-based, comprehensive, intensive, in-home parenting  
5 services support model to serve children and families from birth to  
6 age 18 who are involved in the child welfare, children's mental  
7 health, or juvenile justice systems.

8 (43) \$1,350,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for the department to establish a  
10 pilot for public health nurses, including contracts for up to eight  
11 public health nurses distributed by case count across the regions to  
12 support caseworkers in engaging and communicating with families about  
13 the risks of fentanyl and child health and safety practices.

14 (44) The department shall collaborate with the department of  
15 social and health services to identify, place, and assist in the  
16 voluntary transition of adolescents aged 13 and older who have  
17 complex developmental, intellectual disabilities, or autism spectrum  
18 disorder, alongside potential mental health or substance use  
19 diagnoses, into a leased facility for specialized residential  
20 treatment at Lake Burien operated by the department of social and  
21 health. The partnership is dedicated to transitioning individuals to  
22 community-based settings in a seamless and voluntary manner that  
23 emphasizes care in less restrictive community-based environments.

24 (45) \$694,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract for two  
26 receiving centers as established in RCW 7.68.380, that serve youth  
27 who are, or are at risk of being, commercially or sexually exploited.  
28 One receiving center shall be located on the west side of the state,  
29 and one receiving center shall be located on the east side of the  
30 state.

31 (46) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2025 is provided solely to support families attending the annual  
33 caregivers conference in 2024. The conference must provide an  
34 opportunity for kinship families, foster parents, prelicensed foster  
35 parents, and adoptive families to gather for education, support, and  
36 family building experiences.

37 (47) \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024(~~(, \$86,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~  
39 ~~fiscal year 2025,))~~) and (~~(\$64,000)~~) \$11,000 of the general fund—

federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1970 (DCYF-caregiver communication). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

~~(48) ((\$60,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$14,000 of the general fund federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1205 (publication of notice). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

~~(49))~~ \$1,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to increase the rates paid to family preservation services providers, effective July 1, 2024.

~~((50))~~ (49) \$900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$231,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5908 (extended foster care). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

~~((51) —\$333,000))~~ (50) \$59,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and ~~((52) —\$76,000))~~ \$11,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6006 (victims of human trafficking). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1226.** 2024 c 376 s 228 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES—JUVENILE REHABILITATION PROGRAM**

|                                                     |                                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)          | \$152,459,000                     |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)          | <del>((53) —\$154,077,000))</del> |
|                                                     | <u>\$170,831,000</u>              |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$694,000                         |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation            | \$205,000                         |
| Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority Account— |                                   |
| State Appropriation                                 | \$196,000                         |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | <del>((54) —\$307,631,000))</del> |
|                                                     | <u>\$324,385,000</u>              |

1       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3       (1) \$2,841,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$2,841,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to county juvenile  
6 courts for effective, community-based programs that are culturally  
7 relevant, research-informed, and focused on supporting positive youth  
8 development, not just reducing recidivism. Additional funding for  
9 this purpose is provided through an interagency agreement with the  
10 health care authority. County juvenile courts shall apply to the  
11 department of children, youth, and families for funding for program-  
12 specific participation and the department shall provide grants to the  
13 courts consistent with the per-participant treatment costs identified  
14 by the institute. The block grant oversight committee, in  
15 consultation with the Washington state institute for public policy,  
16 shall identify effective, community-based programs that are  
17 culturally relevant, research-informed, and focused on supporting  
18 positive youth development to receive funding.

19       (2) \$1,537,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$1,537,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for expansion of the juvenile  
22 justice treatments and therapies in department of children, youth,  
23 and families programs identified by the Washington state institute  
24 for public policy in its report: "Inventory of Evidence-based,  
25 Research-based, and Promising Practices for Prevention and  
26 Intervention Services for Children and Juveniles in the Child  
27 Welfare, Juvenile Justice, and Mental Health Systems." The department  
28 may concentrate delivery of these treatments and therapies at a  
29 limited number of programs to deliver the treatments in a cost-  
30 effective manner.

31       (3) (a) \$6,698,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2024 and \$6,698,000 of the general fund—state  
33 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to implement  
34 evidence- and research-based programs through community juvenile  
35 accountability grants, administration of the grants, and evaluations  
36 of programs funded by the grants. In addition to funding provided in  
37 this subsection, funding to implement alcohol and substance abuse  
38 treatment programs for locally committed offenders is provided  
39 through an interagency agreement with the health care authority.

(b) The department of children, youth, and families shall administer a block grant to county juvenile courts for the purpose of serving youth as defined in RCW 13.40.510(4)(a) in the county juvenile justice system. Funds dedicated to the block grant include: Consolidated juvenile service funds, community juvenile accountability act grants, chemical dependency/mental health disposition alternative, and suspended disposition alternative. The department of children, youth, and families shall follow the following formula and must prioritize evidence-based programs and disposition alternatives and take into account juvenile courts program-eligible youth in conjunction with the number of youth served in each approved evidence-based program or disposition alternative: (i) Thirty-seven and one-half percent for the at-risk population of youth ten to seventeen years old; (ii) fifteen percent for the assessment of low, moderate, and high-risk youth; (iii) twenty-five percent for evidence-based program participation; (iv) seventeen and one-half percent for minority populations; (v) three percent for the chemical dependency and mental health disposition alternative; and (vi) two percent for the suspended dispositional alternatives. Funding for the special sex offender disposition alternative shall not be included in the block grant, but allocated on the average daily population in juvenile courts. Funding for the evidence-based expansion grants shall be excluded from the block grant formula. Funds may be used for promising practices when approved by the department of children, youth, and families and juvenile courts, through the community juvenile accountability act committee, based on the criteria established in consultation with Washington state institute for public policy and the juvenile courts.

(c) The department of children, youth, and families and the juvenile courts shall establish a block grant funding formula oversight committee with equal representation from the department of children, youth, and families and the juvenile courts. The purpose of this committee is to assess the ongoing implementation of the block grant funding formula, utilizing data-driven decision making and the most current available information. The committee will be co-chaired by the department of children, youth, and families and the juvenile courts, who will also have the ability to change members of the committee as needed to achieve its purpose. The committee may make changes to the formula categories in (b) of this subsection if it determines the changes will increase statewide service delivery or

effectiveness of evidence-based program or disposition alternative resulting in increased cost/benefit savings to the state, including long-term cost/benefit savings. The committee must also consider these outcomes in determining when evidence-based expansion or special sex offender disposition alternative funds should be included in the block grant or left separate.

(d) The juvenile courts and administrative office of the courts must collect and distribute information and provide access to the data systems to the department of children, youth, and families and the Washington state institute for public policy related to program and outcome data. The department of children, youth, and families and the juvenile courts must work collaboratively to develop program outcomes that reinforce the greatest cost/benefit to the state in the implementation of evidence-based practices and disposition alternatives.

(4) \$645,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ~~(((\$645,000))~~ \$808,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for funding of the teamchild project.

(5) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant program focused on criminal street gang prevention and intervention. The department of children, youth, and families may award grants under this subsection. The department of children, youth, and families shall give priority to applicants who have demonstrated the greatest problems with criminal street gangs. Applicants composed of, at a minimum, one or more local governmental entities and one or more nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations that have a documented history of creating and administering effective criminal street gang prevention and intervention programs may apply for funding under this subsection. Each entity receiving funds must report to the department of children, youth, and families on the number and types of youth served, the services provided, and the impact of those services on the youth and the community.

(6) The juvenile rehabilitation institutions may use funding appropriated in this subsection to purchase goods, supplies, and services through hospital group purchasing organizations when it is cost-effective to do so.



(7) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to county juvenile courts to establish alternative detention facilities similar to the proctor house model in Jefferson county, Washington, that will provide less restrictive confinement alternatives to youth in their local communities. County juvenile courts shall apply to the department of children, youth, and families for funding and each entity receiving funds must report to the department on the number and types of youth serviced, the services provided, and the impact of those services on the youth and the community.

(8) \$432,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$432,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide housing services to clients releasing from incarceration into the community.

(9)(a) \$878,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$879,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 206, Laws of 2021 (concerning juvenile rehabilitation community transition services).

(b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$105,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$105,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for housing vouchers.

(10) \$123,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$123,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 265, Laws of 2021 (supporting successful reentry).

(11) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a credible messenger mentorship organization located in Kitsap county to provide peer counseling, peer support services, and mentorship for at-risk youth and families.

(12) \$1,791,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,754,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for maintenance of the facility, property, and assets at the facility

1 formerly known as the Naselle youth camp in Naselle. ((The department  
2 of children, youth, and families must enter into an interagency  
3 agreement with the department of social and health services for the  
4 management and warm closure maintenance of the Naselle youth camp  
5 facility and grounds during the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.))

6 (13)(a) \$140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2024 and \$140,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
8 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of  
9 Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1394 (sexual offenses by youth).

10 (b) The department of children, youth, and families—juvenile  
11 rehabilitation shall develop and implement a grant program that  
12 allows defense attorneys and counties to apply for funding for sex  
13 offender evaluation and treatment programs. The department shall  
14 provide funding to counties for: (a) Process mapping, site  
15 assessment, and training for additional sex offender treatment  
16 modalities such as multisystemic therapy-problem sexual behavior or  
17 problematic sexual behavior-cognitive behavioral therapy; and (b) for  
18 any evaluation and preadjudication treatment costs which are not  
19 covered by the court.

20 (14) \$2,436,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,206,000 of the general fund—state  
22 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a  
23 dedicated institutional educational oversight and accountability team  
24 and 12 staff to provide a transition team at both green hill and echo  
25 glen that will serve as an education engagement team at the facility  
26 and will also coordinate and engage with community enrichment  
27 programs and community organizations to afford more successful  
28 transitions.

29 (15) \$505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for contracted services for  
32 housing for youth exiting juvenile rehabilitation facilities.

33 (16) \$2,958,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2024 and \$11,436,000 of the general fund—state  
35 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for caseload  
36 costs and staffing. Of the amount provided in this subsection:  
37 \$690,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024  
38 and \$2,055,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2025 are provided solely for staffing necessary to operate the

baker cottage north living unit at green hill school that is anticipated to be operational by May 1, 2024.

(17) \$967,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to purchase body scanners, one for Echo Glen children's center, and two for Green Hill school, to comply with chapter 246-230 WAC (security screening systems).

(18) \$7,774,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$10,160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for enhanced security services at the Echo Glen children's center.

(19) \$68,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6006 (victims of human trafficking). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(20) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract with a nonprofit entity doing statewide gender-responsive, race equity training and girls' advocacy programming in the juvenile rehabilitation system. The entity must provide:

(a) Girl-centered, antibias training for adults working with girls;

(b) Youth stipends for girls involved in advocacy programming; and

(c) Program facilitation for girls in the continuum of the juvenile rehabilitation system.

(21) \$1,701,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to open and operate a 48-bed living unit, a modular building, and recreation area at the Stafford Creek corrections center in Aberdeen.

(22) \$2,600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for enhanced security services at the Green Hill school, to include canine services.

**Sec. 1227.** 2024 c 376 s 229 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES—EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM**

|    |                                                                                     |                                  |
|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . .                                | \$586,784,000                    |
| 2  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . .                                | (( <del>\$756,322,000</del> ))   |
| 3  |                                                                                     | <u>\$823,004,000</u>             |
| 4  | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                                         | (( <del>\$660,817,000</del> ))   |
| 5  |                                                                                     | <u>\$661,798,000</u>             |
| 6  | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .                                   | (( <del>\$104,000</del> ))       |
| 7  |                                                                                     | <u>\$579,000</u>                 |
| 8  | Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. (( <del>\$385,401,000</del> ))  |                                  |
| 9  |                                                                                     | <u>\$380,321,000</u>             |
| 10 | Home Visiting Services Account—State Appropriation. . (( <del>\$35,794,000</del> )) |                                  |
| 11 |                                                                                     | <u>\$34,544,000</u>              |
| 12 | Home Visiting Services Account—Federal Appropriation. . .                           | \$37,256,000                     |
| 13 | (( <del>Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State</del>                             |                                  |
| 14 | <del>Appropriation. . . . .</del>                                                   | <del>\$3,179,000</del> ))        |
| 15 | Washington Opportunity Pathways Account—State                                       |                                  |
| 16 | Appropriation. . . . .                                                              | \$80,000,000                     |
| 17 | Workforce Education Investment Account—State                                        |                                  |
| 18 | Appropriation. . . . .                                                              | (( <del>\$22,764,000</del> ))    |
| 19 |                                                                                     | <u>\$15,623,000</u>              |
| 20 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                                        | (( <del>\$2,568,421,000</del> )) |
| 21 |                                                                                     | <u>\$2,619,909,000</u>           |

22 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
23 conditions and limitations:

24 (1)(a) \$132,698,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024, ((~~\$156,585,000~~)) \$147,546,000 of the general fund—  
26 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$91,810,000 of the  
27 education legacy trust account—state appropriation, and \$80,000,000  
28 of the opportunity pathways account—state appropriation are provided  
29 solely for the early childhood education and assistance program.  
30 These amounts shall support at least 16,778 slots in fiscal year 2024  
31 and ((~~17,278~~)) 16,433 slots in fiscal year 2025. Of the total slots  
32 in each fiscal year, 100 slots must be reserved for foster children  
33 to receive school-year-round enrollment.

34 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection:

35 (i) \$23,647,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2024 and \$26,412,000 of the general fund—state  
37 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a slot  
38 rate increase of 18 percent for full day slots, a 9 percent increase

1 for extended day slots, and a 7 percent increase for part day slots,  
2 beginning July 1, 2023.

3 (ii) \$8,271,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a rate increase of 5 percent  
5 for full day slots and 9 percent for extended day slots, beginning  
6 July 1, 2024.

7 (iii) \$9,862,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2024 and \$9,862,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to convert  
10 1,000 part day slots to full day slots, and to increase full day  
11 slots by 500, beginning in fiscal year 2024.

12 (iv) \$9,862,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to convert 1,000 part day slots  
14 to full day slots and to increase full day slots by 500, beginning in  
15 fiscal year 2025.

16 (c) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection, \$2,509,000  
17 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and  
18 \$3,278,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
19 2025 are provided solely to increase complex needs grant funds for  
20 the early childhood education and assistance program.

21 (d) The department of children, youth, and families must develop  
22 a methodology to identify, at the school district level, the  
23 geographic locations of where early childhood education and  
24 assistance program slots are needed to meet the entitlement specified  
25 in RCW 43.216.556. This methodology must be linked to the caseload  
26 forecast produced by the caseload forecast council and must include  
27 estimates of the number of slots needed at each school district and  
28 the corresponding facility needs required to meet the entitlement in  
29 accordance with RCW 43.216.556. This methodology must be included as  
30 part of the budget submittal documentation required by RCW 43.88.030.

31 (2) The department is the lead agency for and recipient of the  
32 federal child care and development fund grant. Amounts within this  
33 grant shall be used to fund child care licensing, quality  
34 initiatives, agency administration, and other costs associated with  
35 child care subsidies.

36 (3) The department of children, youth, and families shall work in  
37 collaboration with the department of social and health services to  
38 determine the appropriate amount of state expenditures for the  
39 working connections child care program to claim towards the state's

1 maintenance of effort for the temporary assistance for needy families  
2 program. The departments will also collaborate to track the average  
3 monthly child care subsidy caseload and expenditures by fund type,  
4 including child care development fund, general fund—state  
5 appropriation, and temporary assistance for needy families for the  
6 purpose of estimating the annual temporary assistance for needy  
7 families reimbursement from the department of social and health  
8 services to the department of children, youth, and families.  
9 Effective December 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, the department  
10 of children, youth, and families must report to the governor and the  
11 appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the legislature the total  
12 state contribution for the working connections child care program  
13 claimed the previous fiscal year towards the state's maintenance of  
14 effort for the temporary assistance for needy families program and  
15 the total temporary assistance for needy families reimbursement from  
16 the department of social and health services for the previous fiscal  
17 year.

18 (4) (a) \$145,852,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$208,181,000)~~) \$218,527,000 of the general fund—  
20 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$56,400,000 of the general  
21 fund—federal appropriation, and \$99,100,000 of the general fund—  
22 federal appropriation (ARPA) are provided solely for enhancements to  
23 the working connections child care program.

24 (b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection:

25 (i) \$47,637,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2024, \$87,556,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
27 for fiscal year 2025, \$36,249,000 of the general fund—federal  
28 appropriation, and \$33,085,000 of the general fund—federal  
29 appropriation (ARPA) are provided solely to increase subsidy base  
30 rates to the 85th percentile of market based on the 2021 market rate  
31 survey for child care centers.

32 (ii) \$98,215,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$120,625,000)~~) \$130,971,000 of the general fund—  
34 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$20,151,000 of the general  
35 fund—federal appropriation, and \$18,415,000 of the general fund—  
36 federal appropriation (ARPA) are provided solely to implement the  
37 2023-2025 collective bargaining agreement covering family child care  
38 providers as provided in section 907 of this act. Of the amounts  
39 provided in this subsection:

(A) \$8,263,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$9,793,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are for an 85 cent per hour per child rate increase for family, friends, and neighbor providers (FFNs) beginning July 1, 2023, and a 15 cent per hour per child rate increase beginning July 1, 2024.

(B) \$26,515,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$48,615,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$20,151,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation, and \$18,415,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation (ARPA) are provided to increase subsidy base rates to the 85th percentile of market based on the 2021 market rate survey.

(C) \$370,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$370,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to pay the background check application and fingerprint processing fees.

(D) \$63,067,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$61,847,000)~~) \$72,193,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are for a cost of care rate enhancement.

(c) Funding in this subsection must be expended with internal controls that provide child-level detail for all transactions, beginning July 1, 2024.

(d) On July 1, 2023, and July 1, 2024, the department, in collaboration with the department of social and health services, must report to the governor and the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the legislature on the status of overpayments in the working connections child care program. The report must include the following information for the previous fiscal year:

- (i) A summary of the number of overpayments that occurred;
- (ii) The reason for each overpayment;
- (iii) The total cost of overpayments;
- (iv) A comparison to overpayments that occurred in the past two preceding fiscal years; and
- (v) Any planned modifications to internal processes that will take place in the coming fiscal year to further reduce the occurrence of overpayments.

(e) Within available amounts, the department in consultation with the office of financial management shall report enrollments and

1 active caseload for the working connections child care program to the  
2 governor and the legislative fiscal committees and the legislative-  
3 executive WorkFirst poverty reduction oversight task force on an  
4 agreed upon schedule. The report shall also identify the number of  
5 cases participating in both temporary assistance for needy families  
6 and working connections child care. The department must also report  
7 on the number of children served through contracted slots.

8 (5) \$2,362,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024, \$2,362,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025, and \$772,000 of the general fund—federal  
11 appropriation are provided solely to increase the nonstandard hours  
12 bonus to:

13 (a) \$135 per child per month, beginning July 1, 2023; and

14 (b) \$150 per child per month, beginning July 1, 2024.

15 (6) (~~(\$22,764,000)~~) \$15,623,000 of the workforce education  
16 investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
17 working connections child care program under RCW 43.216.135.

18 (7) \$353,402,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
19 reimbursed by the department of social and health services to the  
20 department of children, youth, and families for qualifying  
21 expenditures of the working connections child care program under RCW  
22 43.216.135.

23 (8) \$1,560,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024(~~(, \$1,560,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~  
25 ~~fiscal year 2025,))~~) and \$6,701,000 of the general fund—federal  
26 appropriation are provided solely for the seasonal child care  
27 program.

28 (9) \$871,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024 and \$871,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department of children,  
31 youth, and families to contract with a countywide nonprofit  
32 organization with early childhood expertise in Pierce county for a  
33 project to prevent child abuse and neglect using nationally  
34 recognized models.

35 (a) The nonprofit organization must continue to implement a  
36 countywide resource and referral linkage system for families of  
37 children who are prenatal through age five.

38 (b) The nonprofit organization must offer a voluntary brief  
39 newborn home visiting program. The program must meet the diverse



needs of Pierce county residents and, therefore, it must be flexible, culturally appropriate, and culturally responsive. The department, in collaboration with the nonprofit organization, must examine the feasibility of leveraging federal and other fund sources, including federal Title IV-E and medicaid funds, for home visiting provided through the pilot. The department must report its findings to the governor and appropriate legislative committees by September 1, 2023.

(10) ~~\$3,577,000~~ of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$3,587,000)~~) \$3,444,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$9,588,000)~~) \$9,303,000 of the education legacy trust account—state appropriation are provided solely for the early childhood intervention prevention services (ECLIPSE) program. The department shall contract for ECLIPSE services to provide therapeutic child care and other specialized treatment services to abused, neglected, at-risk, and/or drug-affected children. The department shall pursue opportunities to leverage other funding to continue and expand ECLIPSE services. Priority for services shall be given to children referred from the department.

(11) The department shall place a ten percent administrative overhead cap on any contract entered into with the University of Washington. In a bi-annual report to the governor and the legislature, the department shall report the total amount of funds spent on the quality rating and improvements system and the total amount of funds spent on degree incentives, scholarships, and tuition reimbursements.

(12) \$1,728,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,728,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for reducing barriers for low-income providers to participate in the early achievers program.

(13) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a contract with a nonprofit entity experienced in the provision of promoting early literacy for children through pediatric office visits.

(14) \$4,000,000 of the education legacy trust account—state appropriation is provided solely for early intervention assessment and services.

1 (15) The department shall work with state and local law  
2 enforcement, federally recognized tribal governments, and tribal law  
3 enforcement to develop a process for expediting fingerprinting and  
4 data collection necessary to conduct background checks for tribal  
5 early learning and child care providers.

6 (16) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for continued implementation of  
9 chapter 202, Laws of 2017 (children's mental health).

10 (17) Within existing resources, the department shall continue  
11 implementation of chapter 409, Laws of 2019 (early learning access).

12 (18) \$515,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$515,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a statewide family resource  
15 and referral linkage system, with coordinated access point of  
16 resource navigators who will connect families with children prenatal  
17 through age five with services, programs, and community resources  
18 through a facilitated referral and linkage process.

19 (19)(a) \$114,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$173,000)~~) \$86,000 of the general fund—state  
21 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$6,000 of the general fund—  
22 federal appropriation, and \$31,000 of the general fund—federal  
23 appropriation (ARPA) are provided solely for the department to  
24 complete its pilot project to determine the feasibility of a child  
25 care license category for multi-site programs operating under one  
26 owner or one entity and to complete one year of transition  
27 activities. The department shall adopt rules to implement the pilot  
28 project and may waive or adapt licensing requirements when necessary  
29 to allow for the operation of a new license category. Pilot  
30 participants must include, at least:

31 (i) One governmental agency;

32 (ii) One nonprofit organization; and

33 (iii) One for-profit private business.

34 (b) New or existing license child care providers may participate  
35 in the pilot. When selecting and approving pilot project locations,  
36 the department shall aim to select a mix of rural, urban, and  
37 suburban locations. By July 1, 2024, the department shall submit to  
38 the governor and relevant committees of the legislature a plan for

1 permanent implementation of this license category, including any  
2 necessary changes to law.

3 ~~(20) ((\$3,020,000 of the home visiting account state~~  
4 ~~appropriation and \$6,540,000 of the home visiting account federal~~  
5 ~~appropriation are provided solely for the home visiting program. Of~~  
6 ~~the amounts in this subsection:~~

7 ~~(a) \$2,020,000))~~ \$1,770,000 of the home visiting account—state  
8 appropriation and \$6,540,000 of the home visiting account—federal  
9 appropriation are provided solely for a funding increase, including  
10 to increase funding for contracts to support wage and cost increases  
11 and create more equity in contracting among the home visiting  
12 workforce.

13 ~~((b) \$1,000,000 of the home visiting account state appropriation~~  
14 ~~is provided solely for the expansion of visiting services.))~~

15 (21) Within the amounts provided in this section, funding is  
16 provided for the department to make permanent the two language access  
17 coordinators with specialties in Spanish and Somali as funded in  
18 chapter 334, Laws of 2021.

19 (22)(a) The department must provide to the education research and  
20 data center, housed at the office of financial management, data on  
21 all state-funded early childhood programs. These programs include the  
22 early support for infants and toddlers, early childhood education and  
23 assistance program (ECEAP), and the working connections and seasonal  
24 subsidized childcare programs including license-exempt facilities or  
25 family, friend, and neighbor care. The data provided by the  
26 department to the education research data center must include  
27 information on children who participate in these programs, including  
28 their name and date of birth, and dates the child received services  
29 at a particular facility.

30 (b) ECEAP early learning professionals must enter any new  
31 qualifications into the department's professional development  
32 registry starting in the 2015-16 school year, and every school year  
33 thereafter. By October 2017, and every October thereafter, the  
34 department must provide updated ECEAP early learning professional  
35 data to the education research data center.

36 (c) The department must request federally funded head start  
37 programs to voluntarily provide data to the department and the  
38 education research data center that is equivalent to what is being  
39 provided for state-funded programs.

1 (d) The education research and data center must provide an  
2 updated report on early childhood program participation and K-12  
3 outcomes to the house of representatives appropriations committee and  
4 the senate ways and means committee using available data every March  
5 for the previous school year.

6 (e) The department, in consultation with the department of social  
7 and health services, must withhold payment for services to early  
8 childhood programs that do not report on the name, date of birth, and  
9 the dates a child received services at a particular facility.

10 (23) \$260,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$260,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to continue  
13 implementation of an infant and early childhood mental health  
14 consultation initiative to support tribal child care and early  
15 learning programs. Funding may be used to provide culturally  
16 congruent infant and early childhood mental health supports for  
17 tribal child care, the tribal early childhood education and  
18 assistance program, and tribal head start providers. The department  
19 must consult with federally recognized tribes which may include round  
20 tables through the Indian policy early learning committee.

21 (24) \$860,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$860,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for continued expansion and  
24 support of family, friend, or neighbor caregivers with a focus on the  
25 provision of play and learn groups. The amounts provided in this  
26 subsection may be used for the department to:

27 (a) Fund consistent staffing across the state's six geographic  
28 regions to support the needs of family, friend, or neighbor  
29 caregivers;

30 (b) Contract with a statewide child care resource and referral  
31 program to sustain and expand the number of facilitated play groups  
32 to meet the needs of communities statewide;

33 (c) Support existing infrastructure for organizations that have  
34 developed the three existing play and learn program models so they  
35 have capacity to provide training, technical assistance, evaluation,  
36 data collection, and other support needed for implementation; and

37 (d) Provide direct implementation support to community-based  
38 organizations that offer play and learn groups.

(25) \$2,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$4,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for tribal early learning grants to be distributed to providers with tribal children enrolled in early childhood education and assistance program, early ECEAP, childcare, head start, early head start and home visiting programs. Grants will be administered by the department of children, youth and families office of tribal relations and may be awarded for purposes including but not limited to culturally appropriate mental health supports for addressing historical trauma, incorporating indigenous foods, culturally-responsive books and materials, staff professional development, curriculum adaptations and supplements, tribal language education, elders and storytelling in classrooms, traditional music and arts instruction, and transportation to facilitate tribal child participation in early childhood education. Of the amounts in this subsection, the department may use \$143,000 in fiscal year 2024 and up to \$136,000 in fiscal year 2025 to cover associated administrative expenses.

(26) \$7,698,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$7,698,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to increase complex needs grant funds for child care providers.

(27) \$2,624,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,624,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for equity grants established under chapter 199, Laws of 2021 (E2SSB 5237).

(28) \$2,354,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$2,431,000)~~) \$2,082,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to continue the birth-to-three early childhood education and assistance program. Funding is sufficient for a 20 percent rate increase beginning July 1, 2023, and a 1.8 percent rate increase beginning July 1, 2024.

(29) \$3,352,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$9,916,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to implement Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5225 (working conn. child care).

(30) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to help close the gap in childcare access in the King county region by providing pandemic recovery support funding to the Launch learning organization.

(31) \$169,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$364,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to submit an implementation plan to expand access to Washington's mixed delivery child care system. The plan must assume that any financial contribution by families is capped at no more than seven percent of household income and that the child care workforce are provided living wages and benefits. The plan must be submitted to the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025, and should:

- (a) Follow the intent of chapter 199, Laws of 2021;
- (b) Be aligned with the cost of quality care rate model;
- (c) Include timelines, costs, and statutory changes necessary for timely and effective implementation; and
- (d) Be developed through partnership with the statewide child care resource and referral organization and the largest union representing child care providers, with consultation from families.

(32) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,750,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for infant and early childhood mental health consultation. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$150,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is for infant and early childhood mental health consultation services to support rural schools and child care programs in rural communities.

(33) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract with Washington communities for children to maintain a community-based early childhood network.

(34) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract with a Washington state based nonprofit digital child care marketing and matching service to deliver child care marketing and matching services in order to increase the number of licensed providers

1 offering nonstandard hours care and to provide effective outreach to  
2 workforces in order to help them find and match with available  
3 nonstandard hours care providers.

4 (35) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024, \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025, and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—federal  
7 appropriation are provided solely for the department to contract with  
8 an organization that provides relationship-based professional  
9 development support to family, friend, and neighbor, child care  
10 center, and licensed family care providers to work with child care  
11 workers to establish and support new affordable, high quality child  
12 care and early learning programs. To be eligible to receive funding,  
13 the organization must:

14 (a) Provide professional development services for child care  
15 providers and early childhood educators, including training and  
16 mentorship programs;

17 (b) Provide mentorship and other services to assist with child  
18 care provider and facility licensing;

19 (c) Administer or host a system of shared services and consulting  
20 related to operating a child care business; and

21 (d) Administer a state sponsored substitute pool child care  
22 provider program.

23 (36) \$830,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
25 House Bill No. 1447 (assistance programs).

26 (37) \$972,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$1,728,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
29 Substitute House Bill No. 1525 (apprenticeships/child care).

30 (38) \$2,438,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to provide a  
32 one-time rate enhancement in fiscal year 2024 for early support for  
33 infants and toddlers program providers.

34 (39) \$4,291,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
36 House Bill No. 1916 (infants and toddlers program). If the bill is  
37 not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
38 shall lapse.

(40) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the imagination library.

(41) \$5,561,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is provided solely for the department to increase the infant rate enhancement to \$300 per month, beginning July 1, 2024.

(42) (~~(\$1,313,000)~~) \$1,077,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of chapter 420, Laws of 2023 (transition to kindergarten program).

(43) \$650,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with a nonprofit organization that implements an inclusion mentorship program for child care and early learning providers. The mentorship program shall provide early learning providers with the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively care for and educate children with disabilities, developmental delays, or challenging behaviors.

(44)(a) \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$170,000)~~) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract with the Snohomish county early learning coalition to develop a leadership team to identify and report on ways to strengthen the early learning community in Snohomish county. The leadership team may include, but is not limited to, members from the following groups:

- (i) Business communities and industry representatives;
- (ii) Child care directors and owners;
- (iii) School district superintendents;
- (iv) The children's commission;
- (v) Early learning nonprofit executive directors;
- (vi) Tribes located in Snohomish county;
- (vii) Councilmembers from cities located in Snohomish county;
- (viii) Law enforcement;
- (ix) The communities of color coalition; and
- (x) Immigrant communities.

(b) The early learning coalition must submit an initial report to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025. The report must identify the following information:



- 1 (i) Highest priority early learning needs and common challenges
- 2 in the Snohomish county early learning sector;
- 3 (ii) Best strategies to address the identified challenges;
- 4 (iii) A list of potential partners to help implement the
- 5 strategies identified in the report;
- 6 (iv) A funding plan to implement the strategies; and
- 7 (v) The goal of any strategies implemented.

8 ~~(45) ((a) \$3,179,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—~~  
9 ~~state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of~~  
10 ~~Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6109 (children and~~  
11 ~~families). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount~~  
12 ~~provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

13 ~~(b) Of the amounts provided in (a) of this subsection:~~

14 ~~(i) \$1,600,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state~~  
15 ~~appropriation is provided solely for implementation of section 202 of~~  
16 ~~Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6109 (children and~~  
17 ~~families) for the department to enter into targeted contracts with~~  
18 ~~existing home visiting programs established by RCW 43.216.130 in~~  
19 ~~locales with the historically highest rates of child welfare~~  
20 ~~screened-in intake to serve families.~~

21 ~~(ii) \$1,579,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state~~  
22 ~~appropriation is provided solely to establish a pilot program for~~  
23 ~~contracted child care slots for infants in child protective services,~~  
24 ~~which may be used as part of a safety plan.~~

25 ~~(46)) (a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~  
26 ~~fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract~~  
27 ~~with a nonprofit organization located in Spokane for a pilot program~~  
28 ~~to increase the child care workforce and child care capacity in the~~  
29 ~~greater Spokane area. At a minimum, the pilot program must create a~~  
30 ~~cohort of at least 10 child care facilities that will engage in~~  
31 ~~culture index and blueprint assessments in order to increase the~~  
32 ~~child care workforce.~~

33 (b) In administering the pilot program, the nonprofit  
34 organization must:

35 (i) Conduct coordinated outreach efforts to establish capacity  
36 and utilization benchmarks for current licensed day care facilities;

37 (ii) Create a recruitment and branding strategy to increase the  
38 child care workforce; and

(iii) Establish data points for training, recruiting, and retaining child care employees.

(c) The organization must submit a report on the results of the pilot program, including any outcomes affecting the child care workforce and capacity, to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025.

~~((47))~~ (46) \$1,246,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2124 (child care prog. eligibility). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1228.** 2024 c 376 s 230 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES—PROGRAM SUPPORT**

|                                                      |                                |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)           | \$371,994,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)           | <del>(( \$293,151,000 ))</del> |
|                                                      | <u>\$323,118,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                   | <del>(( \$171,942,000 ))</del> |
|                                                      | <u>\$190,241,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation             | \$2,131,000                    |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation   | <del>(( \$744,000 ))</del>     |
|                                                      | <u>\$1,047,000</u>             |
| Home Visiting Services Account—State Appropriation   | \$482,000                      |
| Home Visiting Services Account—Federal Appropriation | \$380,000                      |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                  | <del>(( \$840,824,000 ))</del> |
|                                                      | <u>\$889,393,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a Washington state mentoring organization to continue its public-private partnerships providing technical assistance and training to mentoring programs that serve at-risk youth.

(2) \$2,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$6,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$2,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for the implementation of an agreement reached

1 between the governor and the Washington federation of state employees  
2 for the language access providers under the provisions of chapter  
3 41.56 RCW for the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, as provided in section  
4 907 of this act.

5 (3) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a full-time employee to  
8 coordinate policies and programs to support pregnant and parenting  
9 individuals receiving chemical dependency or substance use disorder  
10 treatment.

11 (4) \$3,525,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024, (~~(\$3,597,000)~~) \$3,025,000 of the general fund—state  
13 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$181,000 of the general fund—  
14 federal appropriation are provided solely for the phase-in of the  
15 settlement agreement under *D.S. et al. v. Department of Children,*  
16 *Youth and Families et al.*, United States district court for the  
17 western district of Washington, cause no. 2:21-cv-00113-BJR. The  
18 department must implement the provisions of the settlement agreement  
19 pursuant to the timeline and implementation plan provided for under  
20 the settlement agreement. This includes implementing provisions  
21 related to the emerging adulthood housing program, professional  
22 therapeutic foster care, statewide hub home model, revised licensing  
23 standards, family group planning, referrals and transition, qualified  
24 residential treatment program, and monitoring and implementation. To  
25 comply with the settlement agreement, funding in this subsection is  
26 provided as follows:

27 (a) \$2,406,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024, \$2,382,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025, and \$174,000 of the general fund—federal  
30 appropriation are provided solely for supported housing programs for  
31 hard-to-place foster youth age 16 and above. The department shall  
32 provide housing and case management supports that ensure youth  
33 placement stability, promote mental health and well-being, and  
34 prepare youth for independent living.

35 (b) \$313,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and (~~(\$250,000)~~) \$143,000 of the general fund—state  
37 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
38 implementation and monitoring of the state's implementation plan,  
39 which includes receiving recurring updates, requesting data on

1 compliance, reporting on progress, and resolving disputes that may  
2 arise.

3 (c) \$806,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024, (~~(\$965,000)~~) \$500,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$7,000 of the general fund—  
6 federal appropriation are provided solely for plaintiff legal fees  
7 and fiduciary support to support rate modeling and payments for the  
8 emerging adult housing program, professional therapeutic foster  
9 parents, referrals and transitions, and hub homes.

10 (5) \$704,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024, \$1,022,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025, and \$222,000 of the general fund—federal  
13 appropriation are provided solely for the department to implement a  
14 language access plan, which will include but is not limited to:

15 (a) Translation of department materials;

16 (b) Hiring staff to form a centralized language access team to  
17 provide language access supports and coordination across all  
18 department divisions;

19 (c) Outreach to community organizations serving multilingual  
20 children and families regarding department programs;

21 (d) Webinars and other technical assistance provided in multiple  
22 languages for department programs;

23 (e) Training for department staff on language access resources;  
24 and

25 (f) Other means of increasing language access and equity for  
26 providers and caregivers in health and safety, licensing and  
27 regulations, and public funding opportunities for programs offered by  
28 the department.

29 (6) \$1,885,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$1,885,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation  
31 are provided solely for a feasibility study to develop an  
32 implementation plan and determine costs for a new child welfare  
33 information system.

34 (7) \$2,149,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024, (~~(\$7,851,000)~~) \$7,046,000 of the general fund—state  
36 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$10,000,000 of the general  
37 fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for a comprehensive  
38 child welfare information system. The funding in this section is  
39 sufficient to complete procurement and the initial stages of

1 implementation and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
2 review requirements of section 701 of this act.

3 (8) \$1,187,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$1,187,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for housing support services for  
6 youth exiting foster care and juvenile rehabilitation.

7 (9) \$19,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024, \$19,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2025, and \$6,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
10 provided solely for indirect costs associated with the implementation  
11 of a seven-level foster care support system.

12 (10) \$1,494,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
13 provided solely for continued implementation of the family first  
14 prevention services act requirements, including technology  
15 enhancements to support the automated assessments, data quality, and  
16 reporting requirements. Funding provided in this subsection is  
17 subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in  
18 section 701 of this act.

19 (11) \$717,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 (~~(, \$717,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~  
21 ~~fiscal year 2025,))~~) and \$324,000 of the general fund—federal  
22 appropriation are provided solely for continued implementation of  
23 chapter 210, Laws of 2021 (2SHB 1219).

24 (12) \$1,248,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,248,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
27 continuation of the emergency adolescent housing pilot program. The  
28 housing pilot will serve hard-to-place foster youth who are at least  
29 16 years old with housing and intensive case management.

30 (13) \$319,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024, (~~(\$319,000)~~) \$155,000 of the general fund—state  
32 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$170,000 of the general fund—  
33 federal appropriation are provided solely to continue implementation  
34 of chapter 137, Laws of 2022 (2SHB 1905).

35 (14) \$26,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$26,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue implementation of  
38 chapter 39, Laws of 2022 (SHB 2068).

1 (15) \$23,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024, \$31,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
3 year 2025, and \$7,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
4 provided solely to implement Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5225  
5 (working conn. child care).

6 (16) \$1,571,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2024 and ((~~\$1,571,000~~)) \$1,105,000 of the general fund—  
8 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to  
9 implement Senate Bill No. 5316 (DCYF background check fees).

10 (17) \$53,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024, \$53,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2025, and \$16,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
13 provided solely to implement Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No.  
14 5515 (child abuse and neglect).

15 (18) \$43,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024, \$78,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2025, and \$18,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
18 provided solely to implement Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No.  
19 5124 (nonrelative kin placement).

20 (19) \$2,627,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2024 and ((~~\$2,628,000~~)) \$2,161,000 of the general fund—  
22 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
23 implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5256 (child welfare  
24 housing).

25 (20) \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024, \$58,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2025, and \$14,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
28 provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5683 (foster  
29 care/Indian children).

30 (21) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the partnership council for  
33 juvenile justice to consider and provide recommendations regarding  
34 juvenile justice policy projects and for one additional staff for  
35 ongoing policy and program analysis. The partnership council is  
36 authorized to consult with experts to study and gather research on  
37 best practices regarding juvenile justice, and to consult with  
38 relevant stakeholders regarding its potential recommendations.  
39 Relevant stakeholders may include but are not limited to the superior

1 court judges association; Washington association of juvenile court  
2 administrators; Washington association of county clerks; the  
3 association of Washington counties; community-based organizations  
4 with expertise in legal financial obligation reform, community  
5 compensation funds, supporting victims and survivors of crime, or  
6 supporting youth who have been convicted or adjudicated of criminal  
7 offenses; law enforcement, prosecutors; public defenders;  
8 incarcerated and formerly incarcerated youth and young adults; the  
9 administrative office of the courts; the crime victims compensation  
10 program; and the office of crime victims advocacy.

11 (a) The council shall:

12 (i) By October 31, 2024, report to the governor and appropriate  
13 committees of the legislature recommendations for establishing a  
14 state-funded community compensation program to address out of pocket  
15 expenses for those who have been harmed by juvenile criminal  
16 offenses. Recommendations shall consider restorative principles and  
17 best practices and shall be developed in consultation with those who  
18 have been adjudicated and charged restitution and those who have been  
19 owed restitution. The council shall provide recommendations for  
20 program implementation including, but not limited to, structure and  
21 placement within state government; scope and scale of funding  
22 including eligibility criteria; retroactivity; documentation  
23 requirements; and coordination with the existing crime victims  
24 compensation fund. The council shall provide estimates of startup  
25 costs and ongoing operational costs, including administration and  
26 direct compensation to victims.

27 (ii) By October 31, 2024, report to the governor and appropriate  
28 committees of the legislature recommendations regarding retention,  
29 dissemination, confidentiality, sealing, consequences, and general  
30 treatment of juvenile court records. In making recommendations, the  
31 council shall take into consideration developments in brain science  
32 regarding decision-making amongst youth; the impact the juvenile  
33 court records can have on future individual well-being; principles of  
34 racial equity; and impacts that the recommendations could have on  
35 recidivism.

36 (iii) By June 30, 2025, report to the governor and appropriate  
37 committees of the legislature recommendations regarding  
38 implementation of juvenile court jurisdiction expansion to encompass  
39 persons 18, 19, and 20 years old. Recommendations shall include an  
40 implementation plan for the expansion, including necessary funding,

1 essential personnel and programmatic resources, measures necessary to  
2 avoid a negative impact on the state's child protection response, and  
3 specific milestones related to operations and policy. The  
4 implementation plan shall also include a timeline for structural and  
5 systemic changes within the juvenile justice system for the juvenile  
6 rehabilitation division; the department of children, youth, and  
7 families; the department of corrections; and the juvenile court  
8 pursuant to chapter 13.04 RCW. The implementation plan shall also  
9 include an operations and business plan that defines benchmarks  
10 including possible changes to resource allocations; a review of the  
11 estimated costs avoided by local and state governments with the  
12 reduction of recidivism and an analysis of cost savings reinvestment  
13 options; and estimated new costs incurred to provide juvenile justice  
14 services to persons 18, 19, and 20 years old.

15 (22) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract  
18 with a statewide nonprofit with demonstrated capability of partnering  
19 with agencies and community organizations to develop public-facing  
20 regionalized data dashboards and reports to measure change in  
21 equitable early learning access as a result of programs and grants  
22 administered by the department. The nonprofit must provide the data  
23 in a consumer-friendly format and include updates on program supply  
24 and demand for subsidized child care and preschool programs. The data  
25 must be disaggregated by program and facility type, geography, family  
26 demographics, copayments, and outcomes of grants and rate  
27 enhancements disaggregated by staff role, program and facility type,  
28 and geography.

29 (23) \$1,206,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2024, \$1,554,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
31 for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,416,000 of the general fund—private/  
32 local appropriation are provided solely for the department to  
33 contract with one or more community organizations with expertise in  
34 the LifeSet case management model to serve youth and adults currently  
35 being served in or exiting the foster care, juvenile justice, and  
36 mental health systems to successfully transition to adulthood.

37 (24) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for



fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to increase rates for independent living service providers.

(25) \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for funding of the teamchild project.

(26) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract with an entity for three separate studies. The department must submit the studies to the governor and the legislature by June 30, 2025. The studies must analyze:

(a) The feasibility of implementing a universal child allowance, universal child care, and universal baby boxes;

(b) The feasibility of a social wealth fund for Washington state; and

(c) The current cash and cash-equivalent benefits currently available for Washington state residents who are nonworkers.

(27) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to contract with an all-male, African American organization to mentor youth ages 12 through 19 in south King county.

(28) \$37,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$37,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$74,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1188 (child welfare services/DD).

(29) \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$8,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1580 (children in crisis).

(30)(a) \$118,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$41,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to report on a plan to discontinue the practice of using any benefits, payments, funds, or accrual paid to or on behalf of a child or youth to reimburse itself for cost of care by the earliest date feasible.

1 The report must include an implementation plan to conserve funds for  
2 the future needs of the child in a manner in which the funds will not  
3 count against eligibility for federal or state means tested programs.  
4 The report must include a strategy for developing the financial  
5 literacy and capability of youth and young adults exiting foster care  
6 and juvenile rehabilitation. The department will develop the report  
7 in consultation with stakeholders, including but not limited to:

8 (i) Individuals with disabilities and organizations representing  
9 the interests of or serving individuals with disabilities;

10 (ii) Youth in foster care and juvenile rehabilitation and their  
11 parents;

12 (iii) The social security administration; and

13 (iv) Other relevant state agencies.

14 (b) The department must provide periodic status updates and must  
15 submit the final report no later than October 1, 2024. The department  
16 must convene the first meeting of the work group no later than  
17 September 1, 2023.

18 (31) \$938,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024, \$961,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025, and \$172,000 of the general fund—federal  
21 appropriation are provided solely for:

22 (a) Compliance with the settlement agreement reached in  
23 *Ta'afulisia et al. v. Washington State Department of Children, Youth,*  
24 *and Families, et al.*, Thurston county superior court, cause no.  
25 22-2-02974-34. The department must implement the provisions of the  
26 settlement agreement, which includes providing hearings to  
27 incarcerated youth under age 25 serving their sentence at a  
28 department of children, youth, and families facility prior to  
29 transfer to an adult corrections facility operated by the department  
30 of corrections; and

31 (b) Providing hearings for youth under age 25 transferred from a  
32 department of children, youth, and families community partial  
33 confinement facility to a department of children, youth, and families  
34 total confinement facility.

35 (32) \$94,615,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for legal costs that exceed the  
37 amount covered by the self-insurance liability account as follows:

1 (a) \$91,250,000 for the costs associated with a jury verdict  
2 resulting from *Cox et al. v. State of Washington et al.*, Pierce  
3 county superior court, cause no. 12-2-11389-6; and

4 (b) \$3,365,000 for the costs associated with a settlement  
5 agreement reached in *Aroni et al., v. State of Washington*, King  
6 county superior court, cause no. 21-2-16587-3.

7 (33) \$11,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024, \$651,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2025, and \$662,000 of the general fund—federal  
10 appropriation are provided solely for a feasibility study for the  
11 social service payment system replacement project.

12 (34) \$946,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2025 and \$154,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
14 provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill  
15 No. 1205 (service by pub./dependency). If the bill is not enacted by  
16 June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

17 (35) \$3,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024, \$22,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2025, and \$4,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
20 provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1970  
21 (DCYF-caregiver communication). If the bill is not enacted by June  
22 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

23 (36) (~~(\$954,000)~~) \$359,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to transact  
25 with the necessary level of detail regarding working connections  
26 child care program payments to address the repeated findings made by  
27 the state auditor's office related to the child care and development  
28 fund and temporary assistance for needy families federal grants.

29 (37) \$254,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
30 provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5774  
31 (fingerprint backgr. checks). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
32 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

33 (38) \$31,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for legal costs that exceed the  
35 amount covered by the self-insurance liability account as follows:

36 (a) \$7,000,000 for the costs associated with a settlement  
37 agreement reached in the *Estate of Jose Fernandez-Armas*, King County  
38 Superior Court, case no. 23-2-04113-5KNT.

1       (b) \$9,500,000 for the costs associated with a settlement  
2 agreement reached in *Denny, et al. v. State of Washington*, King  
3 County Superior Court, case no. 22-2-20293-9SEA.

4       (c) \$8,000,000 for the costs associated with a settlement  
5 agreement reached in *Glover, et al. v. State of Washington*, King  
6 County Superior Court, case no. 23-2-02517-2SEA.

7       (d) \$6,500,000 for the costs associated with a settlement  
8 agreement reached in *Estate of Hazel Homan*, Thurston County Superior  
9 Court, case no. 20-2-01513-34.

(End of part)

**PART XIII**  
**NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Sec. 1301.** 2024 c 376 s 302 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

|                                                      |                                |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)           | \$39,429,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)           | <del>(( \$39,352,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                      | <u>\$38,382,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                   | <del>(( \$145,441,000 ))</del> |
|                                                      | <u>\$145,028,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation             | \$29,544,000                   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation       | \$25,152,000                   |
| Emergency Drought Response Account—State             |                                |
| Appropriation                                        | \$6,000,000                    |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State              |                                |
| Appropriation                                        | \$16,408,000                   |
| Reclamation Account—State Appropriation              | \$4,785,000                    |
| Flood Control Assistance Account—State Appropriation | \$5,252,000                    |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State              |                                |
| Appropriation                                        | \$150,000                      |
| Refrigerant Emission Management Account—State        |                                |
| Appropriation                                        | \$3,121,000                    |
| State Emergency Water Projects Revolving Account—    |                                |
| State Appropriation                                  | \$40,000                       |
| Waste Reduction, Recycling, and Litter Control       |                                |
| Account—State Appropriation                          | \$33,999,000                   |
| State Drought Preparedness Account—State             |                                |
| Appropriation                                        | \$2,219,000                    |
| State and Local Improvements Revolving Account—Water |                                |
| Supply Facilities—State Appropriation                | \$186,000                      |
| Water Rights Tracking System Account—State           |                                |
| Appropriation                                        | \$48,000                       |
| Site Closure Account—State Appropriation             | \$582,000                      |
| Wood Stove Education and Enforcement Account—State   |                                |
| Appropriation                                        | \$605,000                      |
| Worker and Community Right to Know Fund—State        |                                |
| Appropriation                                        | \$2,222,000                    |
| Water Rights Processing Account—State Appropriation  | \$39,000                       |

|    |                                                              |                                |
|----|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1  | Water Quality Permit Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | \$67,216,000                   |
| 2  | Underground Storage Tank Account—State Appropriation. . . .  | \$5,032,000                    |
| 3  | Biosolids Permit Account—State Appropriation. . . . .        | \$3,068,000                    |
| 4  | Hazardous Waste Assistance Account—State                     |                                |
| 5  | Appropriation. . . . .                                       | \$9,476,000                    |
| 6  | Radioactive Mixed Waste Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | <del>(( \$24,455,000 ))</del>  |
| 7  |                                                              | <u>\$24,868,000</u>            |
| 8  | Air Pollution Control Account—State Appropriation. . . . .   | \$4,926,000                    |
| 9  | Oil Spill Prevention Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | \$9,132,000                    |
| 10 | Air Operating Permit Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | \$5,593,000                    |
| 11 | Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Certification            |                                |
| 12 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                         | \$804,000                      |
| 13 | Oil Spill Response Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | \$7,076,000                    |
| 14 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State                 |                                |
| 15 | Appropriation. . . . .                                       | <del>(( \$350,774,000 ))</del> |
| 16 |                                                              | <u>\$350,730,000</u>           |
| 17 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—Local                 |                                |
| 18 | Appropriation. . . . .                                       | \$1,000,000                    |
| 19 | Model Toxics Control Stormwater Account—State                |                                |
| 20 | Appropriation. . . . .                                       | \$16,992,000                   |
| 21 | Voluntary Cleanup Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$344,000                      |
| 22 | Paint Product Stewardship Account—State                      |                                |
| 23 | Appropriation. . . . .                                       | \$151,000                      |
| 24 | Water Pollution Control Revolving Administration             |                                |
| 25 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                         | \$8,641,000                    |
| 26 | Clean Fuels Program Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$5,003,000                    |
| 27 | Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | <del>(( \$60,877,000 ))</del>  |
| 28 |                                                              | <u>\$57,877,000</u>            |
| 29 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                 | <del>(( \$935,134,000 ))</del> |
| 30 |                                                              | <u>\$931,120,000</u>           |

31 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
32 conditions and limitations:

33 (1) \$455,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024 and \$455,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to grant to  
36 the northwest straits commission to provide funding, technical  
37 assistance, and/or coordination support equally to the seven Puget  
38 Sound marine resources committees.

1       (2) \$170,000 of the oil spill prevention account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for a contract with the University  
3 of Washington's sea grant program to continue an educational program  
4 targeted to small spills from commercial fishing vessels, ferries,  
5 cruise ships, ports, and marinas.

6       (3) \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Executive  
9 Order No. 12-07, Washington's response to ocean acidification.

10       (4) \$24,000,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
11 state appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide  
12 grants to local governments for the purpose of supporting local solid  
13 waste and financial assistance programs.

14       (5) \$150,000 of the aquatic lands enhancement account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of the state  
16 marine management plan and ongoing costs of the Washington coastal  
17 marine advisory council to serve as a forum and provide  
18 recommendations on coastal management issues.

19       (6) \$2,000,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
20 state appropriation is provided solely for the department to convene  
21 a stakeholder group, including representatives from overburdened  
22 communities, to assist with developing a water quality implementation  
23 plan for polychlorinated biphenyls and to address other emerging  
24 contaminants in the Spokane river. The department must also consult  
25 with the Spokane tribe of Indians and other interested tribes when  
26 developing and implementing actions to address water quality in the  
27 Spokane river.

28       (7) \$4,002,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely to address flood prevention in the  
30 Nooksack basin and Sumas prairie. Of this amount:

31       (a) \$2,000,000 is provided solely to expand and sustain Whatcom  
32 county's floodplain integrated planning (FLIP) team planning process,  
33 including supporting communication, community participation,  
34 coordination, technical studies and analysis, and development of  
35 local solutions.

36       (b) \$900,000 is provided solely for the department to support  
37 transboundary coordination, including facilitation and technical  
38 support to develop and evaluate alternatives for managing  
39 transboundary flooding in Whatcom county and British Columbia.

1 (c) \$1,102,000 is provided solely to support dedicated local and  
2 department capacity for floodplain planning and technical support. Of  
3 the amount in this subsection (c), \$738,000 is solely for a grant to  
4 Whatcom county. The remaining amount is for the department to provide  
5 ongoing staff technical assistance and support to flood prevention  
6 efforts in this area.

7 (8) (~~(\$21,504,000)~~) \$18,504,000 of the climate investment account  
8 —state appropriation is provided solely for capacity grants to  
9 federally recognized tribes for: (a) Consultation on spending  
10 decisions on grants in accordance with RCW 70A.65.305; (b)  
11 consultation on clean energy siting projects; (c) activities  
12 supporting climate resilience and adaptation; (d) developing tribal  
13 clean energy projects; (e) applying for state or federal grant  
14 funding; and (f) other related work. In order to meet the  
15 requirements of RCW 70A.65.230(1)(b), tribal applicants are  
16 encouraged to include a tribal resolution supporting their request  
17 with their grant application. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is  
18 approved in the 2024 general election, upon the effective date of the  
19 measure, \$5,032,000 of the funds from this subsection shall lapse.

20 (9) \$1,363,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$1,375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for preparation and filing of  
23 adjudications of state water rights in water resource inventory area  
24 1 (Nooksack).

25 (10) \$573,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and (~~(\$963,000)~~) \$343,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
28 preparation and filing of adjudications of state water rights in lake  
29 Roosevelt and its immediate tributaries.

30 (11) \$2,479,000 of the climate investment account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for addressing air quality in  
32 overburdened communities highly impacted by air pollution under RCW  
33 70A.65.020.

34 (12) \$177,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$177,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to validate a proposed  
37 standardized channel migration zone mapping methodology, develop a  
38 statewide channel migration zone mapping implementation plan, and



1 provide technical assistance to local and tribal governments looking  
2 to use the new standard.

3 (13)(a) \$640,000 of the climate investment account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for the department, in consultation  
5 with the office of financial management and the environmental justice  
6 council, to develop and implement a process to track, summarize, and  
7 report on state agency expenditures from climate commitment act  
8 accounts that provide direct and meaningful benefits to vulnerable  
9 populations within the boundaries of overburdened communities as  
10 described in RCW 70A.65.030 and 70A.65.230, and expenditures that are  
11 formally supported by a resolution of an Indian tribe as described in  
12 RCW 70A.65.230. The department must incorporate the process under  
13 this subsection into existing efforts to track climate commitment act  
14 expenditures under RCW 70A.65.300. The department must incorporate  
15 the Washington state proequity antiracism (PEAR) plan and playbook  
16 and executive order 22-04 into the work of this subsection as  
17 appropriate.

18 (b) The information that agencies provide to the department, and  
19 that the department tracks and reports on under this subsection, must  
20 include, at a minimum:

21 (i) The amount of each expenditure that provides direct and  
22 meaningful benefits to vulnerable populations within the boundaries  
23 of overburdened communities;

24 (ii) An explanation of how the expenditure provides such  
25 benefits;

26 (iii) The methods by which overburdened communities and  
27 vulnerable populations were identified by the agency and an  
28 explanation of the outcomes of those identification processes,  
29 including the geographic location impacted by the expenditure where  
30 relevant, and the geographic boundaries of overburdened communities  
31 identified by the agency;

32 (iv) The amount of each expenditure used for programs,  
33 activities, or projects formally supported by a resolution of an  
34 Indian tribe; and

35 (v) For expenditures that do not meet, or it is unclear whether  
36 they meet, (b)(i) or (iv) of this subsection, an explanation of why.

37 (c) The department, in consultation with the environmental  
38 justice council and the office of financial management, and in  
39 coordination with reporting under RCW 70A.65.300, must report to the

appropriate committees of the legislature by September 30, 2024, on the following:

(i) A summary of the information provided by agencies through the process in this subsection; and

(ii) Any recommendations for improvements to the process under this subsection or potential amendments to RCW 70A.65.030, 70A.65.230, or 70A.02.080, or other statutes relevant to this subsection. In making recommendations, the department must consider any statutory changes necessary to ensure consistent tracking of the uses of climate commitment account funds, including standardization or coordination of the process for identifying the overburdened communities used for purposes of tracking expenditures and the methods for determining whether an expenditure contributes a direct and meaningful benefit to a vulnerable population or overburdened community.

(d) "Climate commitment act accounts" means the carbon emissions reduction account created in RCW 70A.65.240, the climate commitment account created in RCW 70A.65.260, the natural climate solutions account created in RCW 70A.65.270, the climate investment account created in RCW 70A.65.250, the air quality and health disparities improvement account created in RCW 70A.65.280, the climate transit programs account created in RCW 46.68.500, and the climate active transportation account created in RCW 46.68.490.

(14) \$238,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely for technical assistance and compliance assurance associated with the ban of certain hydrofluorocarbon-related products.

(15) \$2,500,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to conduct a statewide compost emissions study, which will provide essential data needed to improve the quality of air permitting decisions, improve compost facility operations, and support state goals to reduce organic waste in landfills reducing climate change impacts.

(16) \$2,256,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide technical assistance to landowners and local governments to promote voluntary compliance, implement best management practices, and support implementation of water quality clean-up plans in shellfish growing areas, agricultural areas, forestlands, and other types of

land uses, including technical assistance focused on protection and restoration of critical riparian management areas important for salmon recovery.

(17) \$2,702,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to develop a 6PPD action plan and complete a safer alternatives assessment of the 6PPD compound used in tires, including obtaining any data necessary to complete the alternatives assessment. The action plan should identify, characterize, and evaluate uses and releases of 6PPD and related chemicals, and recommend actions to protect human health and the environment. The department shall provide a progress report on the action plan and alternatives assessment to the governor's office, the office of financial management, and the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31, 2024. The department may provide funding from this subsection to the University of Washington and Washington State University for the purposes of this subsection.

(18) \$5,195,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely to establish a program to monitor 6PPD compounds in water and sediment, identify effective best management practices to treat 6PPD in stormwater runoff, produce guidance on how and when to use best management practices for toxicity reduction to protect salmon and other aquatic life, and incorporate the guidance into stormwater management manuals. The department may provide funding from this subsection to the University of Washington and Washington State University for the purposes of this subsection.

(19) \$2,296,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5104 (marine shoreline habitat).

(20)(a) \$500,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to carry out the following activities to inform the development of legislative proposals to increase recycling, reuse, and source reduction rates, which must include consideration of how to design and implement a producer responsibility model for consumer packaging, including paper, plastic, metal, and glass, and paper products:

(i) Conduct a recycling, reuse, and source reduction targets study; and

1 (ii) Carry out a community input process on the state's recycling  
2 system.

3 (b) The department must contract with an impartial third-party  
4 consultant with relevant technical expertise and capabilities in  
5 facilitation and gathering public input, including from overburdened  
6 communities, to carry out the activities specified in (a) of this  
7 subsection. In order to ensure that the state is receiving a variety  
8 of expert perspectives on the topic of packaging management, the  
9 contractor should include in their team individuals and/or  
10 subcontractors with a wide range of expertise and experience. The  
11 third party consultant must submit a report to the appropriate  
12 committees of the house of representatives and the senate by December  
13 1, 2023.

14 (c) The recycling, reuse, and source reduction targets study  
15 must:

16 (i) Document recycling rates, reuse rates, and the reduction of  
17 single-use plastics for consumer packaging and paper products that  
18 have been adopted in other jurisdictions, measure methods used, and  
19 the basis or justification for recommended target rates selected;

20 (ii) Recommend highest achievable performance rates, including an  
21 overall recycling rate, a separate specific minimum reuse rate, a  
22 recycling rate for each material category, and a source reduction  
23 rate to be achieved solely by eliminating plastic components, that  
24 could be achieved under up to four different scenarios, including a  
25 producer responsibility program and other policies; and

26 (iii) Make recommendations that consider the commercial viability  
27 and technological feasibility of achieving rates based on current  
28 rates achieved in the state, rates achieved based on real world  
29 performance data, and other data, with performance rates designed to  
30 be achieved statewide by 2032.

31 (d) For purposes of this subsection, "eliminate" or  
32 "elimination," with respect to source reduction, means the removal of  
33 a plastic component from a covered material without replacing that  
34 component with a nonplastic component.

35 (e) The community input process on the state's recycling system  
36 must include:

37 (i) In-person and virtual workshops and community meetings held  
38 at locations in urban and rural areas and in ways that are accessible  
39 to stakeholders across the state, including overburdened communities;

1 (ii) Public opinion surveys that are representative of Washington  
2 residents across the state, including overburdened communities and  
3 urban and rural areas; and

4 (iii) A focus on eliciting an improved understanding of public  
5 values and opinions related to the state's recycling system, the  
6 current public experience with respect to the state's recycling  
7 systems, and ways the public believes that their recycling experience  
8 and system outcomes could be improved.

9 (21)(a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2024 (~~((and \$250,000 of the general fund state~~  
11 ~~appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are))~~) is provided solely for the  
12 department, in consultation with other agencies as necessary, to  
13 conduct an analysis of water use for irrigation under the potential  
14 scenario of lower Snake river dam removal. Analysis must include  
15 continued water use during drawdown and thereafter from the river  
16 postremoval. The analysis must include the following:

17 (i) A plan identifying potential mitigation needs and interim  
18 approaches for delivery of water for irrigation pursuant to existing  
19 water rights for those using pumps, wells, or both, from Ice Harbor  
20 reservoir during a possible transition from the current reservoir-  
21 based irrigation to irrigation from the river;

22 (ii) Identification of cost-effective options for continued  
23 irrigation at current amounts and with existing water rights from the  
24 lower Snake river at the area of the current Ice Harbor pool; and

25 (iii) Cost estimates for any necessary irrigation system upgrades  
26 required to continue irrigation from the lower Snake river.

27 (b) The department may, as necessary and appropriate, consult for  
28 this analysis with irrigators and tribal governments.

29 (c) The department shall provide a status update to the  
30 environment and energy committees of the legislature and the office  
31 of the governor by December 31, 2024.

32 (22) \$3,914,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for activities related to coastal  
34 hazards, including expanding the coastal monitoring and analysis  
35 program, establishing a coastal hazard organizational resilience  
36 team, and establishing a coastal hazards grant program to help local  
37 communities design projects and apply for funding opportunities. At  
38 least 25 percent of the funding in this subsection must be used for  
39 the benefit of tribes.

1 (23) \$340,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
3 Substitute House Bill No. 1033 (compostable product usage).

4 (24) \$1,124,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
6 Substitute House Bill No. 1047 (cosmetic product chemicals).

7 (25) \$139,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
9 House Bill No. 1085 (plastic pollution).

10 (26) \$6,000,000 of the emergency drought response account—state  
11 appropriation and \$2,000,000 of the state drought preparedness  
12 account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
13 Substitute House Bill No. 1138 (drought preparedness).

14 (27) \$1,123,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
16 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1170 (climate response strategy).

17 (28) \$43,000 of the underground storage tank account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
19 Substitute House Bill No. 1175 (petroleum storage tanks).

20 (29) \$1,174,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
22 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1181 (climate change/planning).

23 (30) \$13,248,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
25 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (clean energy siting).

26 (31) \$140,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
27 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
28 Substitute House Bill No. 1578 (wildland fire safety).

29 (32) Expenditures on upgrading or developing the turboplan  
30 system, Washington fuel reporting system, and EAGL system are subject  
31 to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section  
32 701 of this act.

33 (33) \$1,263,000 of the clean fuels program account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
35 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5447 (alternative jet fuel).

36 (34) \$370,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely as a grant to the Puget Sound clean  
38 air agency to identify emission reduction projects and to help  
39 community-based organizations, local governments, and ports in

1 overburdened communities author grant applications and provide  
2 support for grant reporting for entities that receive grants. The  
3 department must prioritize projects located in overburdened  
4 communities so that those communities can reap the public health  
5 benefits from the climate commitment act, inflation reduction act,  
6 and other new funding opportunities.

7 (35) \$1,220,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
8 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
9 Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5144 (batteries/  
10 environment).

11 (36) \$77,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill  
13 No. 5369 (polychlorinated biphenyls).

14 (37) \$330,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide a  
16 grant to Clark county for the purpose of developing and implementing  
17 a lake management plan to restore and maintain the health of  
18 Vancouver lake, a category 5 303(d) status impaired body of water.  
19 The department must work with the county to include involvement by  
20 property owners around the lake and within the watersheds that drain  
21 to the lake, the department of natural resources, other state  
22 agencies and local governments with proprietary or regulatory  
23 jurisdiction, tribes, and nonprofit organizations advocating for the  
24 health of the lake. The plan should incorporate work already  
25 completed by the county and other entities involved in development of  
26 the lake management strategy.

27 (38) \$276,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to San Juan county for  
29 the enhancement of ongoing oil spill response preparedness staff  
30 hiring, spill response equipment acquisition, and spill response  
31 training and operational expenses.

32 (39) \$1,460,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide grants  
34 to the following organizations in the amounts specified for the  
35 purpose of coordinating, monitoring, restoring, and conducting  
36 research for Puget Sound kelp conservation and recovery:

- 37 (a) \$300,000 to the Squaxin Island Tribe;  
38 (b) \$200,000 to the Samish Indian Nation;  
39 (c) \$144,000 to the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe;

1 (d) \$200,000 to the Northwest straits commission;

2 (e) \$366,000 to the Puget Sound restoration fund to subcontract  
3 with sound data systems and Vashon nature center; and

4 (f) \$250,000 to the reef check foundation.

5 (40) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department's engagement  
8 with the federal government, Indian tribes, water users, and local  
9 governments on a process that could result in a federal Indian water  
10 rights settlement through the Nooksack adjudication. The department  
11 shall produce a monthly report during the claims filing period to  
12 monitor the progress of claims filed by water users. The department  
13 shall provide a report to the appropriate standing committees of the  
14 legislature regarding the status of the adjudication and any  
15 potential settlement structure by June 30, 2024, and by June 30,  
16 2025.

17 (41) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to Whatcom county to  
20 provide technical assistance that must be made available to all water  
21 users in WRIA 1 in filing adjudication claims under RCW 90.03.140.  
22 This assistance must be administered by Whatcom county and no portion  
23 of this funding may be used to contest the claims of any other  
24 claimant in the adjudication.

25 (42) \$330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$370,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to Whatcom county  
28 acting as fiscal agent for the WRIA 1 watershed management board, in  
29 support of collaborative water supply planning in WRIA 1. Funding may  
30 be used to collect or analyze technical information, to develop and  
31 assess the feasibility of water supply solutions in WRIA 1, and for  
32 facilitation and mediation among parties including, but not limited  
33 to, the department, Whatcom county, the public utility district, the  
34 city of Bellingham, Lummi Nation, and the Nooksack Tribe. Specific  
35 funding allocations, including purpose and amount, will be determined  
36 by the WRIA 1 watershed management board. Funding under this  
37 subsection will be available only after the filing of the Nooksack  
38 adjudication, and no funding provided for the Nooksack adjudication  
39 will be used to support the activities funded by this subsection. It



1 is anticipated that these activities will run in parallel with the  
2 Nooksack adjudication.

3 (43) \$200,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with  
5 a consultant to develop a report that conducts a full emissions life  
6 cycle assessment for solid waste processed at the Spokane Waste to  
7 Energy Facility (WTEF) compared to solid waste processed at three  
8 other landfills within the region that waste may be sent to if the  
9 WTEF were to cease operations. The report must be submitted to the  
10 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31, 2023.

11 (44) \$1,416,000 of the climate investment account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for additional staff and resources  
13 to implement the climate commitment act. If Initiative Measure No.  
14 2117 is approved in the 2024 general election, upon the effective  
15 date of the measure, funds from the consolidated climate account may  
16 not be used for the purposes in this subsection.

17 (45) \$896,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for Washington conservation corps  
19 (WCC) cost-share requirements for qualifying organizations, as  
20 identified through a competitive application process that prioritizes  
21 communities that have not previously received WCC support, are in  
22 areas with a high cumulative impact on the department of health's  
23 environmental health disparities map, are identified by the office of  
24 financial management as distressed, and/or have a high percentile of  
25 people of color or low-income.

26 (46) \$3,307,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
27 appropriation is provided solely to update surface water maps across  
28 the state, develop geospatial integration tools, and support the use,  
29 accuracy, and adoption of the state's hydrography dataset. If  
30 Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024 general election,  
31 upon the effective date of the measure, funds from the consolidated  
32 climate account may not be used for the purposes in this subsection.

33 (47) \$410,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely to implement the recommendations  
35 from the agency's June 2023 report on Puget Sound nutrient credit  
36 trading, including conducting a market feasibility analysis and  
37 developing a stakeholder outreach plan, a tribal engagement plan, and  
38 trading resource materials.

1       (48)   \$338,000   of   the   climate   commitment   account—state  
2   appropriation is provided solely for the department to increase  
3   planning, engagement, and evaluation tools for effective ocean  
4   management and offshore wind energy development. The department must  
5   engage with tribes in carrying out this subsection. If Initiative  
6   Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024 general election, upon the  
7   effective date of the measure, funds from the consolidated climate  
8   account may not be used for the purposes in this subsection.

9       (49)   \$2,000,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
10   state appropriation is provided solely for the department to meet the  
11   increased demand for administrative orders authorized under chapter  
12   90.48 RCW (the water pollution control act) for projects impacting  
13   state waters.

14       (50)   Upon request, the department must provide technical  
15   assistance to representatives of emissions-intensive trade-exposed  
16   industries, as defined in RCW 70A.65.110, on the replacement of  
17   existing industrial facilities with facilities under the same North  
18   American industry classification system code with lower greenhouse  
19   gas emissions. The department must provide such assistance until  
20   November 1, 2024.

21       (51)(a)   \$300,000   of   the   climate   commitment   account—state  
22   appropriation is provided solely for the department, in consultation  
23   with the department of commerce, to contract with a third-party  
24   entity to conduct a study of the extent to which carbon dioxide  
25   removal is needed to meet Washington's emissions reduction targets  
26   defined in RCW 70A.45.020. The study must include recommendations on  
27   policies to grow Washington's carbon dioxide removal capacity,  
28   including compliance market development and government procurement  
29   policies. The department must provide an interim progress report to  
30   the appropriate committees of the legislature by November 30, 2024.  
31   The department must provide a final report by June 30, 2025, that  
32   includes:

33       (i) A summary of feedback from relevant stakeholders;

34       (ii) An analysis of economic and climate opportunities for  
35   Washington;

36       (iii) Ways in which carbon dioxide removal might integrate with  
37   existing compliance programs;

38       (iv) Strategies to support industry sectors in integrating carbon  
39   dioxide removal and maximizing federal funding;

1 (v) Recommendations for monitoring, reporting, and verification  
2 standards to ensure carbon dioxide removal technologies may be  
3 compared; and

4 (vi) Consideration of carbon dioxide removal accounting  
5 mechanisms that account for varying durability of different  
6 approaches.

7 (b) If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024  
8 general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from  
9 the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in  
10 this subsection.

11 (52) \$375,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely to:

13 (a) Identify additional priority consumer products containing  
14 PFAS for potential regulatory action; and

15 (b) Issue orders to manufacturers under RCW 70A.350.040 and  
16 70A.350.030 to obtain ingredient information, including for chemical  
17 ingredients used to replace priority chemicals.

18 (53) \$200,000 of the flood control assistance account—state  
19 appropriation is provided solely for a grant to the Spirit Lake-  
20 Toutle/Cowlitz river collaborative for flood risk reduction,  
21 ecosystem recovery, scientific research, and other activities related  
22 to sediment management and flooding in the Spirit Lake-Toutle/Cowlitz  
23 river system.

24 (54) \$501,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
25 private/local appropriation is provided solely for cleanup costs at  
26 the Stillwater holdings Chevron site in Walla Walla.

27 (55) \$300,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for an analysis of the contribution  
29 of waste tires, as defined in RCW 70A.205.440, to 6PPD-q pollution.  
30 The department may contract with a third party for the study. A final  
31 study report is due to the appropriate committees of the legislature  
32 by June 30, 2025, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036. The study must  
33 include:

34 (a) A review of the disposal, repurposing, reuse, recycling,  
35 handling, and management of waste tires in the state;

36 (b) A review of the markets for waste tires, including state  
37 policies and programs that impact these markets;

38 (c) A description of the sectoral and geographic origins and  
39 destinations of waste tires; and

1 (d) Alternatives to using tire derived rubber in waste tire  
2 markets.

3 (56)(a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to contract  
5 with a statewide association of local public health officials to  
6 conduct an analysis of:

7 (i) Current wastewater treatment capacity to treat and dispose of  
8 septage in Washington; and

9 (ii) Future wastewater treatment infrastructure needs to  
10 accommodate development growth using on-site septage systems.

11 (b) The department must report to the appropriate committees of  
12 the legislature by June 30, 2025, with the results of the analysis.

13 (57)(a) \$206,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely to initiate the development of a  
15 statewide web map tool to integrate the department's water resources  
16 management databases. Data elements to integrate include water rights  
17 records and geospatial information, mitigation and water banks, and  
18 metering data. The web map must provide the public with an  
19 interactive online mapping system focused on water resource data that  
20 enables users to access, visualize, and use improved water data.

21 (b) The department must consult with local and tribal governments  
22 to identify the most useful data elements and analytics to  
23 incorporate into an enhanced water resource management tool and must  
24 use this information to prioritize future tool enhancements.

25 (c) The department must provide a status update on the data  
26 integration project to the appropriate committees of the legislature  
27 and to the office of financial management by June 30, 2025, including  
28 work completed to date, recommendations for priority tool  
29 enhancements to support decision-making, planned work for fiscal year  
30 2026, and future budget needs required to complete the development of  
31 an enhanced water resource management tool and maintain it on an  
32 ongoing basis.

33 (d) Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or  
34 obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is  
35 approved in the general election, this subsection is null and void  
36 upon the effective date of the measure.

37 (58) \$145,000 of the air pollution control account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
39 Senate Bill No. 6121 (ag. and forestry biomass). If the bill is not

1 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
2 shall lapse.

3 (59) \$1,787,000 of the climate investment account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
5 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6058 (carbon market linkage). If  
6 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
7 subsection shall lapse. Funds provided in this subsection may not be  
8 expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure  
9 No. 2117 is approved in the general election, the amount provided in  
10 this subsection shall lapse upon the effective date of the measure.

11 (60) \$1,645,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of food waste  
13 management grant programs as provided in Engrossed Second Substitute  
14 House Bill No. 2301 (waste material management). If the bill is not  
15 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection  
16 shall lapse. Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or  
17 obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is  
18 approved in the general election, the amount provided in this  
19 subsection shall lapse upon the effective date of the measure.

20 (61) \$1,335,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
21 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
22 Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2301 (waste material  
23 management). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount  
24 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

25 (62) \$44,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
27 House Bill No. 1924 (fusion technology policies). If the bill is not  
28 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
29 shall lapse. Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or  
30 obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is  
31 approved in the general election, the amount provided in this  
32 subsection shall lapse upon the effective date of the measure.

33 (63) \$2,000,000 of the climate investment account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely to communicate with the public in  
35 multiple languages on the use and benefits of climate commitment act  
36 funding, as well as the ways in which communities can access climate  
37 commitment act grant funding. Funds provided in this subsection may  
38 not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative

Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, this subsection is null and void upon the effective date of the measure.

(64) (~~(\$400,000)~~) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to develop a groundwater modeling guidance publication.

(a) The publication must provide consistency in the department's evaluation of groundwater models submitted for water right permitting actions and ensure continued transparency to water right applicants in the department's permitting processes. The core purpose of the publication is to establish best practices for groundwater modeling. The publication will:

(i) Define criteria for evaluating model suitability for proposed projects;

(ii) Identify the department's approach to evaluating model error and uncertainty;

(iii) Identify circumstances where model outputs are insufficient for permit decision making; and

(iv) Address the appropriateness of refining a regional groundwater model in water right permitting decisions.

(b) The department must convene a technical advisory committee of licensed hydrogeologists, including hydrogeologists employed or designated by tribes, or professional engineers with experience in groundwater modeling to review the workplan and provide comments on the guidance. The publication must be peer reviewed by the United States geological survey or other state or national hydrogeologic professional organization.

(c) The department must invite any federally recognized Indian tribes that may be potentially affected by the publication to participate in the technical advisory committee and engage in consultation with any federally recognized Indian tribe as requested.

(d) The department must provide an update to the appropriate committees of the legislature and to the office of financial management by June 30, 2025. The department must indicate the estimated time to complete the publication, including draft guidance, recommended further research, and key implementation steps in the update.

(65) \$650,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for a feasibility and engineering study for the city of Spokane's waste to energy plant carbon emissions reductions project. Funds provided in this subsection may

1 not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative  
2 Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, this subsection  
3 is null and void upon the effective date of the measure.

4 (66) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2025 is provided solely for the implementation of the Spanaway  
6 lake cyanobacteria plan and the aquatic plant management plan,  
7 including testing, sample collection, and monitoring for tracking  
8 water quality and determining treatment options.

9 (67) \$6,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for the department, in collaboration  
11 with the University of Washington department of environmental and  
12 occupational health sciences, to provide air quality mitigation  
13 equipment to residential, recreational, or educational facilities in  
14 south King county that will measurably improve air quality including,  
15 but not limited to, the provision of high particulate air purifiers  
16 designed to mitigate or eliminate ultrafine particles or other  
17 aviation-related air pollution. Funds provided in this subsection may  
18 not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative  
19 Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, this subsection  
20 is null and void upon the effective date of the measure.

21 (68) \$37,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
22 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
23 Senate Bill No. 5649 (floodproofing improvements). If the bill is not  
24 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
25 shall lapse.

26 (69) \$76,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
27 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
28 Senate Bill No. 5812 (electric vehicle fires). If the bill is not  
29 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
30 shall lapse.

31 (~~((+71+))~~) (70) \$1,070,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
33 Substitute Senate Bill No. 6039 (geothermal energy resources). If the  
34 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
35 subsection shall lapse. Funds provided in this subsection may not be  
36 expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure  
37 No. 2117 is approved in the general election, the amount provided in  
38 this subsection shall lapse upon the effective date of the measure.

**Sec. 1302.** 2024 c 376 s 303 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE WASHINGTON POLLUTION LIABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM**

|                                                      |                               |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .          | \$1,237,000                   |
| Pollution Liability Insurance Agency Underground     |                               |
| Storage Tank Revolving Account—State                 |                               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                               | (( <del>\$957,000</del> ))    |
|                                                      | <u>\$1,063,000</u>            |
| Pollution Liability Insurance Program Trust Account— |                               |
| State Appropriation. . . . .                         | \$10,235,000                  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | (( <del>\$12,429,000</del> )) |
|                                                      | <u>\$12,535,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: \$8,340,000 of the pollution liability insurance program trust account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1175 (petroleum storage tanks).

**Sec. 1303.** 2024 c 376 s 304 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

|                                                         |                                |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .     | \$41,197,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .     | (( <del>\$45,091,000</del> ))  |
|                                                         | <u>\$45,876,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .             | \$7,231,000                    |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$2,883,000                    |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State                 |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$650,000                      |
| Winter Recreation Program Account—State                 |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$4,928,000                    |
| ORV and Nonhighway Vehicle Account—State                |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$396,000                      |
| Snowmobile Account—State Appropriation. . . . .         | \$5,715,000                    |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State                 |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$367,000                      |
| Parks Renewal and Stewardship Account—State             |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                  | (( <del>\$153,073,000</del> )) |
|                                                         | <u>\$153,158,000</u>           |
| Parks Renewal and Stewardship Account—Private/Local     |                                |



|                              |                      |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Appropriation. . . . .       | \$720,000            |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | ((\$262,251,000))    |
|                              | <u>\$263,121,000</u> |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$5,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$5,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$142,000 of the parks renewal and stewardship account—state appropriation are provided solely for operating budget impacts from capital budget projects completed in the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium.

(2) \$127,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$128,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$750,000 of the parks renewal and stewardship account—state appropriation are provided solely to monitor known cultural resource sites, perform needed evaluations for historic properties, manage historic preservation capital projects, and support native American grave protection and repatriation act compliance.

(3) \$299,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$299,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,797,000 of the parks renewal and stewardship account—state appropriation are provided solely for additional staff and technical support for scoping and scheduling to proactively address tribal and community concerns and increase the quality of capital project requests.

(4) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to complete a park master plan and an environmental impact statement for Miller peninsula park.

(5) \$3,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$3,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the maintenance of state parks, including maintaining grounds and facilities, trails, restrooms, water access areas, and similar activities.

(6) \$1,083,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation and \$350,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state appropriation are provided solely to identify and reduce the

1 state park system's carbon emissions and assess areas of  
2 vulnerability for climate change.

3 (7) \$336,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$336,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to create a statewide data  
6 management system with the department of natural resources and the  
7 department of fish and wildlife to make informed management decisions  
8 that meet conservation goals for public lands. The agencies will also  
9 collaborate with tribal governments to ensure cultural resources and  
10 cultural practices are considered and incorporated into management  
11 plans.

12 (8) \$129,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$129,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant for the operation of  
15 the Northwest weather and avalanche center.

16 (9) The commission must report to and coordinate with the  
17 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
18 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
19 302(13) of this act.

20 (10)(a) \$170,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2024 and \$170,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
22 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a contract with a  
23 statewide trail maintenance and hiking nonprofit organization to  
24 provide the emerging leaders program: expanding equity in the  
25 outdoors. The goal of the program is expanding both the number and  
26 diversity of trained, qualified individuals available for employment  
27 in the outdoor recreation and natural resource management sectors.

28 (b) The program must demonstrate a commitment to diversity,  
29 equity, and inclusion by providing a safe and supportive environment  
30 for individuals of diverse backgrounds, including those who have been  
31 historically underrepresented in the outdoor recreation and natural  
32 resource sectors, such as indigenous people and people of color.

33 (c) The program must provide both technical outdoor skills  
34 training and professional development opportunities that include, but  
35 are not limited to, outdoor leadership, representation in the  
36 outdoors, and team building.

37 (11) \$21,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
39 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5371 (orca vessel protection).

(12) (~~(\$450,000)~~) \$950,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for grounds and facilities maintenance costs at the Fort Worden state park campus. The state parks and recreation commission shall work with the Fort Worden lifelong learning center public development authority to develop a report that reviews the historic public development authority financial records, identifies a cost-recovery model to pay for campus maintenance, and proposes any changes to the current lease structure necessary to maintain the public development authority. The commission must submit the report to the office of financial management and the fiscal committees of the legislature no later than June 1, 2024.

(13) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to a park and recreation district in Blaine to provide youth day camp mental health counselor services.

(14) \$1,800,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation and \$300,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state appropriation are provided solely to purchase electric lawn mowers, conduct energy use metering and audits in historic buildings, and analyze coastal erosion and flooding risks. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024 general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in this subsection.

**Sec. 1304.** 2024 c 376 s 305 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE**

|                                                |                              |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)     | \$10,572,000                 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)     | ( <del>(\$7,370,000)</del> ) |
|                                                | <u>\$7,443,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation             | \$6,197,000                  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation       | \$24,000                     |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State        |                              |
| Appropriation                                  | \$463,000                    |
| Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation | \$200,000                    |
| Firearms Range Account—State Appropriation     | \$37,000                     |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State        |                              |
| Appropriation                                  | \$398,000                    |

|                                                           |                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Recreation Resources Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$5,124,000                   |
| NOVA Program Account—State Appropriation. . . . .         | \$1,564,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | (( <del>\$31,949,000</del> )) |
|                                                           | <u>\$32,022,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$37,000 of the firearms range account—state appropriation is provided solely to the recreation and conservation funding board for administration of the firearms range grant program as described in RCW 79A.25.210.

(2) \$5,124,000 of the recreation resources account—state appropriation is provided solely to the recreation and conservation funding board for administrative and coordinating costs of the recreation and conservation office and the board as described in RCW 79A.25.080(1).

(3) \$1,564,000 of the NOVA program account—state appropriation is provided solely to the recreation and conservation funding board for administration of the nonhighway and off-road vehicle activities program as described in chapter 46.09 RCW.

(4) \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the governor's salmon recovery office to implement the governor's salmon recovery strategy update by convening the natural resources subcabinet on a regular basis and developing biennial statewide work priorities with a recommended budget for salmon recovery pursuant to RCW 77.85.030(4)(e) that align with tribal priorities and regional salmon recovery plans. The office shall submit the biennial implementation plan to the governor's office and the office of financial management no later than October 31, 2024.

(5) \$1,714,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ((~~\$1,714,000~~)) \$1,557,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for operational and administrative support of lead entities and salmon recovery regions.

(6) \$200,000 of the climate investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the agency to complete the required community engagement plan as outlined in RCW 70A.65.030, the climate commitment act.

1       (7) \$1,464,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation and  
2 \$50,000 of the aquatic lands enhancement account—state appropriation  
3 are provided solely to support removal efforts for flowering rush in  
4 the Columbia river basin and Whatcom county.

5       (8) \$398,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely to establish a riparian coordinator  
7 position within the governor's salmon recovery office to work with  
8 state agencies to improve project coordination, develop common  
9 metrics across programs, and consolidate data platforms.

10       (9) \$3,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$298,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a nonprofit  
13 organization with a mission for salmon and steelhead restoration to  
14 install near-term solutions to prevent steelhead mortality at the  
15 Hood canal bridge.

16       (10) The office must report to and coordinate with the department  
17 of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment act  
18 accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
19 302(13) of this act.

20       (11) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the connections and snow to  
23 sea programs, which provide youth outdoor learning experiences in the  
24 Blaine, Mount Baker, and Nooksack Valley school districts.

25       (12) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state  
27 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to  
28 local parks to address any maintenance backlog of existing  
29 facilities, trails, and capital improvements. The funds should be  
30 dispersed on a needs-based set of criteria and on a one-time basis.  
31 Grants are limited to \$100,000 per organization. Allowable uses of  
32 grant funding include, but are not limited to, maintenance, repair,  
33 or replacement of trails, restroom facilities, picnic sites,  
34 playgrounds, signage, and kiosks, as well as necessary Americans with  
35 disabilities act upgrades delayed due to the pandemic. Local parks  
36 agencies may partner with nonprofit organizations in deploying this  
37 maintenance and Americans with disabilities act funding.

38       (13) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2025 is provided solely for updating the economic analysis of

1 outdoor recreation in Washington state and adding an analysis of the  
2 impacts of the outdoor recreation economy in underserved communities.

3 (14) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and ~~(( \$350,000 ))~~ \$580,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to match  
6 federal funds to identify the offsets to the loss of recreation  
7 opportunities associated with the potential draw down of reservoirs  
8 on the lower Snake river.

9 (15) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for motorized and nonmotorized  
12 boater education and outreach on Lake Union, with a specific goal of  
13 preventing boat and airplane conflicts on the lake during peak  
14 recreation season, given the provisions of the United States coast  
15 guard navigation rules that seaplanes must in general keep well clear  
16 of other vessels. The office may grant funding to local or federal  
17 government agencies or nonprofit organizations. The office must  
18 publish a publicly available summary report by June 30, 2025, on  
19 funding recipients, uses of the funding, and the successes and  
20 failures of programs funded. Funding provided in this subsection may  
21 not be used to preclude or restrict public use of Lake Union,  
22 including recreational, commercial, or tribal use of waters of the  
23 state.

24 **Sec. 1305.** 2024 c 376 s 306 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
25 follows:

26 **FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND LAND USE HEARINGS OFFICE**

|    |                                                         |                              |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 27 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .     | \$3,483,000                  |
| 28 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .     | <del>(( \$4,308,000 ))</del> |
| 29 |                                                         | <u>\$4,108,000</u>           |
| 30 | Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$898,000                    |
| 31 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                            | <del>(( \$8,689,000 ))</del> |
| 32 |                                                         | <u>\$8,489,000</u>           |

33 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
34 conditions and limitations:

35 (1) \$164,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024, \$379,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025, and \$898,000 of the climate investment account—  
38 state appropriation are provided solely for the agency to hire staff

to respond to increased caseloads, including appeals as a result of the climate commitment act, chapter 316, Laws of 2021.

(2) \$52,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1047 (cosmetic product chemicals).

(3) \$20,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$20,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1110 (middle housing).

(4) The office must report to and coordinate with the department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section 302(13) of this act.

**Sec. 1306.** 2024 c 376 s 307 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

|                                                                                    |                               |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .                                | \$16,459,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .                                | \$20,692,000                  |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$2,482,000                   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                            | \$5,300,000                   |
| Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                            | \$250,000                     |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State                                            |                               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                                             | \$20,023,000                  |
| Public Works Assistance Account—State Appropriation. (( <del>\$10,332,000</del> )) |                               |
|                                                                                    | <u>\$9,960,000</u>            |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State                                       |                               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                                             | \$1,110,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                                       | (( <del>\$76,648,000</del> )) |
|                                                                                    | <u>\$76,276,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$250,000 of the climate investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the agency to complete the required community engagement plan as outlined in RCW 70A.65.030, the climate commitment act.

(2) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to increase technical assistance and operational capacity of conservation districts.

(3) \$3,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state appropriation is provided solely to support the outreach, identification, and implementation of salmon riparian habitat restoration projects.

(4) \$5,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state appropriation is provided solely to the commission to work with conservation districts to address unhealthy forests and build greater community resiliency to wildfire.

(5) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to connect scientists, practitioners, and researchers and coordinate efforts to monitor and quantify benefits of best management practices on agricultural lands, and better understand values and motivations of landowners to implement voluntary incentive programs.

(6) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to support the continued development of the disaster assistance program established in RCW 89.08.645, to provide short-term financial support for farmers and ranchers during disasters. Funding must be prioritized for farmers and ranchers who are the most economically vulnerable.

(7) \$1,420,000 of the public works assistance account—state appropriation is provided solely to support monitoring and reporting efforts necessary to evaluate the implementation and effectiveness of voluntary stewardship program work plans.

(8) \$8,533,000 of the public works assistance account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of the voluntary stewardship program. This amount may not be used to fund agency indirect and administrative expenses.

(9) \$5,100,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for grants through the sustainable farms and fields program for organic agricultural waste and greenhouse gas emissions reduction through climate-smart livestock management. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

(a) The commission may grant up to \$3,000,000 for technical and financial assistance to increase implementation of climate-smart



1 livestock management, alternative manure management, and other best  
2 management practices to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase  
3 carbon sequestration.

4 (b) The commission may grant up to \$2,000,000 for research on, or  
5 demonstration of, projects with greenhouse gas reduction benefits.

6 (c) When funding for specific technologies, including anaerobic  
7 digesters, the commission must enter into appropriate agreements to  
8 support the state's interest in advancing innovation solution to  
9 decarbonize while ensuring compliance with Article VIII, section 5  
10 and Article XII, section 9 of the state Constitution.

11 (d) The commission must submit a report summarizing the grants  
12 awarded and the likely annual greenhouse gas emission reductions  
13 achieved as a result to the appropriate committees of the legislature  
14 by December 1, 2024.

15 (10) \$23,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
17 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1170 (climate response strategy).

18 (11) (~~(\$379,000)~~) \$7,000 of the public works assistance account—  
19 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
20 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5353 (voluntary stewardship program).

21 (12) The commission must report to and coordinate with the  
22 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
23 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
24 302(13) of this act.

25 (13) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to the King county  
28 conservation district to reduce the impacts of artificial lighting on  
29 or near the water on the behavior of salmon and other aquatic life in  
30 Lake Sammamish and Lake Washington. The grant funding may be used  
31 for:

32 (a) Research, including quantifying light intensities and  
33 conducting field studies of fish behavior;

34 (b) Community education, engagement, and technical assistance;  
35 and

36 (c) Development of model lighting ordinances.

37 (14) \$2,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely to develop and implement an  
39 educational communication plan to the general public and landowners

1 in urban, suburban, rural, agricultural, and forested areas regarding  
2 the importance of riparian buffers and the actions they can take to  
3 protect and enhance these critical areas.

4 (15) \$200,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for the commission to conduct an  
6 evaluation of the current contribution that organic and climate smart  
7 agriculture makes toward Washington's climate response goals, what  
8 potential there is for increasing this contribution, and how  
9 additional investments will help realize this potential, while  
10 supporting resiliency. The commission must include the departments of  
11 agriculture and ecology and other relevant state agencies, Washington  
12 state university, conservation districts, tribal governments,  
13 nongovernmental organizations, and other relevant stakeholders who  
14 will participate in the evaluation. The commission must submit a  
15 report of its findings and recommendation to the appropriate  
16 committees of the legislature by May 1, 2025.

17 (16) \$10,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for the commission to provide grants  
19 to local government and private landowners for fire wise projects to  
20 reduce forest fuel loading in areas deemed a high hazard for  
21 potential wildfire.

22 (17) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2025 is provided solely for staffing to support administrative  
24 operations of the commission. The commission will adopt an  
25 administrative rate policy for funding indirect support costs for  
26 future programmatic operating budget requests.

27 (18) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2025 is provided solely for post wildfire recovery actions in  
29 central Klickitat conservation district and eastern Klickitat  
30 conservation district to provide technical assistance and conduct  
31 fire recovery activities such as seeding, weed control, dozer line  
32 repair, forest health, and shrub steppe restoration, on areas that  
33 are necessary for public resource protection.

34 **Sec. 1307.** 2024 c 376 s 308 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
35 follows:

36 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**

37 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . \$162,299,000

38 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . (~~(\$183,753,000)~~)

|    |                                                               |                                |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1  |                                                               | <u>\$186,352,000</u>           |
| 2  | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                   | (( <del>\$160,011,000</del> )) |
| 3  |                                                               | <u>\$158,290,000</u>           |
| 4  | General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .             | (( <del>\$70,020,000</del> ))  |
| 5  |                                                               | <u>\$71,842,000</u>            |
| 6  | Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$3,398,000                    |
| 7  | Natural Climate Solutions Account—State                       |                                |
| 8  | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$5,748,000                    |
| 9  | ORV and Nonhighway Vehicle Account—State                      |                                |
| 10 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$696,000                      |
| 11 | Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State                       |                                |
| 12 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | (( <del>\$14,124,000</del> ))  |
| 13 |                                                               | <u>\$14,150,000</u>            |
| 14 | Recreational Fisheries Enhancement Account—State              |                                |
| 15 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | (( <del>\$3,756,000</del> ))   |
| 16 |                                                               | <u>\$3,820,000</u>             |
| 17 | Salmon Recovery Account—State Appropriation. . . . .          | \$3,000,000                    |
| 18 | Warm Water Game Fish Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$3,088,000                    |
| 19 | Eastern Washington Pheasant Enhancement Account—              |                                |
| 20 | State Appropriation. . . . .                                  | (( <del>\$675,000</del> ))     |
| 21 |                                                               | <u>\$391,000</u>               |
| 22 | Limited Fish and Wildlife Account—State                       |                                |
| 23 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | (( <del>\$36,947,000</del> ))  |
| 24 |                                                               | <u>\$39,451,000</u>            |
| 25 | Special Wildlife Account—State Appropriation. . . . .         | \$2,925,000                    |
| 26 | Special Wildlife Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .       | \$531,000                      |
| 27 | Special Wildlife Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . . | (( <del>\$3,842,000</del> ))   |
| 28 |                                                               | <u>\$3,852,000</u>             |
| 29 | Wildlife Rehabilitation Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | \$661,000                      |
| 30 | Ballast Water and Biofouling Management Account—              |                                |
| 31 | State Appropriation. . . . .                                  | \$10,000                       |
| 32 | Regional Fisheries Enhancement Salmonid Recovery              |                                |
| 33 | Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                        | \$5,001,000                    |
| 34 | Oil Spill Prevention Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$1,284,000                    |
| 35 | Aquatic Invasive Species Management Account—State             |                                |
| 36 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$1,157,000                    |
| 37 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State                  |                                |
| 38 | Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$7,724,000                    |
| 39 | Fish, Wildlife, and Conservation Account—State                |                                |

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| Appropriation. . . . .                                   | (( <del>\$83,975,000</del> ))  |
|                                                          | <u>\$83,516,000</u>            |
| Forest Resiliency Account—State Appropriation. . . . .   | \$4,000,000                    |
| Oyster Reserve Land Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$524,000                      |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                             | (( <del>\$759,149,000</del> )) |
|                                                          | <u>\$763,710,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,777,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,777,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to grant to the northwest Indian fisheries commission for hatchery operations that are prioritized to increase prey abundance for southern resident orcas, including \$200,000 per fiscal year for tagging and marking costs, and the remainder to grant to tribes in the following amounts per fiscal year: \$150,000 for the Quinault Indian Nation, \$199,000 for the Tulalip Tribes, \$268,000 for the Quileute Tribe, \$186,000 for the Puyallup Tribe, \$122,000 for the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe, \$25,000 for the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, \$207,000 for the Squaxin Island Tribe, \$142,000 for the Skokomish Indian Tribe, and \$278,000 for the Lummi Nation.

(2) \$330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide to the Yakama Nation for hatchery operations that are prioritized to increase prey abundance for southern resident orcas.

(3) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to grant to public utility districts for additional hatchery production that is prioritized to increase prey abundance for southern resident orcas.

(4) \$217,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$467,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to pay for emergency fire suppression costs. These amounts may not be used to fund agency indirect and administrative expenses.

(5) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a state match to support the

1 Puget Sound nearshore partnership between the department and the  
2 United States army corps of engineers.

3 (6) (a) \$6,082,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and \$6,082,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
6 department to implement eradication and control measures on European  
7 green crabs through coordination and grants with partner  
8 organizations. The department must provide quarterly progress reports  
9 on the success and challenges of the measures to the appropriate  
10 committees of the legislature.

11 (b) The department must develop a comprehensive long-term plan  
12 for Washington's response to European green crab. The plan must  
13 identify where permanent trapping efforts should occur, where  
14 efficiencies over current operations may be achieved, which agencies,  
15 tribes, or organizations require ongoing funding to support the  
16 state's eradication and control measures, and the potential for  
17 federal funding for control efforts, and include a recommended  
18 funding level to implement the plan in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.  
19 The plan shall be submitted to the governor and legislature by  
20 October 1, 2024.

21 (7) \$403,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$377,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to develop conflict mitigation  
24 strategies for wolf recovery and staff resources in northeast  
25 Washington for response to wolf-livestock conflicts. The department  
26 shall not hire contract range riders in northeast Washington unless  
27 there is a gap in coverage from entities funded through the northeast  
28 Washington wolf-livestock management grant program as provided in RCW  
29 16.76.020. No contract riders shall be deployed in areas already  
30 sufficiently covered by other riders. The department must focus on  
31 facilitating coordination with other entities providing conflict  
32 deterrence, including range riding, and technical assistance to  
33 livestock producers in order to minimize wolf-livestock issues in the  
34 Kettle Range and other areas of northeast Washington with existing or  
35 emerging chronic conflict. The department is discouraged from the use  
36 of firearms from helicopters for removing wolves.

37 (8) \$852,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 and (~~(\$852,000)~~) \$639,000 of the general fund—state  
39 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the

1 department to provide additional capacity to the attorney general's  
2 office to prosecute environmental crimes. The department must provide  
3 an annual report by December 1st of each year, to the appropriate  
4 committees of the legislature, on the progress made in prosecuting  
5 environmental crimes.

6 (9) \$753,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$753,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for expanded management of  
9 pinniped populations on the lower Columbia river and its tributaries  
10 with the goal of increasing chinook salmon abundance and prey  
11 availability for southern resident orcas.

12 (10) \$470,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$470,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to expand  
15 efforts to survey the diets of seals and sea lions in the Salish sea  
16 and identify nonlethal management actions to deter them from preying  
17 on salmon and steelhead.

18 (11) \$518,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$519,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to continue  
21 to provide policy and scientific support to the department of ecology  
22 regarding surface and groundwater management issues as part of  
23 implementing chapter 90.94 RCW streamflow restoration.

24 (12) \$4,096,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
25 state appropriation is provided solely to analyze salmon contaminants  
26 of emerging concern (CEC), including substances such as 6PPD-quinone  
27 and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) in already collected tissue  
28 samples. This research will accelerate recovery and protection by  
29 identifying the location and sources of CEC exposure.

30 (13) \$130,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024 and \$130,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for an external facilitator to  
33 seek solutions through a collaborative process using the department's  
34 wolf advisory group.

35 (14) \$194,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$194,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to update and  
38 maintain rule making related to chapter 77.57 RCW, fishways, flow,  
39 and screening.

1 (15) \$822,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$822,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to monitor recreational  
4 steelhead spawning and harvest in freshwater streams and rivers in  
5 Puget Sound.

6 (16) \$2,714,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for additional law enforcement  
8 officers for marine and freshwater fisheries compliance and a patrol  
9 vessel dedicated to coastal operations.

10 (17) \$509,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$305,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to monitor recreational  
13 shellfish harvests, monitor intertidal and crustacean fisheries,  
14 address emerging environmental issues, maintain a new data management  
15 infrastructure, and develop a disease and pest management program to  
16 protect shellfish fisheries in the Puget Sound.

17 (18) \$360,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$224,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to complete  
20 and maintain a statewide prioritization of fish passage barriers in  
21 collaboration with regional salmon recovery organizations.

22 (19) \$997,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$997,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue the assessment of  
25 riparian ecosystems. The assessment must include identifying common  
26 statewide definitions of terms for riparian usage, recommendations to  
27 improve data sharing, and identifying any gaps in vegetated cover  
28 relative to a science-based standard for a fully functioning riparian  
29 ecosystem and comparing the status and gaps to water temperature  
30 impairments, known fish passage barriers, and status of salmonid  
31 stocks.

32 (20) \$419,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 is provided solely for the Lummi Nation to make  
34 infrastructure updates at the Skookum hatchery.

35 (21) \$285,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$285,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to manage electronic tracked  
38 crab fishery gear to avoid whale entanglements during their migration

1 as the agency develops a conservation plan to submit for an  
2 endangered species act incidental take permit.

3 (22) \$480,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$435,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to equip officers with body worn  
6 cameras to advance public safety.

7 (23) \$158,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024 and \$163,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
10 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5371 (orca vessel protection).

11 (24) \$3,000,000 of the salmon recovery account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for pass-through to tribes of the  
13 upper Columbia river to support reintroduction of Chinook salmon  
14 above Grand Coulee and Chief Joseph dams.

15 (25) \$741,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024 and \$741,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for operation and maintenance  
18 capacity and technical assistance for state fish passage facilities.

19 (26) \$948,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$948,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue operations of the  
22 Toutle and Skamania hatcheries.

23 (27) \$283,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$283,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to create a statewide data  
26 management system with the department of natural resources and the  
27 state parks and recreation commission to make informed management  
28 decisions that meet conservation goals for public lands. The agencies  
29 will also collaborate with tribal governments to ensure cultural  
30 resources and cultural practices are considered and incorporated into  
31 management plans.

32 (28) \$385,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$385,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to increase wildlife conflict  
35 specialists to address crop damage, dangerous wildlife interactions,  
36 and conflict preventative education and outreach.

37 (29) \$430,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024, \$430,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025, and \$3,564,000 of the natural climate solutions



1 account—state appropriation are provided solely to increase capacity  
2 in three aspects of the department's mission most vulnerable to  
3 climate change including species recovery planning, providing  
4 technical assistance, permitting, and planning support, and managing  
5 agency lands and infrastructure.

6 (30) \$1,752,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
7 appropriation is provided solely for the first phase of the  
8 department's sustainability plan, including advancing energy  
9 efficiency and renewable energy projects, creating a commute trip  
10 reduction program, and supporting foundational research and capacity-  
11 building.

12 (31) \$4,000,000 of the forest resiliency account—state  
13 appropriation and \$2,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account  
14 —state appropriation are provided solely to reduce severe wildfire  
15 risk and increase forest resiliency through fuels reduction,  
16 thinning, fuel break creation, and prescribed burning on agency  
17 lands. The amounts provided in this subsection may not be used to  
18 fund agency indirect and administrative expenses. If Initiative  
19 Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024 general election, upon the  
20 effective date of the measure, funds from the consolidated climate  
21 account may not be used for the purposes in this subsection.

22 (32)(a) \$7,905,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2024 and \$15,095,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
25 protection, recovery, and restoration of biodiversity, the recovery  
26 of threatened and endangered species, and a review of the department  
27 of fish and wildlife. Examples include habitat protection and  
28 restoration, technical assistance for growth management act planning,  
29 fish passage improvements, conservation education, scientific  
30 research for species and ecosystem protection, and similar  
31 activities. Funding in this subsection may include pass-throughs to  
32 public, nonprofit, academic, or tribal entities for the purposes of  
33 this subsection.

34 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$205,000 of the  
35 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$95,000 of  
36 the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are  
37 provided solely for a grant to the Ruckelshaus center for a review of  
38 the department of fish and wildlife, as referenced in (a) of this  
39 subsection. The review must focus on the department's efforts to

1 fulfill its obligations as the trustee of state fish and wildlife on  
2 behalf of all current and future Washingtonians, to meet the mixed  
3 goals of the mandate set forth in RCW 77.04.012, and to respond to  
4 the equity principles articulated in RCW 43.06D.020. The review must  
5 explore the following areas and recommend changes as appropriate:

6 (i) The department's ability to meet threats created by climate  
7 change and biodiversity loss;

8 (ii) An alignment of mandate with the department's responsibility  
9 as a public trustee;

10 (iii) The department's governance structure;

11 (iv) The department's funding model; and

12 (v) Accountability and transparency in department decision making  
13 at both the commission and management levels.

14 (c) Within this scope, the Ruckelshaus center must also examine  
15 the following areas and provide recommendations as appropriate:

16 (i) Fish and wildlife commission structure, composition, duties,  
17 and compensation;

18 (ii) Influence on the department by special interest groups;

19 (iii) The process by which the department uses science and social  
20 values in its decision making;

21 (iv) Outreach and involvement of Washington citizens who have  
22 historically been excluded from fish and wildlife decisions,  
23 including nonconsumptive users and marginalized communities;

24 (v) The department's adherence to state laws, including the state  
25 environmental policy act and the public records act; and

26 (vi) Any other related issues that arise during the review.

27 (d) Based on the results of the review, the Ruckelshaus center  
28 must provide options for making changes to the department's mandate  
29 and governance structure as deemed necessary to improve the  
30 department's ability to function as a trustee for state fish and  
31 wildlife.

32 (e) The Ruckelshaus center must submit a report to the  
33 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2024.

34 (33) \$101,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$24,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a contract with a nonprofit  
37 organization that operates a zoological garden in King county and  
38 that has developed an educators' toolkit for nature play programming  
39 for youth in communities historically excluded from nature  
40 experiences to provide inclusive nature-based programming statewide

1 to children from racially, ethnically, and culturally diverse  
2 backgrounds.

3 (34) \$310,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to perform  
6 the following tasks related to net ecological gain:

7 (a) Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$160,000 in fiscal  
8 year 2024 and \$160,000 in fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
9 the department to facilitate a work group focused on developing a net  
10 ecological gain implementation framework.

11 (i) Participation in the work group is as follows:

12 (A) The work group must include representatives from the  
13 department, the department of commerce, the department of ecology,  
14 and the department of transportation; and

15 (B) The work group may include representatives from, and  
16 consultation with, as appropriate, other state agencies, federally  
17 recognized Indian tribes, local governments, and other relevant  
18 stakeholders.

19 (ii) The work group is responsible for accomplishing the  
20 following tasks:

21 (A) Define net ecological gain criteria;

22 (B) Create monitoring and assessment criteria related to net  
23 ecological gain;

24 (C) Develop an assessment model to evaluate and quantify  
25 contributions to overall net ecological gain;

26 (D) Consider the geographic scale at which net ecological gain  
27 criteria may be effectively applied;

28 (E) Provide budget and policy recommendations for net ecological  
29 gain to the legislature and to the office of financial management;

30 (F) Identify existing state-administered or state-funded programs  
31 and projects that:

32 (I) Already contribute to net ecological gain;

33 (II) Can or should give funding priority to funding applicants  
34 that commit to incorporating net ecological gain principles; and

35 (III) Programs and projects that can or should have a net  
36 ecological gain requirement in the future; and

37 (G) Generate interim recommendations for a project to serve as a  
38 net ecological gain proof of concept within a county that chooses to  
39 adopt a net ecological gain standard.

1 (iii) The department may contract with an independent entity to  
2 facilitate the work group, including the tasks identified in (b) of  
3 this subsection.

4 (iv) The work group must submit an interim and final report of  
5 its work, including any budget and policy recommendations, to the  
6 office of financial management and the appropriate committees of the  
7 legislature no later than June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025.

8 (b) Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$150,000 in fiscal  
9 year 2024 is provided solely for the department to contract with an  
10 independent entity to perform the following tasks:

11 (i) Review existing grant programs; and

12 (ii) Make recommendations on the potential addition of net  
13 ecological gain into grant prioritization criteria.

14 (35)(a) \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024 and \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
16 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to initiate a demonstration  
17 project to contribute to rebuilding of salmon runs in the Lake  
18 Washington basin through suppression of predatory fish species. The  
19 project shall include:

20 (i) Removal of nonnative species and northern pike minnow using  
21 trap, nets, or other means;

22 (ii) Assessment of the benefits of reduced predator abundance on  
23 juvenile salmon survival; and

24 (iii) Assessment of the recreational fishing rules that were  
25 implemented in 2020 in the Lake Washington basin.

26 (b) An interim report on the demonstration project must be  
27 provided to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December  
28 1, 2024.

29 (36) \$270,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and (~~(\$57,000)~~) \$177,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
32 implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1085 (plastic pollution).

33 (37) \$184,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
35 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1170 (climate response strategy).

36 (38) \$1,026,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
38 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1181 (climate change/planning).

1 (39) \$620,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
3 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (clean energy siting).

4 (40) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
5 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
6 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
7 302(13) of this act.

8 (41) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024 is provided solely for the department to enter into  
10 individual damage prevention contract agreements for the use of  
11 hiring range riders for proactive wolf-livestock conflict deterrence  
12 outside of the service area of the northeast Washington wolf-  
13 livestock management grant program as provided in RCW 16.76.020.

14 (42) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and (~~(\$175,000)~~) \$198,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a conflict  
17 resolution process mediated by the federal mediation and conciliation  
18 service. This funding must be used by the department to facilitate  
19 meetings between Skagit tribes, drainage and irrigation districts,  
20 and state and federal resource agencies and support the technical  
21 work necessary to resolve conflict. Invited parties must include the  
22 national marine fisheries service, Washington state department of  
23 agriculture, Washington state department of fish and wildlife,  
24 Swinomish Indian tribal community, Upper Skagit Indian Tribe, Sauk-  
25 Suiattle Indian Tribe, and Skagit drainage and irrigation districts  
26 consortium LLC. A report documenting meeting notes, points of  
27 resolution, and recommendations must be provided to the legislature  
28 no later than June 30, 2025.

29 (43) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to evaluate the abundance and  
32 distribution of white and green sturgeon on the Washington coast and  
33 Puget Sound tributaries and to evaluate genetic relatedness with  
34 Columbia and Fraser river sturgeon populations. The funding is also  
35 provided to increase monitoring of the abundance and distribution of  
36 eulachon to use the information as a baseline for sturgeon and  
37 eulachon management plans.

38 (44) \$235,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024 and \$409,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to the department of fish and  
2 wildlife to proactively survey for wildlife disease risks and provide  
3 action plans and management for healthy wildlife in Washington.

4 (45) \$325,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 is provided solely for a contract with a nonprofit  
6 organization that operates a zoological garden in King county for the  
7 purpose of an outreach campaign on pollinator health issues. The  
8 pollinator outreach campaign is intended to further the mission of  
9 the department's pollinator conservation efforts and the department  
10 of agriculture's pollinator health task force goals.

11 (46) Within amounts provided in this section, but not to exceed  
12 \$20,000, the department must prioritize derelict and abandoned crab  
13 pot removal in north Hood Canal.

14 (47) \$1,175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,175,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
17 department to continue to restore shrubsteppe habitat and associated  
18 wildlife on public lands as well as private lands by landowners who  
19 are willing to participate. The restoration effort must be  
20 coordinated with other natural resource agencies and interested  
21 stakeholders.

22 (48) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2024 and \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue to  
25 address the maintenance backlog associated with providing recreation  
26 on lands managed by the department. Allowable uses include, but are  
27 not limited to, maintenance, repair, or replacement of trails, toilet  
28 facilities, roads, parking lots, campgrounds, picnic sites, water  
29 access areas, signs, kiosks, and gates. The department is encouraged  
30 to partner with nonprofit organizations in the maintenance of public  
31 lands.

32 (49) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to increase  
35 the work of regional fisheries enhancement groups.

36 (50) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to commercial fishers  
39 to modify fishing gear in order to facilitate participation in the

1 emerging commercial fishery in the lower Columbia river, and to fund  
2 staffing and supplies needed to monitor the emerging commercial  
3 fishery on the lower Columbia river. The purpose of the grants to  
4 modify fishing gear is to support the state's efforts to develop  
5 fishing tools that allow for increased harvest of hatchery fish while  
6 minimizing impacts to salmonid species listed as threatened or  
7 endangered under the federal endangered species act. The department  
8 must provide a report of goods and services purchased with grant  
9 funds to the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30,  
10 2025.

11 (51) \$1,657,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2024 (~~(is)~~) and \$1,440,000 of the general fund—state  
13 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for habitat  
14 recovery and restoration work on agency owned and managed lands  
15 damaged from wildfires.

16 (52) \$443,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024, \$6,313,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025, \$86,000 of the limited fish and wildlife account—  
19 state appropriation, and \$196,000 of the fish, wildlife, and  
20 conservation account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
21 additional safety capacity in each region, development of a  
22 technology solution for training requirements, increased support to  
23 remote employees, and a third-party review of the agency safety  
24 program.

25 (53) \$403,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2025 and \$42,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation  
27 are provided solely for two new positions to support statewide fish  
28 health through veterinary services and maintenance support for the  
29 fish marking trailer fleet.

30 (54) \$224,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2025 is provided solely to conduct up to four community bear  
32 hazard assessments in communities with historical high levels of  
33 human-bear conflict. The department must submit a report to the  
34 appropriate committees of the legislature with initial funding  
35 recommendations to prioritize and implement the bear hazard  
36 assessments by December 31, 2024.

37 (55) \$1,810,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 and \$1,810,000 of the general fund—(~~federal~~)  
39 private/local appropriation are provided solely for monitoring and

1 response efforts for invasive quagga mussels, which were discovered  
2 on the Snake river in Idaho in July 2023. Possible activities include  
3 coordination with tribal, federal, regional, state, and local  
4 entities, watercraft inspections and decontamination, equipment and  
5 training, monitoring of potential residential and commercial  
6 pathways, and public outreach. Matching federal funds are anticipated  
7 from a United States army corps of engineers invasive mussel cost-  
8 share program.

9 (56) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2025 is provided solely for a grant to an organization based in  
11 Friday harbor that is focused on orcas and proposes to fill knowledge  
12 gaps through conservation research, arm policymakers with the latest  
13 available science, and engage the public with accessible information  
14 to:

15 (a) Use scent detection dogs to noninvasively collect fecal  
16 material to monitor and track the health of southern resident killer  
17 whales, including reproductive health, nutrition, and impacts from  
18 pollutants; and

19 (b) Coordinate with the department on relevant research, as  
20 appropriate.

21 (57) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2025 is provided solely for elk management in the Skagit valley  
23 in cooperation with affected tribes and landowners. Authorized  
24 expenditures include, but are not limited to, mitigation of the  
25 impacts of elk on agricultural crop production through elk fencing  
26 and related equipment, replacement seed and fertilizer to offset  
27 losses caused by elk, and elk deterrent equipment.

28 (58) \$222,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House  
30 Bill No. 2293 (avian predation/salmon). If the bill is not enacted by  
31 June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

32 (59) \$801,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to rebuild an  
34 Autofish marking system.

35 (60) \$184,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$650,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
38 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5784 (deer & elk crop damage). Of the  
39 amounts provided in this subsection, \$50,000 in fiscal year 2025 is



provided for a grant to the Yakama nation for participation in an elk collaring pilot project. If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(61) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the department shall identify opportunities and spend available fund balance in the limited fish and wildlife account—state appropriation that do not diminish the department's ability to meet statutorily required obligations for the ensuing fiscal biennia.

**Sec. 1308.** 2024 c 376 s 309 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE PUGET SOUND PARTNERSHIP**

|                                              |                               |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)   | \$9,217,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)   | <del>(( \$9,288,000 ))</del>  |
|                                              | <u>\$8,858,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation           | \$32,043,000                  |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State      |                               |
| Appropriation                                | \$1,504,000                   |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State |                               |
| Appropriation                                | \$1,351,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                          | <del>(( \$53,403,000 ))</del> |
|                                              | <u>\$52,973,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) By October 15, 2024, the Puget Sound partnership shall provide the governor and appropriate legislative fiscal committees a single, prioritized list of state agency 2025-2027 capital and operating budget requests related to Puget Sound recovery and restoration.

(2) \$14,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1170 (climate response strategy).

(3) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the partnership to implement shipping noise reduction initiatives and monitoring programs in the Puget Sound, in coordination with Canadian and United States authorities. The partnership must contract with Washington maritime blue in order to establish and administer the quiet sound program to

better understand and reduce the cumulative effects of acoustic and physical disturbance from large commercial vessels on southern resident orcas throughout their range in Washington state. Washington maritime blue will support a quiet sound leadership committee and work groups that include relevant federal and state agencies, ports, industry, research institutions, and nongovernmental organizations and consult early and often with relevant federally recognized tribes.

**Sec. 1309.** 2024 c 376 s 310 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . .                                               | \$180,560,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . .                                               | <del>(( \$159,163,000 ))</del> |
|                                                                                                    | <u>\$202,934,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation . . . . .                                                       | <del>(( \$98,151,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                                                                    | <u>\$117,327,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation . . . . .                                                 | <del>(( \$6,054,000 ))</del>   |
|                                                                                                    | <u>\$7,009,000</u>             |
| Access Road Revolving Nonappropriated Account—State<br>Appropriation . . . . .                     | \$108,000                      |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation . . . . .                                           | \$12,682,000                   |
| Derelict Structure Removal Account—State<br>Appropriation . . . . .                                | \$325,000                      |
| Forest Development Account—State Appropriation . . . . .                                           | \$58,600,000                   |
| Forest Fire Protection Assessment Nonappropriated<br>Account—State Appropriation . . . . .         | \$88,000                       |
| Forest Health Revolving Nonappropriated Account—<br>State Appropriation . . . . .                  | \$106,000                      |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State<br>Appropriation . . . . .                                 | \$40,164,000                   |
| Natural Resources Federal Lands Revolving<br>Nonappropriated Account—State Appropriation . . . . . | \$6,000                        |
| ORV and Nonhighway Vehicle Account—State<br>Appropriation . . . . .                                | \$7,995,000                    |
| State Forest Nursery Revolving Nonappropriated<br>Account—State Appropriation . . . . .            | \$34,000                       |
| Surveys and Maps Account—State Appropriation . . . . .                                             | \$2,381,000                    |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State                                                            |                                |

|    |                                                             |                                |
|----|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1  | Appropriation. . . . .                                      | \$21,933,000                   |
| 2  | Resource Management Cost Account—State Appropriation. .     | \$123,297,000                  |
| 3  | Surface Mining Reclamation Account—State                    |                                |
| 4  | Appropriation. . . . .                                      | \$4,717,000                    |
| 5  | Disaster Response Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | \$23,642,000                   |
| 6  | Forest and Fish Support Account—State Appropriation. . .    | \$12,687,000                   |
| 7  | Aquatic Land Dredged Material Disposal Site Account—        |                                |
| 8  | State Appropriation. . . . .                                | \$405,000                      |
| 9  | Natural Resources Conservation Areas Stewardship            |                                |
| 10 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                        | \$212,000                      |
| 11 | Forest Practices Application Account—State                  |                                |
| 12 | Appropriation. . . . .                                      | \$2,189,000                    |
| 13 | Air Pollution Control Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | \$922,000                      |
| 14 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State                |                                |
| 15 | Appropriation. . . . .                                      | \$2,774,000                    |
| 16 | Wildfire Response, Forest Restoration, and Community        |                                |
| 17 | Resilience Account—State Appropriation. . . . .             | \$120,277,000                  |
| 18 | Derelict Vessel Removal Account—State Appropriation. . .    | \$10,649,000                   |
| 19 | Community Forest Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$52,000                       |
| 20 | Agricultural College Trust Management Account—State         |                                |
| 21 | Appropriation. . . . .                                      | \$4,432,000                    |
| 22 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                | (( <del>\$894,605,000</del> )) |
| 23 |                                                             | <u>\$958,507,000</u>           |

24 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
25 conditions and limitations:

26 (1) \$1,857,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$1,857,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to carry out  
29 the forest practices adaptive management program pursuant to RCW  
30 76.09.370 and the May 24, 2012, settlement agreement entered into by  
31 the department and the department of ecology. Scientific research  
32 must be carried out according to the master project schedule and work  
33 plan of cooperative monitoring, evaluation, and research priorities  
34 adopted by the forest practices board.

35 (2) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the small forest landowner  
38 office, in order to restore staffing capacity reduced during the

1 great recession and to support small forest landowners, including  
2 assistance related to forest and fish act regulations.

3 (3) \$1,583,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$1,515,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for deposit into the  
6 agricultural college trust management account and are provided solely  
7 to manage approximately 70,700 acres of Washington State University's  
8 agricultural college trust lands.

9 (4) \$88,617,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$60,883,000)~~) \$104,982,000 of the general fund—  
11 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$16,050,000 of the  
12 disaster response account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
13 emergency response, including fire suppression. The department shall  
14 provide a monthly report to the office of financial management and  
15 the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the legislature with  
16 an update of fire suppression costs incurred and the number and type  
17 of wildfires suppressed.

18 (5) \$5,647,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024, \$8,470,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025, and \$330,000 of the disaster response account—state  
21 appropriation are provided solely for indirect and administrative  
22 expenses related to fire suppression.

23 (6) \$5,500,000 of the forest and fish support account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely for outcome-based performance  
25 contracts with tribes to participate in the implementation of the  
26 forest practices program. Contracts awarded may only contain indirect  
27 costs set at or below the rate in the contracting tribe's indirect  
28 cost agreement with the federal government. Of the amount provided in  
29 this subsection, \$500,000 is contingent upon receipts under RCW  
30 82.04.261 exceeding \$8,000,000 per biennium. If receipts under RCW  
31 82.04.261 are more than \$8,000,000 but less than \$8,500,000 for the  
32 biennium, an amount equivalent to the difference between actual  
33 receipts and \$8,500,000 shall lapse.

34 (7) Consistent with the recommendations of the *Wildfire*  
35 *Suppression Funding and Costs (18-02)* report of the joint legislative  
36 audit and review committee, the department shall submit a report to  
37 the governor and legislature by December 1, 2023, and December 1,  
38 2024, describing the previous fire season. At a minimum, the report  
39 shall provide information for each wildfire in the state, including

1 its location, impact by type of land ownership, the extent it  
2 involved timber or range lands, cause, size, costs, and cost-share  
3 with federal agencies and nonstate partners. The report must also be  
4 posted on the agency's website.

5 (8) \$4,206,000 of the aquatic land enhancement account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely for the removal of creosote pilings  
7 and debris from the marine environment and to continue monitoring  
8 zooplankton and eelgrass beds on state-owned aquatic lands managed by  
9 the department. Actions will address recommendations to recover the  
10 southern resident orca population and to monitor ocean acidification  
11 as well as help implement the Puget Sound action agenda.

12 (9) \$279,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$286,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for compensation to the trust  
15 beneficiaries and department for lost revenue from leases to amateur  
16 radio operators who use space on the department managed radio towers  
17 for their equipment. The department is authorized to lease sites at  
18 the rate of up to \$100 per year, per site, per lessee. The  
19 legislature makes this appropriation to fulfill the remaining costs  
20 of the leases at market rate per RCW 79.13.510.

21 (10) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,280,000 of the general fund—state  
23 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
24 department to collect and refresh statewide lidar data.

25 (11) \$1,200,000 of the resource management cost account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for the agency to pursue  
27 opportunities to provide workforce housing on state trust lands.

28 (12)(a) \$1,500,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for the department, in close  
30 collaboration with the department of ecology, to convene a group  
31 composed of a balanced representation of experts and stakeholders to  
32 conduct a state ecosystem services inventory and develop a state  
33 lands ecosystem services asset plan. The plan must outline how state  
34 lands under the department's jurisdiction can be monetized, including  
35 ecosystem services credits, and utilized to reduce the overall  
36 greenhouse emissions, or increase greenhouse gas sequestration and  
37 storage, in the state, including both public and private emissions.

38 (b) In developing the plan, the department must:

1 (i) Conduct a resource and asset inventory to identify all state-  
2 owned or controlled lands under its jurisdiction that could be  
3 eligible or utilized in ecosystem services credits, including carbon  
4 offset markets;

5 (ii) Explore opportunities for the department to utilize its  
6 inventoried proprietary assets in offering ecosystem services  
7 credits, including carbon offset credits, both under the regulatory  
8 offset programs, such as the one established under RCW 70A.65.170,  
9 and existing or future voluntary, private ecosystem service markets,  
10 including carbon offset programs;

11 (iii) Develop a marginal cost abatement model to inform highest  
12 and best use of state assets in ecosystem services markets, including  
13 carbon markets;

14 (iv) Conduct a needs assessment in relation to marketing state-  
15 owned carbon assets on state lands under the department's  
16 jurisdiction to third party developers, including a proposed  
17 implementation plan and recommendations for plan execution;

18 (v) Identify any known or suspected policy or regulatory  
19 limitations to the formation and full execution of the ecosystem  
20 services inventory and asset plan identified above;

21 (vi) Create an implementation plan for a virtual dashboard where  
22 public and private sector participants in regulatory or voluntary  
23 carbon markets can locate the inventory created under this  
24 subsection, understand the marginal cost abatement model, and locate  
25 any requests for proposals from state asset-involved carbon projects  
26 on lands under the department's jurisdiction; and

27 (vii) Make recommendations for the creation of an ecosystems  
28 services equity and innovation account that includes:

29 (A) New modes of ecosystem services; and

30 (B) Identification of new or different beneficiaries of carbon  
31 investments that increase the participation of historically  
32 marginalized groups in ecosystem service opportunities.

33 (c) The department must report its progress and findings under  
34 this subsection to the legislature no later than December 31, 2024.

35 (13) \$3,166,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for silvicultural treatments on  
37 forested trust lands in western Washington to support maintenance of  
38 healthy, resilient forests as a critical component of climate  
39 adaptation and mitigation efforts.

1       (14) \$2,185,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,705,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for increased  
4 law enforcement capacity on agency managed lands, to develop a  
5 statewide recreation plan, and to jointly create a statewide data  
6 management system with the Washington department of fish and wildlife  
7 and the state parks and recreation commission to make informed  
8 management decisions that meet conservation goals for public lands.  
9 The agencies will also collaborate with tribal governments to ensure  
10 cultural resources and cultural practices are considered and  
11 incorporated into management plans.

12       (15) \$2,066,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
13 appropriation is provided solely for the agency to develop a  
14 comprehensive strategy to tackle barriers to reforestation, including  
15 through expanding seed collection, increasing the capacity of the  
16 state's public nursery, and addressing workforce needs.

17       (16) \$2,864,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for the agency to implement aspects  
19 of their watershed resilience action plan for the Snohomish  
20 watershed, including activities to support kelp and eelgrass  
21 stewardship, a large woody debris program, aquatic restoration  
22 grants, and culvert removal.

23       (17) \$5,991,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely for investment in urban forestry to  
25 support reduction of negative environmental conditions such as heat,  
26 flooding, and pollution and helping communities become greener,  
27 cleaner, healthier, and more resilient.

28       (18) \$7,791,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for the agency to analyze current  
30 infrastructure and build a plan for the department to achieve its  
31 greenhouse gas emission reduction targets.

32       (19) \$2,365,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for the department to make  
34 investments in education and training to bolster a statewide natural  
35 resources workforce to support the health and resilience of  
36 Washington's forests. Of this amount, \$800,000 is provided solely to  
37 provide wildland fire management training to tribal communities and  
38 members.

1 (20) \$3,356,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely to increase the agency's capacity to  
3 provide active management of department of natural resources natural  
4 areas.

5 (21) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2024, \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
7 for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,817,000 of the aquatic lands enhancement  
8 account—state appropriation are provided solely for full-time and  
9 seasonal crews from the Washington conservation corps and other corps  
10 programs to conduct work benefiting the management of state managed  
11 lands, including aquatic reserves management, natural areas  
12 restoration and conservation, trail work, and forest resiliency  
13 activities as well as other recreation and habitat projects with  
14 agency partners.

15 (22)(a) \$475,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2024, \$253,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
17 for fiscal year 2025, and \$62,000 of the model toxics control  
18 operating account—state appropriation are provided solely for a  
19 geoduck task force. Of the amounts provided in this subsection,  
20 \$411,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024  
21 and \$208,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
22 2025 are for the department's costs for the task force, and the  
23 remaining amounts are for the department to provide to the department  
24 of ecology, the department of fish and wildlife, and the Puget Sound  
25 partnership for their projected costs for the task force.

26 (b) The task force must investigate opportunities to reduce  
27 negative impacts to tribal treaty and state geoduck harvest and  
28 promote long-term opportunities to expand or sustain geoduck harvest.  
29 The task force must provide a report to the commissioner of public  
30 lands and the legislature, in compliance with RCW 43.01.036, by  
31 December 1, 2024, that includes analysis and recommendations related  
32 to the following elements:

33 (i) The feasibility of intervention to enhance the wildstock of  
34 geoduck, including reseeding projects;

35 (ii) Factors that are preventing areas from being classified for  
36 commercial harvest of wildstock geoduck or factors that are leading  
37 to existing wildstock geoduck commercial tract classification  
38 downgrade, and recommendations to sustainably and cost-effectively  
39 increase the number and area of harvestable tracts, including:



1 (A) Consideration of opportunities and recommendations presented  
2 in previous studies and reports;

3 (B) An inventory of wastewater treatment plant and surface water  
4 runoff point sources impacting state and tribal geoduck harvesting  
5 opportunities within the classified commercial shellfish growing  
6 areas in Puget Sound;

7 (C) A ranking of outfalls and point sources identified in  
8 (b)(ii)(B) of this subsection prioritized for future correction to  
9 mitigate downgraded classification of areas with commercial geoduck  
10 harvest opportunity;

11 (D) An inventory of wildstock geoduck tracts that are most  
12 impacted by poor water quality or other factors impacting  
13 classification;

14 (E) Consideration of the role of sediment load and urban runoff,  
15 and pathways to mitigate these impacts; and

16 (F) Recommendations for future actions to improve the harvest  
17 quantity of wildstock geoduck and to prioritize areas that can attain  
18 improved classification most readily, while considering the influence  
19 of outfalls ranked pursuant to (b)(ii)(C) of this subsection.

20 (c) The commissioner of public lands must invite the following  
21 representatives to participate in the task force:

22 (i) A representative of the department of natural resources, who  
23 shall serve as the chair of the task force;

24 (ii) Representatives of tribes with treaty or reserved rights to  
25 geoduck harvest in Washington state;

26 (iii) A representative of the department of ecology;

27 (iv) A representative of the department of health;

28 (v) A representative of the department of fish and wildlife;

29 (vi) A representative of the Puget Sound partnership; and

30 (vii) A representative of the academic community.

31 (d) The commissioner of public lands must appoint each  
32 representative. The commissioner may invite and appoint other  
33 individuals to the task force, not to exceed the number of seats of  
34 tribal entities.

35 (e) Members of the task force may be reimbursed for travel  
36 expenses as authorized in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

37 (23) \$636,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 and \$353,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
40 Substitute House Bill No. 1032 (wildfires/electric utilities).

1 (24) \$65,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$55,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
4 House Bill No. 1085 (plastic pollution).

5 (25) \$350,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
7 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1170 (climate response strategy).

8 (26) \$250,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
10 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1181 (climate change/planning).

11 (27) \$164,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
13 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (clean energy siting).

14 (28) \$591,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$552,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
17 Senate Bill No. 5433 (derelict aquatic structures).

18 (29) \$431,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$331,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
21 Substitute House Bill No. 1498 (aviation assurance funding).

22 (30) \$2,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,822,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
25 implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1578 (wildland  
26 fire safety). Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$322,000 of  
27 the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided  
28 solely for the agency to operate the post-fire debris flow program.

29 (31) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
30 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
31 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
32 302(13) of this act.

33 (32) \$1,000,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
34 state appropriation is provided solely for tire removal projects in  
35 Puget Sound, with specific priority to remove tire reefs.

36 (33) \$321,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$427,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Senate  
39 Bill No. 5390 (forestlands/safeharbor).

1       (34) \$70,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to advance  
4 research and cooperation with governmental agencies of Finland and  
5 Finnish organizations to implement sustainable forestry practices.  
6 The department must report to the appropriate committees of the  
7 legislature by June 30, 2024, on the use of the funds and the  
8 research conducted and cooperation accomplished, and make  
9 recommendations for further opportunities for collaboration.

10       (35) \$278,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for the department to perform  
12 coordination and monitoring related to Puget Sound kelp conservation  
13 and recovery.

14       (36) \$312,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$313,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to coordinate  
17 with the Olympic natural resources center to study emerging ecosystem  
18 threats such as Swiss needlecast disease, fully implement the T3  
19 watershed experiments on state trust lands, continue field trials for  
20 long-term ecosystem productivity, and engage stakeholders through  
21 learning-based collaboration. The department may expend up to \$30,000  
22 in one fiscal year to conduct Swiss needlecast surveys.

23       (37) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to continue  
26 the work specified in section 3291, chapter 413, Laws of 2019 to  
27 assess public school seismic safety for school buildings not yet  
28 assessed, focused on highest risk areas of the state as a priority.

29       (38) \$10,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for the department to prepare  
31 commercial thinning timber sales for the purposes of restoring  
32 spotted owl and riparian habitat as specified in the 1997 state lands  
33 habitat conservation plan, facilitating access to more timber volume  
34 than is possible under normal operating funding and increasing carbon  
35 sequestration. Thinning operations in designated spotted owl  
36 management areas must be conducted in stands that do not yet meet  
37 spotted owl habitat conditions. Thinning in riparian areas must  
38 comply with department procedures for restoring riparian habitat  
39 under the 1997 state lands habitat conservation plan.

1 (39) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue to  
4 address the maintenance backlog associated with providing recreation  
5 on lands managed by the department. Allowable uses include, but are  
6 not limited to, maintenance, repair, or replacement of trails, toilet  
7 facilities, roads, parking lots, campgrounds, picnic sites, water  
8 access areas, signs, kiosks, and gates. The department is encouraged  
9 to partner with nonprofit organizations in the maintenance of public  
10 lands.

11 (40) \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 and \$175,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to implement  
14 a pilot project to evaluate the costs and benefits of marketing and  
15 selling specialty forest products including cedar salvage, alder, and  
16 other hardwood products. The pilot project must include: Identifying  
17 suitable areas for hardwood or cedar sales within the administrative  
18 areas of the Olympic and Pacific Cascade regions, preparing and  
19 conducting sales, and evaluating the costs and benefits from  
20 conducting the sales.

21 (a) The pilot project must include an evaluation that:

22 (i) Determines if revenues from the sales are sufficient to cover  
23 the costs of preparing and conducting the sales;

24 (ii) Identifies and evaluates factors impacting the sales,  
25 including regulatory constraints, staffing levels, or other  
26 limitations;

27 (iii) Compares the specialty sales to other timber sales that  
28 combine the sale of cedar and hardwoods with other species;

29 (iv) Evaluates the bidder pool for the pilot sales and other  
30 factors that impact the costs and revenues received from the sales;  
31 and

32 (v) Evaluates the current and future prices and market trends for  
33 cedar salvage and hardwood species.

34 (b) The department must work with affected stakeholders and  
35 report to the appropriate committees of the legislature with the  
36 results of the pilot project and make recommendations for any changes  
37 to statute by June 30, 2025.

38 (41) \$857,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2025 is provided solely for the department to implement

1 eradication and control measures on European green crabs on state-  
2 owned aquatic lands and adjacent lands as appropriate. The department  
3 must report to and coordinate with the department of fish and  
4 wildlife to support the department of fish and wildlife's quarterly  
5 progress reports to the legislature.

6 (42) (~~(\$847,000)~~) \$719,000 of the general fund—state  
7 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 and \$473,000 of the model toxics  
8 control operating account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
9 the department to develop an authorized target shooting range as an  
10 alternative to dispersed shooting, lead a stakeholder-driven process  
11 to identify potential additional locations for target shooting  
12 ranges, and address lead pollution in known dispersed shooting sites.

13 (43) \$524,000 of the resource management cost account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for the agency to supplement the  
15 cost of the contract with the department of fish and wildlife for  
16 biological geoduck survey work. Within existing appropriations, the  
17 department must develop a proposal with the department of fish and  
18 wildlife for the equitable and sustainable ongoing funding of this  
19 work.

20 (44) \$593,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely for the department to conduct remote  
22 sensing, stressor studies, and imagery and survey work of kelp  
23 forests and eelgrass meadows pursuant to RCW 79.135.440 and manage  
24 the native kelp forest and eelgrass meadow health and conservation  
25 plan. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024 general  
26 election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from the  
27 consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in this  
28 subsection.

29 (45) \$10,000,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for forest treatments in areas where  
31 they have the greatest potential to prevent wildfires and protect air  
32 quality. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024  
33 general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from  
34 the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in  
35 this subsection.

36 (46) \$83,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
38 Bill No. 5667 (forestry riparian easements). If the bill is not

enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(47) \$862,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6039 (geothermal energy resources). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse. Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the general election, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse upon the effective date of the measure.

(48) \$307,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Senate Bill No. 6120 (wildland urban interface). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(49) \$300,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely for a grant for the removal of tires containing 6PPD from docks serving floatplanes in salmon-bearing waterways. Funds may be used to reduce the cost of conversion to alternative products that are free of 6PPD.

**Sec. 1310.** 2024 c 376 s 311 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

|                                                                                |                               |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .                            | \$60,747,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .                            | (( <del>\$79,848,000</del> )) |
|                                                                                | <u>\$79,528,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .                                    | (( <del>\$48,282,000</del> )) |
|                                                                                | <u>\$60,513,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .                              | \$193,000                     |
| Agricultural Pest and Disease Response Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . . | \$1,000,000                   |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . .              | \$2,863,000                   |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                        | \$7,376,000                   |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . .              | \$261,000                     |
| Water Quality Permit Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                      | \$73,000                      |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State<br>Appropriation. . . . .         | (( <del>\$13,822,000</del> )) |

|                                                      |                                |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                                                      | <u>\$14,229,000</u>            |
| Northeast Washington Wolf-Livestock Management       |                                |
| Nonappropriated Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$1,600,000                    |
| Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal       |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                               | \$36,875,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | (( <del>\$252,940,000</del> )) |
|                                                      | <u>\$265,258,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$18,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$17,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue the we feed Washington program, a state alternative to the United States department of agriculture farmers to families food box program, and provide resources for hunger relief organizations.

(2) \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ((~~\$4,000,000~~)) \$3,658,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for local food system infrastructure and market access grants.

(3) \$4,992,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ((~~\$3,655,000~~)) \$4,105,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementing a *Popillia japonica* monitoring and eradication program in central Washington.

(4) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$20,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$15,000,000 of the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementing the emergency food assistance program as defined in RCW 43.23.290.

(5) \$246,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, ((~~\$246,000~~)) \$401,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and ((~~\$1,550,000~~)) \$1,889,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for implementing a *Vespa mandarinia* eradication program.

(6) \$1,600,000 of the northeast Washington wolf-livestock management nonappropriated account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to conduct the following:

1 (a) Offer grants for the northeast Washington wolf-livestock  
2 management program as provided in RCW 16.76.020, in the amount of  
3 \$1,400,000 for the biennium.

4 (i) Funds from the grant program must be used only for the  
5 deployment of nonlethal deterrence, specifically with the goal to  
6 reduce the likelihood of cattle being injured or killed by wolves by  
7 deploying proactive, preventative methods that have a high  
8 probability of producing effective results. Grant proposals will be  
9 assessed partially on this intent. Grantees who use funds for range  
10 riders or herd monitoring must deploy this tool in a manner so that  
11 targeted areas with cattle are visited daily or near daily. Grantees  
12 must collaborate with other grantees of the program and other  
13 entities providing prevention efforts resulting in coordinated wolf-  
14 livestock conflict deterrence efforts, both temporally and spatially,  
15 therefore providing well timed and placed preventative coverage on  
16 the landscape. Additionally, range riders must document their  
17 activities with GPS track logs and provide written description of  
18 their efforts to the department of fish and wildlife on a monthly  
19 basis. The department shall incorporate the requirements of this  
20 subsection into contract language with the grantees.

21 (ii) In order to provide continuity of services to meet the long-  
22 term intent of the program, no less than \$1,100,000 of the funding  
23 allocated in this subsection (a) shall be awarded to entities who  
24 have proven ability to meet program intent as described in (a)(i) of  
25 this subsection and who have been awarded funds through this grant  
26 program or pass-through funds from the northeast Washington wolf-  
27 livestock management nonappropriated account in the past. The  
28 remaining \$300,000 may be awarded to new applicants whose  
29 applications meet program intent and all of other requirements of the  
30 program. If no applications from new entities are deemed qualified,  
31 the unused funds shall be awarded in equal amounts to successful  
32 grantees. The department retains the final decision making authority  
33 over disbursement of funds. Annual reports from grantees will be  
34 assessed for how well grant objectives were met and used to decide  
35 whether future grant funds will be awarded to past grantees.

36 (b) Within the amounts provided in this subsection, the  
37 department must provide \$100,000 each fiscal year to the sheriffs  
38 offices of Ferry and Stevens counties for providing a local wildlife  
39 specialist to aid the department of fish and wildlife in the  
40 management of wolves in northeast Washington.



(7) \$1,000,000 of the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund—federal appropriation is provided solely for grants and technical assistance to producers and processors for meat and poultry processing.

(8) \$842,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$822,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 135, Laws of 2022, which requires the department to establish cannabis testing lab quality standards by rule.

(9) \$3,038,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely to implement organic materials legislation passed in the 2022 legislative session.

(10) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to contract with Washington State University's IMPACT Center to conduct an analysis of the threats, barriers, and challenges facing the state's agricultural producers.

(11) \$581,000 of the climate commitment account—state appropriation is provided solely to implement a science-based, voluntary software program called saving tomorrow's agricultural resources (STAR) which provide producers tools to track soil health improvements and the ability to generate market-based incentives.

(12) (~~(\$1,492,000)~~) \$1,392,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely to increase capacity and support work to reduce nitrate pollution in groundwater from irrigated agriculture in the lower Yakima valley.

(13) \$502,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$88,000)~~) \$514,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and (~~(\$1,053,000)~~) \$1,434,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to match federal funding for eradication treatments and follow-up monitoring of invasive moths.

(14) \$120,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$120,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue the early detection program for the spotted lanternfly and the associated invasive *Ailanthus altissima*, known colloquially as tree-of-heaven, survey and control programs.

1       (15) \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to implement  
4 changes that advance equity for underrepresented farmers and ranchers  
5 in the department's programs and services. In carrying out this duty,  
6 the department may focus on implementation of:

7       (a) Proequity and inclusion strategies within the activities and  
8 services of the regional markets program;

9       (b) Recommendations from the department's 2022 report to the  
10 legislature on equity for underrepresented farmers and ranchers; and

11       (c) Community-generated suggestions resulting from stakeholder  
12 engagement activities. In carrying out this duty, the department may  
13 engage with underrepresented farmers and ranchers to advise and  
14 provide guidance as the department works to implement changes to  
15 improve equity and inclusion in the department's services and  
16 programs, and where possible in the agricultural industry more  
17 broadly.

18       (16) \$261,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
19 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
20 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1170 (climate response strategy).

21       (17) \$200,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
22 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
23 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (clean energy siting).

24       (18) \$116,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024 and \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
27 House Bill No. 1500 (cottage food sales cap).

28       (19) The department must report to and coordinate with the  
29 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
30 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
31 302(13) of this act.

32       (20) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a community-based  
35 organization in Whatcom county for the food and farm finder program,  
36 which connects local food producers with retail and wholesale  
37 consumers throughout the state.

38       (21) \$10,600,000 of the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund—  
39 federal appropriation is provided solely for local food system

1 infrastructure and market access grants, the emergency food  
2 assistance program, and a state farmers to families food box program.  
3 The total expenditures from the coronavirus state fiscal recovery  
4 fund—federal for these purposes in fiscal year 2023 and fiscal year  
5 2024 may not exceed the total amounts provided in section 311(1),  
6 (3), and (7), chapter 334, Laws of 2021, from the coronavirus state  
7 fiscal recovery fund—federal for these purposes.

8 (22) \$47,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024 and \$47,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
11 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263 (psilocybin).

12 (23) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the department to provide a  
15 grant to a food bank in Pierce county for the continued provision of  
16 food bank services to low-income individuals, including costs related  
17 to the potential relocation of the food bank.

18 (24) \$128,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$127,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to the Tri-Cities  
21 food bank for operations including food storage.

22 (25) \$170,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$170,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue a shellfish  
25 coordinator position.

26 (26) \$635,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$635,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for compliance-based laboratory  
29 analysis of pesticides in cannabis.

30 (27) \$220,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2025 is provided solely for the agency to partner with the  
32 department of commerce to conduct a study to better understand the  
33 opportunities and challenges of using hemp as a building material.

34 (28) \$112,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$683,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the agency to partner with  
37 organizations to promote diversity and develop agricultural  
38 leadership and educational opportunities.

1       (29)     \$250,000     of     the     climate     commitment     account—state  
2     appropriation is provided solely for the department to facilitate a  
3     work group and prepare a comprehensive report with recommendations  
4     regarding the establishment of a grant program to support farmers in  
5     the purchase of green fertilizer produced within the state of  
6     Washington.

7       (a)     The work group convened by the department shall include  
8     representatives from the department of ecology, the department of  
9     commerce, Washington state agricultural organizations, manufacturers  
10    of green fertilizer products, and other relevant stakeholders as  
11    determined by the department.

12      (b)     The work group shall review, analyze, and propose the  
13    structure of a grant program designed to encourage farmers to  
14    purchase green fertilizer produced within the state of Washington.  
15    The review shall include considerations of:

- 16      (i)     The environmental benefits of green fertilizer;  
17      (ii)    Economic impacts on farmers;  
18      (iii)   The development and capacity of local green fertilizer  
19    manufacturers; and  
20      (iv)    Ensuring equitable access to the grant program among  
21    different agricultural sectors.

22      (c)     The department shall submit a comprehensive report of its  
23    findings and recommendations to the governor and appropriate  
24    committees of the legislature no later than November 1, 2024,  
25    including a detailed plan for the administration of the proposed  
26    grant program and a recommended funding level. The report shall  
27    include legislative and regulatory changes, if necessary, to  
28    establish and manage the program effectively.

29      (d)     If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024  
30    general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from  
31    the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in  
32    this subsection.

33      (30)     \$131,000     of     the     climate     commitment     account—state  
34     appropriation is provided solely for a climate lead position. Funds  
35     provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated prior to  
36     January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the  
37     general election, this subsection is null and void upon the effective  
38     date of the measure.

1       (31) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2025 is provided to the department to complete an assessment of  
3 current animal welfare issues, such as animal abandonment, rescue  
4 organization operations, and veterinary services shortages and costs.  
5 The assessment may include an estimated fiscal investment and  
6 recommendations needed to improve the animal health and welfare  
7 system in Washington. The department must report on the assessment to  
8 the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025.

9       (~~((33))~~) (32) \$3,176,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
11 Second Substitute House Bill No. 2301 (waste material management). If  
12 the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
13 subsection shall lapse. Funds provided in this subsection may not be  
14 expended or obligated prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure  
15 No. 2117 is approved in the general election, the amount provided in  
16 this subsection shall lapse upon the effective date of the measure.

17       (~~((34))~~) (33) \$1,000,000 of the agricultural pest and disease  
18 response account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
19 implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 2147 (agriculture pests &  
20 diseases). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount  
21 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

22       (~~((35))~~) (34) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
23 for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to convene and staff a work  
24 group to provide recommendations on mental health and suicide  
25 prevention for agricultural producers, farm workers, and their  
26 families, including whether an agricultural mental health hotline  
27 should be established. The work group must be cochaired by one member  
28 from the department and one other member selected from the work  
29 group. The department must provide a draft report to the appropriate  
30 committees of the legislature summarizing the work group's  
31 recommendations by December 31, 2024, and a final report by June 30,  
32 2025. The work group must include:

33       (a) One member from each of the two largest caucuses of the  
34 senate, appointed by the president of the senate;

35       (b) One member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house  
36 of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of  
37 representatives;

38       (c) One mental health care provider from an agricultural area in  
39 western Washington, appointed by the department;

(d) One mental health care provider from a rural area in eastern Washington, appointed by the department;

(e) Two members from an agricultural organization, appointed by the department; and

(f) Two members from the department, appointed by the department.

~~((+36+))~~ (35) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a grant to a Washington based nonprofit organization that supports farmworkers to help develop and share farmworker ideas to improve production in ways that are meaningful to both workers and growers. These funds must be used to conduct outreach to farmworkers, provide support, and facilitate access to educational materials, tools, and technology to further the engagement and collaboration of both farmworkers and their employers.

~~((+37+))~~ (36) \$315,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5972 (neonicotinoid pesticides). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

~~((+38+))~~ (37) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for grants to farmers to help offset the costs of gaining organic certification and the associated inspection fees.

~~((+39+))~~ (38)(a) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the department to administer a grant program to farmers to promote hiring local workers, providing locally grown food, reducing transportation pollution, and strengthening food sovereignty and climate and disaster resiliency.

(b) To qualify for the grant program, the farm must grow handpicked specialty crop vegetables that are provided to local markets or schools, hire only domestic agricultural workers, and be owned and operated by a state resident.

(c) Under the grant program, each farm submitting proof of eligibility for the grant program to the department may be offered grant funding in an amount up to the equivalent of four weeks of their paid overtime hours during peak harvest for their specialty crop vegetable, up to \$20,000.

1        (~~((40) \$2,000,000))~~ (39) \$1,750,000 of the model toxics control  
2        operating account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
3        research, including, but not limited to, ongoing research and trial  
4        research; larger scale treatment trials; and permit development,  
5        including required monitoring and review, to assist with development  
6        of an integrated pest management plan to find a suitable replacement  
7        for imidacloprid to address burrowing shrimp in Willapa bay and Grays  
8        Harbor and facilitate continued shellfish cultivation on tidelands.  
9        In selecting research recipients for this purpose, the department  
10       must incorporate the advice of the Willapa-Grays Harbor working group  
11       formed on October 15, 2019. Up to eight percent of the amount  
12       provided in this subsection may be used by the department to  
13       reimburse any participating group or individual for their expenses  
14       associated with meeting participation, preparation, or travel, in  
15       accordance with chapter 43.03 RCW.

(End of part)

**PART XIV**  
**TRANSPORTATION**

**Sec. 1401.** 2024 c 376 s 401 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING**

|                                                               |                               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . .          | \$4,042,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . .          | <del>(( \$3,670,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                               | <u>\$3,161,000</u>            |
| Architects' License Account—State Appropriation. . . . .      | <del>(( \$1,825,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                               | <u>\$1,522,000</u>            |
| Climate Investment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .       | \$30,000,000                  |
| Real Estate Commission Account—State Appropriation. . . . .   | <del>(( \$15,771,000 ))</del> |
|                                                               | <u>\$16,961,000</u>           |
| Uniform Commercial Code Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | <del>(( \$3,534,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                               | <u>\$3,908,000</u>            |
| Real Estate Education Program Account—State                   |                               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$308,000                     |
| Real Estate Appraiser Commission Account—State                |                               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                        | <del>(( \$2,398,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                               | <u>\$2,640,000</u>            |
| Business and Professions Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | <del>(( \$31,377,000 ))</del> |
|                                                               | <u>\$29,696,000</u>           |
| Real Estate Research Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$461,000                     |
| Firearms Range Account—State Appropriation. . . . .           | \$74,000                      |
| Funeral and Cemetery Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | \$125,000                     |
| Landscape Architects' License Account—State                   |                               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$95,000                      |
| Appraisal Management Company Account—State                    |                               |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                        | \$258,000                     |
| Concealed Pistol License Renewal Notification                 |                               |
| Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                          | <del>(( \$142,000 ))</del>    |
|                                                               | <u>\$146,000</u>              |
| Geologists' Account—State Appropriation. . . . .              | \$55,000                      |
| Derelict Vessel Removal Account—State Appropriation. . . . .  | <del>(( \$37,000 ))</del>     |
|                                                               | <u>\$41,000</u>               |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                  | <del>(( \$94,172,000 ))</del> |
|                                                               | <u>\$93,493,000</u>           |



1       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3       (1) (~~(\$142,000)~~) \$146,000 of the concealed pistol license renewal  
4 notification account—state appropriation and \$74,000 of the firearms  
5 range account—state appropriation are provided solely to implement  
6 chapter 74, Laws of 2017 (concealed pistol license).

7       (2) \$6,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024, \$9,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2025, \$8,000 of the architects' license account—state  
10 appropriation, \$74,000 of the real estate commission account—state  
11 appropriation, \$14,000 of the uniform commercial code account—state  
12 appropriation, \$10,000 of the real estate appraiser commission  
13 account—state appropriation, and \$139,000 of the business and  
14 professions account—state appropriation are provided solely for the  
15 department to redesign and improve its online services and website,  
16 and are subject to the conditions, limitations, and review  
17 requirements of section 701 of this act.

18       (3) \$7,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024, \$9,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2025, \$5,000 of the architects' license account—state  
21 appropriation, \$43,000 of the real estate commission account—state  
22 appropriation, \$8,000 of the uniform commercial code account—state  
23 appropriation, \$8,000 of the real estate appraiser commission account  
24 —state appropriation, \$166,000 of the business and professions  
25 account—state appropriation, \$9,000 of the funeral and cemetery  
26 account—state appropriation, \$3,000 of the landscape architects'  
27 license account—state appropriation, \$2,000 of the appraisal  
28 management company account—state appropriation, and \$5,000 of the  
29 geologists' account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
30 implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1009 (military  
31 spouse employment).

32       (4) \$20,000 of the business and professions account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
34 1017 (cosmetologists, licenses, etc.).

35       (5) \$320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second  
37 Substitute House Bill No. 1143 (firearms purchase and transfer).

1       (6)     \$5,000     of     the     architects'     license     account—state  
2     appropriation, \$31,000 of the real estate commission account—state  
3     appropriation, \$5,000 of the real estate appraiser commission account  
4     —state appropriation, \$64,000 of the business and professions account  
5     —state appropriation, \$5,000 of the funeral and cemetery account—  
6     state appropriation, \$5,000 of the landscape architects' license  
7     account—state appropriation, \$5,000 of the appraisal management  
8     company account—state appropriation, and \$5,000 of the geologists'  
9     account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
10    House Bill No. 1301 (license review and requirements).

11       (7)     \$25,000     of     the     real     estate     commission     account—state  
12     appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
13     Senate Bill No. 5191 (real estate agency).

14       (8)     \$19,000     of     the     funeral     and     cemetery     account—state  
15     appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
16     Senate Bill No. 5261 (cemetery authority deadlines).

17       (9)     \$308,000 of the real estate appraiser commission account—  
18     state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
19     Engrossed House Bill No. 1797 (real estate appraisers).

20       (10)(a) \$30,000,000 of the climate investment account—state  
21     appropriation is provided solely for payments to support farm fuel  
22     users and transporters who have purchased fuel for agricultural  
23     purposes that is exempt from the requirements of the climate  
24     commitment act, as described in RCW 70A.65.080(7)(e). The payment  
25     structure outlined in (b) of this subsection is intended to:

26       (i)     Benefit farming and transportation operations, prioritizing  
27     noncorporate farms;

28       (ii)    Enable ease of use and accessibility for recipients; and

29       (iii)   Promote speed and efficiency in administering the payments.

30       (b)     The department must use a tiered system of payments based on  
31     the annual number of gallons of agricultural fuel consumed, as  
32     determined by the farm fuel user or transporter in a signed  
33     attestation. The department shall use the following payment tiers:

34       (i)     \$600 to recipients with annual agricultural fuel use of less  
35     than 1,000 gallons;

36       (ii)    \$2,300 to recipients with annual agricultural fuel use  
37     greater than or equal to 1,000 gallons and less than 4,000 gallons;  
38     and

(iii) \$3,400 to recipients with annual agricultural fuel use greater than or equal to 4,000 gallons and less than 10,000 gallons; and

(iv) \$4,500 to recipients with annual agricultural fuel use greater than or equal to 10,000 gallons.

(c) Recipients of payments under this subsection may submit receipts and other documentation as part of their attestation showing that they were overcharged for fuel costs due to the impact of chapter 70A.65 RCW.

(d) The department may use no more than five percent of the amounts appropriated for this specific purpose on administration. The department must begin providing payments by September 1, 2024. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024 general election, upon the effective date of the measure, funds from the consolidated climate account may not be used for the purposes in this subsection.

(11) \$55,000 of the business and professions account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1889 (professionals/immigration). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

(12) \$45,000 of the architects' license account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1880 (architecture licensing exams). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

**Sec. 1402.** 2024 c 376 s 402 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE PATROL**

|                                                     |                           |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)          | \$77,176,000              |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)          | <del>(\$85,297,000)</del> |
|                                                     | <u>\$84,321,000</u>       |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$16,972,000              |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation            | \$3,091,000               |
| Death Investigations Account—State Appropriation    | \$9,593,000               |
| County Criminal Justice Assistance Account—State    |                           |
| Appropriation                                       | \$4,893,000               |
| Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance Account—State |                           |
| Appropriation                                       | \$1,800,000               |

|    |                                                            |                                |
|----|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1  | Fire Service Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | \$131,000                      |
| 2  | Vehicle License Fraud Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$119,000                      |
| 3  | Disaster Response Account—State Appropriation. . . . .     | (( <del>\$23,500,000</del> ))  |
| 4  |                                                            | <u>\$47,060,000</u>            |
| 5  | Fire Service Training Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$13,457,000                   |
| 6  | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State               |                                |
| 7  | Appropriation. . . . .                                     | \$596,000                      |
| 8  | Fingerprint Identification Account—State                   |                                |
| 9  | Appropriation. . . . .                                     | \$15,200,000                   |
| 10 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                               | (( <del>\$251,825,000</del> )) |
| 11 |                                                            | <u>\$274,409,000</u>           |

12 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
13 conditions and limitations:

14 (1) ((~~\$23,500,000~~)) \$47,060,000 of the disaster response account—  
15 state appropriation is provided solely for Washington state fire  
16 service resource mobilization costs incurred in response to an  
17 emergency or disaster authorized under RCW 43.43.960 through  
18 43.43.964. The state patrol shall submit a report quarterly to the  
19 office of financial management and the legislative fiscal committees  
20 detailing information on current and planned expenditures from this  
21 account. This work shall be done in coordination with the military  
22 department.

23 (2) \$79,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$146,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for compensation adjustments for  
26 commissioned staff as provided for in the omnibus transportation  
27 appropriations act.

28 (3) \$20,000 of the fingerprint identification account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
30 Substitute House Bill No. 1452 (medical reserve corps).

31 (4) \$16,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 and \$15,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of House Bill  
34 No. 1179 (nonconviction data/auditor).

35 (5) \$26,000 of the fingerprint identification account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
37 House Bill No. 1069 (mental health counselor compensation).

38 (6) \$500,000 of the disaster response account—state  
39 appropriation, is provided solely to continue a pilot project for the

1 early deployment or prepositioning of Washington state fire service  
2 resources in advance of an expected mobilization event. Any  
3 authorization for the deployment of resources under this section must  
4 be authorized in accordance with section 6 of the Washington state  
5 fire services resource mobilization plan.

6 (7) \$320,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$68,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
9 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5367 (products containing THC).

10 (8) \$1,133,000 of the fingerprint identification account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
12 Senate Bill No. 5499 (multistate nurse licensure).

13 (9) \$1,000,000 of the fire service training account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for the firefighter apprenticeship  
15 training program.

16 (10) \$12,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 and \$12,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to support the Washington state  
19 missing and murdered indigenous women and people task force in  
20 section 912 of this act.

21 (11) In fiscal year 2025, the Washington state patrol may  
22 initiate procurement of a Pilatus PC-12 aircraft and a forward-  
23 looking infrared camera. ~~((It is the intent of the legislature to  
24 provide an appropriation for the purchase of the aircraft in future  
25 fiscal biennia.))~~

26 (12) \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House  
28 Bill No. 2357 (state patrol longevity bonus). ~~((If the bill is not  
29 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
30 shall lapse.))~~

31 (13)(a) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for financial assistance to local  
33 jurisdictions to conduct DNA testing for unidentified remains, and  
34 for those remains that failed to yield a CODIS match, for forensic  
35 genetic genealogy DNA testing to be conducted. Local jurisdictions  
36 may contract for these services. The purpose of this funding is to  
37 provide sufficient funding to eliminate the backlog of unidentified  
38 remains awaiting testing. This funding is intended to supplement DNA  
39 testing and investigative genealogy available through the national

1 missing and unidentified persons system or the Washington state  
2 patrol crime lab to provide timely identification of remains and  
3 entry into CODIS, and should be prioritized for cases not meeting  
4 eligibility requirements for the national missing and unidentified  
5 persons system or cases already tested for DNA analysis that failed  
6 to yield a CODIS match.

7 (b) For purposes of this subsection, "forensic genetic genealogy  
8 DNA testing" means any technology performed in a forensic laboratory  
9 capable of producing a forensic genealogy profile with a minimum of  
10 100,000 genetic markers and compatible with multiple genealogical  
11 databases consented for law enforcement use and includes associated  
12 genealogical research.

13 (c) Records from the DNA testing or forensic genetic genealogy  
14 DNA testing, including DNA profiles and markers, of unidentified  
15 remains funded under this subsection are sensitive and shall be  
16 treated as confidential to the fullest extent allowed under the law.

17 (14) Any funds provided to the missing and exploited children  
18 task force shall ensure operations are adherent to federally  
19 established internet crimes against children standards.

20 (15) Within existing resources, the Washington state patrol may  
21 provide security and protection to the secretary of state and to his  
22 or her family during a presidential election campaign and through two  
23 weeks following inauguration.

24 (16) \$2,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
26 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5299 (law enf. officer protection). (~~If~~  
27 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
28 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~)

29 (17) \$89,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
31 Bill No. 5812 (electric vehicle fires). (~~If the bill is not enacted~~  
32 ~~by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall~~  
33 ~~lapse.))~~)

(End of part)

**PART XV**  
**EDUCATION**

**Sec. 1501.** 2024 c 376 s 501 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

|                                                                                                 |                                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . .                                            | \$46,161,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . .                                            | <del>(( \$61,189,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                                                                 | <u>\$113,399,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation . . . . .                                                    | <del>(( \$148,570,000 ))</del> |
|                                                                                                 | <u>\$150,169,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation . . . . .                                              | \$8,079,000                    |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2024) . . . . .                           | \$593,000                      |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation<br>(FY 2025) . . . . .                           | \$618,000                      |
| Washington Opportunity Pathways Account—State<br>Appropriation . . . . .                        | <del>(( \$8,639,000 ))</del>   |
|                                                                                                 | <u>\$8,889,000</u>             |
| Performance Audits of Government Account—State<br>Appropriation . . . . .                       | \$213,000                      |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State<br>Appropriation . . . . .                         | \$12,979,000                   |
| Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief III<br>Account—Federal Appropriation . . . . . | \$3,524,000                    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION . . . . .                                                                   | <del>(( \$290,565,000 ))</del> |
|                                                                                                 | <u>\$344,624,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) BASE OPERATIONS AND EXPENSES OF THE OFFICE

(a) \$22,323,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ~~(( \$22,814,000 ))~~ \$23,274,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the operation and expenses of the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

(i) The superintendent shall recognize the extraordinary accomplishments of four students who have demonstrated a strong understanding of the civics essential learning requirements to receive the Daniel J. Evans civic education award.

1       (ii) By October 31st of each year, the office of the  
2 superintendent of public instruction shall produce an annual status  
3 report on implementation of the budget provisos in section 501,  
4 chapter 415, Laws of 2019 and sections 515 and 522, chapter 334, Laws  
5 of 2021. The status report of each proviso shall include, but not be  
6 limited to, the following information: Purpose and objective, number  
7 of state staff funded by the proviso, number of contractors, status  
8 of proviso implementation, number of beneficiaries by year, list of  
9 beneficiaries, a comparison of budgeted funding and actual  
10 expenditures, other sources and amounts of funding, and proviso  
11 outcomes and achievements.

12       (iii) Districts shall annually report to the office of the  
13 superintendent of public instruction on: (A) The annual number of  
14 graduating high school seniors within the district earning the  
15 Washington state seal of biliteracy provided in RCW 28A.300.575; and  
16 (B) the number of high school students earning competency-based high  
17 school credits for world languages by demonstrating proficiency in a  
18 language other than English. The office of the superintendent of  
19 public instruction shall provide a summary report to the office of  
20 the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
21 December 1st of each year.

22       (iv) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall  
23 perform ongoing program reviews of alternative learning experience  
24 programs, dropout reengagement programs, and other high risk  
25 programs. Findings from the program reviews will be used to support  
26 and prioritize the office of the superintendent of public instruction  
27 outreach and education efforts that assist school districts in  
28 implementing the programs in accordance with statute and legislative  
29 intent, as well as to support financial and performance audit work  
30 conducted by the office of the state auditor.

31       (v) The superintendent of public instruction shall integrate  
32 climate change content into the Washington state learning standards  
33 across subject areas and grade levels. The office shall develop  
34 materials and resources that accompany the updated learning standards  
35 that encourage school districts to develop interdisciplinary units  
36 focused on climate change that include authentic learning  
37 experiences, that integrate a range of perspectives, and that are  
38 action oriented.



1 (vi) Funding provided in this subsection (1)(a) is sufficient for  
2 maintenance of the apportionment system, including technical staff  
3 and the data governance working group.

4 (vii) Of the amounts provided in this subsection (1)(a), \$465,000  
5 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is  
6 provided solely for office of the attorney general legal services  
7 related to special education related litigation.

8 (b) \$494,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024 and \$494,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the implementation of  
11 chapter 240, Laws of 2010, including staffing the office of equity  
12 and civil rights.

13 (c) \$61,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$61,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the ongoing work of the  
16 education opportunity gap oversight and accountability committee.

17 (d) \$96,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$96,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the implementation of  
20 chapter 380, Laws of 2009 (enacting the interstate compact on  
21 educational opportunity for military children).

22 (e) \$285,000 of the Washington opportunity pathways account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for activities related to public  
24 schools other than common schools authorized under chapter 28A.710  
25 RCW.

26 (f) \$123,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$123,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
29 163, Laws of 2012 (foster care outcomes). The office of the  
30 superintendent of public instruction shall annually report each  
31 December on the implementation of the state's plan of cross-system  
32 collaboration to promote educational stability and improve education  
33 outcomes of foster youth.

34 (g) \$880,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$1,240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of native  
37 education to increase services to tribes, including but not limited  
38 to, providing assistance to tribes and school districts to implement  
39 Since Time Immemorial, applying to become tribal compact schools,

1 convening the Washington state native American education advisory  
2 committee, and extending professional learning opportunities to  
3 provide instruction in tribal history, culture, and government. The  
4 professional development must be done in collaboration with school  
5 district administrators and school directors. Funding in this  
6 subsection is sufficient for the office, the Washington state school  
7 directors' association government-to-government task force, and the  
8 association of educational service districts to collaborate with the  
9 tribal leaders congress on education to develop a tribal consultation  
10 training and schedule. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:  
11 \$345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024  
12 and \$705,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
13 2025 are provided solely for the office of native education to  
14 convene a work group to develop the supports necessary to serve  
15 American Indian and Alaska Native students identified as needing  
16 additional literacy supports. The work group must include  
17 representation from Washington's federally recognized tribes and  
18 federally recognized tribes with reserved treaty rights in  
19 Washington. The work group must conduct tribal consultations, develop  
20 best practices, engage in professional learning, and develop  
21 curricula and resources that may be provided to school districts and  
22 state-tribal education compact schools to serve American Indian and  
23 Alaska Native students with appropriate, culturally affirming  
24 literacy supports.

25 (h) \$481,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$481,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for additional full-time  
28 equivalent staff to support the work of the safety net committee and  
29 to provide training and support to districts applying for safety net  
30 awards.

31 (i) Districts shall report to the office the results of each  
32 collective bargaining agreement for certificated staff within their  
33 district using a uniform template as required by the superintendent,  
34 within thirty days of finalizing contracts. The data must include but  
35 is not limited to: Minimum and maximum base salaries, supplemental  
36 salary information, and average percent increase for all certificated  
37 instructional staff. Within existing resources by December 1st of  
38 each year, the office shall produce a report for the legislative

1 evaluation and accountability program committee summarizing the  
2 district level collective bargaining agreement data.

3 (j) \$3,524,000 of the elementary and secondary school emergency  
4 relief III account—federal appropriation from funds attributable to  
5 subsection 2001(f)(4), the American rescue plan act of 2021, P.L.  
6 117-2 is provided solely for administrative costs related to the  
7 management of federal funds provided for COVID-19 response and other  
8 emergency needs.

9 (k) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of  
11 public instruction to plan for the development and implementation of  
12 a common substitute teacher application platform.

13 (l) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of  
15 public instruction to hire a mental health instruction implementation  
16 coordinator to facilitate the addition of mental health education  
17 curriculum in schools, including but not limited to the following  
18 activities:

19 (i) Working with the educational service districts to build  
20 awareness of learning benefits and resource availability;

21 (ii) Providing training and support to school staff in the  
22 implementation of mental health education and integration into  
23 existing health curriculum;

24 (iii) Facilitating office website updates to reflect available  
25 mental health instruction resources and supporting data; and

26 (iv) Facilitating the addition of mental health literacy  
27 components to state learning standards and updating social emotional  
28 learning standards to reflect differentiation between the two  
29 programs and the grade-appropriate nature of each program.

30 (m) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2025 is provided solely for the office to hire staff to support  
32 school districts applying for grants funded by the state of  
33 Washington and grants from other public or private sources for which  
34 the school district may be eligible. The office must prioritize  
35 supporting school districts with smaller student enrollments, tax  
36 bases, and operating budgets, and other factors that may preclude or  
37 otherwise limit the ability of a school district to apply for grants  
38 for which it may be eligible.

39 (2) DATA SYSTEMS

1 (a) \$1,802,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$1,802,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementing a comprehensive  
4 data system to include financial, student, and educator data,  
5 including development and maintenance of the comprehensive education  
6 data and research system (CEDARS).

7 (b) \$281,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024 and \$281,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for K-20 telecommunications  
10 network technical support in the K-12 sector to prevent system  
11 failures and avoid interruptions in school utilization of the data  
12 processing and video-conferencing capabilities of the network. These  
13 funds may be used to purchase engineering and advanced technical  
14 support for the network.

15 (c) \$450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024 and \$450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the superintendent of public  
18 instruction to develop and implement a statewide accountability  
19 system to address absenteeism and to improve student graduation  
20 rates. The system must use data to engage schools and districts in  
21 identifying successful strategies and systems that are based on  
22 federal and state accountability measures. Funding may also support  
23 the effort to provide assistance about successful strategies and  
24 systems to districts and schools that are underperforming in the  
25 targeted student subgroups.

26 (d) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of  
28 public instruction to conduct a feasibility study for an online,  
29 statewide individualized education program system. A contract with a  
30 third party may be used to conduct all or any portion of the study.  
31 The results of the feasibility study must be reported to the  
32 appropriate fiscal and education committees of the legislature by  
33 June 30, 2025.

34 (3) WORK GROUPS

35 (a) \$68,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$68,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
38 Substitute House Bill No. 1013 (regional apprenticeship prgs).

1 (b) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of the  
4 superintendent of public instruction to meet statutory obligations  
5 related to the provision of medically and scientifically accurate,  
6 age-appropriate, and inclusive sexual health education as authorized  
7 by chapter 206, Laws of 1988 (AIDS omnibus act) and chapter 265, Laws  
8 of 2007 (healthy youth act).

9 (c) \$118,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$118,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
12 75, Laws of 2018 (dyslexia).

13 (d) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
16 386, Laws of 2019 (social emotional learning).

17 (e) \$107,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$107,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office to support the  
20 children and youth behavioral health work group created in chapter  
21 130, Laws of 2020 (child. mental health wk. grp).

22 (4) STATEWIDE PROGRAMS

23 (a) \$2,590,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$2,590,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Washington kindergarten  
26 inventory of developing skills. State funding shall support statewide  
27 administration and district implementation of the inventory under RCW  
28 28A.655.080.

29 (b) \$703,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$703,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
32 72, Laws of 2016 (educational opportunity gap).

33 (c) \$950,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024 and \$950,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Washington reading  
36 corps. The superintendent shall allocate reading corps members to  
37 schools identified for comprehensive or targeted support and school  
38 districts that are implementing comprehensive, proven, research-based

1 reading programs. Two or more schools may combine their Washington  
2 reading corps programs.

3 (d) \$457,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$260,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for chapter 102, Laws of 2014  
6 (biliteracy seal). Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

7 (i) \$197,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2024 is provided solely for the office to develop and establish  
9 criteria for school districts to award the seal of biliteracy to  
10 graduating high school students.

11 (ii) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office to provide  
14 students with access to methods for students to demonstrate  
15 proficiency in less commonly taught or assessed languages.

16 (e) (i) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for school bullying and  
19 harassment prevention activities.

20 (ii) \$15,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$15,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
23 240, Laws of 2016 (school safety).

24 (iii) \$570,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024 and \$570,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of the  
27 superintendent of public instruction to provide statewide support and  
28 coordination for the regional network of behavioral health, school  
29 safety, and threat assessment established in chapter 333, Laws of  
30 2019 (school safety and well-being).

31 (iv) \$196,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 and \$196,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the school safety center  
34 within the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

35 (A) Within the amounts provided in this subsection (4)(e)(iv),  
36 \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024  
37 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
38 2025 are provided solely for a school safety program to provide  
39 school safety training for all school administrators and school

1 safety personnel. The school safety center advisory committee shall  
2 develop and revise the training program, using the best practices in  
3 school safety.

4 (B) Within the amounts provided in this subsection (4)(e)(iv),  
5 \$96,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024  
6 and \$96,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
7 2025 are provided solely for administration of the school safety  
8 center. The safety center shall act as an information dissemination  
9 and resource center when an incident occurs in a school district in  
10 Washington or in another state, coordinate activities relating to  
11 school safety, review and approve manuals and curricula used for  
12 school safety models and training, and maintain a school safety  
13 information web site.

14 (f)(i) \$162,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024 and \$162,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
16 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for youth suicide prevention  
17 activities.

18 (ii) \$76,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$76,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
21 64, Laws of 2018 (sexual abuse of students).

22 (g)(i) \$280,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2024, \$530,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
24 for fiscal year 2025, \$593,000 of the dedicated cannabis account—  
25 state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, and \$618,000 of the  
26 dedicated cannabis account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025  
27 are provided solely for dropout prevention, intervention, and  
28 reengagement programs, dropout prevention programs that provide  
29 student mentoring, and the building bridges statewide program. The  
30 office of the superintendent of public instruction shall convene  
31 staff representatives from high schools to meet and share best  
32 practices for dropout prevention. Of these amounts, the entire  
33 dedicated cannabis account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
34 the building bridges statewide program and for grants to districts  
35 for life skills training for children and youth in K-12.

36 (ii) \$293,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$293,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of the  
39 superintendent of public instruction to support district

1 implementation of comprehensive guidance and planning programs in  
2 support of high-quality high school and beyond plans consistent with  
3 RCW 28A.230.090.

4 (iii) \$178,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 and \$178,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
7 291, Laws of 2017 (truancy reduction efforts).

8 (h) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section for the  
9 office of the superintendent of public instruction to create a  
10 process and provide assistance to school districts in planning for  
11 future implementation of the summer knowledge improvement program  
12 grants.

13 (i) \$358,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$358,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the implementation of  
16 chapter 221, Laws of 2019 (CTE course equivalencies).

17 (j) \$196,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$196,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the implementation of  
20 chapter 252, Laws of 2019 (high school graduation reqs.).

21 (k) \$60,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024, \$60,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2025, and \$680,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
24 provided solely for the implementation of chapter 295, Laws of 2019  
25 (educator workforce supply). Of the amounts provided in this  
26 subsection, \$680,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
27 provided solely for title II SEA state-level activities to implement  
28 section 103, chapter 295, Laws of 2019 relating to the regional  
29 recruiters program.

30 (l) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a tribal liaison at the  
33 office of the superintendent of public instruction to facilitate  
34 access to and support enrollment in career connected learning  
35 opportunities for tribal students, including career awareness and  
36 exploration, career preparation, and career launch programs, as  
37 defined in RCW 28C.30.020, so that tribal students may receive high  
38 school or college credit to the maximum extent possible.



(m) \$57,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$57,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 288, Laws of 2020 (school meals at no cost).

(n) \$269,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$142,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 353, Laws of 2020 (innovative learning pilot).

(o) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of the superintendent of public instruction to provide statewide coordination towards multicultural, culturally responsive, and anti-racist education to support academically, socially, and culturally literate learners. The office must engage community members and key interested parties to:

(i) Develop a clear definition and framework for African American studies to guide instruction in grades seven through twelve;

(ii) Develop a plan for aligning African American studies across all content areas; and

(iii) Identify professional development opportunities for educators and administrators to build capacity in creating high-quality learning environments centered in belonging and racial equity, anti-racist approaches, and asset-based methodologies that pull from all students' cultural funds of knowledge.

(p) \$49,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$49,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 38, Laws of 2021 (K-12 safety & security serv.).

(q) \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 111, Laws of 2021 (learning assistance program).

(r) \$1,152,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,157,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 164, Laws of 2021 (institutional ed./release).

(s) \$553,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$553,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of the  
2 superintendent of public instruction to develop and implement a  
3 mathematics pathways pilot to modernize algebra II. The office should  
4 use research and engage stakeholders to develop a revised and  
5 expanded course.

6 (t) \$3,348,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$3,348,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
9 107, Laws of 2022 (language access in schools).

10 (u) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the superintendent to  
13 establish a media literacy and digital citizenship ambassador program  
14 to promote the integration of media literacy and digital citizenship  
15 instruction.

16 (v) \$294,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 and \$294,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025 provided solely for implementation of chapter 9,  
19 Laws of 2022 (school consultation/tribes).

20 (w)(i) \$8,144,000 of the Washington state opportunity pathways  
21 account—state appropriation is provided solely for support to small  
22 school districts and public schools receiving allocations under  
23 chapters 28A.710 and 28A.715 RCW in the 2022-23 school year that have  
24 less than 800 enrolled students, are located in urban or suburban  
25 areas, and budgeted for less than \$20,000 per pupil in general fund  
26 expenditures in the 2022-23 school year. For eligible school  
27 districts and schools, the superintendent of public instruction must  
28 allocate an amount equal to the lesser of amount 1 or amount 2, as  
29 provided in (w)(i) (A) and (B) of this subsection, multiplied by the  
30 school district or school's budgeted enrollment in the 2022-23 school  
31 year.

32 (A) Amount 1 is \$1,550.

33 (B) Amount 2 is \$20,000 minus the school district or school's  
34 budgeted general fund expenditures per pupil in the 2022-23 school  
35 year.

36 (ii) \$210,000 of the Washington state opportunity pathways  
37 account—state appropriation is provided solely for support to public  
38 schools receiving allocations under chapter 28A.715 RCW in the  
39 2023-24 school year that have less than 800 enrolled students, are

1 located in urban or suburban areas, and expended less than \$20,000  
2 per pupil in general fund expenditures in the 2022-23 school year.  
3 For eligible schools, the superintendent of public instruction must  
4 allocate an amount equal to the lesser of amount 1 or amount 2, as  
5 provided in (w)(ii)(A) and (B) of this subsection, multiplied by the  
6 school's actual enrollment in the 2022-23 school year.

7 (A) Amount 1 is \$1,550.

8 (B) Amount 2 is \$20,000 minus the school's general fund  
9 expenditures per pupil in the 2022-23 school year.

10 (x) \$76,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$15,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
13 Senate Bill No. 5072 (highly capable students).

14 (y) \$72,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$4,663,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
17 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5243 (high school and beyond plan).

18 (z) \$17,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
20 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5257 (elementary school recess).

21 (aa) \$169,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$487,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
24 Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5315 (special education/nonpublic).

25 (bb) \$39,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No.  
27 5403 (school depreciation subfunds).

28 (cc) \$532,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024 and \$436,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
31 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5593 (student data transfer).

32 (dd) \$51,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$36,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
35 Senate Bill No. 5617 (career and technical education courses).

36 (ee) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
38 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office  
39 of the superintendent of public instruction to contract with a

1 community-based youth development nonprofit organization for a pilot  
2 program to provide behavioral health support for youth and trauma-  
3 informed, culturally responsive staff training.

4 (ff) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 is provided solely for the office to consult with one or  
6 two public high schools that offer established courses in the early  
7 childhood development and services career pathway and develop model  
8 materials that may be employed by other school districts with an  
9 interest in establishing or expanding similar instructional offerings  
10 to students. The model materials must be developed by January 1,  
11 2024.

12 (gg) \$62,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$62,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the creation of a  
15 deliberative democratic climate change education program in public  
16 high schools based on the Washington student climate assembly pilot  
17 program. The office must use the funding to develop and promote a  
18 full curriculum for student climate assemblies that can be replicated  
19 in public high schools across the state and to fund a part-time  
20 statewide coordinator position to oversee program outreach and  
21 implementation. By January 1, 2025, the office must collect and  
22 evaluate feedback from teachers, students, local government  
23 employees, and elected officials participating in the pilot program  
24 and report to the legislature on options to improve, expand, and  
25 extend the program.

26 (hh) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office to contract with  
29 a nongovernmental agency to coordinate and serve as a fiscal agent  
30 and to cover direct costs of the project education impact workgroup  
31 to achieve educational parity for students experiencing foster care  
32 and/or homelessness, consistent with chapter 233, Laws of 2020. The  
33 office must contract with a nongovernmental agency with experience  
34 coordinating administrative and fiscal support for project education  
35 impact.

36 (ii) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 is provided solely for the office to contract for a  
38 feasibility study for the creation of a maritime academy on the  
39 Olympic peninsula. The study must include the scope, location,

1 design, and budget for the construction of the maritime academy. The  
2 study must include plans to address systems, policies, and practices  
3 that address disparities of historically marginalized communities in  
4 the maritime industry. A preliminary report is due to the legislature  
5 by December 1, 2023, with the final feasibility study due to the  
6 legislature by June 3, 2024. Funding provided in this subsection may  
7 be matched by a nonprofit organization that provides high school  
8 students with accredited career and technical postsecondary education  
9 for maritime vessel operations and maritime curriculum to high  
10 schools in Jefferson, Clallam, Kitsap, King, Mason, Pierce, Island,  
11 and Snohomish counties.

12 (jj) \$74,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$69,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
15 House Bill No. 1701 (institutional ed. programs).

16 (kk) \$141,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 and \$130,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of House Bill  
19 No. 1308 (graduation pathway options).

20 (ll) \$73,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$72,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
23 House Bill No. 1346 (purple star award).

24 (mm)(i) \$1,900,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024 and \$8,100,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office  
27 to provide statewide professional development and technical  
28 assistance to school districts and to provide a limited number of  
29 grants for demonstration projects. The demonstration projects must  
30 build school-level and district-level systems that eliminate student  
31 isolation, track and reduce restraint use, and build schoolwide  
32 systems to support students in distress and prevent crisis escalation  
33 cycles that may result in restraint or isolation. The schoolwide  
34 systems must include trauma-informed positive behavior and  
35 intervention supports, de-escalation, and problem-solving skills. Of  
36 the amounts provided in this subsection:

37 (A) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 and \$1,600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025 are for grants for district demonstration sites;

(B) \$1,334,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$6,334,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are for professional development and training, including professional development in inclusionary practices for classroom teachers. Funding must be prioritized to public schools with the highest percentage of students with individualized education programs aged three through 21 who spend the least amount of time in general education classrooms; and

(C) \$166,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$166,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are for staff and administration support for the demonstration sites and the professional development and training.

(ii) The office must create a technical assistance manual to support the elimination of isolation and reduction of restraint and room clears based on the results of the demonstration projects, and must provide an initial report to the educational opportunity gap oversight and accountability committee and the education committees of the legislature by September 30, 2024, and a final report by June 30, 2025. The reports must include:

(A) A status update on demonstration projects that occurred during the 2023-24 school year, the technical assistance manual, and professional development offered statewide;

(B) Key implementation challenges and findings; and

(C) Recommendations for statewide policy changes or funding, including information on the amount of professional development needed across the state.

(iii) In developing the manual, the office must consult with, at minimum:

(A) Representatives from state associations representing both certificated and classified staff;

(B) An association representing principals;

(C) An association representing school administrators;

(D) The Washington state school directors' association;

(E) An association representing parents;

(F) An individual with lived experience of restraint and isolation; and

(G) A representative of the protection and advocacy agency of Washington.

1 (iv) The office must prioritize the provision of professional  
2 development and selection of the demonstration sites to local  
3 education agencies, educational programs, and staff who provide  
4 educational services to students in prekindergarten through grade  
5 five and who have high incidents of isolation, restraint, or injury  
6 related to use of restraint or isolation. Grant recipients must  
7 commit to isolation phaseout and must report on restraint reduction  
8 and progress to the office by June 30, 2025.

9 (nn) \$430,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Senate  
11 Bill No. 5462 (inclusive learning standards). ~~((If the bill is not  
12 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
13 shall lapse.))~~

14 (oo) \$28,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No.  
16 5647 (school safety/temp employees). ~~((If the bill is not enacted by  
17 June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.))~~

18 (pp) \$5,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$8,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
21 Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1377 (continuing education/K-12).  
22 ~~((If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in  
23 this subsection shall lapse.))~~

24 (qq) \$3,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
26 Bill No. 6053 (education data sharing). ~~((If the bill is not enacted  
27 by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall  
28 lapse.))~~

29 (rr) \$30,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2025 is provided solely for the office to create and distribute  
31 age appropriate promotional and educational materials to school  
32 districts for Americans of Chinese descent history month.

33 (ss) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of  
35 public instruction to examine how free and reduced-price school meal  
36 data is used as a funding driver for programs such as the learning  
37 assistance program and provide recommendations for an alternative  
38 metric or metrics to the legislature by January 1, 2025. The office  
39 may collaborate with other state agencies that maintain income and

1 poverty data to develop alternative metrics, including but not  
2 limited to the department of social and health services, the student  
3 achievement council, and the health care authority. In creating  
4 recommendations, the office shall work with educational stakeholders  
5 including organizations representing of principals, school board  
6 directors, certificated teachers, and classified staff. The office  
7 may contract with a third party to conduct all or any portion of the  
8 work.

9 (tt) \$183,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of  
11 public instruction to collaborate with the department of agriculture  
12 and the department of labor and industries on a study that, at a  
13 minimum, examines factors that impact children of seasonal  
14 farmworkers in comparison to migrant students in the following areas:  
15 School and program access, school readiness, attendance, grade  
16 promotion and retention, performance on state assessments, academic  
17 growth, graduation rates, discipline rates, and teacher  
18 qualifications and years of experience. The study must also  
19 investigate student access to postsecondary education and career  
20 opportunities in formerly rural or agricultural communities.

21 (uu) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the office of the  
24 superintendent of public instruction to develop guidance and provide  
25 technical assistance to school districts on the implementation of  
26 Initiative Measure No. 2081. To ensure that public schools and school  
27 districts are in compliance with state and federal laws related to  
28 student privacy, antidiscrimination, and harassment, intimidation and  
29 bullying, the office shall provide technical assistance and monitor  
30 local school district implementation, as needed. By July 1, 2024, the  
31 office shall develop a tool and identify a process for community  
32 members to send and for the office to receive and track questions and  
33 concerns related to implementation. The process must be publicly  
34 available on the agency website. The office shall submit monthly  
35 reports to the legislature which include a status update on  
36 implementation including challenges, frequently asked questions, and  
37 a summary of technical assistance.

38 (vv) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the



1 superintendent of public instruction to conduct a one-time compliance  
2 review of every school district in Washington state between July 2024  
3 and July 2025 related to compliance with state nondiscrimination  
4 laws, chapters 28A.640 and 28A.642 RCW, and federal nondiscrimination  
5 laws. The office shall utilize the compliance monitoring process that  
6 has been established in chapter 392-190 WAC and may utilize the  
7 regional educational service districts to assist in the reviews as  
8 appropriate under RCW 28A.310.010(2). Reviews may be conducted as  
9 desk reviews with selected on-site reviews where the office deems  
10 additional follow-up may be necessary to the desk review. The office  
11 shall provide a report to the legislature by December 1, 2025,  
12 summarizing the results of these compliance reviews and shall include  
13 a summary of types of noncompliance found, any corrective actions  
14 taken by the office or the school district, and school district  
15 responses to issues of noncompliance that were found during the  
16 compliance review process.

17 (ww) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Third Substitute  
19 House Bill No. 1228 (dual & tribal language edu.). (~~(If the bill is~~  
20 ~~not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
21 ~~shall lapse.))~~)

22 (xx) \$21,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Fourth  
24 Substitute House Bill No. 1239 (educator ethics & complaints). (~~(If~~  
25 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
26 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~)

27 (yy) \$334,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second  
29 Substitute House Bill No. 1956 (substance use prevention ed.). (~~(If~~  
30 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
31 ~~subsection shall lapse.))~~)

32 (zz) \$51,750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 and \$250,000 of the Washington opportunity pathways  
34 account—state appropriation are provided solely for one-time funding  
35 equal to \$50 per pupil to all school districts during the 2024-25  
36 school year. Funding provided under this subsection is not part of  
37 the state's statutory program of basic education.

38 (5) CAREER CONNECTED LEARNING

1 (a) \$919,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for expanding career connected  
3 learning as provided in RCW 28C.30.020.

4 (b) \$960,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for increasing the funding per full-  
6 time equivalent for career launch programs as described in RCW  
7 28A.700.130. In the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, for career launch  
8 enrollment exceeding the funding provided in this subsection, funding  
9 is provided in section 504 of this act.

10 (c) \$3,600,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
11 state appropriation is provided solely for the office of the  
12 superintendent of public instruction to administer grants to skill  
13 centers for nursing programs to purchase or upgrade simulation  
14 laboratory equipment.

15 (d) \$4,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
16 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
17 Substitute House Bill No. 1013 (regional apprenticeship prgs.). Of  
18 the amount provided in this subsection, \$2,000,000 of the workforce  
19 education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely  
20 for the Marysville school district to collaborate with Arlington  
21 school district, Everett Community College, other local school  
22 districts, local labor unions, local Washington state apprenticeship  
23 and training council registered apprenticeship programs, and local  
24 industry groups to continue the regional apprenticeship pathways  
25 program.

26 (e) \$3,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
27 state appropriation is provided solely for the office to contract  
28 with a community-based organization to prepare students to enroll in  
29 and enter college through one-on-one advising, workshops and help  
30 sessions, guest speakers and panel presentations, community building  
31 activities, campus visits, workplace field trips, and college/career  
32 resources and to fund the oversight of the grantee or grantees.

33 (f) \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
35 Substitute House Bill No. 2236 (tech. ed. core plus programs). (~~If~~  
36 ~~the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this~~  
37 ~~subsection shall lapse.~~)

**Sec. 1502.** 2024 c 376 s 503 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR STANDARDS BOARD**

|                                            |                           |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$17,246,000              |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(\$22,279,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$17,406,000</u>       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(\$39,525,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$34,652,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$1,930,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,036,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are for the operation and expenses of the Washington professional educator standards board including implementation of chapter 172, Laws of 2017 (educator prep. data/PESB).

(2)(a) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to improve preservice teacher training and funding of alternate routes to certification programs administered by the professional educator standards board.

(b) Within the amounts provided in this subsection (2), up to \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and up to \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to public or private colleges of education in Washington state to develop models and share best practices for increasing the classroom teaching experience of preservice training programs.

(3) \$1,005,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,001,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the recruiting Washington teachers program with priority given to programs that support bilingual teachers, teachers from populations that are underrepresented, and English language learners. Of the amounts provided in this subsection (3), \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation and expansion of the bilingual educator initiative pilot project established under RCW 28A.180.120.

1 (4) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the implementation of  
4 chapter 295, Laws of 2019 (educator workforce supply).

5 (5) \$12,335,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$17,535,000)~~) \$12,662,000 of the general fund—  
7 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
8 implementation of chapter 237, Laws of 2017 (paraeducators). Of the  
9 amounts provided in this subsection: \$11,550,000 of the general fund—  
10 state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$16,873,000)~~)  
11 \$12,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
12 2025 are provided solely for grants to districts to provide two days  
13 of training per school year in the paraeducator certificate program  
14 to all paraeducators. Funds in this subsection are provided solely  
15 for reimbursement to school districts that provide paraeducators with  
16 two days of training in the paraeducator certificate program in each  
17 of the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years. Funding provided in this  
18 subsection is sufficient for new paraeducators to receive four days  
19 of training in the paraeducator certificate program during their  
20 first year. School districts receiving grants under this subsection  
21 must prioritize funding toward compensation for paraeducators who  
22 complete the required hours of instruction per school year.

23 (6) \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$28,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the board to review national  
26 certification opportunities for educational staff associates through  
27 the relevant national associations for their profession and through  
28 the national board for professional teaching standards. The board  
29 must compare the standards and processes for achieving these  
30 certifications, including an analysis of how educational staff  
31 associate positions' national certification aligns with school roles  
32 and the professional expertise of school-based education staff  
33 associates. The board must submit the comparison report to the  
34 education committees of the legislature by October 1, 2024.

35 (7) \$147,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$158,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
38 Substitute House Bill No. 1009 (military spouse employment).

1 (8) \$35,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$71,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the professional educator  
4 standards board and the paraeducator board to collaborate with the  
5 office of the superintendent of public instruction to align bilingual  
6 education and English language learner endorsement standards and to  
7 determine language assessment requirements for multilingual teachers  
8 and paraeducators as required in Third Substitute House Bill No. 1228  
9 (dual & tribal language edu.). If the bill is not enacted by June 30,  
10 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

11 (9) \$877,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 and \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the professional educator  
14 standards board, in coordination with the office of the  
15 superintendent of public instruction, to develop a teacher residency  
16 program through Western Washington University focused on special  
17 education instruction beginning in the 2024-25 school year.

18 (10) \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$155,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the professional educator  
21 standards board to convene two separate groups to review  
22 implementation of new and existing standards in teacher preparation  
23 programs and to perform preparation program gap analyses.

24 (a) By October 1, 2024, the board shall convene a group of  
25 educators, including principals and teachers, to identify what  
26 preparation programs must be providing candidates to prepare them for  
27 the modern classroom.

28 (i) Prior to the convening of the group, the board, in  
29 collaboration with the office of the superintendent of public  
30 instruction and the state board of education, shall develop a list of  
31 major changes to the educational system in statute and rule during  
32 the last 10 years that might require pedagogical changes in  
33 preparation programs. The group of educators shall review the list in  
34 order to identify what programs must be providing candidates.

35 (ii) The group of educators must include a wide variety of  
36 representatives from different subject matter areas including, but  
37 not limited to, any shortage areas, different grade levels, rural and  
38 urban school districts, large and small school districts, schools  
39 participating in the mastery-based learning collaborative, schools

1 implementing inclusionary practices to support students with  
2 disabilities, and educators of color.

3 (iii) By June 1, 2025, the board shall compile a summary of the  
4 findings from the group of educators. Members of the legislature may  
5 review this summary upon request.

6 (b) By December 1, 2024, the board shall develop a process to  
7 facilitate an ongoing and collaborative process to help educator  
8 preparation programs in Washington state respond to the continuously  
9 changing needs of the modern classroom; provide a feedback loop  
10 between school staff and programs; and promote continuity,  
11 consistency, and coherence across the educator preparation system  
12 regarding implementing new and existing standards. This process must  
13 at a minimum meet the following requirements:

14 (i) Convening of a group representing the educator preparation  
15 programs to review the list developed in (a)(i) of this subsection  
16 and, when completed, the summary compiled under (a)(iii) of this  
17 subsection;

18 (ii) Requiring each preparation program to perform a gap analysis  
19 of their programs. The board shall determine the components of this  
20 gap analysis;

21 (iii) Submission of a plan of improvement and action plan, as  
22 needed, to address the areas identified in the gap analysis;

23 (iv) A plan for compliance monitoring including recommendations  
24 related to potential consequences for programs not making sufficient  
25 progress; and

26 (v) A timeline that requires educator preparation programs to  
27 complete the process at least once every three years and aligns the  
28 process with other review processes.

29 (c) In creating the process, the board shall begin with a process  
30 for teacher preparation programs offered at institutions of higher  
31 education and develop a phase-in plan for how to eventually include  
32 alternative route teacher certification programs and principal  
33 preparation programs.

34 (11) \$26,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$387,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
37 Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1377 (continuing education/K-12).

38 (12) \$23,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024 and \$23,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Fourth Substitute House Bill No. 1239 (educator ethics & complaints). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1503.** 2024 c 376 s 504 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR GENERAL APPORTIONMENT**

|                                                    |                                   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)         | \$9,784,078,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)         | <del>(( \$9,813,885,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                    | <u>\$9,812,324,000</u>            |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$1,773,730,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                | <del>(( \$21,371,693,000 ))</del> |
|                                                    | <u>\$21,370,132,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1)(a) Each general fund fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(b) For the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years, the superintendent shall allocate general apportionment funding to school districts as provided in the funding formulas and salary allocations in sections 504 and 505 of this act, excluding (c) of this subsection.

(c) From July 1, 2023, to August 31, 2023, the superintendent shall allocate general apportionment funding to school districts programs as provided in sections 504 and 505, chapter 297, Laws of 2022, as amended.

(d) The enrollment of any district shall be the annual average number of full-time equivalent students and part-time students as provided in RCW 28A.150.350, enrolled on the fourth day of school in September and on the first school day of each month October through June, including students who are in attendance pursuant to RCW 28A.335.160 and 28A.225.250 who do not reside within the servicing school district. Any school district concluding its basic education program in May must report the enrollment of the last school day held in May in lieu of a June enrollment.

1 (e)(i) Funding provided in part V of this act is sufficient to  
2 provide each full-time equivalent student with the minimum hours of  
3 instruction required under RCW 28A.150.220.

4 (ii) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall  
5 align the agency rules defining a full-time equivalent student with  
6 the increase in the minimum instructional hours under RCW  
7 28A.150.220, as amended by the legislature in 2014.

8 (f) The superintendent shall adopt rules requiring school  
9 districts to report full-time equivalent student enrollment as  
10 provided in RCW 28A.655.210.

11 (g) For the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years, school districts  
12 must report to the office of the superintendent of public instruction  
13 the monthly actual average district-wide class size across each grade  
14 level of kindergarten, first grade, second grade, and third grade  
15 classes. The superintendent of public instruction shall report this  
16 information to the education and fiscal committees of the house of  
17 representatives and the senate by September 30th of each year.

18 (2) CERTIFICATED INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF ALLOCATIONS

19 Allocations for certificated instructional staff salaries for the  
20 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years are determined using formula-  
21 generated staff units calculated pursuant to this subsection.

22 (a) Certificated instructional staff units, as defined in RCW  
23 28A.150.410, shall be allocated to reflect the minimum class size  
24 allocations, requirements, and school prototypes assumptions as  
25 provided in RCW 28A.150.260. The superintendent shall make  
26 allocations to school districts based on the district's annual  
27 average full-time equivalent student enrollment in each grade.

28 (b) Additional certificated instructional staff units provided in  
29 this subsection (2) that exceed the minimum requirements in RCW  
30 28A.150.260 are enhancements outside the program of basic education,  
31 except as otherwise provided in this section.

32 (c)(i) The superintendent shall base allocations for each level  
33 of prototypical school, including those at which more than fifty  
34 percent of the students were eligible for free and reduced-price  
35 meals in the prior school year, on the following regular education  
36 average class size of full-time equivalent students per teacher,  
37 except as provided in (c)(ii) of this subsection:

38 General education class size:



| 1  | Grade       | RCW 28A.150.260 | 2023-24     | 2024-25     |
|----|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2  |             |                 | School Year | School Year |
| 3  | Grade K     |                 | 17.00       | 17.00       |
| 4  | Grade 1     |                 | 17.00       | 17.00       |
| 5  | Grade 2     |                 | 17.00       | 17.00       |
| 6  | Grade 3     |                 | 17.00       | 17.00       |
| 7  | Grade 4     |                 | 27.00       | 27.00       |
| 8  | Grades 5-6  |                 | 27.00       | 27.00       |
| 9  | Grades 7-8  |                 | 28.53       | 28.53       |
| 10 | Grades 9-12 |                 | 28.74       | 28.74       |

11       The superintendent shall base allocations for: Laboratory science  
12       average class size as provided in RCW 28A.150.260; career and  
13       technical education (CTE) class size of 23.0; and skill center  
14       program class size of 19. Certificated instructional staff units  
15       provided for skills centers that exceed the minimum requirements of  
16       RCW 28A.150.260 achieve class size reductions under RCW 28A.400.007  
17       and are part of the state's program of basic education.

(ii) Pursuant to RCW 28A.150.260(4)(a), the assumed teacher planning period, expressed as a percentage of a teacher work day, is 13.42 percent in grades K-6, and 16.67 percent in grades 7-12; and

21 (iii) Advanced placement and international baccalaureate courses  
22 are funded at the same class size assumptions as general education  
23 schools in the same grade; and

(d)(i) Funding for teacher librarians, school nurses, social workers, school psychologists, and guidance counselors is allocated based on the school prototypes as provided in RCW 28A.150.260, as amended by chapter 109, Laws of 2022, and is considered certificated instructional staff.

(ii) For qualifying high-poverty schools in the 2023-24 school year, at which more than 50 percent of the students were eligible for free and reduced-price meals in the prior school year, in addition to the allocation under (d)(i) of this subsection, the superintendent shall allocate additional funding for guidance counselors for each level of prototypical school as follows:

| 35 | Elementary | Middle | High |
|----|------------|--------|------|
|----|------------|--------|------|

|   |            |       |       |       |
|---|------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1 | Guidance   | 0.166 | 0.166 | 0.157 |
| 2 | counselors |       |       |       |

(iii) Students in approved career and technical education and skill center programs generate certificated instructional staff units to provide for the services of teacher librarians, school nurses, social workers, school psychologists, and guidance counselors at the following combined rate per 1000 student full-time equivalent enrollment:

|    |                                |             |             |
|----|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 9  |                                | 2023-24     | 2024-25     |
| 10 |                                | School Year | School Year |
| 11 | Career and Technical Education | 3.65        | 3.91        |
| 12 | Skill Center                   | 3.98        | 4.25        |

(3) ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF ALLOCATIONS

(a) Allocations for school building-level certificated administrative staff salaries for the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years for general education students are determined using the formula generated staff units calculated pursuant to this subsection. The superintendent shall make allocations to school districts based on the district's annual average full-time equivalent enrollment in each grade. The following prototypical school values shall determine the allocation for principals, assistant principals, and other certificated building level administrators:

Prototypical School Building:

|    |                   |       |
|----|-------------------|-------|
| 24 | Elementary School | 1.253 |
| 25 | Middle School     | 1.353 |
| 26 | High School       | 1.880 |

(b) Students in approved career and technical education and skill center programs generate certificated school building-level administrator staff units at per student rates that are a multiple of the general education rate in (a) of this subsection by the following factors:

|    |                                                  |       |
|----|--------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 32 | Career and Technical Education students. . . . . | 1.025 |
| 33 | Skill Center students. . . . .                   | 1.198 |

(4) CLASSIFIED STAFF ALLOCATIONS

1 Allocations for classified staff units providing school building-  
2 level and district-wide support services for the 2023-24 and 2024-25  
3 school years are determined using the formula-generated staff units  
4 provided in RCW 28A.150.260 and pursuant to this subsection, and  
5 adjusted based on each district's annual average full-time equivalent  
6 student enrollment in each grade.

7 (5) CENTRAL OFFICE ALLOCATIONS

8 In addition to classified and administrative staff units  
9 allocated in subsections (3) and (4) of this section, classified and  
10 administrative staff units are provided for the 2023-24 and 2024-25  
11 school years for the central office administrative costs of operating  
12 a school district, at the following rates:

13 (a) The total central office staff units provided in this  
14 subsection (5) are calculated by first multiplying the total number  
15 of eligible certificated instructional, certificated administrative,  
16 and classified staff units providing school-based or district-wide  
17 support services, as identified in RCW 28A.150.260(6)(b) and the  
18 increased allocations provided pursuant to subsections (2) and (4) of  
19 this section, by 5.3 percent.

20 (b) Of the central office staff units calculated in (a) of this  
21 subsection, 74.53 percent are allocated as classified staff units, as  
22 generated in subsection (4) of this section, and 25.48 percent shall  
23 be allocated as administrative staff units, as generated in  
24 subsection (3) of this section.

25 (c) Staff units generated as enhancements outside the program of  
26 basic education to the minimum requirements of RCW 28A.150.260, and  
27 staff units generated by skill center and career-technical students,  
28 are excluded from the total central office staff units calculation in  
29 (a) of this subsection.

30 (d) For students in approved career-technical and skill center  
31 programs, central office classified units are allocated at the same  
32 staff unit per student rate as those generated for general education  
33 students of the same grade in this subsection (5), and central office  
34 administrative staff units are allocated at staff unit per student  
35 rates that exceed the general education rate established for students  
36 in the same grade in this subsection (5) by 12.25 percent in the  
37 2023-24 school year and (~~(12.42))~~ 12.44 percent in the 2024-25 school  
38 year for career and technical education students, and 17.58 percent

in the 2023-24 school year and ((17.75)) 17.77 percent in the 2024-25 school year for skill center students.

(6) FRINGE BENEFIT ALLOCATIONS

Fringe benefit allocations shall be calculated at a rate of 17.97 percent in the 2023-24 school year and 18.15 percent in the 2024-25 school year for certificated salary allocations provided under subsections (2), (3), and (5) of this section, and a rate of 22.06 percent in the 2023-24 school year and 21.66 percent in the 2024-25 school year for classified salary allocations provided under subsections (4) and (5) of this section.

(7) INSURANCE BENEFIT ALLOCATIONS

Insurance benefit allocations shall be calculated at the rates specified in section 506 of this act, based on the number of benefit units determined as follows: Except for nonrepresented employees of educational service districts, the number of calculated benefit units determined below. Calculated benefit units are staff units multiplied by the benefit allocation factors established in the collective bargaining agreement referenced in section 909 of this act. These factors are intended to adjust allocations so that, for the purpose of distributing insurance benefits, full-time equivalent employees may be calculated on the basis of 630 hours of work per year, with no individual employee counted as more than one full-time equivalent. The number of benefit units is determined as follows:

- (a) The number of certificated staff units determined in subsections (2), (3), and (5) of this section multiplied by 1.02; and
- (b) The number of classified staff units determined in subsections (4) and (5) of this section multiplied by 1.43.

(8) MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, AND OPERATING COSTS (MSOC) ALLOCATIONS

Funding is allocated per annual average full-time equivalent student for the materials, supplies, and operating costs (MSOC) incurred by school districts, consistent with the requirements of RCW 28A.150.260.

(a)(i) MSOC funding for general education students are allocated at the following per student rates:

MSOC RATES/STUDENT FTE

| MSOC Component | 2023-24<br>School Year | 2024-25<br>School Year |
|----------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|----------------|------------------------|------------------------|

|    |                                                         |            |            |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| 1  |                                                         |            |            |
| 2  | Technology                                              | \$178.98   | \$182.37   |
| 3  | Utilities and Insurance                                 | \$430.26   | \$438.43   |
| 4  | Curriculum and Textbooks                                | \$164.48   | \$167.61   |
| 5  | Other Supplies                                          | \$326.54   | \$332.74   |
| 6  | Library Materials                                       | \$22.65    | \$23.09    |
| 7  | Instructional Professional Development for Certificated | \$28.94    | \$29.50    |
| 8  | and Classified Staff                                    |            |            |
| 9  | Facilities Maintenance                                  | \$206.22   | \$210.13   |
| 10 | Security and Central Office                             | \$146.37   | \$149.15   |
| 11 | TOTAL MSOC/STUDENT FTE                                  | \$1,504.44 | \$1,533.02 |

12 (ii) For the 2023-24 school year and 2024-25 school year, as part  
13 of the budget development, hearing, and review process required by  
14 chapter 28A.505 RCW, each school district must disclose: (A) The  
15 amount of state funding to be received by the district under (a) and  
16 (d) of this subsection (8); (B) the amount the district proposes to  
17 spend for materials, supplies, and operating costs; (C) the  
18 difference between these two amounts; and (D) if (a)(ii)(A) of this  
19 subsection (8) exceeds (a)(ii)(B) of this subsection (8), any  
20 proposed use of this difference and how this use will improve student  
21 achievement.

22 (b) Students in approved skill center programs generate per  
23 student FTE MSOC allocations of \$1,724.62 for the 2023-24 school year  
24 and \$1,757.39 for the 2024-25 school year.

25 (c) Students in approved exploratory and preparatory career and  
26 technical education programs generate per student FTE MSOC  
27 allocations of \$1,724.62 for the 2023-24 school year and \$1,757.39  
28 for the 2024-25 school year.

29 (d) Students in grades 9-12 generate per student FTE MSOC  
30 allocations in addition to the allocations provided in (a) through  
31 (c) of this subsection at the following rate:

|    |                          |             |             |
|----|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 32 | MSOC Component           | 2023-24     | 2024-25     |
| 33 |                          | School Year | School Year |
| 34 | Technology               | \$44.04     | \$44.88     |
| 35 | Curriculum and Textbooks | \$48.06     | \$48.97     |
| 36 | Other Supplies           | \$94.07     | \$95.86     |

|   |                                                      |          |          |
|---|------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1 | Library Materials                                    | \$6.05   | \$6.16   |
| 2 | Instructional Professional Development for Certified | \$8.01   | \$8.16   |
| 3 | and Classified Staff                                 |          |          |
| 4 | TOTAL GRADE 9-12 BASIC EDUCATION MSOC/STUDENT FTE    | \$200.23 | \$204.03 |

5 (9) SUBSTITUTE TEACHER ALLOCATIONS

6 For the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years, funding for substitute  
7 costs for classroom teachers is based on four (4) funded substitute  
8 days per classroom teacher unit generated under subsection (2) of  
9 this section, at a daily substitute rate of \$151.86.

10 (10) ALTERNATIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE PROGRAM FUNDING

11 (a) Amounts provided in this section from July 1, 2023, to August  
12 31, 2023, are adjusted to reflect provisions of chapter 297, Laws of  
13 2022, as amended (allocation of funding for students enrolled in  
14 alternative learning experiences).

15 (b) The superintendent of public instruction shall require all  
16 districts receiving general apportionment funding for alternative  
17 learning experience (ALE) programs as defined in WAC 392-121-182 to  
18 provide separate financial accounting of expenditures for the ALE  
19 programs offered in district or with a provider, including but not  
20 limited to private companies and multidistrict cooperatives, as well  
21 as accurate, monthly headcount and FTE enrollment claimed for basic  
22 education, including separate counts of resident and nonresident  
23 students.

24 (11) DROPOUT REENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

25 The superintendent shall adopt rules to require students claimed  
26 for general apportionment funding based on enrollment in dropout  
27 reengagement programs authorized under RCW 28A.175.100 through  
28 28A.175.115 to meet requirements for at least weekly minimum  
29 instructional contact, academic counseling, career counseling, or  
30 case management contact. Districts must also provide separate  
31 financial accounting of expenditures for the programs offered by the  
32 district or under contract with a provider, as well as accurate  
33 monthly headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment claimed for  
34 basic education, including separate enrollment counts of resident and  
35 nonresident students.

36 (12) ALL DAY KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS

1       \$670,803,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$869,125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
3 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to fund all day kindergarten  
4 programs in all schools in the 2023-24 school year and 2024-25 school  
5 year, pursuant to RCW 28A.150.220 and 28A.150.315. Beginning in the  
6 2023-24 school year, funding for students admitted early to  
7 kindergarten under exceptions to the uniform entry qualifications  
8 under RCW 28A.225.160 must be limited to children deemed to be likely  
9 to be "successful in kindergarten."

10       (13) ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND REMOTE AND  
11 NECESSARY PLANTS

12       For small school districts and remote and necessary school plants  
13 within any district which have been judged to be remote and necessary  
14 by the superintendent of public instruction, additional staff units  
15 are provided to ensure a minimum level of staffing support.  
16 Additional administrative and certificated instructional staff units  
17 provided to districts in this subsection shall be reduced by the  
18 general education staff units, excluding career and technical  
19 education and skills center enhancement units, otherwise provided in  
20 subsections (2) through (5) of this section on a per district basis.

21       (a) For districts enrolling not more than twenty-five average  
22 annual full-time equivalent students in grades K-8, and for small  
23 school plants within any school district which have been judged to be  
24 remote and necessary by the superintendent of public instruction and  
25 enroll not more than twenty-five average annual full-time equivalent  
26 students in grades K-8:

27       (i) For those enrolling no students in grades 7 and 8, 1.76  
28 certificated instructional staff units and 0.24 certificated  
29 administrative staff units for enrollment of not more than five  
30 students, plus one-twentieth of a certificated instructional staff  
31 unit for each additional student enrolled; and

32       (ii) For those enrolling students in grades 7 or 8, 1.68  
33 certificated instructional staff units and 0.32 certificated  
34 administrative staff units for enrollment of not more than five  
35 students, plus one-tenth of a certificated instructional staff unit  
36 for each additional student enrolled;

37       (b) For specified enrollments in districts enrolling more than  
38 twenty-five but not more than one hundred average annual full-time  
39 equivalent students in grades K-8, and for small school plants within

1 any school district which enroll more than twenty-five average annual  
2 full-time equivalent students in grades K-8 and have been judged to  
3 be remote and necessary by the superintendent of public instruction:

4 (i) For enrollment of up to sixty annual average full-time  
5 equivalent students in grades K-6, 2.76 certificated instructional  
6 staff units and 0.24 certificated administrative staff units; and

7 (ii) For enrollment of up to twenty annual average full-time  
8 equivalent students in grades 7 and 8, 0.92 certificated  
9 instructional staff units and 0.08 certificated administrative staff  
10 units;

11 (c) For districts operating no more than two high schools with  
12 enrollments of less than three hundred average annual full-time  
13 equivalent students, for enrollment in grades 9-12 in each such  
14 school, other than alternative schools, except as noted in this  
15 subsection:

16 (i) For remote and necessary schools enrolling students in any  
17 grades 9-12 but no more than twenty-five average annual full-time  
18 equivalent students in grades K-12, four and one-half certificated  
19 instructional staff units and one-quarter of a certificated  
20 administrative staff unit;

21 (ii) For all other small high schools under this subsection, nine  
22 certificated instructional staff units and one-half of a certificated  
23 administrative staff unit for the first sixty average annual full-  
24 time equivalent students, and additional staff units based on a ratio  
25 of 0.8732 certificated instructional staff units and 0.1268  
26 certificated administrative staff units per each additional forty-  
27 three and one-half average annual full-time equivalent students;

28 (iii) Districts receiving staff units under this subsection shall  
29 add students enrolled in a district alternative high school and any  
30 grades nine through twelve alternative learning experience programs  
31 with the small high school enrollment for calculations under this  
32 subsection;

33 (d) For each nonhigh school district having an enrollment of more  
34 than seventy annual average full-time equivalent students and less  
35 than one hundred eighty students, operating a grades K-8 program or a  
36 grades 1-8 program, an additional one-half of a certificated  
37 instructional staff unit;

38 (e) For each nonhigh school district having an enrollment of more  
39 than fifty annual average full-time equivalent students and less than  
40 one hundred eighty students, operating a grades K-6 program or a



grades 1-6 program, an additional one-half of a certificated instructional staff unit;

(f)(i) For enrollments generating certificated staff unit allocations under (a) through (e) of this subsection, one classified staff unit for each 2.94 certificated staff units allocated under such subsections;

(ii) For each nonhigh school district with an enrollment of more than fifty annual average full-time equivalent students and less than one hundred eighty students, an additional one-half of a classified staff unit; and

(g) School districts receiving additional staff units to support small student enrollments and remote and necessary plants under this subsection (13) shall generate additional MSOC allocations consistent with the nonemployee related costs (NERC) allocation formula in place for the 2010-11 school year as provided section 502, chapter 37, Laws of 2010 1st sp. sess. (2010 supplemental budget), adjusted annually for inflation.

(14) Any school district board of directors may petition the superintendent of public instruction by submission of a resolution adopted in a public meeting to reduce or delay any portion of its basic education allocation for any school year. The superintendent of public instruction shall approve such reduction or delay if it does not impair the district's financial condition. Any delay shall not be for more than two school years. Any reduction or delay shall have no impact on levy authority pursuant to RCW 84.52.0531 and local effort assistance pursuant to chapter 28A.500 RCW.

(15) The superintendent may distribute funding for the following programs outside the basic education formula during fiscal years 2024 and 2025 as follows:

(a) \$650,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$650,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for fire protection for school districts located in a fire protection district as now or hereafter established pursuant to chapter 52.04 RCW.

(b) \$436,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$436,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for programs providing skills training for secondary students who are enrolled in extended day school-to-work programs, as approved by the superintendent of public

1 instruction. The funds shall be allocated at a rate not to exceed  
2 \$500 per full-time equivalent student enrolled in those programs.

3 (c) \$375,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of  
5 public instruction to subsidize the cost of health care-based  
6 industry recognized credentials required for employment for students  
7 enrolled in health care courses in skill centers and comprehensive  
8 high school programs.

9 (16) Funding in this section is sufficient to fund a maximum of  
10 1.6 FTE enrollment for skills center students pursuant to chapter  
11 463, Laws of 2007.

12 (17) Funding in this section is sufficient to fund a maximum of  
13 1.2 FTE enrollment for career launch students pursuant to RCW  
14 28A.700.130. Expenditures for this purpose must come first from the  
15 appropriations provided in section 501(5) of this act; funding for  
16 career launch enrollment exceeding those appropriations is provided  
17 in this section. The office of the superintendent of public  
18 instruction shall provide a summary report to the office of the  
19 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by January  
20 1, 2024. The report must include the total FTE enrollment for career  
21 launch students, the FTE enrollment for career launch students that  
22 exceeded the appropriations provided in section 501(5) of this act,  
23 and the amount expended from this section for those students.

24 (18)(a) Students participating in running start programs may be  
25 funded up to a combined maximum enrollment of 1.4 FTE including  
26 school district and institution of higher education enrollment  
27 consistent with the running start course requirements provided in  
28 chapter 202, Laws of 2015 (dual credit education opportunities). In  
29 calculating the combined 1.4 FTE, the office of the superintendent of  
30 public instruction:

31 (i) Must adopt rules to fund the participating student's  
32 enrollment in running start courses provided by the institution of  
33 higher education during the summer academic term; and

34 (ii) May average the participating student's September through  
35 June enrollment to account for differences in the start and end dates  
36 for courses provided by the high school and the institution of higher  
37 education.

38 (iii) In consultation with the state board for community and  
39 technical colleges, the participating institutions of higher  
40 education, the student achievement council, and the education data

center, must annually track and report to the fiscal committees of the legislature on the combined FTE experience of students participating in the running start program, including course load analyses at both the high school and community and technical college system.

(b) \$1,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1316 (dual credit program access).

(19) If two or more school districts consolidate and each district was receiving additional basic education formula staff units pursuant to subsection (13) of this section, the following apply:

(a) For three school years following consolidation, the number of basic education formula staff units shall not be less than the number of basic education formula staff units received by the districts in the school year prior to the consolidation; and

(b) For the fourth through eighth school years following consolidation, the difference between the basic education formula staff units received by the districts for the school year prior to consolidation and the basic education formula staff units after consolidation pursuant to subsection (13) of this section shall be reduced in increments of twenty percent per year.

(20)(a) Indirect cost charges by a school district to approved career and technical education middle and secondary programs shall not exceed the lesser of five percent or the cap established in federal law of the combined basic education and career and technical education program enhancement allocations of state funds. Middle and secondary career and technical education programs are considered separate programs for funding and financial reporting purposes under this section.

(b) Career and technical education program full-time equivalent enrollment shall be reported on the same monthly basis as the enrollment for students eligible for basic support, and payments shall be adjusted for reported career and technical education program enrollments on the same monthly basis as those adjustments for enrollment for students eligible for basic support.

(21) Funding in this section is sufficient to provide full general apportionment payments to school districts eligible for federal forest revenues as provided in RCW 28A.520.020. For the 2023-2025 biennium, general apportionment payments are not reduced for school districts receiving federal forest revenues.

(22) \$15,898,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$20,781,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2494 (school operating costs). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(23) \$25,165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$32,355,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to implement Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5882 (prototypical school staffing). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1504.** 2024 c 376 s 506 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR SCHOOL EMPLOYEE  
COMPENSATION ADJUSTMENTS**

|                                            |                                  |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$391,520,000                    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(( \$888,496,000 ))</del>   |
|                                            | <u>\$893,654,000</u>             |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(( \$1,280,016,000 ))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$1,285,174,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The salary increases provided in this section are 3.7 percent for the 2023-24 school year, and 3.7 percent for the 2024-25 school year, the annual inflationary adjustments pursuant to RCW 28A.400.205.

(2)(a) In addition to salary allocations, the appropriations in this section include funding for professional learning as defined in RCW 28A.415.430, 28A.415.432, and 28A.415.434. Funding for this purpose is calculated as the equivalent of three days of salary and benefits for each of the funded full-time equivalent certificated instructional staff units. Nothing in this section entitles an individual certificated instructional staff to any particular number of professional learning days.

(b) Of the funding provided for professional learning in this section, the equivalent of one day of salary and benefits for each of the funded full-time equivalent certificated instructional staff

1 units in the 2023-24 school year must be used to train school  
2 district staff on cultural competency, diversity, equity, or  
3 inclusion, as required in chapter 197, Laws of 2021.

4 (3)(a) The appropriations in this section include associated  
5 incremental fringe benefit allocations at 17.33 percent for the  
6 2023-24 school year and 17.51 percent for the 2024-25 school year for  
7 certificated instructional and certificated administrative staff and  
8 18.56 percent for the 2023-24 school year and 18.16 percent for the  
9 2024-25 school year for classified staff.

10 (b) The appropriations in this section include the increased or  
11 decreased portion of salaries and incremental fringe benefits for all  
12 relevant state-funded school programs in part V of this act. Changes  
13 for general apportionment (basic education) are based on the salary  
14 allocations and methodology in sections 504 and 505 of this act.  
15 Changes for special education result from changes in each district's  
16 basic education allocation per student. Changes for educational  
17 service districts and institutional education programs are determined  
18 by the superintendent of public instruction using the methodology for  
19 general apportionment salaries and benefits in sections 504 and 505  
20 of this act. Changes for pupil transportation are determined by the  
21 superintendent of public instruction pursuant to RCW 28A.160.192, and  
22 impact compensation factors in sections 504, 505, and 506 of this  
23 act.

24 (c) The appropriations in this section include no salary  
25 adjustments for substitute teachers.

26 (4) The appropriations in this section are sufficient to fund the  
27 collective bargaining agreement referenced in part 9 of this act and  
28 reflect the incremental change in cost of allocating rates as  
29 follows: For the 2023-24 school year, \$1,100 per month and for the  
30 2024-25 school year, \$1,178 per month.

31 (5) The rates specified in this section are subject to revision  
32 each year by the legislature.

33 (6) \$46,426,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2024 (~~((and \$211,538,000 of the general fund—state~~  
35 ~~appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are))~~ is provided solely for  
36 implementation of chapter 50, Laws of 2023.

37 (7) \$5,155,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 (~~((and \$12,076,000 of the general fund—state appropriation~~

~~for fiscal year 2025 are))~~ is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1436 (special education funding).

~~(8) ((\$1,286,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 2180 (special education cap). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.~~

~~(9))~~ \$1,264,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 ~~((and \$2,949,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are))~~ is provided solely to implement Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5882 (prototypical school staffing). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

~~((10))~~ (9) \$670,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 ~~((and \$1,556,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are))~~ is provided solely to account for the office of the superintendent of public instruction allocation of transportation funding to school districts.

**Sec. 1505.** 2024 c 376 s 507 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR PUPIL TRANSPORTATION**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . . \$803,792,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . . ~~(\$810,077,000)~~

\$829,270,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ~~(\$1,613,869,000)~~

\$1,633,062,000

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Each general fund fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(2) (a) For the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school district programs for the transportation of eligible students as provided in RCW 28A.160.192. Funding in this section constitutes full implementation of RCW 28A.160.192, which enhancement is within the program of basic education. Students are considered eligible only if meeting the definitions provided in RCW 28A.160.160.

1 (b) From July 1, 2023, to August 31, 2023, the superintendent  
2 shall allocate funding to school districts programs for the  
3 transportation of students as provided in section 507, chapter 297,  
4 Laws of 2022, as amended.

5 (3) Within amounts appropriated in this section, up to  
6 \$10,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
7 2024 and up to \$10,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
8 for fiscal year 2025 are for a transportation alternate funding grant  
9 program based on the alternate funding process established in RCW  
10 28A.160.191. The superintendent of public instruction must include a  
11 review of school district efficiency rating, key performance  
12 indicators and local school district characteristics such as unique  
13 geographic constraints in the grant award process.

14 (4) A maximum of \$939,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
15 for fiscal year 2024 and a maximum of \$939,000 of the general fund—  
16 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 may be expended for regional  
17 transportation coordinators and related activities. The  
18 transportation coordinators shall ensure that data submitted by  
19 school districts for state transportation funding shall, to the  
20 greatest extent practical, reflect the actual transportation activity  
21 of each district.

22 (5) Subject to available funds under this section, school  
23 districts may provide student transportation for summer skills center  
24 programs.

25 (6) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall  
26 provide reimbursement funding to a school district for school bus  
27 purchases only after the superintendent of public instruction  
28 determines that the school bus was purchased from the list  
29 established pursuant to RCW 28A.160.195(2) or a comparable  
30 competitive bid process based on the lowest price quote based on  
31 similar bus categories to those used to establish the list pursuant  
32 to RCW 28A.160.195.

33 (7) The superintendent of public instruction shall base  
34 depreciation payments for school district buses on the presales tax  
35 five-year average of lowest bids in the appropriate category of bus.  
36 In the final year on the depreciation schedule, the depreciation  
37 payment shall be based on the lowest bid in the appropriate bus  
38 category for that school year.

1 (8) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall  
2 annually disburse payments for bus depreciation in August.

3 (9) (a) \$13,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and \$13,000,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
6 superintendent to provide transportation safety net funding to school  
7 districts with a convincingly demonstrated need for additional  
8 transportation funding for special passengers. Transportation safety  
9 net awards shall only be provided when a school district's allowable  
10 transportation expenditures attributable to serving special  
11 passengers exceeds the amount allocated under subsection (2)(a) of  
12 this section and any excess transportation costs reimbursed by  
13 federal, state, tribal, or local child welfare agencies. A  
14 transportation safety net award may not exceed a school district's  
15 excess expenditures directly attributable to serving special  
16 passengers in the pupil transportation program.

17 (b) To be eligible for additional transportation safety net award  
18 funding, the school district must report, in accordance with  
19 statewide accounting guidance, the amount of the excess costs and the  
20 specific activities or services provided to special passengers that  
21 created the excess costs. The office of the superintendent of public  
22 instruction must request from school districts an application for  
23 transportation safety net funding. The office must submit to the  
24 office of financial management, and to the education and fiscal  
25 committees of the legislature, the total demonstrated need and awards  
26 by school district.

27 (c) Transportation safety net awards allocated under this  
28 subsection are not part of the state's program of basic education.

29 (10) \$425,000 of the of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for supplemental transportation  
31 allocations for pupil transportation services contractor benefits as  
32 described in Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1248 (pupil  
33 transportation). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the  
34 amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

35 ((+12+)) (11) \$32,177,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
36 for fiscal year 2024 and \$41,519,000 of the general fund—state  
37 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to account for  
38 the office of the superintendent of public instruction allocation of  
39 transportation funding to school districts.



1       **Sec. 1506.** 2024 c 376 s 508 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
2 follows:

3 **FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES**

|    |                                                     |                                  |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 4  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . | \$55,834,000                     |
| 5  | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | (( <del>\$102,357,000</del> ))   |
| 6  |                                                     | <u>\$119,918,000</u>             |
| 7  | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .         | (( <del>\$925,799,000</del> ))   |
| 8  |                                                     | <u>\$1,016,190,000</u>           |
| 9  | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | (( <del>\$1,083,990,000</del> )) |
| 10 |                                                     | <u>\$1,191,942,000</u>           |

11       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
12 conditions and limitations:

13       (1) \$11,548,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2024 and \$11,548,000 of the general fund—state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for state  
16 matching money for federal child nutrition programs, and may support  
17 the meals for kids program through the following allowable uses:

18       (a) Elimination of breakfast copays for eligible public school  
19 students and lunch copays for eligible public school students in  
20 grades pre-kindergarten through twelfth grades who are eligible for  
21 reduced-price lunch as required in chapter 74, Laws of 2021 (reduced-  
22 price lunch copays);

23       (b) Assistance to school districts and authorized public and  
24 private nonprofit organizations for supporting summer food service  
25 programs, and initiating new summer food service programs in low-  
26 income areas;

27       (c) Reimbursements to school districts for school breakfasts  
28 served to students eligible for free and reduced-price lunch,  
29 pursuant to chapter 287, Laws of 2005; and

30       (d) Assistance to school districts in initiating and expanding  
31 school breakfast programs.

32       (2) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall  
33 report annually to the fiscal committees of the legislature on annual  
34 expenditures in subsection (1)(a) through (c) of this section.

35       (3) The superintendent of public instruction shall provide the  
36 department of health with the following data, where available, for  
37 all nutrition assistance programs that are funded by the United  
38 States department of agriculture and administered by the office of  
39 the superintendent of public instruction. The superintendent must

provide the report for the preceding federal fiscal year by February 1, 2024, and February 1, 2025. The report must provide:

(a) The number of people in Washington who are eligible for the program;

(b) The number of people in Washington who participated in the program;

(c) The average annual participation rate in the program;

(d) Participation rates by geographic distribution; and

(e) The annual federal funding of the program in Washington.

(4) (a) \$44,167,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$74,667,000)~~) \$83,617,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$28,500,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation (CRRSA) are provided solely for reimbursements to school districts for schools and groups of schools required to participate in the federal community eligibility program under section 1, chapter 7, Laws of 2022 (schools/comm. eligibility) for meals not reimbursed at the federal free meal rate.

(b) \$119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 271, Laws of 2018 (school meal payment) to increase the number of schools participating in the federal community eligibility program and to support breakfast after the bell programs authorized by the legislature that have adopted the community eligibility provision, and for staff at the office of the superintendent of public instruction to implement section 1, chapter 7, Laws of 2022 (schools/comm. eligibility).

(5) \$6,000,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation (CRRSA/GEER) and (~~(\$16,023,000)~~) \$24,634,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1238 (free school meals).

**Sec. 1507.** 2024 c 376 s 509 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . \$1,811,444,000

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . (~~(\$1,925,849,000)~~)

|   |                                                           |                                  |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 |                                                           | <u>\$1,992,731,000</u>           |
| 2 | General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .               | (( <del>\$664,372,000</del> ))   |
| 3 |                                                           | <u>\$692,218,000</u>             |
| 4 | Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . | \$54,694,000                     |
| 5 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | (( <del>\$4,456,359,000</del> )) |
| 6 |                                                           | <u>\$4,551,087,000</u>           |

7       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
8 conditions and limitations:

9       (1)(a) Funding for special education programs is provided on an  
10 excess cost basis, pursuant to RCW 28A.150.390. School districts  
11 shall ensure that special education students as a class receive their  
12 full share of the general apportionment allocation accruing through  
13 sections 504 and 506 of this act. To the extent a school district  
14 cannot provide an appropriate education for special education  
15 students under chapter 28A.155 RCW through the general apportionment  
16 allocation, it shall provide services through the special education  
17 excess cost allocation funded in this section.

18       (b) Funding provided within this section is sufficient for  
19 districts to provide school principals and lead special education  
20 teachers annual professional development on the best-practices for  
21 special education instruction and strategies for implementation.  
22 Districts shall annually provide a summary of professional  
23 development activities to the office of the superintendent of public  
24 instruction.

25       (2)(a) The superintendent of public instruction shall ensure  
26 that:

27       (i) Special education students are basic education students  
28 first;

29       (ii) As a class, special education students are entitled to the  
30 full basic education allocation; and

31       (iii) Special education students are basic education students for  
32 the entire school day.

33       (b)(i) The superintendent of public instruction shall continue to  
34 implement the full cost method of excess cost accounting, as designed  
35 by the committee and recommended by the superintendent, pursuant to  
36 section 501(1)(k), chapter 372, Laws of 2006, except as provided in  
37 (b)(ii) of this subsection.

1 (ii) The superintendent of public instruction shall implement any  
2 changes to excess cost accounting methods required under Engrossed  
3 Substitute House Bill No. 1436 (special education funding).

4 (3) Each fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are  
5 necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and  
6 for prior fiscal year adjustments.

7 (4) (a) For the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years, the  
8 superintendent shall allocate funding to school district programs for  
9 special education students as provided in RCW 28A.150.390, except  
10 that the calculation of the base allocation also includes allocations  
11 provided under section 504 (2) and (4) of this act and RCW  
12 28A.150.415, which enhancement is within the program of basic  
13 education.

14 (b) From July 1, 2023, to August 31, 2023, the superintendent  
15 shall allocate funding to school district programs for special  
16 education students as provided in section 509, chapter 297, Laws of  
17 2022, as amended.

18 (5) The following applies throughout this section: The  
19 definitions for enrollment and enrollment percent are as specified in  
20 RCW 28A.150.390(3). Each district's general fund—state funded special  
21 education enrollment shall be the lesser of the district's actual  
22 enrollment percent or 15 percent in the 2023-24 school year, and the  
23 lesser of the district's actual enrollment percent or 16 percent in  
24 the 2024-25 school year.

25 (6) At the request of any interdistrict cooperative of at least  
26 15 districts in which all excess cost services for special education  
27 students of the districts are provided by the cooperative, the  
28 maximum enrollment percent shall be calculated in accordance with RCW  
29 28A.150.390(3) (c) and (d), and shall be calculated in the aggregate  
30 rather than individual district units. For purposes of this  
31 subsection, the average basic education allocation per full-time  
32 equivalent student shall be calculated in the aggregate rather than  
33 individual district units.

34 (7) \$151,047,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2024, (~~(\$151,047,000)~~ \$205,498,000) of the general fund—  
36 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$29,574,000 of the  
37 general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for safety net  
38 awards for districts with demonstrated needs for special education  
39 funding beyond the amounts provided in subsection (4) of this

1 section. If the federal safety net awards based on the federal  
2 eligibility threshold exceed the federal appropriation in this  
3 subsection (7) in any fiscal year, the superintendent shall expend  
4 all available federal discretionary funds necessary to meet this  
5 need. At the conclusion of each school year, the superintendent shall  
6 recover safety net funds that were distributed prospectively but for  
7 which districts were not subsequently eligible.

8 (a) For the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years, safety net funds  
9 shall be awarded by the state safety net oversight committee as  
10 provided in section 109(1) chapter 548, Laws of 2009 (education).

11 (b) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall  
12 make award determinations for state safety net funding in August of  
13 each school year, except that the superintendent of public  
14 instruction shall make award determinations for state safety net  
15 funding in July of each school year for the Washington state school  
16 for the blind and for the center for childhood deafness and hearing  
17 loss. Determinations on school district eligibility for state safety  
18 net awards shall be based on analysis of actual expenditure data from  
19 the current school year.

20 (8) A maximum of \$1,250,000 may be expended from the general fund  
21 —state appropriations to fund teachers and aides at Seattle  
22 children's hospital. This amount is in lieu of money provided through  
23 the home and hospital allocation and the special education program.

24 (9) The superintendent shall maintain the percentage of federal  
25 flow-through to school districts at 85 percent. In addition to other  
26 purposes, school districts may use increased federal funds for high-  
27 cost students, for purchasing regional special education services  
28 from educational service districts, and for staff development  
29 activities particularly relating to inclusion issues.

30 (10) A school district may carry over from one year to the next  
31 year up to 10 percent of the general fund—state funds allocated under  
32 this program; however, carryover funds shall be expended in the  
33 special education program.

34 (11) \$87,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024, \$87,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2025, and \$214,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are  
37 provided solely for a special education family liaison position  
38 within the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

1 (12)(a) \$13,538,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation  
2 (ARPA) is provided solely for allocations from federal funding as  
3 authorized in section 2014, the American rescue plan act of 2021,  
4 P.L. 117-2.

5 (b) \$1,777,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation (ARPA)  
6 is provided solely for providing preschool services to qualifying  
7 special education students under section 619 of the federal  
8 individuals with disabilities education act, pursuant to section  
9 2002, the American rescue plan act of 2021, P.L. 117-2.

10 (13) \$153,091,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2024 and \$199,246,000 of the general fund—state  
12 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
13 implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1436 (special  
14 education funding).

15 (14) \$18,235,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to increase the special education  
17 enrollment funding cap as required in Substitute House Bill No. 2180  
18 (special education cap). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024,  
19 the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

20 (15) \$2,877,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,818,000 of the general fund—state  
22 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
23 implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2494 (School  
24 operating costs). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the  
25 amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

26 (16)(a) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for compilation of reporting as  
28 required under this subsection. By November 1, 2024, each district  
29 shall report to the superintendent on the district's utilization of  
30 funds provided by the legislature under chapter 475, Laws of 2023 and  
31 this act, including under subsections (13) and (14) of this section.  
32 The report shall include the following:

33 (i) To what extent the district has increased special services,  
34 programs, and supports to students with disabilities for the 2023-24  
35 and 2024-25 school years;

36 (ii) How the district has modified staffing ratios during the  
37 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years in special programs to provide more  
38 intensive staff support to students enrolled in special education  
39 programs;

(iii) How the district has used the resources provided under chapter 475, Laws of 2023 and this act to increase employee compensation for both certificated and classified staff during the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years to improve staff retention and recruitment of new staff;

(iv) To what extent the district has increased staff development programs and curriculum that is both timely and relevant to the needs of students with disabilities during the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years; and

(v) To what extent the district has used the resources provided under chapter 475, Laws of 2023 and this act to purchase staff safety equipment during the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years in order to reduce work-related injuries.

(b) The office shall compile the reports provided under (a) of this subsection and provide a report to the relevant committees of the legislature by December 1, 2024, summarizing statewide trends and providing each district's individual responses.

(17) \$4,199,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$5,479,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to implement Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5882 (prototypical school staffing). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(18) \$581,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5852 (special education safety net). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1508.** 2024 c 376 s 510 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICE DISTRICTS**

|                                              |              |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)   | \$41,625,000 |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)   | \$39,138,000 |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State |              |
| Appropriation                                | \$2,700,000  |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                          | \$83,463,000 |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

1       (1) The educational service districts shall continue to furnish  
2 financial services required by the superintendent of public  
3 instruction and RCW 28A.310.190 (3) and (4).

4       (2) Funding within this section is provided for regional  
5 professional development related to mathematics and science  
6 curriculum and instructional strategies aligned with common core  
7 state standards and next generation science standards. Funding shall  
8 be distributed among the educational service districts in the same  
9 proportion as distributions in the 2007-2009 biennium. Each  
10 educational service district shall use this funding solely for salary  
11 and benefits for a certificated instructional staff with expertise in  
12 the appropriate subject matter and in professional development  
13 delivery, and for travel, materials, and other expenditures related  
14 to providing regional professional development support.

15       (3) Funding in this section is provided for regional professional  
16 development related to English language arts curriculum and  
17 instructional strategies aligned with common core state standards.  
18 Each educational service district shall use this funding solely for  
19 salary and benefits for certificated instructional staff with  
20 expertise in the appropriate subject matter and in professional  
21 development delivery, and for travel, materials, and other  
22 expenditures related to providing regional professional development  
23 support.

24       (4) Funding in this section is provided for regional technical  
25 support for the K-20 telecommunications network to prevent system  
26 failures and avoid interruptions in school utilization of the data  
27 processing and video-conferencing capabilities of the network. These  
28 funds may be used to purchase engineering and advanced technical  
29 support for the network.

30       (5) Funding in this section is provided for a corps of nurses  
31 located at the educational service districts, to be dispatched in  
32 coordination with the office of the superintendent of public  
33 instruction, to provide direct care to students, health education,  
34 and training for school staff. In fiscal years 2024 and 2025,  
35 allocations for the corps of nurses is sufficient to provide one day  
36 per week of nursing services for all second-class school districts.

37       (6) Funding in this section is provided for staff and support at  
38 the nine educational service districts to provide a network of  
39 support for school districts to develop and implement comprehensive  
40 suicide prevention and behavioral health supports for students.



1 (7) Funding in this section is provided for staff and support at  
2 the nine educational service districts to provide assistance to  
3 school districts with comprehensive safe schools planning, conducting  
4 needs assessments, school safety and security trainings, coordinating  
5 appropriate crisis and emergency response and recovery, and  
6 developing threat assessment and crisis intervention teams. In fiscal  
7 years 2024 and 2025, allocations for staff and support for regional  
8 safety centers are increased to 3 full-time equivalent certificated  
9 instructional staff for each regional safety center.

10 (8) Funding in this section is provided for regional English  
11 language arts coordinators to provide professional development of  
12 teachers and principals around the new early screening for dyslexia  
13 requirements.

14 (9) The educational service districts, at the request of the  
15 state board of education pursuant to RCW 28A.310.010 and 28A.305.130,  
16 may receive and screen applications for school accreditation, conduct  
17 school accreditation site visits pursuant to state board of education  
18 rules, and submit to the state board of education post-site visit  
19 recommendations for school accreditation. The educational service  
20 districts may assess a cooperative service fee to recover actual plus  
21 reasonable indirect costs for the purposes of this subsection.

22 (10) \$2,169,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,169,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for each  
25 educational service district to provide technology consultation,  
26 procurement, and training required under chapter 301, Laws of 2021  
27 (schools/computers & devices).

28 (11) \$1,834,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,930,000 of the general fund—state  
30 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
31 implementation of chapter 87, Laws of 2022 (ed. service district  
32 funding).

33 (12) \$2,700,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
34 state appropriation is provided solely for the cost of employing one  
35 full-time equivalent employee at each of the nine education service  
36 districts to support the expansion of career connected learning.

37 (13) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for educational service

1 districts to provide students attending school in rural areas with  
2 access to a mental health professional using telemedicine. Funding  
3 must be prioritized to districts where mental health services are  
4 inadequate or nonexistent due to geographic constraints. Funding may  
5 be used for schools or school districts for technology upgrades to  
6 provide secure access for students, for contracted services, or to  
7 pay applicable copays or fees for telemedicine visits if not covered  
8 by a student's public or private insurance.

9 (14) \$325,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$325,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Puget Sound educational  
12 service district 121 to administer a Washington state capitol civic  
13 engagement grant program for the Auburn, Federal Way, Highline, Kent,  
14 Renton, and Tukwila public school districts. Grant recipients must  
15 use the grant awards to transport one grade of either fourth or fifth  
16 grade students to the Washington state capitol campus for a day of  
17 civic engagement, which may include a capitol tour, mock legislative  
18 committee hearings, presentations on the legislative process, meet  
19 and greets with legislative members, and other related activities. If  
20 funding remains after all eligible school districts have received  
21 grant awards, the remaining funding may be used to support the  
22 program for high school students within the eligible school  
23 districts. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$5,000 of the  
24 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$5,000 of  
25 the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are  
26 provided for the Puget Sound educational service district to  
27 administer the grant program.

28 (15) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,200,000 of the general fund—state  
30 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to continue  
31 behavioral health regional services grants to support school  
32 districts with the least access to behavioral health services. The  
33 office of the superintendent of public instruction shall conduct an  
34 evaluation of the investments in behavioral health supports and by  
35 December 31, 2024, report to the office of financial management and  
36 the fiscal committees of the legislature, the number of students  
37 served by specific behavioral health supports, how the students were  
38 selected for specific behavioral health supports, and how the  
39 students may have received behavioral health supports, and make

1 recommendations for improving behavioral health supports for  
2 students.

3 (16) \$2,800,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,800,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
6 educational service districts to expand and maintain student  
7 behavioral health and mental health services.

8 (17) \$643,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024 and \$643,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for educational service  
11 districts 121 and 101 to coordinate with local mental health agencies  
12 and local school districts to arrange for in-school placements of  
13 social worker associates licensed under RCW 18.225.145 and masters in  
14 social work candidates enrolled in an accredited university program  
15 who commit to working as school social workers, and to coordinate  
16 clinical supervision for approved supervisors that meet the  
17 requirements as defined in rule by the department of health to  
18 provide the necessary supervision to the social worker associates and  
19 masters in social work candidates.

20 (18) \$125,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of  
22 public instruction to work with educational service districts, the  
23 health care authority, and the department of health to review and  
24 update materials for information sessions provided to students  
25 designed to prevent the use of opioids, including fentanyl,  
26 specifically outlining the risks of death related to uneven dosages  
27 and pills that look like prescription drugs. If Second Substitute  
28 House Bill No. 1956 (relating to fentanyl and other substance use  
29 prevention education) is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount  
30 provided in this subsection shall lapse.

31 (19) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2025 is provided solely for educational service district 112 to  
33 offer a teacher residency program during the 2024-25 school year.

34 (20) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2025 is provided solely for educational service district 112 to  
36 support a therapeutic educational program for students in Clark,  
37 Cowlitz, and Skamania counties.

38 (21) \$180,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2025 is provided solely for the Puget Sound educational service

district 121 to contract with a Washington-based Muslim ((and Arab community organization serving communities throughout the state, with experience in building educational campaigns and supporting Muslim and Arab students in our state and that has been incorporated in Washington for over 10 years, in partnership with an expert curriculum and professional development nonprofit organization with at least 10 years of experience, to support Washington teachers in implementing and incorporating lessons on Islamophobia in accordance with RCW 28A.150.210. If a Washington-based organization cannot be found, the office may seek proposals from organizations incorporated outside of Washington. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$5,000 of the general fund state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided for the Puget Sound educational service district to administer the contract)) educational organization, with expertise in curriculum about Muslim and Arab history, to develop curriculum that supports Washington teachers in implementing and incorporating lessons on Islamophobia.

**Sec. 1509.** 2024 c 376 s 511 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR LOCAL EFFORT ASSISTANCE**

|                                            |                      |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$213,689,000        |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | (((\$211,467,000))   |
|                                            | <u>\$193,579,000</u> |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | (((\$425,156,000))   |
|                                            | <u>\$407,268,000</u> |

**Sec. 1510.** 2024 c 376 s 512 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR INSTITUTIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

|                                            |                     |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$16,148,000        |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | (((\$16,754,000))   |
|                                            | <u>\$18,228,000</u> |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | (((\$32,902,000))   |
|                                            | <u>\$34,376,000</u> |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

1 (1) Each general fund—state fiscal year appropriation includes  
2 such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the  
3 fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

4 (2) State funding provided under this section is based on  
5 salaries and other expenditures for a 220-day school year. The  
6 superintendent of public instruction shall monitor school district  
7 expenditure plans for institutional education programs to ensure that  
8 districts plan for a full-time summer program.

9 (3) State funding for each institutional education program shall  
10 be based on the institution's annual average full-time equivalent  
11 student enrollment. Staffing ratios for each category of institution  
12 shall remain the same as those funded in the 1995-97 biennium.

13 (4) The funded staffing ratios for education programs for  
14 juveniles age 18 or less in department of corrections facilities  
15 shall be the same as those provided in the 1997-99 biennium.

16 (5) \$701,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 and \$701,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to maintain at least one  
19 certificated instructional staff and related support services at an  
20 institution whenever the K-12 enrollment is not sufficient to support  
21 one full-time equivalent certificated instructional staff to furnish  
22 the educational program. The following types of institutions are  
23 included: Residential programs under the department of social and  
24 health services for developmentally disabled juveniles, programs for  
25 juveniles under the department of corrections, programs for juveniles  
26 under the juvenile rehabilitation administration, and programs for  
27 juveniles operated by city and county jails.

28 (6) Within the amounts provided in this section, funding is  
29 provided to increase the capacity of institutional education programs  
30 to differentiate instruction to meet students' unique educational  
31 needs, including students with individualized educational plans.  
32 Those needs may include but are not limited to one-on-one  
33 instruction, enhanced access to counseling for social emotional needs  
34 of the student, and services to identify the proper level of  
35 instruction at the time of student entry into the facility.  
36 Allocations of amounts for this purpose in a school year must be  
37 based on 45 percent of full-time enrollment in institutional  
38 education receiving a differentiated instruction amount per pupil  
39 equal to the total statewide allocation generated by the distribution

1 formula under RCW 28A.150.260 (4)(a), (5), (6), and (8) and the  
2 allocation under RCW 28A.150.415, per the statewide full-time  
3 equivalent enrollment in common schools.

4 (7) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation in fiscal  
5 year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation in  
6 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to support two student records  
7 coordinators to manage the transmission of academic records for each  
8 of the long-term juvenile institutions. One coordinator is provided  
9 for each of the following: The Issaquah school district for the Echo  
10 Glen children's center and for the Chehalis school district for Green  
11 Hill academic school.

12 (8) Ten percent of the funds allocated for the institution may be  
13 carried over from one year to the next.

14 (9) \$588,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$897,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for one educational advocate to  
17 each institution with enrollments above 40 full-time equivalent  
18 students in addition to any educational advocates supported by  
19 federal funding. Educational advocates will provide the following  
20 supports to students enrolled in or just released from institutional  
21 education programs:

22 (a) Advocacy for institutional education students to eliminate  
23 barriers to educational access and success;

24 (b) Consultation with juvenile rehabilitation staff to develop  
25 educational plans for and with participating youth;

26 (c) Monitoring educational progress of participating students;

27 (d) Providing participating students with school and local  
28 resources that may assist in educational access and success upon  
29 release from institutional education facilities; and

30 (e) Coaching students and caregivers to advocate for educational  
31 needs to be addressed at the school district upon return to the  
32 community.

33 (10) Within the amounts provided in this section, funding is  
34 provided to increase materials, supplies, and operating costs by \$85  
35 per pupil for technology supports for institutional education  
36 programs. This funding is in addition to general education materials,  
37 supplies, and operating costs provided to institutional education  
38 programs, which exclude formula costs supported by the institutional  
39 facilities.

(11) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to support instruction in cohorts of students grouped by similar age and academic levels.

(12) \$5,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$8,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2494 (school operating costs). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(13) \$5,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$9,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to implement Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5882 (prototypical school staffing). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1511.** 2024 c 376 s 513 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR PROGRAMS FOR HIGHLY CAPABLE STUDENTS**

|                                            |                           |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$33,171,000              |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(\$32,995,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$33,139,000</u>       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(\$66,166,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$66,310,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Each general fund fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(2) (a) For the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school district programs for highly capable students as provided in RCW 28A.150.260(10)(c) except that allocations must be based on 5.0 percent of each school district's full-time equivalent enrollment. In calculating the allocations, the superintendent shall assume the following: (i) Additional instruction of 2.1590 hours per week per funded highly capable program student; (ii) fifteen highly capable program students

per teacher; (iii) 36 instructional weeks per year; (iv) 900 instructional hours per teacher; and (v) the compensation rates as provided in sections 505 and 506 of this act.

(b) From July 1, 2023, to August 31, 2023, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school districts programs for highly capable students as provided in section 513, chapter 297, Laws of 2022, as amended.

**Sec. 1512.** 2024 c 376 s 515 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—EDUCATION REFORM PROGRAMS**

|                                                    |                                |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)         | \$132,050,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)         | <del>(( \$146,775,000 ))</del> |
|                                                    | <u>\$138,771,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                 | <del>(( \$97,174,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                    | <u>\$97,531,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation           | \$1,450,000                    |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$1,664,000                    |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                | <del>(( \$379,113,000 ))</del> |
|                                                    | <u>\$371,466,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) ACCOUNTABILITY

(a) \$26,975,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$26,975,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, \$1,350,000 of the education legacy trust account—state appropriation, and \$15,868,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation are provided solely for development and implementation of the Washington state assessment system.

(b) \$14,352,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$14,352,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 159, Laws of 2013 (K-12 education - failing schools).

(2) EDUCATOR CONTINUUM

(a) \$68,070,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ~~(( \$77,623,000 ))~~ \$69,619,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the



1 following bonuses for teachers who hold valid, unexpired  
2 certification from the national board for professional teaching  
3 standards and who are teaching in a Washington public school, subject  
4 to the following conditions and limitations:

5 (i) For national board certified teachers, a bonus of \$6,206 per  
6 teacher in the 2023-24 school year and a bonus of \$6,324 per teacher  
7 in the 2024-25 school year;

8 (ii) An additional \$5,000 annual bonus shall be paid to national  
9 board certified teachers who teach in either: (A) High schools where  
10 at least 50 percent of student headcount enrollment is eligible for  
11 federal free or reduced-price lunch, (B) middle schools where at  
12 least 60 percent of student headcount enrollment is eligible for  
13 federal free or reduced-price lunch, or (C) elementary schools where  
14 at least 70 percent of student headcount enrollment is eligible for  
15 federal free or reduced-price lunch;

16 (iii) The superintendent of public instruction shall adopt rules  
17 to ensure that national board certified teachers meet the  
18 qualifications for bonuses under (b) of this subsection for less than  
19 one full school year receive bonuses in a prorated manner. All  
20 bonuses in this subsection will be paid in July of each school year.  
21 Bonuses in this subsection shall be reduced by a factor of 40 percent  
22 for first year NBPTS certified teachers, to reflect the portion of  
23 the instructional school year they are certified; and

24 (iv) During the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years, and within  
25 available funds, certificated instructional staff who have met the  
26 eligibility requirements and have applied for certification from the  
27 national board for professional teaching standards may receive a  
28 conditional loan of two thousand dollars or the amount set by the  
29 office of the superintendent of public instruction to contribute  
30 toward the current assessment fee, not including the initial up-front  
31 candidacy payment. The fee shall be an advance on the first annual  
32 bonus under RCW 28A.405.415. The conditional loan is provided in  
33 addition to compensation received under a district's salary  
34 allocation and shall not be included in calculations of a district's  
35 average salary and associated salary limitation under RCW  
36 28A.400.200. Recipients who fail to receive certification after fully  
37 exhausting all years of candidacy as set by the national board for  
38 professional teaching standards are required to repay the conditional  
39 loan. The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall  
40 adopt rules to define the terms for initial grant of the assessment

1 fee and repayment, including applicable fees. To the extent  
2 necessary, the superintendent may use revenues from the repayment of  
3 conditional loan scholarships to ensure payment of all national board  
4 bonus payments required by this section in each school year.

5 (b) \$3,418,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$3,418,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of a new  
8 performance-based evaluation for certificated educators and other  
9 activities as provided in chapter 235, Laws of 2010 (education  
10 reform) and chapter 35, Laws of 2012 (certificated employee  
11 evaluations).

12 (c) \$477,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the leadership internship  
15 program for superintendents, principals, and program administrators.

16 (d) \$810,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 and \$810,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the development of a  
19 leadership academy for school principals and administrators. The  
20 superintendent of public instruction shall contract with an  
21 independent organization to operate a state-of-the-art education  
22 leadership academy that will be accessible throughout the state.  
23 Semiannually the independent organization shall report on amounts  
24 committed by foundations and others to support the development and  
25 implementation of this program. Leadership academy partners shall  
26 include the state level organizations for school administrators and  
27 principals, the superintendent of public instruction, the  
28 professional educator standards board, and others as the independent  
29 organization shall identify.

30 (e) \$11,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2024 and \$11,500,000 of the general fund—state  
32 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a  
33 beginning educator support program (BEST). The program shall  
34 prioritize first year educators in the mentoring program. School  
35 districts and/or regional consortia may apply for grant funding. The  
36 program provided by a district and/or regional consortia shall  
37 include: A paid orientation; assignment of a qualified mentor;  
38 development of a professional growth plan for each beginning educator  
39 aligned with professional certification; release time for mentors and

new educators to work together; and educator observation time with accomplished peers. Funding may be used to provide statewide professional development opportunities for mentors and beginning educators. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to support first year educators in the mentoring program.

(f) \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the provision of training for teachers, principals, and principal evaluators in the performance-based teacher principal evaluation program.

(g) \$3,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of public instruction to contract with an approved educator preparation program run by a statewide labor organization representing educators to fund cohorts of teacher residents. This program shall choose its candidates from among the paraeducators working in those districts. Through completing this program, participants shall attain a teaching certification with an endorsement in special education.

(h) \$621,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of public instruction to contract with a statewide labor association that represents educators to provide a suite of supports and professional development opportunities for 15,000 emergency substitute teachers.

(i) \$720,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the office of the superintendent of public instruction to conduct a feasibility study on the costs and timeline for developing a database and tool to identify real-time and future educator workforce shortages.

**Sec. 1513.** 2024 c 376 s 516 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR TRANSITIONAL BILINGUAL PROGRAMS**

|                                            |                                |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$249,957,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(( \$260,599,000 ))</del> |

|                                             |                                |                      |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
|                                             |                                | <u>\$269,058,000</u> |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . . | (( <del>\$137,117,000</del> )) |                      |
|                                             |                                | <u>\$152,111,000</u> |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                | (( <del>\$647,673,000</del> )) |                      |
|                                             |                                | <u>\$671,126,000</u> |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Each general fund fiscal year appropriation includes such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(2) (a) For the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school districts for transitional bilingual programs under RCW 28A.180.010 through 28A.180.080, including programs for exited students, as provided in RCW 28A.150.260(10)(b) and the provisions of this section. In calculating the allocations, the superintendent shall assume the following averages: (i) Additional instruction of 4.7780 hours per week per transitional bilingual program student in grades kindergarten through six and 6.7780 hours per week per transitional bilingual program student in grades seven through twelve in school years 2023-24 and 2024-25; (ii) additional instruction of 3.0000 hours per week in school years 2023-24 and 2024-25 for the head count number of students who have exited the transitional bilingual instruction program within the previous two years based on their performance on the English proficiency assessment; (iii) fifteen transitional bilingual program students per teacher; (iv) 36 instructional weeks per year; (v) 900 instructional hours per teacher; and (vi) the compensation rates as provided in sections 505 and 506 of this act. Pursuant to RCW 28A.180.040(1)(g), the instructional hours specified in (a)(ii) of this subsection (2) are within the program of basic education.

(b) From July 1, 2023, to August 31, 2023, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school districts for transitional bilingual instruction programs as provided in section 516, chapter 297, Laws of 2022, as amended.

(3) The superintendent may withhold allocations to school districts in subsection (2) of this section solely for the central provision of assessments as provided in RCW 28A.180.090 (1) and (2)

up to the following amounts: 1.64 percent for school year 2023-24 and ~~((1.57))~~ 1.50 percent for school year 2024-25.

(4) The general fund—federal appropriation in this section is for migrant education under Title I Part C and English language acquisition, and language enhancement grants under Title III of the elementary and secondary education act.

(5) \$35,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$35,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to track current and former transitional bilingual program students.

(6) \$1,461,000 of the general fund—state appropriation in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,916,000 of the general fund—state appropriation in fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the central provision of assessments as provided in RCW 28A.180.090, and is in addition to the withholding amounts specified in subsection (3) of this section.

**Sec. 1514.** 2024 c 376 s 517 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR THE LEARNING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

|                                            |                                  |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$484,953,000                    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(( \$491,565,000 ))</del>   |
|                                            | <u>\$492,853,000</u>             |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | <del>(( \$636,543,000 ))</del>   |
|                                            | <u>\$647,670,000</u>             |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(( \$1,613,061,000 ))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$1,625,476,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The general fund—state appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The appropriations include such funds as are necessary to complete the school year ending in the fiscal year and for prior fiscal year adjustments.

(b)(i) For the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years, the superintendent shall allocate funding to school districts for learning assistance programs as provided in RCW 28A.150.260(10)(a). In calculating the allocations, the superintendent shall assume the following averages: (A) Additional instruction of 2.3975 hours per

1 week per funded learning assistance program student for the 2023-24  
2 and 2024-25 school years; (B) additional instruction of 1.1 hours per  
3 week per funded learning assistance program student for the 2023-24  
4 and 2024-25 school years in qualifying high-poverty school building;  
5 (C) fifteen learning assistance program students per teacher; (D) 36  
6 instructional weeks per year; (E) 900 instructional hours per  
7 teacher; and (F) the compensation rates as provided in sections 505  
8 and 506 of this act.

9 (ii) From July 1, 2023, to August 31, 2023, the superintendent  
10 shall allocate funding to school districts for learning assistance  
11 programs as provided in section 517, chapter 297, Laws of 2022, as  
12 amended.

13 (c) A school district's funded students for the learning  
14 assistance program shall be the sum of the district's full-time  
15 equivalent enrollment in grades K-12 multiplied by the district's  
16 percentage of October headcount enrollment in grades K-12 eligible  
17 for free or reduced-price lunch in the school year period defined  
18 under RCW 28A.150.260(10)(a). A school year's October headcount  
19 enrollment for free and reduced-price lunch shall be as reported in  
20 the comprehensive education data and research system.

21 (2) Allocations made pursuant to subsection (1) of this section  
22 shall be adjusted to reflect ineligible applications identified  
23 through the annual income verification process required by the  
24 national school lunch program, as recommended in the report of the  
25 state auditor on the learning assistance program dated February,  
26 2010.

27 (3) The general fund—federal appropriation in this section is  
28 provided for Title I Part A allocations of the every student succeeds  
29 act of 2016.

30 (4) A school district may carry over from one year to the next up  
31 to 10 percent of the general fund—state funds allocated under this  
32 program; however, carryover funds shall be expended for the learning  
33 assistance program.

34 (5) Within existing resources, during the 2023-24 and 2024-25  
35 school years, school districts are authorized to use funds allocated  
36 for the learning assistance program to also provide assistance to  
37 high school students who have not passed the state assessment in  
38 science.

**Sec. 1515.** 2024 c 376 s 518 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—PER PUPIL ALLOCATIONS**

| Statewide Average Allocations                   |             |                           |  |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|--|
| Per Annual Average Full-Time Equivalent Student |             |                           |  |
| Basic Education Program                         | 2023-24     | 2024-25                   |  |
|                                                 | School Year | School Year               |  |
| General Apportionment                           | \$10,354    | (( <del>\$10,859</del> )) |  |
|                                                 |             | <u>\$10,861</u>           |  |
| Pupil Transportation                            | \$783       | (( <del>\$803</del> ))    |  |
|                                                 |             | <u>\$822</u>              |  |
| Special Education Programs                      | \$12,272    | (( <del>\$12,762</del> )) |  |
|                                                 |             | <u>\$13,061</u>           |  |
| Institutional Education Programs                | \$25,795    | (( <del>\$27,327</del> )) |  |
|                                                 |             | <u>\$28,378</u>           |  |
| Programs for Highly Capable Students            | \$647       | \$675                     |  |
| Transitional Bilingual Programs                 | \$1,571     | (( <del>\$1,622</del> ))  |  |
|                                                 |             | <u>\$1,649</u>            |  |
| Learning Assistance Program                     | \$1,009     | (( <del>\$1,052</del> ))  |  |
|                                                 |             | <u>\$1,054</u>            |  |

**Sec. 1516.** 2024 c 376 s 519 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

(1) Amounts distributed to districts by the superintendent through part V of this act are for allocation purposes only, unless specified by part V of this act, and do not entitle a particular district, district employee, or student to a specific service, beyond what has been expressly provided in statute. Part V of this act restates the requirements of various sections of Title 28A RCW. If any conflict exists, the provisions of Title 28A RCW control unless this act explicitly states that it is providing an enhancement. Any amounts provided in part V of this act in excess of the amounts required by Title 28A RCW provided in statute, are not within the program of basic education unless clearly stated by this act.

(2) When adopting new or revised rules or policies relating to the administration of allocations in part V of this act that result

1 in fiscal impact, the office of the superintendent of public  
2 instruction shall seek legislative approval through the budget  
3 request process.

4 (3) Appropriations made in this act to the office of the  
5 superintendent of public instruction shall initially be allotted as  
6 required by this act. Subsequent allotment modifications shall not  
7 include transfers of moneys between sections of this act, except as  
8 provided in subsections (6) and (7) of this section.

9 (4) Appropriations in sections 504 and 506 of this act for  
10 insurance benefits under chapter 41.05 RCW are provided solely for  
11 the superintendent to allocate to districts for employee health  
12 benefits as provided in section 909 of this act. The superintendent  
13 may not allocate, and districts may not expend, these amounts for any  
14 other purpose beyond those authorized in section 909 of this act.

15 (5) As required by RCW 28A.710.110, the office of the  
16 superintendent of public instruction shall transmit the charter  
17 school authorizer oversight fee for the charter school commission to  
18 the charter school oversight account.

19 (6) By January 15, 2024, the office of the superintendent of  
20 public instruction must identify funding in this Part V from the  
21 elementary and secondary school emergency relief III account—federal  
22 appropriation from funds attributable to subsection 2001(f), the  
23 American rescue plan act of 2021, P.L. 11 117-2 and general fund—  
24 federal appropriation (CRRSA/GEER) that are provided solely for the  
25 purposes defined in sections 507, 522, and 523 of this act and are at  
26 risk of being unobligated or unspent by federal deadlines, as of  
27 January 15, 2024. Funding identified at risk under this subsection  
28 must be reported to the fiscal committees of the legislature and  
29 expended as allocations to school districts in the same proportion as  
30 received under part A of title I of the elementary and secondary  
31 education act of 1965 in the most recent fiscal year.

32 (7) The appropriations to the office of the superintendent of  
33 public instruction in this act shall be expended for the programs and  
34 amounts specified in this act. However, after May 1, 2024, unless  
35 specifically prohibited by this act and after approval by the  
36 director of financial management, the superintendent of public  
37 instruction may transfer state general fund appropriations for fiscal  
38 year 2024 among the following programs to meet the apportionment  
39 schedule for a specified formula in another of these programs:  
40 General apportionment; employee compensation adjustments; pupil



1 transportation; special education programs; institutional education  
2 programs; transitional bilingual programs; highly capable programs;  
3 and learning assistance programs.

4 (8) The appropriations to the office of the superintendent of  
5 public instruction in this act shall be expended for the programs and  
6 amounts specified in this act. However, after May 1, 2025, unless  
7 specifically prohibited by this act and after approval by the  
8 director of financial management, the superintendent of public  
9 instruction may transfer state general fund appropriations for fiscal  
10 year 2025 among the following programs to meet the apportionment  
11 schedule for a specified formula in another of these programs:  
12 General apportionment; employee compensation adjustments; pupil  
13 transportation; special education programs; institutional education  
14 programs; transitional bilingual programs; highly capable programs;  
15 and learning assistance programs.

16 (9) The director of financial management shall notify the  
17 appropriate legislative fiscal committees in writing prior to  
18 approving any allotment modifications or transfers under this  
19 section.

20 **Sec. 1517.** 2024 c 376 s 520 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
21 follows:

22 **FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR**  
23 **CHARTER SCHOOLS**

24 Washington Opportunity Pathways Account—State

|    |                              |                                |
|----|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 25 | Appropriation. . . . .       | (( <del>\$178,654,000</del> )) |
| 26 |                              | <u>\$173,162,000</u>           |
| 27 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | (( <del>\$178,654,000</del> )) |
| 28 |                              | <u>\$173,162,000</u>           |

29 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
30 conditions and limitations:

31 (1) The superintendent shall distribute funding appropriated in  
32 this section to charter schools under chapter 28A.710 RCW. Within  
33 amounts provided in this section the superintendent may distribute  
34 funding for safety net awards for charter schools with demonstrated  
35 needs for special education funding beyond the amounts provided under  
36 chapter 28A.710 RCW.

(2) \$3,293,000 of the opportunity pathways account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 50, Laws of 2023 (K-12 inflationary increases).

(3) \$1,421,000 of the opportunity pathways account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1436 (special education funding).

(4) \$224,000 of the opportunity pathways account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2494 (school operating costs). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(5) \$111,000 of the opportunity pathways account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 2180 (special education cap). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(6) \$7,815,000 of the opportunity pathways account—state appropriation is provided solely for payment for enrichment to charter schools.

(7) \$355,000 of the opportunity pathways account—state appropriation is provided solely to implement Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5882 (prototypical school staffing). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1518.** 2024 c 376 s 523 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—FOR TRANSITION TO  
KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS**

|                                                      |                                |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . . | \$6,870,000                    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . . | (( <del>\$69,959,000</del> ))  |
|                                                      | <u>\$85,733,000</u>            |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .          | \$41,848,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                         | (( <del>\$118,677,000</del> )) |
|                                                      | <u>\$134,451,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$6,870,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, ((~~\$69,959,000~~)) \$85,733,000 of the general fund—state

1 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$41,848,000 of the general  
2 fund—federal appropriation (CRRSA/GEER) are for implementation of  
3 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1550 (transition to kindergarten).  
4 If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2023, the office of the  
5 superintendent of public instruction must distribute the amounts  
6 appropriated in this section for enrollment funding for transitional  
7 kindergarten programs to participating school districts, charter  
8 schools authorized pursuant to RCW 28A.710.080(2), and state-tribal  
9 education compact schools during the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school  
10 years. Enrollment funding for transitional kindergarten is not part  
11 of the state's statutory program of basic education.

12 (2) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 (~~((and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for~~  
14 ~~fiscal year 2025 are))~~) is provided solely for staff and  
15 administrative costs necessary to provide interdepartmental  
16 coordination and engagement with stakeholders with respect to the  
17 program authorized in chapter 420, Laws of 2023 (transition to  
18 kindergarten).

(End of part)

PART XVI  
HIGHER EDUCATION

**Sec. 1601.** 2024 c 376 s 601 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES**

|                                                            |                                  |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . .       | \$920,130,000                    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . .       | <del>(( \$988,064,000 ))</del>   |
|                                                            | <u>\$960,324,000</u>             |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation . . . . .   | \$475,000                        |
| Community/Technical College Capital Projects               |                                  |
| Account—State Appropriation . . . . .                      | \$21,368,000                     |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation . . .   | \$164,063,000                    |
| Invest in Washington Account—State Appropriation . . . . . | \$92,000                         |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State               |                                  |
| Appropriation . . . . .                                    | <del>(( \$304,251,000 ))</del>   |
|                                                            | <u>\$333,027,000</u>             |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION . . . . .                              | <del>(( \$2,398,443,000 ))</del> |
|                                                            | <u>\$2,399,479,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) \$33,261,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$33,261,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely as special funds for training and related support services, including financial aid, as specified in RCW 28C.04.390. Funding is provided to support at least 7,170 full-time equivalent students in fiscal year 2024 and at least 7,170 full-time equivalent students in fiscal year 2025.

(2) \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$5,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$5,450,000 of the education legacy trust account—state appropriation are provided solely for administration and customized training contracts through the job skills program. The state board shall make an annual report by January 1st of each year to the governor and to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature under RCW 43.01.036 regarding implementation of this section, listing the scope of grant awards, the distribution of funds by educational sector and region of the state, and the results of the partnerships supported by these funds.

1 (3) \$425,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$425,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for Seattle Central College's  
4 expansion of allied health programs.

5 (4) \$5,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$5,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the student achievement  
8 initiative.

9 (5) \$1,610,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024, \$1,610,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025, and \$904,000 of the workforce education investment  
12 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the mathematics,  
13 engineering, and science achievement program.

14 (6) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for operating a fabrication  
17 composite wing incumbent worker training program to be housed at the  
18 Washington aerospace training and research center.

19 (7) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the aerospace center of  
22 excellence currently hosted by Everett community college to:

23 (a) Increase statewide communications and outreach between  
24 industry sectors, industry organizations, businesses, K-12 schools,  
25 colleges, and universities;

26 (b) Enhance information technology to increase business and  
27 student accessibility and use of the center's web site; and

28 (c) Act as the information entry point for prospective students  
29 and job seekers regarding education, training, and employment in the  
30 industry.

31 (8) \$24,001,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$24,601,000)~~) \$24,745,000 of the general fund—  
33 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
34 implementation of the college affordability program as set forth in  
35 RCW 28B.15.066.

36 (9) Community and technical colleges are not required to send  
37 mass mailings of course catalogs to residents of their districts.  
38 Community and technical colleges shall consider lower cost  
39 alternatives, such as mailing postcards or brochures that direct

1 individuals to online information and other ways of acquiring print  
2 catalogs.

3 (10) The state board for community and technical colleges shall  
4 not use funds appropriated in this section to support intercollegiate  
5 athletics programs.

6 (11) \$157,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$157,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Wenatchee Valley college  
9 wildfire prevention program.

10 (12) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Puget Sound welcome back  
13 center at Highline College to create a grant program for  
14 internationally trained individuals seeking employment in the  
15 behavioral health field in Washington state.

16 (13) \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2024 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
18 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for increased enrollments in the  
19 integrated basic education and skills training program. Funding will  
20 support approximately 120 additional full-time equivalent enrollments  
21 annually.

22 (14) \$216,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2024 and \$216,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
24 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the opportunity center for  
25 employment and education at North Seattle College.

26 (15) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for Highline College to  
29 implement the Federal Way higher education initiative in partnership  
30 with the city of Federal Way and the University of Washington Tacoma  
31 campus.

32 (16) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for Peninsula College to  
35 maintain the annual cohorts of the specified programs as follows:

- 36 (a) Medical assisting, 40 students;
- 37 (b) Nursing assistant, 60 students; and
- 38 (c) Registered nursing, 32 students.

1 (17) \$338,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$338,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Washington state labor  
4 education and research center at South Seattle College.

5 (18) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the aerospace and advanced  
8 manufacturing center of excellence hosted by Everett Community  
9 College to develop a semiconductor and electronics manufacturing  
10 branch in Vancouver.

11 (19)(a) \$80,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for a pilot program to help  
13 students, including those enrolled in state registered apprenticeship  
14 programs, connect with health care coverage. The state board for  
15 community and technical colleges must provide resources for up to two  
16 community or technical colleges, one on the east side and one on the  
17 west side of the Cascade mountains, to hire or train an employee to:

18 (i) Provide information to students and college staff about  
19 available health insurance options;

20 (ii) Develop culturally relevant materials and conduct outreach  
21 for historically marginalized and underserved student populations to  
22 assist these populations in their knowledge of access to low cost or  
23 free health insurance plans;

24 (iii) Provide ongoing technical assistance to students about  
25 health insurance options or the health insurance application process;  
26 and

27 (iv) Provide technical assistance to students as a health benefit  
28 exchange certified assister, to help students understand, shop,  
29 apply, and enroll in health insurance through Washington health  
30 planfinder.

31 (b) Participation in the exchange assister program is contingent  
32 on fulfilling applicable contracting, security, and other program  
33 requirements.

34 (c) The state board, in collaboration with the student  
35 achievement council and the health benefit exchange, must submit a  
36 report by June 30, 2024, to the appropriate committees of the  
37 legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, on information about barriers  
38 students, including those enrolled in state registered apprenticeship  
39 programs, encountered accessing health insurance coverage; and to

1 provide recommendations on how to improve student access to health  
2 coverage based on data gathered from the pilot program.

3 (20) \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024, \$1,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
5 for fiscal year 2025, and \$75,847,000 of the workforce education  
6 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
7 statewide implementation of guided pathways at each of the state's  
8 community and technical colleges or similar programs designed to  
9 improve student success, including, but not limited to, academic  
10 program redesign, student advising, and other student supports.

11 (21) \$15,220,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
12 state appropriation is provided solely for college operating costs,  
13 including compensation and central services, in recognition that  
14 these costs exceed estimated increases in undergraduate operating fee  
15 revenue as a result of RCW 28B.15.067.

16 (22) \$15,220,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
17 state appropriation is provided solely for employee compensation,  
18 academic program enhancements, student support services, and other  
19 institutional priorities that maintain a quality academic experience  
20 for Washington students.

21 (23) \$40,800,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
22 state appropriation is provided solely to continue to fund nurse  
23 educator salaries.

24 (24) \$40,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
25 state appropriation is provided to continue to fund high-demand  
26 program faculty salaries, including but not limited to nurse  
27 educators, other health-related professions, information technology,  
28 computer science, and trades.

29 (25) \$8,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
30 state appropriation is provided solely for the state board for  
31 community and technical colleges to maintain high-demand and career  
32 launch enrollments, as provided under RCW 28C.30.020. Within the  
33 amounts provided in this subsection (25):

34 (a) \$6,000,000 of the amounts in this subsection (25) are  
35 provided to maintain and grow career launch enrollments, as provided  
36 under RCW 28C.30.020. Up to three percent of this amount may be used  
37 for administration, technical assistance, and support for career  
38 launch programs within the community and technical colleges.



1 (b) \$2,000,000 of the amounts in this subsection (25) are  
2 provided to maintain enrollments in high demand programs. These  
3 programs include, but are not limited to, allied health, computer and  
4 information science, manufacturing, and other fields identified by  
5 the state board for community and technical colleges.

6 (c) The state board for community and technical colleges may  
7 transfer amounts between (a) and (b) of this subsection if either  
8 program does not have sufficient demand to spend the allocated  
9 funding. Any transfer must be approved by the state board for  
10 community and technical colleges and the office of financial  
11 management.

12 (26) \$8,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
13 state appropriation is provided solely for the emergency assistance  
14 grant program in RCW 28B.50.295.

15 (27) \$1,119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2024, \$1,119,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
17 for fiscal year 2025, and \$4,221,000 of the workforce education  
18 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
19 implementation of diversity, equity, inclusion, and antiracism  
20 provisions in chapter 28B.10 RCW.

21 (28) \$20,473,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
22 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of equity  
23 and access provisions in chapter 28B.50 RCW.

24 (29)(a) \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,000,000 of the general fund—state  
26 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to  
27 promote workforce development in trucking and trucking-related supply  
28 chain industries and the school bus driving industry by expanding the  
29 number of registered apprenticeships, preapprenticeships, and  
30 trucking related training programs; and providing support for  
31 registered apprenticeships or programs in trucking and trucking-  
32 related supply chain industries and the school bus driving industry.

33 (b) Grants awarded under this subsection may be used for:

34 (i) Equipment upgrades or new equipment purchases for training  
35 purposes;

36 (ii) New training spaces and locations to support capacity needs  
37 and expansion of training to veterans and veteran spouses, and  
38 underserved populations to include foster care and homeless  
39 transition populations and previously incarcerated persons;

1 (iii) Faculty curriculum development and instructor training for  
2 driving, repair, and service of technological advancements facing the  
3 industries;

4 (iv) Tuition assistance for commercial vehicle driver and related  
5 supply chain industry training, fees associated with driver testing,  
6 and other reasonable and necessary student support services,  
7 including child care costs; and

8 (v) Fees and other reasonable costs associated with commercial  
9 truck driving examiner training and certification.

10 (c) An entity is eligible to receive a grant if it is a  
11 nonprofit, nongovernmental, or institution of primary or higher  
12 education that provides training opportunities, including  
13 apprenticeships, preapprenticeships, preemployment training,  
14 commercial vehicle driver training and testing, or vocational  
15 training related to mechanical and support functions that support the  
16 trucking industry or the school bus driving industry; or incumbent  
17 worker training to prepare workers for the trucking and trucking-  
18 related supply chain industries or the school bus driving industry.  
19 Preference will be given to entities in compliance with government  
20 approved or accredited programs. Reporting requirements, as  
21 determined by the board, shall be required.

22 (d) The board may use up to five percent of funds for  
23 administration of grants.

24 (30) \$3,200,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
25 state appropriation is provided solely for costs associated with  
26 grants awarded in fiscal year 2023 for nursing programs to purchase  
27 or upgrade simulation laboratory equipment.

28 (31)(a) \$9,336,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
29 state appropriation is provided solely to expand cybersecurity  
30 academic enrollments by 500 FTE students.

31 (b) The state board for community and technical colleges must  
32 coordinate with the student achievement council as provided in  
33 section 608(10) of this act to submit a progress report on the new or  
34 expanded cybersecurity academic programs, including the number of  
35 students enrolled.

36 (32) \$410,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely to establish a center for excellence  
38 in cybersecurity.

1 (33) \$2,068,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,068,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for legal  
4 services related to litigation by employees within the community and  
5 technical college system challenging the denial of retirement and  
6 sick leave benefits. The cases include *Wolf v. State and SBCTC*, *Rush*  
7 *v. State and SBCTC* (retirement), and *Rush v. State and SBCTC* (sick  
8 leave).

9 (34) \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2024 and \$4,000,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
12 opportunity grant program to provide health care workforce grants for  
13 students.

14 (35) \$2,720,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,720,000 of the general fund—state  
16 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for each  
17 community and technical college to contract with a community-based  
18 organization to assist with financial aid access and support in  
19 communities.

20 (36) \$7,456,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
21 state appropriation is provided solely for the expansion of existing  
22 programming to accommodate refugees and immigrants who have arrived  
23 in Washington state on or after July 1, 2021, including those from  
24 Afghanistan and Ukraine.

25 (37)(a) \$2,160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2024, \$2,160,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
27 for fiscal year 2025, and \$3,600,000 of the workforce education  
28 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for  
29 nursing education, to increase the number of nursing slots by at  
30 least 400 new slots in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.

31 (b) The state board for community and technical colleges must  
32 coordinate with the student achievement council as provided in  
33 section 608(10) of this act to submit a progress report on the new or  
34 expanded nursing academic programs, including the number of students  
35 enrolled per program.

36 (38) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely for the Bellingham Technical College  
38 maritime apprenticeship program.

1 (39) \$2,100,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for the Skagit Valley College  
3 dental therapy education program.

4 (40)(a) \$855,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for the Seattle Central  
6 College for partnership with the Seattle maritime academy. Seattle  
7 Central College must enter into a memorandum of agreement with  
8 Washington state ferries. Funding may not be expended until Seattle  
9 Central College certifies to the office of financial management that  
10 a memorandum of agreement with Washington state ferries has been  
11 executed. The memorandum of agreement must address:

12 ((~~(A)~~)) (i) The shared use of training and other facilities and  
13 implementation of joint training opportunities where practicable;

14 ((~~(B)~~)) (ii) Development of a joint recruitment plan aimed at  
15 increasing enrollment of women and people of color, with specific  
16 strategies to recruit existing community and technical college  
17 students, maritime skills center students, high school students from  
18 maritime programs, foster care graduates, and former juvenile  
19 rehabilitation and adult incarcerated individuals; and

20 ((~~(C)~~)) (iii) Development of a training program and recruitment  
21 plan and a five-year operational plan.

22 ((~~(ii)~~)) (b) The joint training program and recruitment plan and  
23 the five-year operational plan must be submitted to the appropriate  
24 policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by December 1, 2023.

25 (41) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for the state board for community  
27 and technical colleges to work with interested parties, such as local  
28 law enforcement agencies, the department of corrections,  
29 representatives of county or city jail facilities, the Washington  
30 state patrol, Washington community and technical colleges, and other  
31 organizations and entities as appropriate to assess the recruitment  
32 and retention challenges for their agencies and develop  
33 recommendations to meet the workforce needs. These recommendations  
34 should focus on education and training programs that meet the needs  
35 of law enforcement and corrections agencies and must include an  
36 outreach strategy designed to inform and attract students in non-  
37 traditional program pathways. The assessment and recommendations  
38 shall be provided in a report to the governor and the appropriate

committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by October 1, 2024.

(42) \$12,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely to support the continued diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts of institutions.

(43) \$331,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$331,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,360,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of state registered apprenticeship provisions in chapter 28B.124 RCW.

(44) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the Everett Community College parent leadership training institute to recruit and train new course instructors to build additional capacity.

(45) \$19,850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$35,024,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for compensation support.

(46) \$243,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024, \$180,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025, and \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for Renton Technical College. Of the amounts provided in this subsection:

(a) \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is for the college to award full tuition and fees to students who attend the college and graduated high school in the school district where the main campus is located. Eligible students must complete a free application for federal student aid or the Washington application for state financial aid. A report on the number of students utilizing the funding must be submitted to the appropriate committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by January 15, 2024.

(b) \$243,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$180,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are for continuing outreach and participation in running start and adult education programs, including the program described in (a) of this subsection.

1 (47)(a) \$700,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for the state board to  
3 administer a pilot program to increase career and technical education  
4 dual credit participation and credential attainment in professional  
5 technical programs. The state board, in collaboration with the office  
6 of the superintendent of public instruction, must select up to three  
7 community and technical colleges to participate in the pilot program  
8 during the 2023-24 and 2024-25 academic years. The three colleges  
9 must be located within the same educational service district and one  
10 must be located in a county with a population between 115,000 and  
11 150,000. Colleges and school districts participating in the career  
12 and technical education dual credit grant program may utilize funding  
13 to cover the following expenses:

14 (i) Subsidized out-of-pocket costs to students and families for  
15 supplies, textbooks, materials, and credit transcription fees;

16 (ii) Outreach to prospective students and students who have  
17 completed career and technical education dual credit courses and are  
18 eligible to receive postsecondary credit to encourage participation  
19 and credit transcription;

20 (iii) Costs associated with staff or teacher time dedicated to  
21 curriculum alignment or the development of articulation agreements;  
22 and

23 (iv) Equipment and supplies for career and technical education  
24 dual credit courses required to meet postsecondary learning  
25 objectives.

26 (b) By December 10, 2024, the state board, in collaboration with  
27 the office of the superintendent of public instruction, must issue a  
28 preliminary report to the appropriate committees of the legislature,  
29 pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, with findings and recommendations  
30 regarding the pilot program that may be scaled statewide. The final  
31 report is due by December 10, 2025. The state board must establish a  
32 stakeholder committee that is representative of students, faculty,  
33 staff, and agency representatives to inform this work. The report  
34 must include recommendations on the following topics:

35 (i) Course articulation and development of model articulation  
36 agreements;

37 (ii) Data collection and reporting;

38 (iii) Credit transcription and transfer;

39 (iv) Student advising and career guidance supports;

(v) Alignment of career and technical education dual credit programs with credential pathways and in-demand career fields;

(vi) Funding for industry-recognized credentials;

(vii) Identification of priority courses and programs; and

(viii) Evaluation of the statewide enrollment and data system, and recommendations for improvements to or replacement of the system to reflect articulation agreement data, student data, and transcription information to support data validity, credit portability, and program improvement.

(48) \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for Olympic College to partner with regional high schools for college at the high school courses on-site at one or more regional high schools.

(49) \$1,262,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the centers of excellence.

(50) \$5,789,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1559 (postsecondary student needs).

(51) \$3,718,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5702 (student homelessness pilot).

(52) (~~(\$5,429,000)~~) \$6,321,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5048 (college in high school fees).

(53) \$882,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5582 (nurse supply).

(54) Within the amounts appropriated in this section, the state board for community and technical colleges shall develop a plan that includes the cost to provide compensation to part-time and adjunct faculty that equals or exceeds 85 percent of the compensation provided to comparably qualified full-time and tenured faculty by the 2026-27 academic year. The plan must be submitted to the governor and the higher education committees of the legislature, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, by July 1, 2024.

(55) \$598,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for moving costs.

1       (56)   \$475,000   of   the   climate   commitment   account—state  
2   appropriation is provided solely for the continuation of curriculum  
3   development and program redesign to integrate climate justice and  
4   solutions-focused assignments and professional technical green  
5   workforce modules into community college curriculum across the state.  
6   Funds provided in this subsection may not be expended or obligated  
7   prior to January 1, 2025. If Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved  
8   in the general election, this subsection is null and void upon the  
9   effective date of the measure.

10       (57) \$801,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
11   appropriation is provided solely for community college staff to  
12   recruit, advise, and support early achievers scholars completing  
13   their early childhood qualifications. The state board shall  
14   prioritize colleges with longer wait lists for early achievers  
15   scholars. The state board for community and technical colleges shall  
16   collaborate with the department of children, youth, and families to  
17   submit a report, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by September 30, 2024, to  
18   the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature on early  
19   achievers grant participation data, including data on enrollment and  
20   waitlists for the grant program.

21       (58) \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22   year 2025 is provided solely for Edmonds College to provide support  
23   to students who are military veterans, focusing on counseling  
24   services, financial assistance and reentry services.

25       (59) \$204,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
26   appropriation is provided solely for Olympic College to hire program  
27   directors for new health care pathways.

28       (60) \$275,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
29   appropriation is provided solely for a study of low-income student  
30   housing opportunities on community and technical college campuses to  
31   help address the housing shortage. The study shall include an  
32   analysis of the rental housing market serving each college campus;  
33   each college's need for low-income student housing; the estimated  
34   capital and ongoing costs to operate and maintain low-income student  
35   housing; and the impact on the local market rental housing supply  
36   should new low-income housing be constructed on a community or  
37   technical college campus for students. The study shall be submitted  
38   to the appropriate committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW  
39   43.01.036, by June 30, 2025.



1 (61) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for increasing access and capacity  
3 to manufacturing apprenticeship related supplemental instruction.

4 (62) \$150,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for expansion of the imaging science  
6 program at Tacoma Community College.

7 (63) \$1,140,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
8 state appropriation is provided solely for the increase in bachelor  
9 of science computer science programs.

10 (64) \$257,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2025 is provided solely for the creation of a hospitality center  
12 of excellence hosted at Columbia basin college.

13 (65) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2025 is provided solely to the state board for community and  
15 technical colleges to collaborate with a nonprofit, professional  
16 association of state, county, city, and town officials engaged in  
17 development, enforcement, and administration of building construction  
18 codes and ordinances to design and implement training programs to  
19 accelerate the hiring of city and county permit technicians.

20 (66) \$425,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely to expand the student aid outreach  
22 and completion initiative pilot program in RCW 28B.50.940 to  
23 participating community and technical colleges located within capital  
24 region educational service district 113.

25 (67) \$1,053,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
26 state appropriation is provided solely to support college in the high  
27 school program expansion resulting from passage of chapter 314, Laws  
28 of 2023 (2SSB 5048).

29 (68) \$12,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Senate  
31 Bill No. 6296 (retail industry work group). If the bill is not  
32 enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
33 shall lapse.

34 (69) \$412,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2025 is provided solely for the implementation of Second  
36 Substitute House Bill No. 2112 (higher ed. opioid prevention). If the  
37 bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
38 subsection shall lapse.

(70) \$11,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for Second Substitute House Bill No. 2084 (construction training/DOC). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(71) \$819,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5953 (incarcerated student grants). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1602.** 2024 c 376 s 602 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**

|                                                           |                                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .       | (( <del>\$523,357,000</del> )) |
|                                                           | <u>\$523,332,000</u>           |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .       | (( <del>\$541,066,000</del> )) |
|                                                           | <u>\$541,265,000</u>           |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account—State                   |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$1,646,000                    |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .   | \$3,413,000                    |
| Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal            |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$20,000,000                   |
| Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State              |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$500,000                      |
| Natural Climate Solutions Account—State                   |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$836,000                      |
| Opioid Abatement Settlement Account—State                 |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$250,000                      |
| Statewide 988 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line      |                                |
| Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                      | \$280,000                      |
| University of Washington Building Account—State           |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$1,546,000                    |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . | \$39,643,000                   |
| Economic Development Strategic Reserve Account—State      |                                |
| Appropriation. . . . .                                    | \$3,127,000                    |
| Biotoxin Account—State Appropriation. . . . .             | \$632,000                      |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation            |                                |
| (FY 2024). . . . .                                        | \$351,000                      |
| Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation            |                                |

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|----|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1  | (FY 2025). . . . .                               | \$366,000                        |
| 2  | Accident Account—State Appropriation. . . . .    | \$8,585,000                      |
| 3  | Medical Aid Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$8,024,000                      |
| 4  | Workforce Education Investment Account—State     |                                  |
| 5  | Appropriation. . . . .                           | (( <del>\$91,196,000</del> ))    |
| 6  |                                                  | <u>\$91,588,000</u>              |
| 7  | Geoduck Aquaculture Research Account—State       |                                  |
| 8  | Appropriation. . . . .                           | (( <del>\$414,000</del> ))       |
| 9  |                                                  | <u>\$207,000</u>                 |
| 10 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                     | (( <del>\$1,245,232,000</del> )) |
| 11 |                                                  | <u>\$1,245,591,000</u>           |

12 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
13 conditions and limitations:

14 (1) \$49,816,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024 and ((~~\$51,061,000~~)) \$51,360,000 of the general fund—  
16 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
17 implementation of the college affordability program as set forth in  
18 RCW 28B.15.066.

19 (2) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024, \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025, and \$100,000 of the workforce education investment  
22 account—state appropriation are provided solely for one head  
23 archivist for the labor archives of Washington and reserved solely  
24 for labor archives activities, staffing, supplies, and equipment. The  
25 head will determine budget priorities and oversee expenditures on the  
26 budget. Budget funds will be reserved solely for the labor archives  
27 and shall not be used to supplant or supplement other activities of  
28 the University of Washington libraries unrelated to the collections  
29 and activities of the labor archives. The university and the head  
30 shall work in collaboration with the friends of the labor archives  
31 community advisory board.

32 (3) \$10,000,000 of the education legacy trust account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for the family medicine residency  
34 network at the university to maintain and expand the number of  
35 residency slots available in Washington.

36 (4) The university must continue work with the education research  
37 and data center to demonstrate progress in computer science and  
38 engineering enrollments. By September 1st of each year, the  
39 university shall provide a report including but not limited to the

1 cost per student, student completion rates, and the number of low-  
2 income students enrolled in each program, any process changes or  
3 best-practices implemented by the university, and how many students  
4 are enrolled in computer science and engineering programs above the  
5 prior academic year.

6 (5) \$14,000,000 of the education legacy trust account—state  
7 appropriation is provided solely for the expansion of degrees in the  
8 department of computer science and engineering at the Seattle campus.

9 (6) \$3,062,000 of the economic development strategic reserve  
10 account—state appropriation is provided solely to support the joint  
11 center for aerospace innovation technology.

12 (7) The University of Washington shall not use funds appropriated  
13 in this section to support intercollegiate athletics programs.

14 (8) \$7,345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$7,345,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the continued operations and  
17 expansion of the Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, Idaho medical  
18 school program.

19 (9) \$2,625,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$2,625,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the institute for stem cell  
22 and regenerative medicine. Funds appropriated in this subsection must  
23 be dedicated to research utilizing pluripotent stem cells and related  
24 research methods.

25 (10) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided to the University of Washington to  
28 support youth and young adults experiencing homelessness in the  
29 university district of Seattle. Funding is provided for the  
30 university to work with community service providers and university  
31 colleges and departments to plan for and implement a comprehensive  
32 one-stop center with navigation services for homeless youth; the  
33 university may contract with the department of commerce to expand  
34 services that serve homeless youth in the university district.

35 (11) \$1,200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2024, \$1,200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
37 for fiscal year 2025, and \$1,200,000 of the workforce education  
38 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for the  
39 adult psychiatry residency program at the University of Washington to

1 offer additional residency positions that are approved by the  
2 accreditation council for graduate medical education.

3 (12) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
6 University of Washington's psychiatry integrated care training  
7 program.

8 (13) \$427,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024, \$427,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025, and \$426,000 of the workforce education investment  
11 account—state appropriation are provided solely for child and  
12 adolescent psychiatry residency positions that are approved by the  
13 accreditation council for graduate medical education, as provided in  
14 RCW 28B.20.445.

15 (14) \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 of the general fund—state  
17 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
18 University of Washington School of Dentistry to support its role as a  
19 major oral health provider to individuals covered by medicaid and the  
20 uninsured.

21 (15) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the pre-law pipeline and  
24 social justice program at the University of Washington-Tacoma.

25 (16) \$226,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$226,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the university's neurology  
28 department to create a telemedicine program to disseminate dementia  
29 care best practices to primary care practitioners using the project  
30 ECHO model. The program shall provide a virtual connection for  
31 providers and content experts and include didactics, case  
32 conferences, and an emphasis on practice transformation and systems-  
33 level issues that affect care delivery. The initial users of this  
34 program shall include referral sources in health care systems and  
35 clinics, such as the university's neighborhood clinics and Virginia  
36 Mason Memorial in Yakima with a goal of adding 15 to 20 providers  
37 from smaller clinics and practices per year.

38 (17) \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024, \$102,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025, and \$350,000 of the workforce education investment  
2 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the university's  
3 center for international trade in forest products.

4 (18) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024, \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025, and \$500,000 of the workforce education investment  
7 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the Latino center  
8 for health.

9 (19) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
10 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
11 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a firearm policy research  
12 program. The program will:

13 (a) Support investigations of firearm death and injury risk  
14 factors;

15 (b) Evaluate the effectiveness of state firearm laws and  
16 policies;

17 (c) Assess the consequences of firearm violence; and

18 (d) Develop strategies to reduce the toll of firearm violence to  
19 citizens of the state.

20 (20) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the climate impacts group in  
23 the college of the environment.

24 (21) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024 and \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the college of education to  
27 collaborate with teacher preparation programs and the office of the  
28 superintendent of public instruction to develop open access climate  
29 science educational curriculum for use in teacher preparation  
30 programs.

31 (22) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024, \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025, and \$300,000 of the workforce education investment  
34 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the Harry Bridges  
35 center for labor studies. The center shall work in collaboration with  
36 the state board for community and technical colleges.

37 (23) \$8,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
38 state appropriation is provided solely for employee compensation,  
39 academic program enhancements, student support services, and other

1 institutional priorities that maintain a quality academic experience  
2 for Washington students.

3 (24) \$8,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
4 state appropriation is provided solely to maintain degree production  
5 in the college of engineering at the Seattle campus.

6 (25)(a) \$2,724,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
7 state appropriation is provided solely to maintain the Washington  
8 state academic redshirt program on the Seattle campus and establish a  
9 program on the Bothell campus.

10 (b) The university must provide a report on the redshirt program  
11 at the Seattle and Bothell campuses, including, but not limited to,  
12 the following:

13 (i) The number of students who have enrolled in the program and  
14 the number of students by cohort;

15 (ii) The number of students who have completed the program and  
16 the number of students by cohort;

17 (iii) The placements of students by academic major;

18 (iv) The number of students placed in first-choice majors;

19 (v) The number of underrepresented minority students in the  
20 program;

21 (vi) The number of first-generation college students in the  
22 program;

23 (vii) The number of Washington college grant eligible or Pell  
24 grant eligible students in the program;

25 (viii) The number of Washington state opportunity scholarship  
26 recipients in the program;

27 (ix) The number of students who completed the program and  
28 graduated with a science, technology, engineering, or math related  
29 degree and the number of graduates by cohort; and

30 (x) Other program outcomes.

31 (c) A preliminary report is due to the appropriate committees of  
32 the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by December 1, 2023, and  
33 a final report is due December 1, 2024.

34 (26) \$2,700,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
35 state appropriation is provided solely to maintain degree capacity  
36 and undergraduate enrollments in engineering, mathematics, and  
37 science programs to support the biomedical innovation partnership  
38 zone at the Bothell campus.

1 (27) \$3,268,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely to maintain bachelor of  
3 science programs in mechanical and civil engineering to support  
4 increased student and local employer demand for graduates in these  
5 fields at the Tacoma campus.

6 (28) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024, \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025, and \$700,000 of the workforce education investment  
9 account—state appropriation are provided solely for Washington  
10 mathematics, engineering, science achievement programs to provide  
11 enrichment opportunities in mathematics, engineering, science, and  
12 technology to students who are traditionally underrepresented in  
13 these programs. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$500,000  
14 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is  
15 for Washington State University to plan and implement expansion of  
16 MESA activities at the Everett campus to facilitate increased  
17 attendance and degree completion by students who are underrepresented  
18 in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics degrees.

19 (29) \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$75,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a community care coordinator  
22 for transitional-age youth for the doorway project in partnership  
23 with the Seattle campus.

24 (30) \$14,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
25 state appropriation is provided solely for the expansion of the Paul  
26 G. Allen school of computer science and engineering in order to award  
27 an additional 200 degrees per year focusing on traditionally  
28 underrepresented students. A report on the program graduation rates,  
29 waitlist for entry into the program, time to degree completion, and  
30 degrees awarded must be submitted to the appropriate committees of  
31 the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by June 30, 2024, and  
32 June 30, 2025.

33 (31) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024 and \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to expand a series of online  
36 courses related to behavioral health and student well-being that are  
37 currently offered at the Bothell campus for school district staff.  
38 The standards for the courses must be consistent with knowledge,



1 skill, and performance standards related to mental health and well-  
2 being of public school students. The online courses must provide:

3 (a) Foundational knowledge in behavioral health, mental health,  
4 and mental illness;

5 (b) Information on how to assess, intervene upon, and refer  
6 behavioral health and intersection of behavioral health and substance  
7 use issues; and

8 (c) Approaches to promote health and positively influence student  
9 health behaviors.

10 (32) To ensure transparency and accountability, in the 2023-2025  
11 fiscal biennium the University of Washington shall comply with any  
12 and all financial and accountability audits by the Washington state  
13 auditor including any and all audits of university services offered  
14 to the general public, including those offered through any public-  
15 private partnership, business venture, affiliation, or joint venture  
16 with a public or private entity, except the government of the United  
17 States. The university shall comply with all state auditor requests  
18 for the university's financial and business information including the  
19 university's governance and financial participation in these public-  
20 private partnerships, business ventures, affiliations, or joint  
21 ventures with a public or private entity. In any instance in which  
22 the university declines to produce the information to the state  
23 auditor, the university will provide the state auditor a brief  
24 summary of the documents withheld and a citation of the legal or  
25 contractual provision that prevents disclosure. The summaries must be  
26 compiled into a report by the state auditor and provided on a  
27 quarterly basis to the legislature.

28 (33) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Burke museum of natural  
31 history and culture to make education programs offered by the museum  
32 accessible to more students across Washington, especially students in  
33 underserved schools and locations. The funding shall be used for:

34 (a) Increasing the number of students who participate in Burke  
35 education programs at reduced or no cost, including virtual programs;

36 (b) Providing bus reimbursement for students visiting the museum  
37 on field trips and to support travel to bring museum programs across  
38 the state;

1 (c) Staff who will form partnerships with school districts to  
2 serve statewide communities more efficiently and equitably, including  
3 through the Burkemobile program; and

4 (d) Support of tribal consultation work, including expanding  
5 Native programming, and digitization of Native collections.

6 (34) \$410,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$410,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the university's center for  
9 human rights. The appropriation must be used to supplement, not  
10 supplant, other funding sources for the center for human rights.

11 (35) \$143,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2024 and \$143,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
13 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to the University of Washington  
14 for the establishment and operation of the state forensic  
15 anthropologist. The university shall work in conjunction with and  
16 provide the full funding directly to the King county medical  
17 examiner's office to support the statewide work of the state forensic  
18 anthropologist.

19 (36) \$64,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$64,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
22 counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW who has experience and  
23 training specifically related to working with active members of the  
24 military or military veterans.

25 (37) \$443,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$750,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the operation of the center  
28 for environmental forensic science.

29 (38) \$1,250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,250,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
32 community-engagement test to facilitate clean energy transitions by  
33 partnering with communities, utilities, and project developers.

34 (39) \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state  
36 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for staffing  
37 and operational expenditures related to the battery fabrication  
38 testbed.

1 (40) \$505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$505,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for pharmacy behavioral health.  
4 The University of Washington school of pharmacy/medicine pharmacy  
5 services will hire two residency training positions and one  
6 behavioral health faculty to create a residency program focused on  
7 behavioral health.

8 (41) \$1,242,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2024, \$1,242,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
10 for fiscal year 2025, and \$742,000 of the workforce education  
11 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for an  
12 increase in the number of nursing slots and graduates in the already  
13 established accelerated bachelor of science in nursing program. Of  
14 the amounts provided in this subsection, \$273,000 of the general fund  
15 —state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$273,000 of the general  
16 fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
17 the Tacoma school of nursing and healthcare leadership.

18 (42) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the memory and brain  
21 wellness center to support the statewide expansion of the dementia  
22 friends program.

23 (43) \$77,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to maintain a data repository to  
26 assist the state and all political subdivisions with evaluating  
27 whether and to what extent existing laws and practices with respect  
28 to voting and elections are consistent with public policy,  
29 implementing best practices in voting and elections, and to  
30 investigate potential infringements upon the right to vote.

31 (a) The operation of the database shall be the responsibility of  
32 the director of the database, who shall be employed by the University  
33 of Washington with training and experience in demography, statistical  
34 analysis, and electoral systems. The director shall appoint necessary  
35 staff to implement and maintain the database.

36 (b) The database shall maintain in electronic format at least the  
37 following data and records, where available, for at least the  
38 previous 12-year period:

1 (i) Estimates of the total population, voting age population, and  
2 citizen voting age population by race, ethnicity, and language-  
3 minority groups, broken down to the election district and precinct  
4 level on a year-by-year basis for every political subdivision in the  
5 state, based on data from the United States census bureau, American  
6 community survey, or data of comparable quality collected by a public  
7 office;

8 (ii) Election results at the precinct level for every statewide  
9 election and every election in every political subdivision;

10 (iii) Regularly updated voter registration lists, voter history  
11 files, voting center locations, ballot drop box locations, and  
12 student engagement hub locations for every election in every  
13 political subdivision;

14 (iv) Contemporaneous maps, descriptions of boundaries, and  
15 shapefiles for election districts and precincts;

16 (v) The following records for every election in every political  
17 subdivision:

18 (A) Records of all voters issued a ballot and all voters who  
19 returned a ballot; and

20 (B) Records of all ballots with missing and mismatched  
21 signatures, including the date on which the voter was contacted or  
22 the notice was mailed, as well as the date on which the voter  
23 submitted updated information;

24 (vi) Apportionment plans for every election in every political  
25 subdivision; and

26 (vii) Any other data that the director deems advisable.

27 (c) Upon the certification of election results and the completion  
28 of the voter history file after each general election, the secretary  
29 of state shall transmit copies of the following to the director of  
30 the database:

31 (i) Election results at the precinct level, including information  
32 about rejected and cured ballots;

33 (ii) Voter history files;

34 (iii) Shapefiles for election districts; and

35 (iv) Lists of voting centers, ballot drop boxes, and student  
36 engagement hubs.

37 (d) The director and staff shall update election data in the  
38 database as soon as it is available from the office of the secretary  
39 of state, following certification of each election as required by RCW  
40 29A.60.190 or 29A.60.250.

1 (e) Except for any data, information, or estimates that identify  
2 individual voters, the data, information, and estimates maintained by  
3 the database shall be posted online and made available to the public  
4 at no cost.

5 (f) The database shall prepare any estimates made pursuant to  
6 this section by applying scientifically rigorous and validated  
7 methodologies.

8 (g) On or before January 1, 2025, the database shall publish on  
9 its website and transmit to the state for dissemination to county  
10 auditors and the secretary of state a list of political subdivisions  
11 required, pursuant to section 203 of the federal voting rights act,  
12 52 U.S.C. Sec. 10503, to provide assistance to members of language-  
13 minority groups and each language in which those political  
14 subdivisions are required to provide assistance. Each county auditor  
15 shall transmit the list described in this subsection to all political  
16 subdivisions within their jurisdiction.

17 (h) The database will complete regular analysis of ballot  
18 rejections and cures, identifying population subgroups with higher  
19 than average ballot rejection rates. An annual report of ballot  
20 rejections will be posted online and made available to the public at  
21 no cost. Database staff may work with the secretary of state and  
22 county auditors to examine new practices and solutions for reducing  
23 ballot rejections and increasing ballot cure rates.

24 (i) Staff at the database may provide nonpartisan technical  
25 assistance to political subdivisions, scholars, and the general  
26 public seeking to use the resources of the database.

27 (44) \$122,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and \$122,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for sexual assault nurse  
30 examiner training.

31 (45) \$2,505,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
32 state appropriation is provided solely for the expansion of the  
33 University of Washington school of dentistry regional initiatives in  
34 dental education (RIDE) program.

35 (46) Within existing resources, the institution must resume a  
36 mentoring, organization, and social support for autism inclusion on  
37 campus program. The program must focus on academic coaching, peer-  
38 mentoring, support for social interactions, and career preparation.

1 (47) \$6,532,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2024 and \$11,108,000 of the general fund—state  
3 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
4 compensation support.

5 (48) \$712,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$4,183,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the behavioral health  
8 teaching faculty physician and facility support.

9 (49) \$1,869,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,738,000 of the general fund—state  
11 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for operations  
12 and maintenance support of the behavioral health teaching faculty.

13 (50) \$1,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
14 state appropriation is provided solely for the center for indigenous  
15 health to increase the number of American Indian and Alaska Native  
16 physicians practicing in the state of Washington.

17 (51) \$484,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely to the university for Friday harbor  
19 labs in the amount of \$125,000 each fiscal year and the school of  
20 aquatic and fishery sciences in the amount of \$117,000 each fiscal  
21 year to perform coordinating, monitoring, and research related to  
22 Puget Sound kelp conservation and recovery.

23 (52) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely to develop a framework for research  
25 to help determine inequities in poverty, access to service, language,  
26 barriers, and access to justice for individuals of Middle Eastern  
27 descent.

28 (53) \$3,000,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for the development of an energy  
30 transformation strategy to modernize the energy infrastructure and  
31 better align the institution's sustainability values at the Seattle  
32 campus.

33 (54) \$2,854,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
34 state appropriation is provided solely for increasing enrollments in  
35 computing and engineering programs at the Tacoma campus.

36 (55)(a) \$800,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
37 state appropriation is provided solely for the colab for community  
38 and behavioral health policy to collaborate with allies in healthier  
39 systems for health and abundance in youth to pilot test a culturally

1 responsive training curricula for an expanded children's mental  
2 health workforce in community behavioral health sites. Community and  
3 lived experience stakeholders, representing communities of color,  
4 must make up over half of the project team. The pilot implementation  
5 shall include expansion of:

6 (i) The clinical training of both a lived experience workforce  
7 and licensed workforce to provide culturally responsive and evidence-  
8 informed mental health services focused on families, children, and  
9 youth;

10 (ii) An implementation plan that allows for local flexibility and  
11 local community input; and

12 (iii) An evaluation plan that will yield information about the  
13 potential success in implementation statewide and the improved  
14 experiences of those seeking mental health services.

15 (b) The project team must report its findings and recommendations  
16 to the appropriate committees of the legislature in compliance with  
17 RCW 43.01.036 by June 30, 2025.

18 (56) \$520,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
19 appropriation is provided solely for the biological response to ocean  
20 acidification to advance high-priority biological experiments to  
21 better understand the relationship between marine organisms and ocean  
22 acidification.

23 (57) \$300,000 of the natural climate solutions account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely for monitoring assistance at the  
25 Washington ocean acidification center.

26 (58) \$104,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$104,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the continued implementation  
29 of chapter 191, Laws of 2022 (veterans & military suicide).

30 (59) \$426,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for the continued implementation of  
32 RCW 49.60.525 (racial restrictions/review).

33 (60) \$205,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024 is provided solely to organize and facilitate the difficult  
35 to discharge task force described in section 133(11) of this act and  
36 its operations, including any associated ad hoc subgroups through  
37 October 31, 2023.

38 (61) \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
39 appropriation is provided solely for the addictions, drug and alcohol

1 institute to continue cannabis and public health impact research.  
2 Funding may be used to develop resources regarding the connection  
3 between first episode psychosis and cannabis use.

4 (62) \$2,224,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for program support and  
6 student scholarships for the expansion of the master of arts in  
7 applied child and adolescent psychology program. Of the amounts  
8 provided in this subsection:

9 (a) \$1,116,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
10 state appropriation is provided solely for program support at the  
11 Seattle site.

12 (b) \$1,108,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
13 state appropriation is provided solely for student scholarships at  
14 the Seattle site.

15 (63) \$800,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for the development and  
17 implementation of a program to support pathways from prison to the  
18 university's Tacoma campus. The university shall collaborate with  
19 formerly incarcerated women, Tacoma Community College, the freedom  
20 education project Puget Sound, the women's village, the state board  
21 for community and technical colleges, and the department of  
22 corrections, in development and implementation of the pathways  
23 program.

24 (64) \$580,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for the Allen school scholars  
26 program.

27 (65) \$1,397,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
28 state appropriation is provided solely for increased student support  
29 services at the Tacoma campus.

30 (66) \$158,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024, \$158,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025, and \$798,000 of the workforce education investment  
33 account—state appropriation are provided solely for continued  
34 implementation of diversity, equity, inclusion, and antiracism  
35 professional development for faculty and staff, student training, and  
36 campus climate assessments in chapter 28B.10 RCW.

37 (67) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the college of education to



1 partner with the Chehalis and Spokane school districts to continue  
2 the math improvement pilot program.

3 (68) \$300,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for support and promotion of a long-  
5 term care nursing residency program and externship.

6 (69) \$400,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
7 appropriation is provided solely for nanocellulose based research to  
8 produce a replacement for cellophane and clear plastic products with  
9 one made with plant materials that is biodegradable.

10 (70) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$450,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to the University of Washington  
13 for the operation of a pilot plant to produce nanocellulose based  
14 materials for evaluation by potential users, such as packaging  
15 manufacturers and companies that produce polylactic acid composites.

16 (71) \$1,238,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
17 state appropriation is provided solely to establish washpop, a  
18 statewide integrated data repository for population and policy  
19 research on topics, including criminal justice and safety, economic  
20 prosperity and equity, and health and social well-being.

21 (72) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for continuation of the  
24 collaborative for the advancement of telemedicine, hosted by the  
25 institution's telehealth services.

26 (73) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 is provided solely for the center for health workforce  
28 studies to continue a program to track dental workforce trends,  
29 needs, and enhancements to better serve the increasing population and  
30 demand for access to adequate oral health care. The center shall  
31 continue the program in consultation with dental stakeholders  
32 including, but not limited to, provider associations and oral health  
33 philanthropic leaders. The workforce reporting program is to be  
34 considered a public-private partnership. The institutions may accept  
35 matching funds from interested stakeholders to help facilitate and  
36 administer the workforce reporting program. Information generated by  
37 the dental workforce reporting program shall be made available on the  
38 center's website in a deidentified, aggregate format.

1 (74) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for planning student studios to  
3 assist cities and counties with planning projects. Assistance shall  
4 focus on students and supporting faculty to facilitate on-site  
5 learning with cities and counties.

6 (75) The institution must report to and coordinate with the  
7 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
8 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
9 302(13) of this act.

10 (76) \$513,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
12 Substitute House Bill No. 1559 (postsecondary student needs).

13 (77) \$686,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$669,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
16 Substitute House Bill No. 1745 (diversity clinical trials).

17 (78) \$150,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
19 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1181 (climate change/planning).

20 (79) \$208,000 of the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis  
21 response account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
22 implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1134  
23 (988 system).

24 (80) (~~(\$2,053,000)~~) \$2,445,000 of the workforce education  
25 investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
26 implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5048 (college in  
27 high school fees).

28 (81) \$157,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
30 Senate Bill No. 5189 (behavioral health support).

31 (82) \$7,500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for support of staff, training,  
33 and other costs necessary to facilitate the opening of the behavioral  
34 health teaching facility.

35 (83) \$450,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely to continue financial student  
37 assistance in public service oriented graduate and professional  
38 degree programs, referred to as "fee-based" programs, whose tuition  
39 for public service degrees is over \$18,000 per year. Programs shall

1 create mechanisms to prioritize assistance to traditionally  
2 underrepresented students, specifically those who have expressed a  
3 commitment to service in the physician assistant, community oriented  
4 public health, or social work programs. The institution may offer  
5 financial assistance for students that volunteer or work with public  
6 health agencies, including as contact tracers.

7 (84) \$1,100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,100,000 of the general fund—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a pilot  
10 program for short-term stabilization and transition support for  
11 individuals incompetent to stand trial due to intellectual or  
12 developmental disability as provided in Engrossed Second Substitute  
13 Senate Bill No. 5440 (competency evaluations).

14 (85) \$1,464,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
15 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
16 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263 (psilocybin).

17 (86) \$400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2025 and \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
19 state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
20 Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1715 (domestic violence).

21 (87) \$80,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2024, \$60,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
23 for fiscal year 2025, and \$20,000,000 of the coronavirus state fiscal  
24 recovery fund—federal appropriation are provided solely to support  
25 the operations and teaching mission of the University of Washington  
26 medical center and harborview medical center.

27 (88) \$239,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 232,  
29 Laws of 2023 (Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5447) (alternative  
30 jet fuel).

31 (89) \$263,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for two grant writers to support the  
33 ongoing need for tribal and overburdened communities to access state  
34 and federal funding opportunities that advance environmental justice  
35 through the thriving communities technical assistance program. If  
36 Initiative Measure No. 2117 is approved in the 2024 general election,  
37 upon the effective date of the measure, funds from the consolidated  
38 climate account may not be used for the purposes in this subsection.

1 (90) \$20,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
2 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely to support behavioral health care  
3 and training at the University of Washington medical center. A report  
4 detailing how these funds and any federal funds are expended for the  
5 medical center shall be submitted to the governor and the appropriate  
6 committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by June 30,  
7 2025.

8 (91) \$300,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for an entrepreneur in residence  
10 pilot program for graduate and postgraduate international students.

11 (92) \$180,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
12 year 2025 is provided solely for soccer field renovation and  
13 associated lighting upgrades at the institution.

14 (93) \$250,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for the Barnard center for infant  
16 and early childhood mental health, within the University of  
17 Washington, to identify existing infant and early childhood mental  
18 health workforce initiatives and activities. In consultation with the  
19 health care authority, the center must identify and provide  
20 stakeholder connections, including tribes, to assist with workforce  
21 strategic planning. A report of findings and recommendations for  
22 expansion, diversification, training, and retention within the infant  
23 early childhood mental health workforce must be submitted to the  
24 appropriate committees of the legislature and to the children and  
25 youth behavioral health work group as established in RCW 74.09.4951,  
26 pursuant to RCW 43.01.036 by June 30, 2025.

27 (94) \$500,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for the school of public health to  
29 study and develop mobile screening methods to screen consumer  
30 products for fluorine, an indicator of per- and polyfluoralkyl  
31 chemicals. The developed method shall be compared to established  
32 approaches to measure fluorine and per- and polyfluoralkyl chemicals.  
33 A report on development of a functional screening method and  
34 recommendations to limit harmful exposures must be submitted to the  
35 appropriate committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036,  
36 by June 30, 2025.

37 (95) \$250,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for the center for social sector  
39 analytics and technology to provide a report on conditional

1 scholarships for students who commit to working in the public  
2 behavioral health system. The institution must submit a preliminary  
3 report to the appropriate committees of the legislature, pursuant to  
4 RCW 43.01.036, by June 30, 2025. The preliminary report must include  
5 overall effectiveness of the conditional grant programs, how to  
6 improve clinical training, how to support underserved communities,  
7 and the progress in diversifying the public behavioral workforce.

8 (96)(a) \$120,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
10 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the school mental health  
11 assessment research and training (SMART) center to research and  
12 report on collection and use of data, including universal screening  
13 and other social-emotional, behavioral, and mental health (SEBMH)  
14 data, in public schools within the multitiered system of supports and  
15 integrated student supports frameworks.

16 (b) The SMART center must submit a preliminary report to the  
17 appropriate committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036,  
18 by December 1, 2024. At a minimum, the preliminary report must:

19 (i) Analyze alignment of current Washington statute and guidance  
20 with national best practices on universal SEBMH screening;

21 (ii) Identify facilitators and barriers to selection and  
22 effective use of research-based, culturally relevant universal SEBMH  
23 screening tools in Washington schools;

24 (iii) Analyze schools' current application of existing Washington  
25 statute relevant to SEBMH screening requirements;

26 (iv) Recommend statutory changes to increase systematic SEBMH  
27 screening of students in schools; and

28 (v) Include an implementation plan for demonstration sites to  
29 determine the feasibility, acceptability, and effectiveness of a best  
30 practices guide or resource on universal student SEBMH screening.

31 (c) The SMART center must submit a final report to the relevant  
32 policy and fiscal committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW  
33 43.01.036, by June 30, 2025. In addition to information from the  
34 preliminary report, the final report must include a guide or other  
35 resource for implementing best practices for screening of student  
36 SEBMH in schools, including the following best practices:

37 (i) Training and professional development;

38 (ii) Engaging with families, students, and other partners;

39 (iii) Informing tier 1 universal strategies and practices;

40 (iv) Assuring adequate availability of services;

- 1 (v) Complying with privacy and confidentiality laws;
- 2 (vi) Assuring cultural responsiveness in SEBMH screening
- 3 practices; and
- 4 (vii) Partnering with community-based organizations.

5 (97) \$140,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely for the junior summer institute  
7 program to pilot a regional focused expansion that provides a pathway  
8 for historically underrepresented students into public policy and  
9 public service.

10 (98) \$174,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2025 is provided solely for genome sequencing and other research  
12 to improve control and eradication of the European green crab.

13 (99) \$615,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2025 is provided solely for legal services related to the  
15 behavioral health teaching facility.

16 (100) \$412,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
17 year 2025 is provided solely to develop and implement the Washington  
18 reproductive access alliance. The alliance shall provide a service  
19 coordination website and phone line, administrative support and  
20 coordination of the alliance, patient care coordination, and social  
21 support for patient travel.

22 (101) \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2025 is provided solely for the University of Washington to  
24 establish a pilot program to support activities related to  
25 cooperation with academic institutions and governmental and public  
26 agencies of the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden, and the  
27 Kingdom of Norway. Eligible activities include, but are not limited  
28 to, cooperation in clean energy, clean technology, clean  
29 transportation, telecommunications, agriculture and wood science  
30 technology, general economic development, and other areas of mutual  
31 interest with Nordic nations and institutions.

32 (102) \$630,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
33 state appropriation is provided solely to support college in the high  
34 school program expansion resulting from passage of chapter 314, Laws  
35 of 2023 (2SSB 5048).

36 (103) \$250,000 of the opioid abatement settlement account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely for the University of Washington  
38 center for novel therapeutics in addiction psychiatry for an initial  
39 study of ibogaine assisted therapy.

(104) \$535,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for coresponse curriculum development and certification and credential opportunities.

~~((106))~~ (105) \$232,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2112 (higher ed. opioid prevention). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

~~((107))~~ (106) \$214,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6228 (substance use treatment). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

~~((108))~~ (107) \$10,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5890 (ballot rejection). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

~~((109))~~ (108) \$267,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 6125 (Lakeland village records). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

~~((110))~~ (109) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6286 (nurse anesthetist workforce). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1603.** 2024 c 376 s 603 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY**

|                                                    |                                |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)         | \$282,829,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)         | <del>(( \$293,782,000 ))</del> |
|                                                    | <u>\$293,994,000</u>           |
| Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation     | \$8,321,000                    |
| Washington State University Building Account—State |                                |
| Appropriation                                      | \$792,000                      |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$33,995,000                   |

|    |                                                |                                |
|----|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1  | Model Toxics Control Operating Account—State   |                                |
| 2  | Appropriation. . . . .                         | \$2,771,000                    |
| 3  | Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation |                                |
| 4  | (FY 2024). . . . .                             | \$189,000                      |
| 5  | Dedicated Cannabis Account—State Appropriation |                                |
| 6  | (FY 2025). . . . .                             | \$197,000                      |
| 7  | Workforce Education Investment Account—State   |                                |
| 8  | Appropriation. . . . .                         | \$49,032,000                   |
| 9  | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                   | (( <del>\$671,908,000</del> )) |
| 10 |                                                | <u>\$672,120,000</u>           |

11       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
12 conditions and limitations:

13       (1) \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$90,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a rural economic development  
16 and outreach coordinator.

17       (2) The university must continue work with the education research  
18 and data center to demonstrate progress in computer science and  
19 engineering enrollments. By September 1st of each year, the  
20 university shall provide a report including but not limited to the  
21 cost per student, student completion rates, and the number of low-  
22 income students enrolled in each program, any process changes or  
23 best-practices implemented by the university, and how many students  
24 are enrolled in computer science and engineering programs above the  
25 prior academic year.

26       (3) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
27 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
28 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for state match requirements  
29 related to the federal aviation administration grant.

30       (4) Washington State University shall not use funds appropriated  
31 in this section to support intercollegiate athletic programs.

32       (5) \$7,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024, \$7,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025, and \$22,800,000 of the workforce education  
35 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for the  
36 continued development and operations of a medical school program in  
37 Spokane.

38       (6) \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
39 year 2024 and \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for



1 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a honey bee biology research  
2 position.

3 (7) \$35,411,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and (~~(\$36,296,000)~~) \$36,508,000 of the general fund—  
5 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
6 implementation of the college affordability program as set forth in  
7 RCW 28B.15.066.

8 (8) \$580,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024 and \$580,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the development of an  
11 organic agriculture systems degree program located at the university  
12 center in Everett.

13 (9) \$630,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$630,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the creation of an  
16 electrical engineering program located in Bremerton. At full  
17 implementation, the university is expected to increase degree  
18 production by 25 new bachelor's degrees per year. The university must  
19 identify these students separately when providing data to the  
20 education research data center as required in subsection (2) of this  
21 section.

22 (10) \$1,370,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,370,000 of the general fund—state  
24 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
25 creation of software engineering and data analytic programs at the  
26 university center in Everett. At full implementation, the university  
27 is expected to enroll 50 students per academic year. The university  
28 must identify these students separately when providing data to the  
29 education research data center as required in subsection (2) of this  
30 section.

31 (11) General fund—state appropriations in this section are  
32 reduced to reflect a reduction in state-supported tuition waivers for  
33 graduate students. When reducing tuition waivers, the university will  
34 not change its practices and procedures for providing eligible  
35 veterans with tuition waivers.

36 (12) \$1,154,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,154,000 of the general fund—state  
38 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for RCW  
39 82.16.120 and 82.16.165 (renewable energy, tax incentives).

1 (13) \$376,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$376,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for RCW 28B.30.357 (children's  
4 mental health).

5 (14) \$585,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$585,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for RCW 77.12.272 (elk hoof  
8 disease).

9 (15) \$2,076,000 of the model toxics control operating account—  
10 state appropriation is provided solely for the university's soil  
11 health initiative and its network of long-term agroecological  
12 research and extension (LTARE) sites. The network must include a  
13 Mount Vernon REC site.

14 (16) \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
17 counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW who has experience and  
18 training specifically related to working with active members of the  
19 military or military veterans.

20 (17) \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
21 year 2024 and \$33,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
22 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for compensation funding for  
23 Western Washington University employees that work on the Washington  
24 State University Everett campus.

25 (18) \$327,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$327,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for pharmacy behavioral health.  
28 Washington State University college of pharmacy and pharmaceutical  
29 sciences will hire two residency training positions and one  
30 behavioral health faculty to create a residency program focused on  
31 behavioral health.

32 (19) \$1,921,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,526,000 of the general fund—state  
34 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
35 compensation support.

36 (20) \$608,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$608,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the Washington state academy  
39 of sciences to provide support for core operations and to accomplish

1 its mission of providing science in the service of Washington,  
2 pursuant to its memorandum of understanding with the university.

3 (21) \$188,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$188,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for stormwater research to study  
6 the long-term efficacy of green stormwater infrastructure that  
7 incorporates compost to remove pollutants.

8 (22) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
9 year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
10 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the joint center for  
11 deployment and research in earth abundant materials.

12 (23) \$4,112,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
13 state appropriation is provided solely to establish a bachelor's  
14 degree in cybersecurity operations.

15 (24) \$568,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024 and \$568,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
17 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of chapter  
18 212, Laws of 2022 (community solar projects).

19 (25) \$7,721,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
20 appropriation is provided solely for the creation of the institute  
21 for northwest energy futures.

22 (26) \$3,910,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
23 state appropriation is provided solely for increasing nursing  
24 salaries at the institution.

25 (27) \$476,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for nursing program equipment.

27 (28) \$2,521,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
28 state appropriation is provided solely for the establishment of a  
29 bachelor of science in public health degree at the Pullman, Spokane,  
30 and Vancouver campuses.

31 (29) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
33 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for increasing the base funding  
34 for the William D. Ruckleshaus Center.

35 (30) \$50,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for Washington State University  
38 extension service to hire a qualified contractor to assess program  
39 performance of the northeast Washington wolf-livestock management

1 grant program as provided in RCW 16.76.020 and recipients of pass-  
2 through grants from the northeast Washington wolf-livestock  
3 management nonappropriated account. The program must be assessed for  
4 the period of 2021-2023 as to whether grant recipients met the intent  
5 of the appropriation.

6 (a) For recipients of grant funds from the program authorized in  
7 RCW 16.76.020, performance must be evaluated on the deployment of  
8 nonlethal deterrence, specifically with the goal to reduce the  
9 likelihood of cattle being injured or killed by wolves by deploying  
10 proactive, preventative methods that have a good probability of  
11 producing effective results. Grantees who use funds for range riders  
12 or herd monitoring must deploy this tool in a manner so that targeted  
13 areas with cattle are visited daily or near daily. Grantees must  
14 collaborate with other entities providing prevention efforts  
15 resulting in coordinated wolf-livestock conflict deterrence efforts,  
16 both temporally and spatially, therefore providing well timed and  
17 placed preventative coverage on the landscape.

18 (b) For recipient of the pass-through funds from the northeast  
19 Washington wolf-livestock management nonappropriated account,  
20 performance must be based on the intent of conducting proactive  
21 deterrence activities with the goal to reduce the likelihood of  
22 cattle being injured or killed by wolves.

23 (c) The contractor must have at least five years of experience in  
24 the combination of field work as a range rider and running range  
25 riding programs in areas with wolf-livestock conflict in the western  
26 United States. In conducting the assessment, the contractor may  
27 access written range rider logs and georeferenced data produced by  
28 the grant recipients, in addition to reading annual reports of the  
29 recipients and interviewing relevant participants. The contractor may  
30 also provide general recommendations for improvement of programs  
31 intended to provide effective wolf-livestock deterrence, taking into  
32 account the terrain and other challenges faced in northeast  
33 Washington. The contractor must complete their assessment for  
34 Washington State University extension service to be delivered to the  
35 legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by December 1, 2024.

36 (31) \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely for the energy program for  
38 residential energy code education and support, including training,  
39 hotline support to the building industry, and information material  
40 and web resources.

1 (32) \$695,000 of the model toxics control operating account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for turf grass resilience research  
3 in high traffic areas.

4 (33)\$95,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 and \$215,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the William D. Ruckelshaus  
7 center to support the jail modernization task force created in  
8 section 915, chapter 475, Laws of 2023.

9 (a) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$95,000 of the  
10 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided  
11 solely for the center to conduct a jail modernization task force  
12 convening assessment and design a facilitated collaborative process  
13 and work plan for the jail modernization task force created in  
14 section 915, chapter 475, Laws of 2023.

15 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$215,000 of the  
16 general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided  
17 solely for the center to provide staff support, facilitation, and  
18 development of the task force's initial report of findings and  
19 recommendations described in section 915, chapter 475, Laws of 2023.

20 (c) The convening assessment shall include, but not be limited  
21 to:

22 (i) Gathering and reviewing additional background information  
23 relevant to the project;

24 (ii) Meeting and consulting with the Washington state association  
25 of counties to gather background on issues, confirm the list of  
26 members to interview, and provide updates throughout the duration of  
27 the work; and meeting and consulting with the Washington state  
28 institute for public policy to coordinate, inform, and share  
29 information and findings gathered; and

30 (iii) Setting up individual conversations with task force  
31 members, and others as needed, to assess their goals, expectations,  
32 interests, and desired outcomes for the task force. The purpose of  
33 these conversations will also be to gather insights and perspectives  
34 from members about, but not limited to, the following:

35 (A) What key components and issues should be included in a  
36 statewide jail modernization plan, what existing facilities are in  
37 need of upgrades or remodel, and any need for building new  
38 facilities;

39 (B) Identifying any additional key stakeholders;

1 (C) Employee retention issues and potential solutions;

2 (D) The impact of overtime, jail atmosphere, emergency response  
3 time, inexperienced corrections officers, and how to overcome these  
4 challenges;

5 (E) The type of and design of facilities needed to house those  
6 with behavioral health needs and associated costs of these  
7 facilities;

8 (F) Available diversion programs and their costs;

9 (G) Types of existing behavioral health facilities for those  
10 involved in the criminal justice system, the costs of building and  
11 running these facilities, how these facilities vary by location, the  
12 viability of offering facilities in every county, and potential  
13 system improvements to the types of services and supports offered and  
14 delivered to those with behavioral health needs;

15 (H) The types of services and supports provided to those exiting  
16 the jail system; and

17 (I) Reforms necessary to create and enhance a seamless transition  
18 back to the community following jail confinement.

19 (d) Center staff will provide a convening assessment report that  
20 will include the overall process design and work plan for the task  
21 force by June 30, 2024.

22 (34) \$1,596,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
23 state appropriation is provided solely for the creation of a  
24 bachelor's and master's degree in social work at the Tri-Cities  
25 campus.

26 (35) The institution must report to and coordinate with the  
27 department of ecology to track expenditures from climate commitment  
28 act accounts, as defined and described in RCW 70A.65.300 and section  
29 302(13) of this act.

30 (36) \$434,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
32 Substitute House Bill No. 1559 (postsecondary student needs).

33 (37) \$77,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
34 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
35 House Bill No. 1390 (district energy systems).

36 (38) \$600,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
38 Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (clean energy siting), for a  
39 least-conflict pumped storage siting project.

1 (39) \$125,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill  
3 No. 5287 (wind turbine blades).

4 (40)(a) \$1,700,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for the development and  
6 implementation of a Native American scholarship program during the  
7 2023-2025 biennium. Of the amounts in this subsection, no more than  
8 \$100,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
9 appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$100,000 of the workforce  
10 education investment account—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025  
11 may be spent on administration; development of the program; support  
12 services for students; outreach regarding the program; and technical  
13 support for application.

14 (b) "Eligible student" means a member of a federally recognized  
15 Indian tribe located within Washington who files a free application  
16 for federal student aid (FAFSA) and enrolls in an undergraduate  
17 degree program. Eligible students need to maintain satisfactory  
18 academic progress during the 2023-2025 biennium to remain eligible  
19 for the scholarship. The institution shall determine award priorities  
20 based on tribal consultation. Awards must be distributed to students  
21 no later than May of each fiscal year.

22 (c) The institution must submit a report to the appropriate  
23 committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by June 30,  
24 2025. The report must include: The number of eligible students; the  
25 number of students who receive a scholarship; how recipients were  
26 determined; and how many members of federally recognized Indian  
27 tribes in Washington received scholarships versus members of  
28 federally recognized Indian tribes from other states.

29 (41) \$44,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$49,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
32 Substitute House Bill No. 1745 (diversity in clinical trials).

33 (42) \$2,425,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
34 state appropriation is provided solely for the development and  
35 operations of a journalism fellowship program focused on civic  
36 affairs.

37 (43) \$70,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 and \$70,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
2 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5447 (alternative jet fuel).

3 (44) \$4,271,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,573,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
6 institution to purchase the obligated amount of carbon allowances.

7 (45) \$190,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2025 is provided solely for continued funding of the statewide  
9 broadband coordinator within the Washington State University  
10 extension program. This funding will support the salary and benefits  
11 of this position.

12 (46) \$353,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
13 appropriation is provided solely for the complex social interactions  
14 lab.

15 (47) \$298,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2025 is provided solely for the William D. Ruckelshaus center,  
17 working in collaboration with the departments of health and ecology,  
18 to evaluate and recommend actions to increase the effectiveness of  
19 the state's municipal water conservation statute at RCW 70A.125.170  
20 and regulation at chapter 246-290 WAC. The center may contract with  
21 consultants or organizations with expertise on municipal water  
22 conservation programs. Recommendations may be informed by best  
23 practices in other states and include: Statutory or regulatory  
24 changes to increase program effectiveness, modifying regulatory  
25 oversight including whether the responsibility for parts or all of  
26 the program should be moved from the department of health to the  
27 department of ecology, improving coordination between the  
28 departments, identifying sufficient funding to effectively implement  
29 the program, including creation of a grant or loan program to assist  
30 municipal water systems in program implementation, or other ideas on  
31 municipal water use conservation and efficiency strategies.

32 (a) The center shall invite participation from federally  
33 recognized Indian tribes, municipal water systems and organizations,  
34 and relevant stakeholders in this evaluation.

35 (b) The center shall submit a report to the governor and the  
36 appropriate committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036,  
37 by June 30, 2025, on work conducted within this subsection and must  
38 include:



(i) Recommendation for a long-term strategy for program implementation; and

(ii) Estimated costs of ongoing expenses for program implementation, including any costs associated with changes in regulatory oversight of program elements or implementation.

(48)(a) \$135,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for a study to investigate housing market conditions in tourism-dependent municipalities. The study must:

(i) Examine state and local government policies nationwide that address and support affordable and workforce housing projects and programs in tourism-dependent communities;

(ii) Examine how the increase in area median incomes correlates with the rise in housing costs statewide and whether the allocation of state housing program funds has been equitable and proportional throughout all regions in the state, placing specific emphasis on understanding the disparity between urban and rural counties;

(iii) Examine state policies and regulations that have influenced the cost of housing with a specific emphasis on rural counties;

(iv) Identify various strategies deployed to enhance the flexibility of local government revenue; and

(v) Identify outcomes of strategies deployed to enhance revenue streams to support workforce housing initiatives.

(b) The study must be submitted to the appropriate committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by December 31, 2024.

(49) \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$2,000,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for one-time compensation support.

(50) \$232,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2112 (higher ed. opioid prevention). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1604.** 2024 c 376 s 604 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . \$65,664,000

|                                                    |                                |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)         | (( <del>\$68,260,000</del> ))  |
|                                                    | <u>\$68,336,000</u>            |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$16,838,000                   |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State       |                                |
| Appropriation                                      | (( <del>\$24,909,000</del> ))  |
|                                                    | <u>\$25,468,000</u>            |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                | (( <del>\$175,671,000</del> )) |
|                                                    | <u>\$176,306,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) At least \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and at least \$350,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 must be expended on the Northwest autism center.

(2) The university must continue work with the education research and data center to demonstrate progress in computer science and engineering enrollments. By September 1st of each year, the university shall provide a report including but not limited to the cost per student, student completion rates, and the number of low-income students enrolled in each program, any process changes or best-practices implemented by the university, and how many students are enrolled in computer science and engineering programs above the prior academic year.

(3) Eastern Washington University shall not use funds appropriated in this section to support intercollegiate athletics programs.

(4) \$12,720,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ((~~\$13,038,000~~)) \$13,114,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the implementation of the college affordability program as set forth in RCW 28B.15.066.

(5) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the university is encouraged to increase the number of tenure-track positions created and hired.

(6) \$2,274,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for institution operating costs, including compensation and central services, in recognition that these costs exceed estimated increases in undergraduate operating fee revenue as a result of RCW 28B.15.067.

1 (7) \$2,636,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely to maintain a computer  
3 engineering degree program in the college of science, technology,  
4 engineering, and math.

5 (8) \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
6 year 2024 and \$45,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
7 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
8 counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW who has experience and  
9 training specifically related to working with active members of the  
10 military or military veterans.

11 (9) \$300,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely to establish a center for inclusive  
13 excellence for faculty and staff.

14 (10) \$536,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for a professional masters of  
16 science cyber operations degree option.

17 (11) \$2,144,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
18 state appropriation is provided solely for the operation of a  
19 bachelor of science in cybersecurity degree option through the  
20 computer science program.

21 (12) \$2,108,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
22 state appropriation is provided solely for the operation of a  
23 coordinated care network that will help to maximize the collaboration  
24 of various student support services to create wraparound care for  
25 students to address obstacles to degree completion. The amount  
26 provided in this subsection must be used to supplement, not supplant,  
27 other funding sources for the program.

28 (13) \$532,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024 and \$940,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for compensation support.

31 (14) \$4,598,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
32 state appropriation is provided solely to expand faculty and staff to  
33 create a cohort of 80 students in the bachelor of nursing program.

34 (15) \$476,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
35 appropriation is provided solely for the continued implementation of  
36 RCW 49.60.525 (racial restrictions/review).

37 (16) \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 and \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
39 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a summer bridge program.

1 (17) \$1,020,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for the establishment and  
3 operating support of a university mathematics, engineering, and  
4 science achievement program.

5 (18) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely for planning student studios to  
7 assist cities and counties with planning projects. Assistance shall  
8 focus on students and supporting faculty to facilitate on-site  
9 learning with cities and counties.

10 (19) \$138,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
12 Substitute House Bill No. 1559 (postsecondary student needs).

13 (20) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
14 year 2024 and \$10,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second  
16 Substitute House Bill No. 1028 (crime victims and witnesses).

17 (21) (~~(\$3,977,000)~~) \$4,536,000 of the workforce education  
18 investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
19 implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5048 (college in  
20 high school fees).

21 (22) \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 and \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
23 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
24 Senate Bill No. 5238 (academic employee bargaining).

25 (23) \$127,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely to develop the postbaccalaureate  
27 dental therapy certificate in the college of health science and  
28 public health.

29 (24) \$144,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2025 is provided solely for emergency response and resources for  
31 critical incidents.

32 (25) \$535,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely to support college in high school  
34 program expansion resulting from passage of chapter 314, Laws of 2023  
35 (2SSB 5048).

36 (26) \$95,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
38 House Bill No. 2112 (higher ed. opioid prevention). If the bill is

not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1605.** 2024 c 376 s 605 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

|                                                    |                                |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)         | \$68,904,000                   |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)         | <del>(( \$72,120,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                    | <u>\$72,206,000</u>            |
| Central Washington University Capital Projects     |                                |
| Account—State Appropriation                        | \$76,000                       |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation | \$19,076,000                   |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State       |                                |
| Appropriation                                      | <del>(( \$15,814,000 ))</del>  |
|                                                    | <u>\$16,895,000</u>            |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                | <del>(( \$175,990,000 ))</del> |
|                                                    | <u>\$177,157,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The university must continue work with the education research and data center to demonstrate progress in engineering enrollments. By September 1st of each year, the university shall provide a report including but not limited to the cost per student, student completion rates, and the number of low-income students enrolled in each program, any process changes or best-practices implemented by the university, and how many students are enrolled in engineering programs above the prior academic year.

(2) Central Washington University shall not use funds appropriated in this section to support intercollegiate athletics programs.

(3) \$14,337,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and ~~(( \$14,696,000 ))~~ \$14,782,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the implementation of the college affordability program as set forth in RCW 28B.15.066.

(4) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the university is encouraged to increase the number of tenure-track positions created and hired.

1 (5) \$2,236,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
2 state appropriation is provided solely for institution operating  
3 costs, including compensation and central services, in recognition  
4 that these costs exceed estimated increases in undergraduate  
5 operating fee revenue as a result of RCW 28B.15.067.

6 (6) \$1,050,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
7 state appropriation is provided solely to increase the number of  
8 certified K-12 teachers.

9 (7) \$736,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely to maintain mental health counseling  
11 positions.

12 (8) \$240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
13 year 2024 and \$240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
14 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for two counselor positions to  
15 increase access to mental health counseling for traditionally  
16 underrepresented students.

17 (9) \$52,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
18 year 2024 and \$52,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
19 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
20 outreach and service coordination position who has knowledge of  
21 issues relevant to veterans.

22 (10) \$240,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for expanding cybersecurity capacity  
24 by adding additional faculty resources in the department of computer  
25 science.

26 (11) \$586,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
27 appropriation is provided solely for a peer mentoring program. The  
28 amount provided in this subsection must be used to supplement, not  
29 supplant, other funding sources for the program.

30 (12) \$286,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
31 appropriation is provided solely for the operation of an extended  
32 orientation program to help promote retention of underserved  
33 students. The amount provided in this subsection must be used to  
34 supplement, not supplant, other funding sources for the program.

35 (13) \$12,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024 and \$12,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the cost of the criminal  
38 justice training center's use of office and classroom space at the  
39 Lynnwood campus.

1 (14) \$592,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$1,091,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for compensation support.

4 (15) \$1,406,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for student success. Students  
6 will receive discipline specific tutoring programs, peer assisted  
7 learning sessions, and academic success coaching.

8 (16) \$967,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for grow your own teacher residency  
10 programs in high need areas of elementary, bilingual, special  
11 education, and English language learners.

12 (17) \$844,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
13 appropriation is provided solely for dual language expansion programs  
14 in Yakima and Des Moines.

15 (18) \$147,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
17 Substitute House Bill No. 1559 (postsecondary student needs).

18 (19) \$25,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
20 House Bill No. 1028 (crime victims and witnesses).

21 (20) \$57,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
22 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
23 House Bill No. 1390 (district energy systems).

24 (21) (~~(\$5,709,000)~~) \$6,790,000 of the workforce education  
25 investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
26 implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5048 (college in  
27 high school fees).

28 (22) \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
29 year 2024 and \$18,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
31 Senate Bill No. 5238 (academic employee bargaining).

32 (23) \$398,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for student basic needs. This  
34 funding will support two financial aid coaching specialists, support  
35 a coordinator for the food pantry, support a director and advocate to  
36 assist students who have experienced sexual violence, and help with  
37 prevention initiatives.

38 (24) \$1,209,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
39 state appropriation is provided solely to support college in the high

1 school program expansion resulting from passage of chapter 314, Laws  
2 of 2023 (2SSB 5048).

3 (25) Appropriations in this section are sufficient to implement  
4 the collective bargaining agreement between Central Washington  
5 University and the campus police officers and sergeants negotiated  
6 under chapter 41.80 RCW and as set forth in part IX of this act.

7 (26) \$22,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
8 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
9 House Bill No. 2112 (higher ed. opioid prevention). If the bill is  
10 not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection  
11 shall lapse.

12 **Sec. 1606.** 2024 c 376 s 606 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
13 follows:

14 **FOR THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE**

|    |                                                             |                               |
|----|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 15 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) . . . . .        | \$38,770,000                  |
| 16 | General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) . . . . .        | (( <del>\$39,723,000</del> )) |
| 17 |                                                             | <u>\$39,781,000</u>           |
| 18 | The Evergreen State College Capital Projects                |                               |
| 19 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                        | \$80,000                      |
| 20 | Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . . | \$5,450,000                   |
| 21 | Workforce Education Investment Account—State                |                               |
| 22 | Appropriation. . . . .                                      | \$5,795,000                   |
| 23 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                                | (( <del>\$89,818,000</del> )) |
| 24 |                                                             | <u>\$89,876,000</u>           |

25 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
26 conditions and limitations:

27 (1) \$4,361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
28 year 2024 and ((~~\$4,470,000~~)) \$4,496,000 of the general fund—state  
29 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
30 implementation of the college affordability program as set forth in  
31 RCW 28B.15.066.

32 (2) Funding provided in this section is sufficient for The  
33 Evergreen State College to continue operations of the Longhouse  
34 Center and the Northwest Indian applied research institute.

35 (3) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the college is  
36 encouraged to increase the number of tenure-track positions created  
37 and hired.



1 (4) \$3,715,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$3,640,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Washington state  
4 institute for public policy to initiate, sponsor, conduct, and  
5 publish research that is directly useful to policymakers and manage  
6 reviews and evaluations of technical and scientific topics as they  
7 relate to major long-term issues facing the state. Within the amounts  
8 provided in this subsection (4):

9 (a) \$1,665,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,685,000  
10 of the amounts in fiscal year 2025 are provided for administration  
11 and core operations.

12 (b) \$1,069,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2024 and \$709,000 of  
13 the amounts in fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for ongoing and  
14 continuing studies on the Washington state institute for public  
15 policy's work plan.

16 (c) \$142,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2024 and \$140,000 of  
17 the amounts in fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
18 Washington state institute for public policy to update its adult  
19 corrections inventory of evidence-based, research-based, and  
20 promising programs and expand the inventory to include new programs  
21 that were not included in the last published Washington state  
22 institute for public policy inventory in 2018. This update must focus  
23 on programs for incarcerated individuals in prison facilities to  
24 include family and relationships programs, learning and working  
25 programs, and therapeutic and support programs. The institute should  
26 prioritize the addition of programs currently offered by the  
27 Washington state department of corrections. Of this amount:

28 (i) No later than June 30, 2024, the institute shall publish a  
29 preliminary report identifying the list of programs currently offered  
30 in Washington state department of corrections prison facilities and  
31 the list of new programs to be analyzed for inclusion on the updated  
32 adult corrections inventory. The preliminary report must include an  
33 indication of whether the Washington state department of corrections  
34 programs have ever been evaluated for their effect on recidivism; and

35 (ii) No later than December 31, 2024, the institute shall publish  
36 a final report with the updated adult corrections inventory  
37 classifying programs as evidence-based, research-based, or promising  
38 programs. The report shall include a list of programs currently  
39 offered in Washington state department of corrections prison  
40 facilities and a determination of their likely effectiveness in

1 reducing recidivism based on the results of the adult corrections  
2 inventory.

3 (d) (i) \$154,000 of the amount for fiscal year 2025 is provided  
4 solely for the institute to examine the costs associated with  
5 conservation district elections under current law, and the projected  
6 costs and benefits for shifting conservation district election to be  
7 held on general election ballots under Title 29A RCW. The examination  
8 must include, to the extent that the data allows:

9 (A) An analysis of the amount of money that each conservation  
10 district spends on holding elections for supervisors under current  
11 law, and a description of the funding sources that each conservation  
12 district utilizes to fund its elections;

13 (B) Information about voter turnout in each conservation district  
14 supervisor election in at least the past six years and up to the past  
15 20 years, if the conservation district has such data, as well as a  
16 calculation of the total cost per ballot cast that each conservation  
17 district spent in those elections;

18 (C) A projection of the costs that would be expected to be  
19 incurred by each county and each conservation district for its  
20 supervisor elections if the district were to hold its supervisor  
21 elections on general election ballots under the processes and  
22 procedures in Title 29A RCW, including:

23 (I) Switching all supervisor positions to elected positions; and

24 (II) Changing term lengths to four years, with terms staggered  
25 such that elections are held every two years, to align with the  
26 elections for other local government officials;

27 (D) A projection of the costs that would be expected to be  
28 incurred by each county and each conservation district for its  
29 supervisor elections if, in addition to the changes described in  
30 (d) (i) (C) of this subsection, the conservation districts were divided  
31 into zones such that each zone is represented by a single supervisor,  
32 rather than electing each supervisor at-large throughout the  
33 district; and

34 (E) An overall description of potential nonmonetary costs and  
35 benefits associated with switching conservation district supervisor  
36 elections to the general election ballots under Title 29A RCW and  
37 incorporating the changes described in (d) (i) (C) and (D) of this  
38 subsection.

39 (ii) A preliminary report which contains any available  
40 information to date must be completed by December 1, 2024. A final

1 report must be completed by June 30, 2025, and submitted in  
2 accordance with RCW 43.01.036 to the standing committees of the house  
3 of representatives and the senate with jurisdiction over elections  
4 and conservation district issues.

5 (e) \$100,000 of the amounts for fiscal year 2024 and \$100,000 of  
6 the amounts for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
7 institute to conduct a review of all assessments and charges imposed  
8 on individuals incarcerated in department of corrections facilities  
9 and their family members and its effect on the financial status of  
10 incarcerated individuals. The review must include, at a minimum:

11 (i) An evaluation of all costs incurred by incarcerated  
12 individuals for items that include but are not limited to:

13 (A) Food;

14 (B) Commissary items;

15 (C) Personal hygiene items;

16 (D) Electronic devices and services, tablets, digital stamps, and  
17 downloadable media and services such as music, movies, and other  
18 programs;

19 (E) Stationary, mail, and postage;

20 (F) Communication devices such as telephones, local and nonlocal  
21 telephone services, and video chat services;

22 (G) Clothing and shoes;

23 (H) Copayments for medical, dental, and optometry visits, care,  
24 and medication;

25 (I) Eyeglasses;

26 (J) Gym, television services, and any other recreational  
27 activities;

28 (K) Educational and vocational classes, programming, and related  
29 materials; and

30 (L) Any and all items and services charged to incarcerated  
31 persons under RCW 72.09.450 and 72.09.470 including, but not limited  
32 to, a complete list of any other item that an individual was or could  
33 have been charged for while incarcerated;

34 (ii) A complete itemized list of: (A) All items in (e)(i) of this  
35 subsection; (B) the cost of each item and service purchased by the  
36 department or negotiated with a vendor in (e)(i) of this subsection;  
37 (C) the resale or purchased price charged to incarcerated individuals  
38 and their family members for the same items in (e)(i) of this  
39 subsection; (D) the revenue or profit retained or reinvested by the  
40 department for each individual item in (e)(i) of this subsection; (E)

1 the cost of items and services listed in (e)(i) of this subsection  
2 compared to comparable items and services that are not provided  
3 through correctional industries; and (F) an assessment of the prices  
4 charged for the items and services listed in (e)(i) of this  
5 subsection as compared to comparable items and services provided by  
6 other companies and vendors that do not service prisons;

7 (iii) A complete list of all items including, but not limited to,  
8 clothing and personal hygiene items, that are distributed monthly  
9 free of charge: (A) To all incarcerated individuals irrespective of  
10 their financial status; and (B) solely to indigent inmates as defined  
11 in RCW 72.09.015 provided the individual remains in indigent status  
12 during his or her period of incarceration;

13 (iv) The average annual debt incurred by an individual while  
14 incarcerated. This includes debt solely recorded and posted by the  
15 department for debt incurred between the individual's first day of  
16 confinement within the department of corrections through the  
17 individual's day of release from incarceration from prison;

18 (v) The average debt owed by incarcerated individuals to the  
19 department for items and services under (e)(i) of this subsection  
20 upon release from confinement;

21 (vi) The average amount paid by incarcerated individuals to the  
22 department for items and services under (e)(i) of this subsection  
23 during their period of confinement;

24 (vii) A list of the: (A) Required deductions from wages and  
25 gratuities earned pursuant to RCW 72.09.100 through 72.09.111; (B)  
26 required deductions from the funds received, by the department on  
27 behalf of an incarcerated person from outside sources, in addition to  
28 an incarcerated individual's wages or gratuities pursuant to RCW  
29 72.09.480; and (C) wages and gratuities earned by an incarcerated  
30 individual and any funds received, by the department on behalf of an  
31 incarcerated person, from outside sources for specific items listed  
32 in (e)(i) of this subsection that are exempt from statutory  
33 deductions;

34 (viii) The average amount of funds remaining in an incarcerated  
35 individual's savings account at the time of his or her release from  
36 confinement; and

37 (ix) A review and evaluation of the fines, fees, and commission  
38 generated from any of the items and services listed in (e)(i) of this  
39 subsection that are used in the department's budget.

1       The institute must provide a final report to the governor and the  
2 appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025.

3       (f) (i) \$76,000 of the amount for fiscal year 2024 and \$128,000 of  
4 the amount for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the institute  
5 to study the contracting practices for goods and services, and  
6 manufactured products, made or offered by correctional industries to  
7 state agencies and various political subdivisions within the state. A  
8 cost benefit analysis must be included in the report which must:

9       (A) Determine the costs of all contracts utilizing the labor of  
10 incarcerated individuals providing services or the manufacture of  
11 goods for state entities and other political subdivisions;

12       (B) Compare the cost savings to the state of Washington that is  
13 projected when those goods and services are procured from or produced  
14 by corrections industries and not private businesses engaged in a  
15 competitive bidding process with the state and its various political  
16 subdivisions;

17       (C) Provide a detailed break out of total number of labor  
18 positions that are offered to incarcerated individuals, ranked from  
19 least skilled to most skilled and the rate per hour of the gratuities  
20 the individuals are given monthly for this labor, including the  
21 amount if the gratuity given to incarcerated individuals was the  
22 federal or state mandated minimum wage;

23       (D) Provide a detailed listing of all commissary items purchased  
24 by and offered for sale to individuals incarcerated within the  
25 facilities operated by the department of corrections. This listing of  
26 individual items must also include the wholesale price from outside  
27 vendors that correction industries pays for each line item offered to  
28 incarcerated individuals, and the price charged to the incarcerated  
29 individual for those items; and

30       (E) Provide a comprehensive list of all positions offered by  
31 corrections industries that provide substantive training and labor  
32 ready skills for individuals to assume positions in the workforce  
33 outside of incarceration; and to the extent the data allows, provide  
34 the number of individuals who have positions upon release that were  
35 obtained with skills obtained through work at correctional  
36 industries.

37       (ii) The institute must submit a report to the appropriate  
38 committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025, in compliance with  
39 RCW 43.01.036.

(g)(i) \$260,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2024 and \$98,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Washington state institute for public policy to conduct a study of the Washington jail system and county juvenile justice facilities.

(ii) The institute's report shall include, to the extent possible, consideration of the following:

(A) A longitudinal study of how the county jail and county juvenile detention populations have changed over the last 12 years including, but not limited to, an analysis of demographics, physical and behavioral health issues, number of inmates, and types of convictions;

(B) An analysis of county jail and county juvenile detention facility survey data provided by the Washington state association of counties as described in (g)(v) of this subsection; and

(C) Examination of the availability of criminal justice training commission classes for corrections officers.

(iii) The health care authority, department of social and health services, administrative office of the courts, criminal justice training commission, state auditor's office, office of financial management, and Washington state patrol must provide the institute with access to data or other resources if necessary to complete this work.

(iv) The institute shall submit the report to the appropriate committees of the legislature and the governor by December 1, 2024.

(v) As part of the study, the institute shall contract with the Washington state association of counties to conduct a survey of jail and juvenile detention facilities in Washington state. The survey shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) Age of the facilities;

(B) Age of systems within the facilities;

(C) Cost of remodeling facilities;

(D) Cost of building new facilities;

(E) General maintenance costs of the facilities;

(F) Operational costs of the facilities;

(G) Workforce, to include, but not be limited to, employee vacancies as a percentage of total employees;

(H) Services, supports, and programming, to include, but not be limited to:

(I) Costs of housing those with behavioral health needs;

(II) Number of individuals with behavioral health needs;

(III) Cost of competency restoration;

(IV) Physical health services and related costs;

(V) Number of individuals booked and housed on behalf of state agencies;

(VI) Percent of individuals waiting for a state hospital;

(VII) Available nonincarcerative alternatives and diversion programs; and

(VIII) Available release and reentry services;

(I) Funding sources, to include, but not be limited to:

(I) County tax structure and revenue raising ability; and

(II) Jail and juvenile detention facility funding sources.

(vi) The Washington state association of counties shall consult with the Washington state institute for public policy during the design and distribution of the survey. Responses to the survey shall be compiled and provided to the Washington state institute for public policy by December 31, 2023.

(h)(i) \$240,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2024 and \$240,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Washington state institute for public policy, in consultation with the Washington traumatic brain injury strategic partnership advisory council, to study the potential need for developing specialized long-term services and supports for adults with traumatic brain injuries.

(ii) At a minimum, the study must include an examination of:

(A) The demographics of adults with traumatic brain injuries in the state who are anticipated to be in need of long-term services and supports, including an examination of those who are likely to be eligible for medicaid long-term services and supports;

(B) The industry standards of providing long-term care services and supports to individuals with traumatic brain injuries; and

(C) The methods other states are utilizing to provide long-term services and supports to individuals with traumatic brain injuries, including identifying the rates paid for these services and a description of any specialized facilities established to deliver these services.

(iii) A report of the findings of this study and any recommendations for increasing access to appropriate long-term services and supports for individuals with traumatic brain injuries shall be submitted to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature no later than June 30, 2025.

1 (i) \$163,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2024 are provided  
2 solely for implementation of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill  
3 No. 5236 (hospital staffing standards).

4 (j) \$222,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2025 are provided  
5 solely for implementation of chapter 29, Laws of 2022 (2SHB 1818)  
6 (reentry and rehabilitation).

7 (k) \$107,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2025 is provided  
8 solely for the Washington state institute for public policy to  
9 examine programs in peer states related to breast cancer education  
10 and prevention prior to diagnosis and support and resources after  
11 diagnosis for native communities. The study must focus on programs  
12 that are operated by either the state, tribes solely, or tribes in  
13 coordination with the state. To identify peer states, the institute  
14 may consider factors such as the population of American Indians and  
15 Alaska natives, number of federally recognized tribes, and whether  
16 the state has expanded medicaid. The report shall include for each  
17 peer state the existence of any programs that meet the criteria  
18 described in this section, and summarize any research findings on  
19 these programs, if available. The institute must submit a report to  
20 the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2025, in  
21 compliance with RCW 43.01.036.

22 (l) \$57,000 of the amounts in fiscal year 2025 are provided  
23 solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5986 (out-of-  
24 network health costs). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024,  
25 the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

26 (m) Notwithstanding other provisions in this subsection, the  
27 board of directors for the Washington state institute for public  
28 policy may adjust due dates for projects included on the institute's  
29 2023-25 work plan as necessary to efficiently manage workload.

30 (5) \$213,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
31 year 2024 and \$213,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
32 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for additional faculty to  
33 support Native American and indigenous programs.

34 (6) \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2024 and \$85,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
36 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to the native pathways program  
37 for an assistant director.



1 (7) \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 and \$110,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
3 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a tribal liaison position.

4 (8) \$39,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 and \$39,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
7 counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW who has experience and  
8 training specifically related to working with active members of the  
9 military or military veterans.

10 (9) \$137,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$137,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for student mental health and  
13 wellness. The amount provided in this subsection must be used to  
14 supplement, not supplant, other funding sources for the program.

15 (10) \$196,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
16 year 2024 is provided solely for additional laboratory, art, and  
17 media lab sections.

18 (11) \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$600,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to develop and expand current  
21 corrections education programs offered in department of corrections  
22 facilities. The college shall appoint a project implementation team,  
23 collaborate with stakeholders to plan student success programs and  
24 curriculum which lead to transferable credit, associate and  
25 bachelor's degrees, and other workforce credentials, and train  
26 faculty and staff on working with incarcerated populations.

27 (12) \$2,636,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
28 state appropriation is provided solely for institution operating  
29 costs, including compensation and central services, in recognition  
30 that these costs exceed estimated increases in undergraduate  
31 operating fee revenue as a result of RCW 28B.15.067.

32 (13) \$670,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely to maintain enrollment capacity in  
34 psychology programs.

35 (14) \$600,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely to increase student success by  
37 maintaining support for a student precollege immersion program and  
38 the Evergreen first-year experience.

(15) \$988,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for student enrollment and retention support. Funding is provided for hiring a student advisor and underserved student specialist to provide student support and administrative support for the native pathways program.

(16) \$554,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the expansion of corrections education offerings to currently incarcerated students and the expansion of reentry services.

(17) \$124,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1559 (postsecondary student needs).

(18) \$26,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$26,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5238 (academic employee bargaining).

(19) \$6,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1028 (crime victims and witnesses).

(20) \$97,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2112 (higher ed. opioid prevention). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(21) \$223,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for the Shelton promise pilot program.

(22) \$42,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5953 (incarcerated student grants). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1607.** 2024 c 376 s 607 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

|                                                     |                            |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . | \$99,066,000               |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | <del>(\$104,923,000)</del> |
|                                                     | <u>\$105,042,000</u>       |

|   |                                                           |                                |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | Western Washington University Capital Projects            |                                |
| 2 | Account—State Appropriation. . . . .                      | (( <del>\$1,424,000</del> ))   |
| 3 |                                                           | <u>\$1,607,000</u>             |
| 4 | Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . | \$13,831,000                   |
| 5 | Workforce Education Investment Account—State              |                                |
| 6 | Appropriation. . . . .                                    | (( <del>\$22,264,000</del> ))  |
| 7 |                                                           | <u>\$22,282,000</u>            |
| 8 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                              | (( <del>\$241,508,000</del> )) |
| 9 |                                                           | <u>\$241,828,000</u>           |

10 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
11 conditions and limitations:

12 (1) The university must continue work with the education research  
13 and data center to demonstrate progress in computer science and  
14 engineering enrollments. By September 1st of each year, the  
15 university shall provide a report including but not limited to the  
16 cost per student, student completion rates, and the number of low-  
17 income students enrolled in each program, any process changes or  
18 best-practices implemented by the university, and how many students  
19 are enrolled in computer science and engineering programs above the  
20 prior academic year.

21 (2) Western Washington University shall not use funds  
22 appropriated in this section to support intercollegiate athletics  
23 programs.

24 (3) \$19,789,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2024 and ((~~\$20,283,000~~)) \$20,402,000 of the general fund—  
26 state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
27 implementation of the college affordability program as set forth in  
28 RCW 28B.15.066.

29 (4) \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and \$700,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
31 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the creation and  
32 implementation of an early childhood education degree program at the  
33 western on the peninsulas campus. The university must collaborate  
34 with Olympic college. At full implementation, the university is  
35 expected to grant approximately 75 bachelor's degrees in early  
36 childhood education per year at the western on the peninsulas campus.

37 (5) \$1,306,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
38 year 2024 and \$1,306,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for

1 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the university to develop a  
2 new program in marine, coastal, and watershed sciences.

3 (6) \$886,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$886,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the university to reduce  
6 tuition rates for four-year degree programs offered in partnership  
7 with Olympic college—Bremerton, Olympic college—Poulsbo, and  
8 Peninsula college—Port Angeles that are currently above state-funded  
9 resident undergraduate tuition rates.

10 (7) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to recruit and retain high  
13 quality and diverse graduate students.

14 (8) \$548,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
15 year 2024 and \$548,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for critical support services to  
17 ensure traditionally underrepresented students receive the same  
18 opportunities for academic success as their peers.

19 (9) \$48,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$48,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for one full-time mental health  
22 counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW who has experience and  
23 training specifically related to working with active members of the  
24 military or military veterans.

25 (10) \$530,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$530,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the operation of two  
28 bilingual educator programs in the south King county region,  
29 including a bilingual elementary education degree program and a  
30 secondary education degree program. At full implementation, each  
31 cohort shall support up to 25 students per year.

32 (11) \$361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2024 and \$361,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
34 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a master of science program  
35 in nursing.

36 (12) \$433,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$433,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the registered nurse to  
39 bachelors in nursing program.

1 (13) Within amounts appropriated in this section, the university  
2 is encouraged to increase the number of tenure-track positions  
3 created and hired.

4 (14) \$2,256,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
5 state appropriation is provided solely for institution operating  
6 costs, including compensation and central services, in recognition  
7 that these costs exceed estimated increases in undergraduate  
8 operating fee revenue as a result of RCW 28B.15.067.

9 (15) \$3,426,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
10 state appropriation is provided solely to maintain access to science,  
11 technology, engineering, and mathematics degrees.

12 (16) \$908,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
13 appropriation is provided solely to establish an academic curriculum  
14 in ethnic studies.

15 (17) \$400,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for upgrading cyber range equipment  
17 and software.

18 (18) \$2,520,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
19 state appropriation is provided solely for student support services  
20 that include resources for outreach and financial aid support,  
21 retention initiatives including targeted support for underserved  
22 student populations, mental health support, and initiatives aimed at  
23 addressing learning disruption due to the global pandemic. The amount  
24 provided in this subsection must be used to supplement, not supplant,  
25 other funding sources for student support services.

26 (19) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
27 appropriation is provided solely for planning student studios to  
28 assist cities and counties with planning projects. Assistance shall  
29 focus on students and supporting faculty to facilitate on-site  
30 learning with cities and counties.

31 (20) \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for the student civic leaders  
33 initiative.

34 (21) \$1,610,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
35 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,875,000 of the general fund—state  
36 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
37 compensation support.

38 (22) \$3,186,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
39 state appropriation is provided solely for the western on the

1 peninsulas expansion. This includes new two plus two degrees programs  
2 such as industrial engineering, data science, and sociology.

3 (23) \$1,577,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
4 state appropriation is provided solely for expanded remedial math and  
5 additional English 101 courses, as well first year seminars, and  
6 disability accommodation counselors. Of the amounts provided in this  
7 subsection for first year seminars, \$125,000 of the general fund—  
8 state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$125,000 of the general  
9 fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided for the  
10 university to develop a student orientation program for students  
11 receiving the Washington college grant, focusing on first-generation  
12 and traditionally underrepresented students. The program may include  
13 evidence-based student success metrics, peer support, and mentorship  
14 following orientation. The program proposal must be submitted to the  
15 legislature by December 1, 2023 for implementation in the 2024-2025  
16 academic year.

17 (24) \$100,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
18 appropriation is provided solely for mental health first aid training  
19 for faculty.

20 (25) \$150,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely for the small business development  
22 center to increase technical assistance to black, indigenous, and  
23 other people of color small business owners in Whatcom county.

24 (26) \$694,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
25 appropriation is provided to establish a master of social work  
26 program at western on the peninsulas.

27 (27) \$2,478,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
28 state appropriation is provided solely for expansion of bilingual  
29 educators education.

30 (28) \$1,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
31 state appropriation is provided for additional student support and  
32 outreach at western on the peninsulas.

33 (29) \$580,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely to convert the human services  
35 program at western on the peninsulas from self-sustaining to state-  
36 supported to reduce tuition rates for students in the program.

37 (30) \$138,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
39 Substitute House Bill No. 1559 (postsecondary student needs).

1 (31) \$23,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute  
3 House Bill No. 1028 (crime victims and witnesses).

4 (32) \$10,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate  
6 Bill No. 5238 (academic employee bargaining).

7 (33) \$1,306,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
8 state appropriation is provided solely to establish and administer a  
9 teacher residency program focused on special education instruction  
10 beginning in the 2024-25 school year. Amounts provided in this  
11 subsection are sufficient to support one cohort of 17 residents per  
12 school year, and must be prioritized to communities that are  
13 anticipated to be most positively impacted by teacher residents who  
14 fill teacher vacancies upon completing the teacher residency program  
15 and who remain in the communities in which they are mentored. The  
16 teacher residency program must meet the following requirements:

17 (a) Residents receive compensation equivalent to first year  
18 paraeducators, as defined in RCW 28A.413.010;

19 (b) Each resident is assigned a preservice mentor;

20 (c) Preservice mentors receive a stipend of \$2,500 per year;

21 (d) Residents receive at least 900 hours of preservice clinical  
22 practice over the course of the school year;

23 (e) At least half of the residency hours specified in (d) of this  
24 subsection are in a coteaching setting with the resident's preservice  
25 mentor and the other half of the residency hours are in a coteaching  
26 setting with another teacher;

27 (f) Residents may not be assigned the lead or primary  
28 responsibility for student learning;

29 (g) Coursework taught during the residency is codesigned by the  
30 teacher preparation program and the school district, state-tribal  
31 education compact school, or consortium, tightly integrated with  
32 residents' preservice clinical practice, and focused on developing  
33 culturally responsive teachers; and

34 (h) The program must prepare residents to meet or exceed the  
35 knowledge, skills, performance, and competency standards described in  
36 RCW 28A.410.270(1).

37 (34) \$445,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely to continue the expansion of the  
39 undergraduate electrical and computer engineering program.

(35) \$400,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for academic access and outreach.

(36) \$300,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the university to contract with a nonprofit organization in Kitsap county that provides cyber security curriculum to postsecondary institutions for cyber security education in partnership with the Washington state cyber range in Poulsbo.

(37) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the university to contract with a nonprofit organization in Whatcom county that provides economic and financial education to conduct foundational research on the efficacy of financial education course formats.

(38) \$100,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the institute for the study of the Holocaust, genocide, and crimes against humanity to collaborate with the office of the superintendent of public instruction on curriculum development and teacher training.

(39) \$122,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2112 (higher ed. opioid prevention). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(40) \$18,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 314, Laws of 2023 (college in high school fees).

**Sec. 1608.** 2024 c 376 s 608 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT COUNCIL—POLICY COORDINATION AND ADMINISTRATION**

|                                                     |                                |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)          | \$9,891,000                    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)          | \$10,294,000                   |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                  | \$20,998,000                   |
| <u>General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation</u>     | <u>\$75,000</u>                |
| Washington Student Loan Account—State Appropriation | \$80,000,000                   |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State        |                                |
| Appropriation                                       | \$16,561,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                 | (( <del>\$137,744,000</del> )) |
|                                                     | <u>\$137,819,000</u>           |



1 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3 (1) \$126,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$126,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the consumer protection  
6 unit.

7 (2) The student achievement council must ensure that all  
8 institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.92.030 and  
9 eligible for state financial aid programs under chapters 28B.92 and  
10 28B.118 RCW provide the data needed to analyze and evaluate the  
11 effectiveness of state financial aid programs. This data must be  
12 promptly transmitted to the education data center so that it is  
13 available and easily accessible.

14 (3) Community-based organizations that receive state funding  
15 under subsection (11) of this section and section 601(35) of this act  
16 are not eligible for Washington career and college pathways  
17 innovation challenge program grant funding for the same purpose.

18 (4) \$575,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$575,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided to increase the number of high school  
21 seniors and college bound scholars that complete the free application  
22 for federal student aid and the Washington application for state  
23 financial aid through digital engagement tools, expanded training,  
24 and increased events for high school students.

25 (5) \$850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$850,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for administrative support  
28 services to carry out duties and responsibilities necessary for  
29 recipients of the Washington college grant who are enrolled in a  
30 state registered apprenticeship program.

31 (6) (a) \$80,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
32 year 2024 is provided solely for a pilot program to help students,  
33 including those enrolled in state registered apprenticeship programs,  
34 connect with health care coverage. The student achievement council,  
35 in cooperation with the council of presidents, must provide resources  
36 for up to two four-year colleges or universities, one on the east  
37 side and one on the west side of the Cascade mountains, to hire or  
38 train an employee to:

1 (i) Provide information to students and college and university  
2 staff about available health insurance options;

3 (ii) Develop culturally relevant materials and conduct outreach  
4 for historically marginalized and underserved student populations to  
5 assist these populations in their knowledge of access to low cost or  
6 free health insurance plans;

7 (iii) Provide ongoing technical assistance to students about  
8 health insurance options or the health insurance application process;  
9 and

10 (iv) Provide technical assistance to students as a health benefit  
11 exchange certified assister, to help students understand, shop,  
12 apply, and enroll in health insurance through Washington health  
13 planfinder.

14 (b) Participation in the exchange assister program is contingent  
15 on fulfilling applicable contracting, security, and other program  
16 requirements.

17 (c) The council, in collaboration with the council of presidents  
18 and the health benefit exchange, must submit a report by June 30,  
19 2024, to the appropriate committees of the legislature, pursuant to  
20 RCW 43.01.036, on information about barriers students, including  
21 those enrolled in state registered apprenticeship programs,  
22 encountered accessing health insurance coverage; and to provide  
23 recommendations on how to improve student and staff access to health  
24 coverage based on data gathered from the pilot program.

25 (7) \$1,208,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
26 year 2024 and \$1,208,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
27 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the Washington award for  
28 vocational excellence. Of the amount provided in this subsection,  
29 \$70,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024  
30 and \$70,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year  
31 2025 may be used for administration and that is the maximum amount  
32 that may be expended for this purpose.

33 (8) \$2,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
34 state appropriation is provided solely for the career launch grant  
35 pool for the public four-year institutions.

36 (9) \$179,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
37 year 2024 and \$179,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
38 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the complete Washington  
39 program.

1       (10) \$10,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
2 year 2025 is provided solely for the council to submit a progress  
3 report on the new or expanded cybersecurity and nursing academic  
4 programs that receive funding in sections 601 through 607 of this  
5 act, including the number of students enrolled. The council must  
6 coordinate with the institutions of higher education and the state  
7 board for community and technical colleges as provided in section  
8 603(3), chapter 475, Laws of 2023 and section 601 (31) and (37) of  
9 this act. The progress report must be submitted to the appropriate  
10 committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by December  
11 1, 2024.

12       (11) \$5,778,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
13 state appropriation is provided solely for the Washington student  
14 achievement council to contract with a statewide nonprofit  
15 organization located in King county to expand college services to  
16 support underserved students and improve college retention and  
17 completion rates.

18       (12) \$46,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$46,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for the state of Washington's  
21 annual dues to the education commission of the state.

22       (13) \$150,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for an implementation review of the  
24 passport to careers program. The review must include short and long-  
25 term recommendations to improve the reach and effectiveness of the  
26 passport program. The review must include consultation with  
27 organizations serving foster youth, the state board of community and  
28 technical colleges, public four-year institutions, and other  
29 organizations involved in the passport to college and passport to  
30 apprenticeship programs. Amounts provided in this subsection may be  
31 used to provide stipends for youth participating in the review who  
32 are receiving funds from passport programs or are eligible to receive  
33 funds from passport programs. The review must be submitted to the  
34 appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2024.

35       (14) \$1,485,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
36 state appropriation and \$80,000,000 of the Washington student loan  
37 account—state appropriation are provided solely for implementation of  
38 Engrossed House Bill No. 1823 (WA student loan program).

1 (15) \$16,000,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
2 provided solely for the good jobs challenge grant expenditure  
3 authority.

4 (16) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2024 and \$230,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for contraception vending  
7 machines for students and staff stocked with emergency contraceptive  
8 medication and other forms of contraception, including condoms, and  
9 naloxone opioid overdose reversal medication administered by nasal  
10 inhalation and fentanyl test strips at discreet and geographically  
11 accessible locations, such as gender-neutral restrooms and student  
12 union buildings, and locations that are accessible on weekends and  
13 after 5:00 p.m. The council must distribute \$10,000 to each public  
14 four-year institution and community and technical college who apply  
15 on a first-come, first-served basis in fiscal year 2024 and  
16 prioritize new applications in fiscal year 2025. An additional  
17 \$10,000 may be provided to institutions with more than 20,000 full-  
18 time equivalent students. The institutions who receive funding shall  
19 enter into agreements with the department of health to receive  
20 naloxone and fentanyl test strips to stock the vending machines and  
21 provide cost-free access to naloxone and fentanyl test strips to  
22 students. A report on which institutions received funding shall be  
23 submitted to the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by June 30,  
24 2025.

25 (17) \$1,150,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
26 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Second  
27 Substitute House Bill No. 1559 (postsecondary student needs).

28 (18) \$200,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for the council to provide grants to  
30 law schools in the state who offer a law clinic focusing on crime  
31 victim support.

32 (19)(a) \$100,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
33 state appropriation is provided solely to contract with a nonprofit  
34 organization located in Tacoma that focuses on coordinated systems of  
35 support for postsecondary success to conduct a comprehensive study on  
36 the feasibility and potential impacts on postsecondary enrollment of  
37 a policy of universal free application for federal financial aid  
38 (FAFSA) completion. For purposes of this subsection, universal FAFSA  
39 completion means making completion of the financial aid form a

1 requirement for high school graduation and requiring schools to  
2 support students through the process. The study will include, but is  
3 not limited to, the following:

4 (i) A landscape scan of existing state and local level universal  
5 FAFSA completion policies, both in Washington and nationally;

6 (ii) Input from key stakeholder groups, including students,  
7 parents, state agency staff, K-12 district staff and leadership, and  
8 student serving organizations; and

9 (iii) Recommendations for possible policy change at the state  
10 level.

11 (b) A report of findings and recommendations must be submitted to  
12 the appropriate committees of the legislature pursuant to RCW  
13 43.01.036 by November 30, 2023.

14 (20) \$648,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for distribution to four-year  
16 institutions of higher education participating in the students  
17 experiencing homelessness program without reduction by the Washington  
18 student achievement council, pursuant to Engrossed Substitute Senate  
19 Bill No. 5702 (student homelessness pilot).

20 (21) \$46,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely for the administration of the  
22 students experiencing homelessness program pursuant to Engrossed  
23 Substitute Senate Bill No. 5702 (student homelessness pilot).

24 (22) \$400,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Substitute  
26 Senate Bill No. 5687 (wrestling grant program).

27 (23) \$356,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for the Washington student  
29 achievement council to staff the workforce education investment  
30 accountability and oversight board as provided in Engrossed Senate  
31 Bill No. 5534 (workforce investment board).

32 (24) \$191,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
33 year 2025 is provided solely for the agency to hire a full-time  
34 equivalent position to help with increased contracting demand.

35 (25) \$250,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for a study on establishment and  
37 implementation of a scholarship fund as described in RCW 28B.95.040.  
38 The study shall include strategy options for disbursement, summary of  
39 how tuition units would be allocated for scholarships, and

coordination with existing college savings plans. The office shall seek written advice from the internal revenue service on the impact of the provisions in Substitute House Bill No. 2309 on the status of Washington's qualified tuition plan under 529 of the internal revenue code, including potential scalability of the program and its impact on any determination. The report shall include recommendations for implementing the scholarship and be submitted to the appropriate committees of the legislature, pursuant to RCW 43.01.036, by June 30, 2025.

(26) \$330,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5953 (incarcerated student grants). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(27) \$75,000 of the general fund—private/local appropriation is provided solely for the Strada education foundation operating support grant expenditure authority.

**Sec. 1609.** 2024 c 376 s 609 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT COUNCIL—OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

|                                                                                         |                                  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)                                              | \$302,031,000                    |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)                                              | \$301,988,000                    |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation                                                      | \$12,264,000                     |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation                                                | \$300,000                        |
| Education Legacy Trust Account—State Appropriation                                      | \$85,488,000                     |
| Washington Opportunity Pathways Account—State Appropriation                             | <del>(( \$76,603,000 ))</del>    |
|                                                                                         | <u>\$78,695,000</u>              |
| Aerospace Training Student Loan Account—State Appropriation                             | \$220,000                        |
| Workforce Education Investment Account—State Appropriation                              | <del>(( \$323,533,000 ))</del>   |
|                                                                                         | <u>\$383,514,000</u>             |
| Health Professionals Loan Repayment and Scholarship Program Account—State Appropriation | \$11,720,000                     |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                                     | <del>(( \$1,114,147,000 ))</del> |
|                                                                                         | <u>\$1,176,220,000</u>           |

1       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3       (1) \$7,834,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
4 year 2024 and \$7,835,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for student financial aid  
6 payments under the state work study program, including up to four  
7 percent administrative allowance for the state work study program.

8       (2) \$276,416,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
9 fiscal year 2024, \$276,416,000 of the general fund—state  
10 appropriation for fiscal year 2025, (~~(\$258,584,000)~~) \$318,565,000 of  
11 the workforce education investment account—state appropriation,  
12 \$69,639,000 of the education legacy trust fund—state appropriation,  
13 and \$67,654,000 of the Washington opportunity pathways account—state  
14 appropriation are provided solely for the Washington college grant  
15 program as provided in RCW 28B.92.200.

16       (3) Changes made to the state work study program in the 2009-2011  
17 and 2011-2013 fiscal biennia are continued in the 2023-2025 fiscal  
18 biennium including maintaining the increased required employer share  
19 of wages; adjusted employer match rates; discontinuation of  
20 nonresident student eligibility for the program; and revising  
21 distribution methods to institutions by taking into consideration  
22 other factors such as off-campus job development, historical  
23 utilization trends, and student need.

24       (4) \$1,165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
25 year 2024, \$1,165,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
26 fiscal year 2025, \$15,849,000 of the education legacy trust account—  
27 state appropriation, and (~~(\$8,949,000)~~) \$11,041,000 of the Washington  
28 opportunity pathways account—state appropriation are provided solely  
29 for the college bound scholarship program and may support  
30 scholarships for summer session. The office of student financial  
31 assistance and the institutions of higher education shall not  
32 consider awards made by the opportunity scholarship program to be  
33 state-funded for the purpose of determining the value of an award  
34 amount under RCW 28B.118.010.

35       (5) \$6,999,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
36 year 2024, \$6,999,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
37 fiscal year 2025, and \$1,000,000 of the workforce education  
38 investment account—state appropriation are provided solely for the  
39 passport to college program. The maximum scholarship award is up to

1 \$5,000. The council shall contract with a nonprofit organization to  
2 provide support services to increase student completion in their  
3 postsecondary program and shall, under this contract, provide a  
4 minimum of \$500,000 in fiscal years 2024 and 2025 for this purpose.

5 (6) \$55,254,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
6 state appropriation is provided solely for an annual bridge grant of  
7 \$500 to eligible students. A student is eligible for a grant if the  
8 student receives a maximum college grant award and does not receive  
9 the college bound scholarship program under chapter 28B.118 RCW.  
10 Bridge grant funding provides supplementary financial support to low-  
11 income students to cover higher education expenses.

12 (7) \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
13 appropriation is provided solely for the behavioral health  
14 apprenticeship stipend pilot program, with stipends of \$3,000  
15 available to students. The pilot program is intended to provide a  
16 stipend to assist students in high-demand programs for costs  
17 associated with completing a program, including child care, housing,  
18 transportation, and food.

19 (8) \$1,425,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
20 state appropriation is provided solely for the national guard grant  
21 program. Of the amount provided in this subsection, \$425,000 of the  
22 workforce education investment account—state appropriation for fiscal  
23 year 2025 is provided solely to increase national guard grant award  
24 amounts.

25 (9) \$1,000,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
26 state appropriation is provided solely for educator conditional  
27 scholarship and loan repayment programs established in chapter  
28 28B.102 RCW. Dual language educators must receive priority.

29 (10) \$10,000,000 of the health professionals loan repayment and  
30 scholarship program account—state appropriation is provided solely to  
31 increase loans within the Washington health corps.

32 (11) \$1,156,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
33 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House  
34 Bill No. 1232 (college bound scholarship).

35 (12) \$239,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for the Washington student  
37 achievement council to remove barriers to accessing state financial  
38 aid by informing people of their income-eligibility for the  
39 Washington college grant via the supplemental nutrition assistance



1 program as provided in Second Substitute House Bill No. 2214 (college  
2 grant/public assist). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024,  
3 the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

4 (13) \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for the Washington award for  
6 vocational excellence. This funding will support increasing the  
7 scholarship award for students.

8 (14) \$400,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for a financial aid texting program.

10 (15) \$500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for the development and  
12 implementation of a mentoring scholarship. An eligible student means  
13 a student who participated in a mentoring program as a 12th grade  
14 student in Spokane, Garfield, or Columbia counties; filed a free  
15 application for federal student aid (FAFSA) or Washington application  
16 for state financial aid; and has family income up to 150 percent of  
17 the state median family income. An eligible student may receive a  
18 maximum award of \$5,000. The award may only be used at institutions  
19 of higher education in Spokane, Garfield, Whitman, or Columbia  
20 counties. An award that includes state funds must be matched on an  
21 equal dollar basis with private funds. A state match for private  
22 contributions made in fiscal year 2025 may not exceed \$500,000.

23 (16) \$200,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House  
25 Bill No. 2025 (state work-study program). If the bill is not enacted  
26 by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

27 (17) \$150,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of House Bill No.  
29 1946 (behav. health scholarship). If the bill is not enacted by June  
30 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

31 (18) \$100,000 of the workforce education investment account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Engrossed  
33 Substitute House Bill No. 2441 (college in the HS fees). If the bill  
34 is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this  
35 subsection shall lapse.

36 (19) \$1,200,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
37 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
38 Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2019 (Native American

apprentices). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

(20) \$1,500,000 of the workforce education investment account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of Senate Bill No. 5904 (financial aid terms). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2024, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

**Sec. 1610.** 2024 c 376 s 612 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE WASHINGTON CENTER FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING YOUTH**

|                                            |                               |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$18,505,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(( \$18,774,000 ))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$19,124,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | \$4,052,000                   |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(( \$41,331,000 ))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$41,681,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Funding provided in this section is sufficient for the center to offer students ages three through 21 enrolled at the center the opportunity to participate in a minimum of 1,080 hours of instruction and the opportunity to earn 24 high school credits.

(2) \$225,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$225,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for a mentoring program for persons employed as educational interpreters in public schools.

(3) \$240,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for additional student-based safety training as well as diversity, equity, and inclusion training for staff.

**Sec. 1611.** 2024 c 376 s 613 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE ARTS COMMISSION**

|                                            |                              |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$6,329,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(( \$7,595,000 ))</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$6,887,000</u>           |
| General Fund—Federal Appropriation         | \$2,830,000                  |
| General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation   | <del>(( \$184,000 ))</del>   |

1 \$224,000  
2 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ((~~\$16,938,000~~))  
3 \$16,270,000

4 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
5 conditions and limitations:

6 (1) \$79,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
7 year 2024 and \$79,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
8 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the creative districts  
9 program.

10 (2) \$868,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
11 year 2024 and \$867,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
12 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the establishment of a  
13 tribal cultural affairs program. Of the amounts provided in this  
14 subsection, \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
15 fiscal year 2024 and \$500,000 of the general fund—state appropriation  
16 for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for grants to support tribal  
17 cultural, arts, and creative programs.

18 (3) \$151,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
19 year 2024 and \$137,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
20 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the commission to hire a  
21 temporary collections technician to maintain and repair public art in  
22 the state art collection.

23 (4) \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$250,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the commission to implement  
26 a pilot program for in-person and online arts programming, targeting  
27 adults and families impacted by housing instability, mental health  
28 challenges, and trauma.

29 (5) \$199,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
30 year 2024 and ((~~\$944,000~~)) \$236,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for  
32 implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1639 (Billy Frank  
33 Jr. statue).

34 (6) \$150,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
35 year 2025 is provided solely for an outdoor public art project in  
36 downtown Everett on the façade of the Schack art center. The project  
37 shall feature stainless steel images of Sasquatch and Pacific  
38 Northwest elements, honoring the rich cultural heritage of the region  
39 and the narrative history of the Coast Salish Tribes.

(End of part)

PART XVII  
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

**Sec. 1701.** 2024 c 376 s 702 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE TREASURER—BOND RETIREMENT AND INTEREST, AND ONGOING  
BOND REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER CHARGES: FOR DEBT SUBJECT TO THE DEBT  
LIMIT**

|                                                                              |                                  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)                                   | \$1,401,902,000                  |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)                                   | (( <del>\$1,471,521,000</del> )) |
|                                                                              | <u>\$1,466,469,000</u>           |
| State Building Construction Account—State<br>Appropriation                   | (( <del>\$20,863,000</del> ))    |
|                                                                              | <u>\$7,000,000</u>               |
| Columbia River Basin Water Supply Development<br>Account—State Appropriation | \$3,000                          |
| Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Bond Account—<br>State Appropriation   | (( <del>\$64,000</del> ))        |
|                                                                              | <u>\$36,000</u>                  |
| State Taxable Building Construction Account—State<br>Appropriation           | (( <del>\$876,000</del> ))       |
|                                                                              | <u>\$120,000</u>                 |
| Debt-Limit Reimbursable Bond Retirement Account—<br>State Appropriation      | \$119,000                        |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                                                          | (( <del>\$2,895,348,000</del> )) |
|                                                                              | <u>\$2,875,649,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The general fund appropriations are for expenditure into the debt-limit general fund bond retirement account.

**Sec. 1702.** 2024 c 376 s 703 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE TREASURER—BOND RETIREMENT AND INTEREST, AND ONGOING  
BOND REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER CHARGES: FOR GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT  
TO BE REIMBURSED AS PRESCRIBED BY STATUTE**

|                                                                            |                               |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Nondebt-Limit Reimbursable Bond Retirement Account—<br>State Appropriation | (( <del>\$51,761,000</del> )) |
|                                                                            | <u>\$51,777,000</u>           |
| School Construction and Skill Centers Building                             |                               |

1 Account—State Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$4,000)~~)  
2 \$2,000  
3 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . (~~(\$51,765,000)~~)  
4 \$51,779,000

5 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
6 conditions and limitations: The general fund appropriation is for  
7 expenditure into the nondebt limit general fund bond retirement  
8 account.

9 **Sec. 1703.** 2024 c 376 s 704 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
10 follows:

11 **FOR THE STATE TREASURER—BOND RETIREMENT AND INTEREST, AND ONGOING**  
12 **BOND REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER CHARGES: FOR BOND SALE EXPENSES**

13 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . \$1,400,000  
14 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . \$1,400,000  
15 State Building Construction Account—State  
16 Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$3,921,000)~~)  
17 \$1,500,000  
18 Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Bond Account—  
19 State Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$24,000)~~)  
20 \$14,000  
21 State Taxable Building Construction Account—State  
22 Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$176,000)~~)  
23 \$56,000  
24 Columbia River Basin Water Supply Development  
25 Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$1,000  
26 School Construction and Skill Centers Building  
27 Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$1,000  
28 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . (~~(\$6,923,000)~~)  
29 \$4,372,000

30 **Sec. 1704.** 2024 c 376 s 706 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
31 follows:

32 **FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—STATE HEALTH CARE**  
33 **AFFORDABILITY ACCOUNT**

34 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . . \$55,000,000  
35 General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . (~~(\$45,000,000)~~)  
36 \$85,000,000  
37 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . (~~(\$100,000,000)~~)

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the state health care affordability account created in RCW 43.71.130.

(2) It is the intent of the legislature to continue the policy of expending \$5,000,000 into the account each fiscal year in future biennia for the purpose of funding premium assistance for customers ineligible for federal premium tax credits who meet the eligibility criteria established in section 214(4)(a) of this act. Future expenditures into the account are contingent upon approval of the waiver described in RCW 43.71.120.

**Sec. 1705.** 2024 c 376 s 707 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR SUNDRY CLAIMS**

The following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated from the general fund for fiscal year 2024 or fiscal year 2025, unless otherwise indicated, for relief of various individuals, firms, and corporations for sundry claims.

(1) These appropriations are to be disbursed on vouchers approved by the director of the department of enterprise services, except as otherwise provided, for reimbursement of criminal defendants acquitted on the basis of self-defense, pursuant to RCW 9A.16.110, as follows:

|                   |                                                                           |           |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| <del>((1))</del>  | <u>(a)</u> Clifford T. Snow, claim number 9991014081. . . . .             | \$13,659  |
| <del>((2))</del>  | <u>(b)</u> Shanna S. Parker, claim number 9991013694. . . . .             | \$14,913  |
| <del>((3))</del>  | <u>(c)</u> Leah M. Eggleson, claim number 9991013115. . . . .             | \$20,852  |
| <del>((4))</del>  | <u>(d)</u> Shannon E. Garner, claim number 9991013103. . . . .            | \$15,325  |
| <del>((5))</del>  | <u>(e)</u> Stephanie S. Westby, claim number 9991012517 . . . . .         | \$199,459 |
| <del>((6))</del>  | <u>(f)</u> Clyde E. McCoy, claim number 9991014232. . . . .               | \$139     |
| <del>((7))</del>  | <u>(g)</u> Kevin R. Ash, claim number 9991014512. . . . .                 | \$14,810  |
| <del>((8))</del>  | <u>(h)</u> Kenneth M. Salazar, claim number 9991014683. . . . .           | \$231,920 |
| <del>((9))</del>  | <u>(i)</u> Victor O. Alejandre-Mejia, claim number<br>9991014791. . . . . | \$213,298 |
| <del>((10))</del> | <u>(j)</u> James K. Warren, claim number 9991014924. . . . .              | \$20,844  |
| <del>((11))</del> | <u>(k)</u> Marcus Buchanan, claim number 9991015324. . . . .              | \$71,102  |
| <del>((12))</del> | <u>(l)</u> Lawrence Connor Norton, claim number<br>9991015445. . . . .    | \$110,000 |

~~((13))~~ (m) Abdifatah Abshir, claim number 9991015447. . . \$55,000  
 (n) Dustin G. Haynes, claim number 9991019217. . . . . \$27,610  
 (o) Shawn W. Rounsville, claim number 9991019165. . . . . \$53,336  
 (p) Irving Duffy, claim number 9991019023. . . . . \$6,000  
 (q) Nseka R. Bimwela, claim number 9991018991. . . . . \$680  
 (r) Aprillia M. Davis, claim number 9991018371. . . . . \$1,000  
 (s) Troy L. Wells, claim number 9991017443. . . . . \$29,273  
 (t) Tuwana D. Armstead, claim number 9991016087. . . . . \$7,756  
 (u) Eddie Sulcer, claim number 9991019574. . . . . \$361,725  
 (v) Sergio Villagomez, claim number 9991019809. . . . . \$11,153  
 (w) Joseph Ledbetter, claim number 9991020101. . . . . \$36,635  
 (x) Lamar Hopkins, claim number 9991020169. . . . . \$6,702  
 (y) Jeffrey Hickman, claim number 9991020647. . . . . \$6,542  
 (z) Joseph Van Housen, claim number 9991020723. . . . . \$10,403  
 (aa) Matthew Good, claim number 9991020930. . . . . \$247,582  
 (bb) Bruce Johnson, claim number 9991021411. . . . . \$10,828  
 (2) This appropriation is to be disbursed on a voucher approved  
 by the director of the department of enterprise services, except as  
 otherwise provided, for payment of compensation for wrongful  
 convictions pursuant to RCW 4.100.060, as follows:  
 Ezequiel Apolo-Albino, claim number 9991021025. . . . . \$450,344

**Sec. 1706.** 2024 c 376 s 713 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE WASHINGTON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT COUNCIL—OPPORTUNITY  
SCHOLARSHIP MATCH TRANSFER ACCOUNT**

Workforce Education Investment Account—State

|                              |                               |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Appropriation. . . . .       | (( <del>\$14,856,000</del> )) |
|                              | <u>\$14,635,000</u>           |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | (( <del>\$14,856,000</del> )) |
|                              | <u>\$14,635,000</u>           |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the opportunity scholarship match transfer account created in RCW 28B.145.050.

**Sec. 1707.** 2024 c 376 s 717 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:



**FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY**

Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal

|                              |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| Appropriation. . . . .       | \$250,000,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . | \$250,000,000 |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: The entire coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund—federal appropriation is provided solely to the office of financial management for allocation to state agencies for costs eligible to be paid from the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund and where funding is provided elsewhere in this act or the capital omnibus appropriations act for those costs using a funding source other than the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund. For any agency receiving an allocation under this section, the office must place an equal amount of the agency's state or other source appropriation authority in unallotted reserve status, and those amounts may not be expended. In determining the use of amounts appropriated in this section, the office of financial management shall prioritize the preservation of state general fund moneys. The office must report on the use of the amounts appropriated in this section to the fiscal committees of the legislature when all coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund moneys are expended (~~or June 30, 2025, whichever is earlier~~)).

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1708.** A new section is added to 2024 c 376 (uncodified) to read as follows:

**FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—COMMUNITY PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ACCOUNT—OPERATING SUBACCOUNT**

|                                                     |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . . | \$2,248,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                        | \$2,248,000 |

The appropriation in this section is subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriation is provided solely for expenditure into the operating subaccount of the community preservation and development authority account created in RCW 43.167.040.

**Sec. 1709.** 2023 c 475 s 712 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—FOUNDATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES**

|                                                   |                            |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024)        | \$122,023,000              |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025)        | <del>(\$151,091,000)</del> |
|                                                   | <u>\$146,091,000</u>       |
| Foundational Public Health Services Account—State |                            |
| Appropriation                                     | \$28,050,000               |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                               | <del>(\$301,164,000)</del> |
|                                                   | <u>\$296,164,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for distribution as provided in RCW 43.70.515.

**Sec. 1710.** 2023 c 475 s 738 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT—HOME VISITING SERVICES ACCOUNT**

|                                            |                           |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024) | \$12,247,000              |
| General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025) | <del>(\$14,347,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$13,097,000</u>       |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION                        | <del>(\$26,594,000)</del> |
|                                            | <u>\$25,344,000</u>       |

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The appropriations are provided solely for expenditure into the home visiting services account created in RCW 43.216.130 for the home visiting program.

(End of part)

PART XVIII

OTHER TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 1801. 2024 c 376 s 801 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

FOR THE STATE TREASURER—STATE REVENUES FOR DISTRIBUTION

|                                                      |                                |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund Appropriation for fire insurance        |                                |
| premium distributions. . . . .                       | (( <del>\$14,606,000</del> ))  |
|                                                      | <u>\$15,046,000</u>            |
| General Fund Appropriation for prosecuting attorney  |                                |
| distributions. . . . .                               | \$8,690,000                    |
| General Fund Appropriation for boating safety and    |                                |
| education distributions. . . . .                     | (( <del>\$4,272,000</del> ))   |
|                                                      | <u>\$3,743,000</u>             |
| General Fund Appropriation for public utility        |                                |
| district excise tax distributions. . . . .           | (( <del>\$71,424,000</del> ))  |
|                                                      | <u>\$68,868,000</u>            |
| Death Investigations Account Appropriation for       |                                |
| distribution to counties for publicly funded         |                                |
| autopsies. . . . .                                   | (( <del>\$6,000,000</del> ))   |
|                                                      | <u>\$6,210,000</u>             |
| Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account Appropriation for  |                                |
| harbor improvement revenue distributions. . . . .    | (( <del>\$140,000</del> ))     |
|                                                      | <u>\$152,000</u>               |
| Timber Tax Distribution Account Appropriation for    |                                |
| distribution to "timber" counties. . . . .           | \$92,948,000                   |
| County Criminal Justice Assistance Appropriation. .  | (( <del>\$129,925,000</del> )) |
|                                                      | <u>\$130,355,000</u>           |
| Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance Appropriation. | (( <del>\$51,744,000</del> ))  |
|                                                      | <u>\$51,879,000</u>            |
| City-County Assistance Appropriation. . . . .        | (( <del>\$34,604,000</del> ))  |
|                                                      | <u>\$35,773,000</u>            |
| Liquor Excise Tax Account Appropriation for liquor   |                                |
| excise tax distribution. . . . .                     | (( <del>\$89,385,000</del> ))  |
|                                                      | <u>\$84,711,000</u>            |
| Columbia River Water Delivery Account Appropriation  |                                |
| for the Confederated Tribes of the Colville          |                                |
| Reservation. . . . .                                 | \$9,587,000                    |
| Columbia River Water Delivery Account Appropriation  |                                |
| for the Spokane Tribe of Indians. . . . .            | \$6,919,000                    |

1 Liquor Revolving Account Appropriation for liquor  
 2 profits distribution. . . . . \$98,876,000  
 3 General Fund Appropriation for other tax  
 4 distributions. . . . . \$104,000  
 5 Dedicated Cannabis Account Appropriation for  
 6 Cannabis Excise Tax distributions pursuant to  
 7 Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No.  
 8 5796 (cannabis revenue). This includes an  
 9 increase of \$1,178,000 which is an adjustment  
 10 for distributions made in fiscal year 2022. . . . . ((~~\$47,216,000~~))  
 11 \$43,707,000  
 12 General Fund Appropriation for Habitat Conservation  
 13 Program distributions. . . . . ((~~\$5,754,000~~))  
 14 \$4,675,000  
 15 General Fund Appropriation for payment in lieu of  
 16 taxes to counties under Department of Fish and  
 17 Wildlife Program. . . . . ((~~\$4,496,000~~))  
 18 \$4,134,000  
 19 Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Account  
 20 Appropriation for distribution to counties in  
 21 amounts not to exceed actual deposits into the  
 22 account and attributable to those counties'  
 23 share pursuant to RCW 43.79.520.. . . . ((~~\$28,630,000~~))  
 24 \$27,149,000  
 25 Manufacturing and Warehousing Job Centers Account  
 26 Appropriation for distribution to local taxing  
 27 jurisdictions to mitigate the unintended  
 28 revenue redistributions effect of sourcing law  
 29 changes pursuant to chapter 83, Laws of 2021  
 30 (warehousing & manufacturing jobs).. . . . \$7,780,000  
 31 State Crime Victim and Witness Assistance Account  
 32 Appropriation for distribution to counties.. . . . \$8,000,000  
 33 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ((~~\$721,100,000~~))  
 34 \$709,306,000  
 35 The total expenditures from the state treasury under the  
 36 appropriations in this section shall not exceed the funds available  
 37 under statutory distributions for the stated purposes.

1       **Sec. 1802.** 2024 c 376 s 802 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
2 follows:

3       **FOR THE STATE TREASURER—FOR THE COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE**  
4 **ACCOUNT**

|   |                                                |                              |
|---|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 5 | Impaired Driving Safety Appropriation. . . . . | (( <del>\$1,615,000</del> )) |
| 6 |                                                | <u>\$1,596,000</u>           |
| 7 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                   | (( <del>\$1,615,000</del> )) |
| 8 |                                                | <u>\$1,596,000</u>           |

9       The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
10 conditions and limitations: The amount appropriated in this section  
11 shall be distributed quarterly during the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium  
12 in accordance with RCW 82.14.310. This funding is provided to  
13 counties for the costs of implementing criminal justice legislation  
14 including, but not limited to: Chapter 206, Laws of 1998 (drunk  
15 driving penalties); chapter 207, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties);  
16 chapter 208, Laws of 1998 (deferred prosecution); chapter 209, Laws  
17 of 1998 (DUI/license suspension); chapter 210, Laws of 1998 (ignition  
18 interlock violations); chapter 211, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties);  
19 chapter 212, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties); chapter 213, Laws of 1998  
20 (intoxication levels lowered); chapter 214, Laws of 1998 (DUI  
21 penalties); and chapter 215, Laws of 1998 (DUI provisions).

22       **Sec. 1803.** 2024 c 376 s 803 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
23 follows:

24       **FOR THE STATE TREASURER—MUNICIPAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT**

|    |                                                |                              |
|----|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 25 | Impaired Driving Safety Appropriation. . . . . | (( <del>\$1,077,000</del> )) |
| 26 |                                                | <u>\$1,064,000</u>           |
| 27 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .                   | (( <del>\$1,077,000</del> )) |
| 28 |                                                | <u>\$1,064,000</u>           |

29       The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
30 conditions and limitations: The amount appropriated in this section  
31 shall be distributed quarterly during the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium  
32 to all cities ratably based on population as last determined by the  
33 office of financial management. The distributions to any city that  
34 substantially decriminalizes or repeals its criminal code after July  
35 1, 1990, and that does not reimburse the county for costs associated  
36 with criminal cases under RCW 3.50.800 or 3.50.805(2), shall be made  
37 to the county in which the city is located. This funding is provided  
38 to cities for the costs of implementing criminal justice legislation

including, but not limited to: Chapter 206, Laws of 1998 (drunk driving penalties); chapter 207, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties); chapter 208, Laws of 1998 (deferred prosecution); chapter 209, Laws of 1998 (DUI/license suspension); chapter 210, Laws of 1998 (ignition interlock violations); chapter 211, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties); chapter 212, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties); chapter 213, Laws of 1998 (intoxication levels lowered); chapter 214, Laws of 1998 (DUI penalties); and chapter 215, Laws of 1998 (DUI provisions).

**Sec. 1804.** 2024 c 376 s 804 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE STATE TREASURER—TRANSFERS**

Dedicated Cannabis Account: For transfer to the basic health plan trust account, the lesser of the amount determined pursuant to RCW 69.50.540 or this amount for fiscal year 2024, \$250,000,000 and this amount for fiscal year 2025, \$250,000,000. . . . . \$500,000,000

Dedicated Cannabis Account: For transfer to the state general fund, the lesser of the amount determined pursuant to RCW 69.50.540 or this amount for fiscal year 2024, \$155,000,000 and this amount for fiscal year 2025, \$155,000,000. . . . . \$310,000,000

Tobacco Settlement Account: For transfer to the state general fund, in an amount not to exceed the actual amount of the annual base payment to the tobacco settlement account for fiscal year 2024. . . . . \$92,000,000

Tobacco Settlement Account: For transfer to the state general fund, in an amount not to exceed the actual amount of the annual base payment to the tobacco settlement account for fiscal year 2025 and additional payments for fiscal year 2025 resulting from the diligent enforcement settlement. . . . . ((~~\$92,000,000~~))  
\$375,000,000

State Treasurer's Service Account: For transfer to the state general fund, \$15,000,000 for fiscal

1 year 2024 and \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 2025.  
 2 It is the intent of the legislature to continue  
 3 this policy in the subsequent fiscal biennium.. . . . \$30,000,000  
 4 General Fund: For transfer to the fair fund under  
 5 RCW 15.76.115, \$3,500,000 for fiscal year 2024  
 6 and \$3,500,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . . \$7,000,000  
 7 Financial Services Regulation Account: For transfer  
 8 to the state general fund, \$3,500,000 for  
 9 fiscal year 2024 and \$3,500,000 for fiscal year  
 10 2025. It is the intent of the legislature to  
 11 continue this policy in the subsequent fiscal  
 12 biennium.. . . . \$7,000,000  
 13 General Fund: For transfer to the wildfire response,  
 14 forest restoration, and community resilience  
 15 account, solely for the implementation of  
 16 chapter 298, Laws of 2021 (2SHB 1168)  
 17 (long-term forest health),  
 18 \$52,224,000 for fiscal year 2024 and  
 19 \$56,725,000 for fiscal year  
 20 2025. . . . . \$108,949,000  
 21 Washington Rescue Plan Transition Account: For  
 22 transfer to the state general fund,  
 23 \$1,302,000,000 for fiscal year 2024 and  
 24 \$798,000,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . . \$2,100,000,000  
 25 Business License Account: For transfer to the state  
 26 general fund, ((~~\$7,200,000~~)) \$7,400,000 for  
 27 fiscal year 2025. . . . . ((~~\$7,200,000~~))  
 28 \$7,400,000  
 29 General Fund: For transfer to the manufacturing and  
 30 warehousing job centers account pursuant to RCW  
 31 82.14.545 for distribution in section 801 of  
 32 this act, \$4,320,000 for fiscal year 2024 and  
 33 \$3,460,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . . \$7,780,000  
 34 Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Account: For  
 35 transfer to the state general fund as full  
 36 repayment of the long-term services program  
 37 start-up costs and interest, in an amount not  
 38 to exceed the actual amount of the total  
 39 remaining principal and interest of the loan,  
 40 for fiscal year 2024. . . . . \$66,000,000

|    |                                                                       |                               |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1  | General Fund: For transfer to the forest resiliency                   |                               |
| 2  | account trust fund, \$4,000,000 for fiscal year                       |                               |
| 3  | 2024. . . . .                                                         | \$4,000,000                   |
| 4  | Water Pollution Control Revolving Administration                      |                               |
| 5  | Account: For transfer to the water pollution                          |                               |
| 6  | control revolving account, \$6,000,000 for                            |                               |
| 7  | fiscal year 2024. . . . .                                             | \$6,000,000                   |
| 8  | General Fund: For transfer to the salmon recovery                     |                               |
| 9  | account, \$3,000,000 for fiscal year 2024. . . . .                    | \$3,000,000                   |
| 10 | Washington Student Loan Account: For transfer to the                  |                               |
| 11 | state general fund, \$40,000,000 for fiscal year                      |                               |
| 12 | 2024 and \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . .                   | \$50,000,000                  |
| 13 | Model Toxics Control Operating Account: For transfer                  |                               |
| 14 | to the state general fund, \$50,000,000 for                           |                               |
| 15 | fiscal year 2025. . . . .                                             | \$50,000,000                  |
| 16 | General Fund: For transfer to the home security                       |                               |
| 17 | fund, \$44,500,000 for fiscal year 2024 and                           |                               |
| 18 | \$4,500,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . .                             | \$49,000,000                  |
| 19 | General Fund: For transfer to the state drought                       |                               |
| 20 | preparedness account, \$2,000,000 for fiscal                          |                               |
| 21 | year 2024. . . . .                                                    | \$2,000,000                   |
| 22 | General Fund: For transfer to the disaster response                   |                               |
| 23 | account, \$12,500,000 for fiscal year 2024                            |                               |
| 24 | and (( <del>\$10,000,000</del> )) <u>\$57,000,000</u> for fiscal year |                               |
| 25 | 2025. . . . .                                                         | (( <del>\$22,500,000</del> )) |
| 26 |                                                                       | <u>\$69,500,000</u>           |
| 27 | From auction proceeds received under RCW                              |                               |
| 28 | 70A.65.100(7)(b): For transfer to the air                             |                               |
| 29 | quality and health disparities improvement                            |                               |
| 30 | account, \$2,500,000 for fiscal year 2024. . . . .                    | \$2,500,000                   |
| 31 | From auction proceeds received under RCW                              |                               |
| 32 | 70A.65.100(7)(c): For transfer to the air                             |                               |
| 33 | quality and health disparities improvement                            |                               |
| 34 | account, \$2,500,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . .                    | \$2,500,000                   |
| 35 | Climate Investment Account: For transfer to the                       |                               |
| 36 | carbon emissions reduction account,                                   |                               |
| 37 | (( <del>\$200,000,000</del> )) <u>\$5,847,000</u> for fiscal year     |                               |
| 38 | 2025 no later than October 15, 2024. <u>It is the</u>                 |                               |
| 39 | <u>intent of the legislature to make an additional</u>                |                               |
| 40 | <u>transfer of \$194,153,000 planned in fiscal year</u>               |                               |



|    |                                                                  |                           |
|----|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1  | <u>2027 to ensure a total of \$200,000,000 is</u>                |                           |
| 2  | <u>transferred.</u> . . . . .                                    | (((\$200,000,000))        |
| 3  |                                                                  | <u>\$5,847,000</u>        |
| 4  | <del>((Climate Investment Account: For transfer to the</del>     |                           |
| 5  | <del>climate commitment account,</del>                           |                           |
| 6  | <del>\$170,000,000 for fiscal year 2025.</del> . . . . .         | <del>\$170,000,000</del>  |
| 7  | <del>Climate Investment Account: For transfer to the</del>       |                           |
| 8  | <del>natural climate solutions account, \$70,000,000</del>       |                           |
| 9  | <del>for fiscal year 2025.</del> . . . . .                       | <del>\$70,000,000))</del> |
| 10 | Climate Investment Account: For transfer to the                  |                           |
| 11 | carbon emissions reduction account,                              |                           |
| 12 | (((\$324,000,000)) <u>\$162,000,000</u> on or after              |                           |
| 13 | January 1, 2025. <u>It is the intent of the</u>                  |                           |
| 14 | <u>legislature to make an additional transfer of</u>             |                           |
| 15 | <u>\$162,000,000 planned in fiscal year 2027 to</u>              |                           |
| 16 | <u>ensure a total of \$324,000,000 is transferred.</u> . . . . . | (((\$324,000,000))        |
| 17 |                                                                  | <u>\$162,000,000</u>      |
| 18 | General Fund: For transfer to the death                          |                           |
| 19 | investigations account, \$3,000,000 for fiscal                   |                           |
| 20 | year 2024 <u>and \$55,000 for fiscal year 2025.</u> . . . . .    | (((\$3,000,000))          |
| 21 |                                                                  | <u>\$3,055,000</u>        |
| 22 | General Fund: For transfer to the local government               |                           |
| 23 | archives account, \$1,900,000 for fiscal year                    |                           |
| 24 | 2025. . . . .                                                    | \$1,900,000               |
| 25 | Joint Legislative Systems Committee Subaccount of                |                           |
| 26 | the Savings Incentive Account: For transfer                      |                           |
| 27 | to the general fund, \$819,000 for fiscal year                   |                           |
| 28 | 2024. . . . .                                                    | \$819,000                 |
| 29 | General Fund: For transfer to the motor vehicle                  |                           |
| 30 | account—state, \$14,000,000 for fiscal year                      |                           |
| 31 | 2024. . . . .                                                    | \$14,000,000              |
| 32 | General Fund: For transfer to the stadium world                  |                           |
| 33 | cup capital account, \$10,000,000 for fiscal                     |                           |
| 34 | year 2024. . . . .                                               | \$10,000,000              |
| 35 | <u>Military Department Active State Service Account:</u>         |                           |
| 36 | <u>For transfer to the state general fund,</u>                   |                           |
| 37 | <u>\$149,000 for fiscal year 2025.</u> . . . . .                 | <u>\$149,000</u>          |
| 38 | <u>Military Department Capital Account: For transfer</u>         |                           |
| 39 | <u>to the state general fund, \$350,000 for</u>                  |                           |
| 40 | <u>fiscal year 2025.</u> . . . . .                               | <u>\$350,000</u>          |

1 Military Department Rent and Lease Account: For  
 2 transfer to the state general fund,  
 3 \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . . \$1,000,000  
 4 Industrial Insurance Premium Refund Account:  
 5 For transfer to the state general fund,  
 6 \$4,121,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . . \$4,121,000  
 7 Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority  
 8 Account: For transfer to the state general  
 9 fund, \$800,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . . \$800,000  
 10 Secretary of State's Revolving Account: For  
 11 transfer to the state general fund,  
 12 \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . . \$15,000,000  
 13 Natural Climate Solutions Account: For transfer to  
 14 the natural resource real property  
 15 replacement account for repayment of the loan  
 16 made in section 3245, chapter 19, Laws of  
 17 2013, pertaining to the purchase of the  
 18 Teanaway property and community forest,  
 19 \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2025. . . . . \$10,000,000  
 20 Electric Vehicle Incentive Account: For transfer  
 21 to the state general fund, \$67,697,000 for  
 22 fiscal year 2025. . . . . \$67,697,000  
 23 Port District Equity Fund: For transfer to the  
 24 state general fund, \$1,000,000 for fiscal  
 25 year 2025. . . . . \$1,000,000  
 26 Public Service Revolving Account: For transfer  
 27 to the state general fund, \$250,000 for  
 28 fiscal year 2025. . . . . \$250,000

(End of part)

**PART XIX**  
**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Sec. 1901.** 2023 sp.s. c 1 s 35 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

The appropriations in this section are provided to the office of public defense and are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

The following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are each appropriated: \$3,000,000 from the state general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024; and (~~(\$6,000,000)~~) \$5,000,000 from the state general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. The amounts in this section are provided solely for the purpose of RCW 2.70.200.

**Sec. 1902.** 2024 c 328 s 204 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

(1) The department of children, youth, and families shall provide funding and support for two pilot programs to implement an evidence-based, comprehensive, intensive, in-home parenting services support model to serve children and families from birth to age 18 who are involved in child welfare, children's mental health, or juvenile justice systems.

(2) The pilot programs established in this section are intended to prevent or limit out-of-home placement through trauma-informed support to the child, caregivers, and families with three in-person, in-home sessions per week and provide on-call crisis support 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

(3) One pilot program established in this section will serve families west of the crest of the Cascade mountain range and one pilot program established in this section will serve families east of the crest of the Cascade mountain range. Each pilot program will build upon existing programs to avoid duplication of existing services available to children and families at risk of entering the child welfare system.

(4) This section expires (~~(July 1, 2026)~~) June 30, 2025.

**Sec. 1903.** RCW 34.12.130 and 1982 c 189 s 9 are each amended to read as follows:

1       The administrative hearings revolving fund is hereby created in  
2 the state treasury for the purpose of centralized funding,  
3 accounting, and distribution of the actual costs of the services  
4 provided to agencies of the state government by the office of  
5 administrative hearings. During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the  
6 legislature may direct the state treasurer to transfer money in the  
7 administrative hearings revolving fund to the state general fund.

8       **Sec. 1904.** RCW 38.40.200 and 2005 c 252 s 1 are each amended to  
9 read as follows:

10       The military department capital account is created in the state  
11 treasury. All receipts from the sale of state-owned military  
12 department property must be deposited into the account. Money in the  
13 account may be spent only after appropriation. Expenditures from the  
14 account may be used only for military department capital projects.  
15 During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct the  
16 state treasurer to transfer money in the military department capital  
17 account to the state general fund.

18       **Sec. 1905.** RCW 38.40.210 and 2005 c 252 s 2 are each amended to  
19 read as follows:

20       The military department rental and lease account is created in  
21 the state treasury. All receipts from the rental or lease of state-  
22 owned military department property must be deposited into the  
23 account. Money in the account may be spent only after appropriation.  
24 Expenditures from the account may be used only for operating and  
25 maintenance costs of military property. During the 2023-2025 fiscal  
26 biennium, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to transfer  
27 money in the military department rental and lease account to the  
28 state general fund.

29       **Sec. 1906.** RCW 38.40.220 and 2008 c 44 s 1 are each amended to  
30 read as follows:

31       The military department active state service account is created  
32 in the state treasury. Moneys may be placed in the account from  
33 legislative appropriations and transfers, federal appropriations, or  
34 any other lawful source. Moneys in the account may be spent only  
35 after appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used only  
36 for claims and expenses for the organized militia called into active  
37 state service to perform duties under RCW 38.08.040 that are not paid

1 under RCW 38.24.010 from nonappropriated funds, including but not  
2 limited to claims and expenses arising from anticipated planning,  
3 training, exercises, and other administrative duties that are not of  
4 an emergency nature. During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the  
5 legislature may direct the state treasurer to transfer money in the  
6 military department active state service account to the state general  
7 fund.

8 **Sec. 1907.** RCW 43.07.130 and 2015 c 176 s 8102 are each amended  
9 to read as follows:

10 There is created within the state treasury a revolving fund, to  
11 be known as the "secretary of state's revolving fund," which must be  
12 used by the office of the secretary of state to defray the costs of  
13 providing registration and information services authorized by law by  
14 the office of the secretary of state, and any other cost of carrying  
15 out the functions of the secretary of state under Title 11, 18, 19,  
16 23, 23B, 24, 25, 26, 30A, 30B, 42, 43, or 64 RCW.

17 The secretary of state is authorized to charge a fee for  
18 publications in an amount which will compensate for the costs of  
19 printing, reprinting, and distributing such printed matter. Fees  
20 recovered by the secretary of state under RCW 43.07.120(2),  
21 19.09.305, 19.09.315, 19.09.440, 23.95.260(1) (a)(ii) and (iii) and  
22 (d), or 46.64.040, and such other moneys as are expressly designated  
23 for deposit in the secretary of state's revolving fund must be placed  
24 in the secretary of state's revolving fund.

25 During the ~~((2005-2007))~~ 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the  
26 legislature may direct the treasurer to transfer money from the  
27 secretary of state's revolving fund to the state general fund (~~((such~~  
28 ~~amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the fund))~~).

29 **Sec. 1908.** RCW 43.330.365 and 2023 c 435 s 8 are each amended to  
30 read as follows:

31 The electric vehicle incentive account is created in the state  
32 treasury. Revenues to the account shall consist of appropriations and  
33 transfers by the legislature and all other moneys directed for  
34 deposit into the account. Moneys in the account may only be spent  
35 after appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used for  
36 programs and incentives that promote the purchase or conversion to  
37 alternative fuel vehicles to further state climate goals under RCW

1 70A.45.020 and environmental justice goals under 70A.02 RCW,  
2 including but not limited to:

3 (1) Income-qualified grant programs to retire vehicles and  
4 replace them with alternative fuel vehicles;

5 (2) Programs to provide grants for the installation of electric  
6 vehicle infrastructure to support electric vehicle adoption; and

7 (3) Programs to conduct research and public outreach regarding  
8 adoption of alternative fuel vehicles.

9 During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct  
10 the state treasurer to transfer money in the electric vehicle  
11 incentive account to the state general fund.

12 **Sec. 1909.** RCW 46.66.080 and 2023 c 388 s 3 are each amended to  
13 read as follows:

14 (1) The Washington auto theft prevention authority account is  
15 created in the state treasury, subject to appropriation. Revenues  
16 consist of deposits to the account under RCW 48.14.020(1)(b) and all  
17 receipts from gifts, grants, bequests, devises, or other funds from  
18 public and private sources to support the activities of the auto  
19 theft prevention authority must be deposited into the account.  
20 Expenditures from the account may be used only for activities  
21 relating to motor vehicle theft, including education, prevention, law  
22 enforcement, investigation, prosecution, and confinement.

23 (2) The authority shall allocate moneys appropriated from the  
24 account to public agencies for the purpose of establishing,  
25 maintaining, and supporting programs that are designed to prevent  
26 motor vehicle theft, including:

27 (a) Financial support to prosecution agencies to increase the  
28 effectiveness of motor vehicle theft prosecution;

29 (b) Financial support to a unit of local government or a team  
30 consisting of units of local governments to increase the  
31 effectiveness of motor vehicle theft enforcement;

32 (c) Financial support for the procurement of equipment and  
33 technologies for use by law enforcement agencies for the purpose of  
34 enforcing motor vehicle theft laws; and

35 (d) Financial support for programs that are designed to educate  
36 and assist the public in the prevention of motor vehicle theft.

37 (3) The costs of administration shall not exceed 10 percent of  
38 the moneys in the account in any one year so that the greatest

possible portion of the moneys available to the authority is expended on combating motor vehicle theft.

(4) Prior to awarding any moneys from the Washington auto theft prevention authority account for motor vehicle theft enforcement, the auto theft prevention authority must verify that the financial award includes sufficient funding to cover proposed activities.

(5) Moneys expended from the Washington auto theft prevention authority account under subsection (2) of this section shall be used to supplement, not supplant, other moneys that are available for motor vehicle theft prevention.

(6) Grants provided under subsection (2) of this section constitute reimbursement for purposes of RCW 43.135.060(1).

(7) During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to transfer money in the Washington auto theft prevention authority account to the state general fund.

**Sec. 1910.** RCW 51.44.170 and 2011 c 5 s 917 are each amended to read as follows:

The industrial insurance premium refund account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. All industrial insurance refunds earned by state agencies or institutions of higher education under the state fund retrospective rating program shall be deposited into the account. The account is subject to the allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for expenditures from the account. Only the executive head of the agency or institution of higher education, or designee, may authorize expenditures from the account. No agency or institution of higher education may make an expenditure from the account for an amount greater than the refund earned by the agency. If the agency or institution of higher education has staff dedicated to workers' compensation claims management, expenditures from the account must be used to pay for that staff, but additional expenditure from the account may be used for any program within an agency or institution of higher education that promotes or provides incentives for employee workplace safety and health and early, appropriate return-to-work for injured employees. During the 2009-2011 fiscal biennium, the legislature may transfer from the industrial insurance premium refund account to the state general fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the account. During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to transfer money in

1 the industrial insurance premium refund account to the state general  
2 fund.

3       **Sec. 1911.** RCW 53.20.090 and 2024 c 194 s 6 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5       (1) The port district equity fund is created in the custody of  
6 the state treasurer. Moneys to the account may consist of  
7 appropriations by the legislature, contributions from county and  
8 local governments and port districts, and private contributions.  
9 Expenditures from the account may only be used to make grants to port  
10 districts under RCW 43.330.610. Only the director of the department  
11 of commerce or the director's designee may authorize expenditures  
12 from the account. The account is subject to the allotment procedures  
13 under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for  
14 expenditures.

15       (2) The department of commerce shall provide management services  
16 for the port district equity fund. The department shall establish  
17 procedures for fund management. The department shall develop the  
18 grant criteria, monitor the grant program, and select grant  
19 recipients.

20       (3) The department of commerce shall prepare and publish an  
21 annual report on its website detailing grants made under this  
22 section, the uses to which the grants have been put, and the benefits  
23 that have been realized.

24       (4) During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
25 direct the state treasurer to transfer money in the port district  
26 equity fund to the state general fund.

27       **Sec. 1912.** RCW 72.09.780 and 2023 c 195 s 2 are each amended to  
28 read as follows:

29       (1) The department is authorized to acquire, receive, possess,  
30 sell, resell, deliver, dispense, distribute, and engage in any  
31 activity constituting the practice of pharmacy or wholesale  
32 distribution with respect to abortion medications.

33       (2) The department may exercise the authority granted in this  
34 section for the benefit of any person, whether or not the person is  
35 in the custody or under the supervision of the department.

36       (3) The department shall exercise the authority granted in this  
37 section in accordance with any applicable law including, but not  
38 limited to, any applicable licensing requirements, except that the



department is exempt from obtaining a wholesaler's license for any actions taken pursuant to chapter 195, Laws of 2023 as provided in RCW 18.64.046.

(4)(a) The department shall establish and operate a program to deliver, dispense, and distribute abortion medications described in this section. In circumstances in which the department is selling, delivering, or distributing abortion medications to a health care provider or health care entity, it may only sell, distribute, or deliver abortion medications to health care providers and health care entities that will only use the medications for the purposes of providing abortion care or medical management of early pregnancy loss.

(b) ~~((Any))~~ Except as provided in (c) of this subsection, any abortion medications sold, resold, delivered, dispensed, or distributed whether individually or wholesale shall be conducted at cost not to exceed list price, plus a fee of \$5 per dose to offset the cost of secure storage and delivery of medication. Revenues generated pursuant to chapter 195, Laws of 2023 shall be deposited to the general fund.

(c) During the 2025 fiscal year, any abortion medications sold, resold, delivered, dispensed, or distributed whether individually or wholesale shall be conducted at cost not to exceed list price.

(5) Nothing in this section shall diminish any existing authority of the department.

(6) For the purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Abortion medications" means substances used in the course of medical treatment intended to induce the termination of a pregnancy including, but not limited to, mifepristone.

(b) "Deliver" has the same meaning as in RCW 18.64.011.

(c) "Dispense" has the same meaning as in RCW 18.64.011.

(d) "Distribute" has the same meaning as in RCW 18.64.011.

(e) "Health care entity" means a hospital, clinic, pharmacy, office, or similar setting where a health care provider provides health care to patients.

(f) "Health care provider" has the same meaning as in RCW 70.02.010.

(g) "Person" has the same meaning as in RCW 18.64.011.

(h) "Practice of pharmacy" has the same meaning as in RCW 18.64.011.

(i) "Wholesale distribution" has the same meaning as in WAC 246-945-001.

**Sec. 1913.** RCW 80.01.080 and 2017 3rd sp.s. c 25 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:

There is created in the state treasury a public service revolving fund. Regulatory fees payable by all types of public service companies shall be deposited to the credit of the public service revolving fund. Except for expenses payable out of the pipeline safety account, all expense of operation of the Washington utilities and transportation commission shall be payable out of the public service revolving fund. During the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to transfer money in the public service revolving fund to the state general fund.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1914.** If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1915.** Except for section 940 of this act, this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately.

Passed by the Senate April 27, 2025.

Passed by the House April 27, 2025.

Approved by the Governor May 20, 2025, with the exception of certain items that were vetoed.

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Note: Governor's explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"I am returning herewith, without my approval as to Sections 114(11), 117(8), 126(20), 129(16), 129(18), 129(19), 129(28), 129(30), 129(31), 129(32), 129(34), 129(35), 129(36), 129(37), 130(28), 131(11), 131(12), 131(16), 132(10), 133(15), 133(16), 152, page 95, lines 15-25, 155(4), 203(2)(d), 204(27), 206(2), 211(51), 211(60), 214(61)(d), 214(68)(c), 219(16), 225(17), 226(16), 230(7)(f)(i), 234(27), 235(20), 235(23), 234(26), 236(21), 237(1), 302(15), 302(16), 302(35), 302(37), 302(38), 302(40), 305(7), 305(8), 305(10), 305(11), 308(27), 309(3), 310(10), 310(19), 310(20), 311(14), 311(18), 401, page 340, line 7, 401(3), 401(6), 605(39), 606(64), 610(3)(f), 942, 1202(14), 1207, page 848, lines 22-23, 1208, page 850, lines 1-2, 1223, page 1058, line 28, page 1059, lines 8-9, 1223(6), 1223(26), 1223(36), 1223(41), 1223(42), 1223(43), Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5167 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to fiscal matters."

**Section 114(11), page 11, Administrative Office of the Courts, Interbranch Advisory Committee**

This section provides funding to make the Interbranch Advisory Committee a permanent committee within the Administrative Office of the Courts. Because this committee is already established, the new funding is unnecessary. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 114(11).

**Section 117(8), page 18, Office of the Governor, Clemency and Pardons**

This section states that appropriations for the Governor's Office for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 are sufficient to implement Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1131 (Clemency and Pardons Board). E2SHB 1131 expands the membership of the Clemency and Pardons Board, makes board members eligible for compensation, and makes changes to the board's process of reviewing applications and other functions. The Legislature did not provide funding to implement this expansion of the board's work. Therefore, I am vetoing Section 117(8). I intend to seek the necessary funding to support the work contemplated by E2SHB 1131 in the next budget.

**Section 126(20), page 30, Office of the Attorney General, Digital Electronics/Repair**

This item provides funding to implement Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1483 related to digital electronics/repair. The Office of the Attorney General may utilize its Miscellaneous Program Account to pay for the cost of implementing this bill. Therefore, I am vetoing Section 126(20).

**Section 129(16), page 37, Department of Commerce, Cultural Programs/Navigation Support**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce for a grant to a nonprofit to support individuals facing language and cultural barriers engaging with public services. While supporting access to public services is valuable, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(16).

**Section 129(18), pages 37-38, Department of Commerce, Domestic Violence Intervention Treatment**

This section provides funding for the Department of Commerce to continue a study comparing domestic violence intervention models. Exploring intervention models for domestic violence is worthwhile, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(18).

**Section 129(19), page 38, Department of Commerce, Teen Center Counseling/Case Services**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for a nonprofit that operates a teen case management and housing connections support program. Supporting programs and services for youth is important, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(19).

**Section 129(28), page 42, Department of Commerce, Opioid Prevention and Treatment**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for an association to coordinate opioid treatment and prevention services. While coordination to support opioid prevention and treatment is valuable, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(28).

**Section 129(30), page 42, Department of Commerce, Afghan Women Learning and Translation Services**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for an organization that provides translation services for low-income Afghan women and girls. Supporting greater access to translation services provides value, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(30).

**Section 129(31), page 42, Department of Commerce, Farm Worker Telehealth Services**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for an organization that provides telehealth services for Washington farm workers. Increasing access to telehealth services is worthwhile, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(31).

**Section 129(32), pages 42-43, Department of Commerce, Healthy Relationship Skill-Building**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for an organization that provides programming to facilitate healthy relationship skill building girl groups. Creating skill building opportunities for our youth is valuable, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(32).

**Section 129(34), page 43, Department of Commerce, Spanish Speakers for HIV Services**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for an organization that supports Spanish speakers in accessing HIV treatment. Expanding access to HIV treatment is important, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(34).

**Section 129(35), page 43, Department of Commerce, Refugee Skating Lessons**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for an organization that provides skating lessons for preschoolers from low-income families. Growing youth enrichment opportunities is beneficial, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(35).

**Section 129(36), page 43, Department of Commerce, Spanish Speaking Community Services**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for an organization that provides bilingual, free, community health services, programs, and outreach. Access to free community health services supports communities, but I am vetoing this item because of

the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(36).

**Section 129(37), page 43, Department of Commerce, Health Services Study**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for a study of the effectiveness of a Seattle organization's health delivery model. While this is important, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 129(37).

**Section 130(28), page 54, Department of Commerce, Senior Independent Living Study**

This section provides funding for the Department of Commerce to study how to create a register of housing options that are marketed as "Senior Independent Living" communities to individuals aged 55 years or older. Supporting our seniors is important to me, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 130(28).

**Section 131(11), page 57, Department of Commerce, Document Management System**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for a grant to the City of Battle Ground for a document management system. While this is valuable work, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 131(11).

**Section 131(12), page 57, Department of Commerce, Biometric Monitoring System**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for a grant to the City of Issaquah for a pilot biometric monitoring system. While this is important, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 131(12).

**Section 131(16), page 58, Department of Commerce, Digital Navigator Program**

This section provides funding to the Department of Commerce solely for grants to entities that provide digital navigator services, devices, and subscriptions. Digital navigator services are worthwhile, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 131(16).

**Section 132(10), page 61, Department of Commerce, Quantum Computing Strategy**

This section provides funding for the Department of Commerce to develop a quantum computing strategy. Though important, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 132(10). In recognition of the importance that quantum computing has on our state's economic future, I am directing the department to develop industry partnerships, identify gaps, and offer specific policy recommendations to build Washington's quantum computing ecosystem.

**Section 133(15), page 69, Department of Commerce, Battery Energy Storage Systems**

This section provides funding for the Department of Commerce to develop guidance documents on different types of battery storage systems technologies. Creating this type of guidance can be beneficial, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 133(15).

**Section 133(16), page 69, Department of Commerce, Local Government Energy Guidebook**

This section provides funding for the Department of Commerce to create a local government clean energy guidebook. While such a guidebook has value, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 133(16).

**Section 152, page 95, lines 15-25, Board for Volunteer Firefighters, Study of Volunteer Firefighter Occupational Disease**

This section directs the Board for Volunteer Firefighters to contract with the Department of Commerce to study the extension of duty-related occupational disease presumptions in volunteer firefighters. The Advisory Committee on Occupational Disease Presumptions, housed in the Department of Labor and Industries, was established in 2019 to specifically review scientific evidence regarding occupational diseases for first responders. This study is duplicative of those efforts. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 152, page 95, lines 15-25.

**Section 155(4), page 100, Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, Multiagency Permitting Team**

This section provides new funding for the Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation to participate in the Multiagency Permitting Team for streamlining the review of environmental restoration projects that directly impact fish habitat. The funding supports the work associated with the Habitat Recovery Pilot Program, created by the passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1382 in 2021. The program sunsets on June 30, 2025, and legislation extending the program failed to pass in the 2025 legislative session. Without the accompanying statutory authority to change the permitting process and requirements, the benefits of this work are limited. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 155(4).

However, I am supportive of the concept of streamlining permitting for habitat restoration projects, and I am requesting the agencies listed on the Multiagency Permitting Team to explore submitting request legislation next session that would reauthorize the Habitat Recovery Program.

**Section 203(2)(d), pages 128-129, Department of Social and Health Services, Rainier School Water Ownership/Operations**

This section requires the Department of Social and Health Services to develop recommendations for the future ownership of the Rainier School water treatment facility and suggested outcomes for the Rainier School property. It is no longer necessary to immediately address the future plans for the facility because Substitute Senate Bill 5393 delays closure and the department will continue to provide operational support for the water treatment facility at Rainier School. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 203(2)(d). However, I

am directing the department to uphold the commitment to work closely with the City of Buckley, impacted communities, people with lived experience, and families of Rainier School residents to develop the best strategies for the future of the water treatment services and any potential benefits of the sale, transfer, or alternative use of the property.

**Section 204(27), page 136, Department of Social and Health Services, Senior Outreach Services**

This section requires the Department of Social and Health Services to provide outreach services and case management to seniors living in the southwest King County region. The department has funding available for this specific purpose and is prepared to serve the needs of seniors in the community within existing program resources. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 204(27).

**Section 206(2), page 147, Department of Social and Health Services, Independent Living Services**

This section increases funding in fiscal year 2026 for independent living services through the Department of Social and Health Services' Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. Increasing independent living options is worthwhile, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 206(2).

**Section 211(51), pages 168-169, Health Care Authority, 988 Project Funding**

This section requires the Health Care Authority to use the Department of Health's accounting codes for the 988 program. Given the restrictions of the state's current chart of accounts, the Health Care Authority cannot implement this section. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 211(51).

**Section 211(60), pages 172-173, Health Care Authority, HCMACS/Electronic Health Records**

This section requires the Health Care Authority to use the Department of Corrections' accounting codes for the HCMACS/Electronic Health Records project. Given the restrictions of the state's current chart of accounts, the Health Care Authority cannot implement this section. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 211(60).

**Section 214(61)(d), page 210, Health Care Authority, Crisis Relief Center Report**

This section directs the Health Care Authority to submit a report on a sustainable funding model for crisis relief center services. Funding was not provided for the work associated with the report and the timeline is not achievable. For these reasons, I am vetoing Section 214(61)(d).

**Section 214(68)(c), pages 213-214, Health Care Authority, Community Behavioral Health Services Task Force and Report**

This section directs the Health Care Authority to convene a task force and submit a report on the Community Behavioral Health Supports program. Funding was not provided for this work and the timeline is not achievable. For these reasons, I am vetoing Section 214(68)(c).

**Section 219(16), page 228, Department of Labor and Industries, Engrossed Senate Bill 5023, Domestic Workers**

This section provides funding to the Department of Labor and Industries to implement Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5023, which

did not pass the Legislature. Because the funding has lapsed, I am vetoing Section 219(16).

**Section 225(17), page 249, Department of Health, Music Therapist Fees**

This section provides funding for the Department of Health to continue implementation of the music therapist program and establish the Music Therapist Advisory Committee. This additional funding is not necessary because this work was done in the 2023-25 biennium and future operations will be supported by fees. For these reasons, I am vetoing Section 225(17).

**Section 226(16), page 254, Department of Health, Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Stipends**

This section funds a new program at the Department of Health to provide stipends for registered nurses who are training to become sexual assault nurse examiners. This training is valuable, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 226(16).

**Section 230(7)(f)(i), page 269, Department of Corrections, Opioid Treatment**

This section provides funding for the Department of Corrections to treat individuals in state prisons for opioid use disorder. The 2025-27 biennial budget changes the language in this proviso from the enacted 2024 supplemental budget, newly restricting this funding only to purchase medication. This leaves the department without funding for the medical professionals necessary to diagnose, treat, and monitor individuals receiving this medication. The department must have the flexibility with this funding for all aspects of opioid use disorder treatment to fulfill the direction in the proviso. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 230(7)(f)(i).

**Section 234(26), page 284, Department of Children, Youth, and Families, Foster Youth Rights Workgroup**

This section directs the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to convene a workgroup on the rights of foster youth. The amount appropriated by the Legislature is insufficient to conduct the workgroup. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 234(26).

**Section 234(27), pages 284-285, Department of Children, Youth, and Families, Pediatric Interim Care Center**

This section directs the Department of Children, Youth and Families to contract for a pediatric interim care center. The Legislature significantly reduced the funding for this program and while this is important, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 234(27).

**Section 235(20), pages 292-293, Department of Children, Youth, and Families, Expanding Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility Capacity**

This section directs the Department of Children, Youth and Families to develop and submit a proposal for expanding juvenile rehabilitation facility capacity. The 2025-27 capital budget includes two items that will produce similar information to what is directed by this item. In addition, the due date for this item does not allow enough time for the department to complete this work. For these reasons, I am vetoing Section 235(20). However, I am directing the department to include the information requested in this proviso in its final proposal.



**Section 235(23), pages 293-294, Department of Children, Youth, and Families, Secure Communication Contract**

This section provides funding for the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to implement a secure communication technology system in juvenile rehabilitation facilities. This one-time funding was provided for the 2025-27 biennium, but the technology system will have ongoing costs, which are currently unknown. Though this technology system is worthwhile, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges, funding cuts from the federal government, and the potential ongoing costs of such a system. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 235(23).

**Section 236(21), page 300, Department of Children, Youth, and Families, Mental Health Child Care Pilot**

This section directs the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to contract with a licensed child care center in Spokane with an existing mental health program to implement a trauma-informed early learning environment. The funding is not sufficient to conduct the procurement and provide contract oversight. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 236(21).

**Section 237(1), page 301, Department of Children, Youth, and Families, State Mentoring Program**

This section directs the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to contract for a program that mentors foster children and youth. The Legislature significantly reduced the funding for this program and, while valuable, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 237(1).

**Sections 302(15), pages 309-310; 302(16), pages 310-311, Department of Ecology, Offshore Wind Authorities Report**

These sections provide funding for the Department of Ecology to evaluate state siting and permitting authorities related to offshore wind and to convene a Tribal-state panel to advance the scientific understanding of the ecological impacts of offshore wind along the Washington coast. Given the current federal administration's position on offshore wind, this work is less time sensitive. I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For these reasons, I am vetoing Section 302(15) and Section 302(16). However, I am committed to continued dialogue with coastal Tribes regarding the future of offshore wind projects on Washington's coast.

**Section 302(35), pages 315-316, Department of Ecology, Walla Walla Site Cleanup**

This section provides funding for the Department of Ecology to enter into a contract to pay for access to conduct clean-up actions at sites adjacent to an underground storage tank gasoline spill in Walla Walla. The proviso diverges from how the state has historically invested cleanup funding. Washington law requires the responsible party to either pay for the cleanup or reimburse the state for the cleanup and associated work to address the impacts to human health and the environment. Affected properties can choose to pursue a private right of action pursuant to the Model Toxics Control Act to recover funds. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 302(35).

**Section 302(37), page 316, Department of Ecology, Nooksack Water Right Adjudication Settlement**

This section directs the Department of Ecology to engage relevant parties in a process that could result in a federal Indian water rights settlement through the Nooksack adjudication. The agency filed a general stream adjudication for the Nooksack watershed with the Whatcom County Superior Court on May 1, 2024. It is through this adjudication process that each water use in the watershed will be evaluated under Washington's water laws, and it is premature in the process to pursue a water rights settlement in fiscal year 2026. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 302(37).

**Section 302(38), page 316, Department of Ecology, Vancouver Lake Management Plan**

This section provides funding for the Department of Ecology to provide a grant to Clark County to develop and implement a plan to restore and maintain the health of Vancouver Lake. The department has funding in the current biennium for this purpose, and the work will be completed by June 30, 2025. Therefore, new funding in the 2025-27 biennium is not needed. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 302(38).

**Section 302(40), pages 316-317, Department of Ecology, Multiagency Permitting Team**

This section provides new funding for the Department of Ecology to participate in the Multiagency Permitting Team for streamlining the review of environmental restoration projects that directly impact fish habitat. The funding supports the work associated with the Habitat Recovery Pilot Program, created by the passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1382 in 2021. The program sunsets on June 30, 2025, and legislation extending the program failed to pass in the 2025 legislative session. Without the accompanying statutory authority to change the permitting process and requirements, the benefits of this work are limited. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 302(40).

However, I am supportive of the concept of streamlining permitting for habitat restoration projects, and I am requesting the agencies listed on the Multiagency Permitting Team to explore submitting request legislation next session that would reauthorize the Habitat Recovery Program.

**Section 305(7), page 319, Recreation and Conservation Office, Outdoor Recreation**

This section provides funding for the Recreation and Conservation Office to promote outdoor recreation access for underrepresented communities impacted by environmental inequities. While I remain committed to providing outdoor recreational access to underrepresented communities, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 305(7).

**Section 305(8), page 319, Recreation and Conservation Office, Lake Union Water Safety**

This section provides funding for the Recreation and Conservation Office to provide water safety education for recreators on Lake Union. Though water safety education has value, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 305(8).

**Section 305(10), pages 319-320, Recreation and Conservation Office, Recreation/Park Funding Workgroup**

This section provides funding for the Recreation and Conservation Office to convene a workgroup to evaluate state agency recreational and park funding and to explore long-term funding strategies as directed in Section 6 of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5390 (Access to Recreational Sites). I have vetoed Section 6 of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5390, and for this reason, I am vetoing Section 305(10).

**Section 305(11), page 320, Recreation and Conservation Office, Multiagency Permitting Team**

This section provides new funding for the Recreation and Conservation Office to participate in the Multiagency Permitting Team for streamlining the review of environmental restoration projects that directly impact fish habitat. The funding supports the work associated with the Habitat Recovery Pilot Program, created by the passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1382 in 2021. The program sunsets on June 30, 2025, and legislation extending the program failed to pass in the 2025 legislative session. Without the accompanying statutory authority to change the permitting process and requirements, the benefits of this work are limited. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 305(11).

However, I am supportive of the concept of streamlining permitting for habitat restoration projects, and I am requesting the agencies listed on the Multiagency Permitting Team to explore submitting request legislation next session that would reauthorize the Habitat Recovery Program.

**Section 308(27), pages 328-329, Department of Fish and Wildlife, Multiagency Permitting Team**

This section provides new funding for the Department of Fish and Wildlife to participate in the Multiagency Permitting Team for streamlining the review of environmental restoration projects that directly impact fish habitat. The funding supports the work associated with the Habitat Recovery Pilot Program, created by the passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1382 in 2021. The program sunsets on June 30, 2025, and legislation extending the program failed to pass in the 2025 legislative session. Without the accompanying statutory authority to change the permitting process and requirements, the benefits of this work are limited. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 308(27).

However, I am supportive of the concept of streamlining permitting for habitat restoration projects, and I am requesting the agencies listed on the Multiagency Permitting Team to explore submitting request legislation next session that would reauthorize the Habitat Recovery Program.

**Section 309(3), page 330, Puget Sound Partnership, Multiagency Permitting Team**

This section provides new funding for the Puget Sound Partnership to participate in the Multiagency Permitting Team for streamlining the review of environmental restoration projects that directly impact fish habitat. The funding supports the work associated with the Habitat Recovery Pilot Program, created by the passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1382 in 2021. The program sunsets on June 30, 2025, and legislation extending the program failed to pass in the 2025 legislative session. Without the accompanying statutory

authority to change the permitting process and requirements, the benefits of this work are limited. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 309(3).

However, I am supportive of the concept of streamlining permitting for habitat restoration projects, and I am requesting the agencies listed on the Multiagency Permitting Team to explore submitting request legislation next session that would reauthorize the Habitat Recovery Program.

**Section 310(10), pages 333-334, Department of Natural Resources, Multiagency Permitting Team**

This section provides new funding for the Department of Natural Resources to participate in the Multiagency Permitting Team for streamlining the review of environmental restoration projects that directly impact fish habitat. The funding supports the work associated with the Habitat Recovery Pilot Program, created by the passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1382 in 2021. The program sunsets on June 30, 2025, and legislation extending the program failed to pass in the 2025 legislative session. Without the accompanying statutory authority to change the permitting process and requirements, the benefits of this work are limited. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 310(10).

However, I am supportive of the concept of streamlining permitting for habitat restoration projects, and I am requesting the agencies listed on the Multiagency Permitting Team to explore submitting request legislation next session that would reauthorize the Habitat Recovery Program.

**Section 310(19), page 335, Department of Natural Resources, Surface Mine Reclamation**

This section provides additional funding for the Department of Natural Resources to implement Senate Bill 5319 (Surface Mine Reclamation Permit Fees). The bill raises fee revenue from surface mine operators for the department to oversee operation and reclamation of surface mines. The agency's existing expenditure authority from the Surface Mining Reclamation Account is sufficient to utilize the increased revenue. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 310(19).

**Section 310(20), page 335, Department of Natural Resources, Civil Enforcement Appeals**

This section provides funding for the Department of Natural Resources to implement Senate Bill 5334, which creates an appeals process for certain civil penalties issued by the department. The agency initially expected up to three appeals annually, which would require additional staff to support these appeals. Upon further consideration and conference with the Attorney General's Office, the agency now expects there will be fewer appeals annually and it can absorb any impact from that work within existing expenditure authority. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 310(20).

**Section 311(14), page 338, Department of Agriculture, Organic Farming Grants**

This section provides funding for the Department of Agriculture to contract with a nonprofit organization to administer a low-barrier grant program to support organic agriculture. Making organic agriculture more accessible is important, but I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts

from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 311(14).

**Section 311(18), pages 338-339, Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Equity**

This section provides funding for the Department of Agriculture to provide economic support, training, and services to those historically marginalized and underrepresented in agriculture. While it is important to advance equity and reduce disparities in the agricultural sector, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 311(18).

**Sections 401, page 340, line 7 and 401(3), pages 340-341, Department of Licensing, Senate Bill 5420, Veteran Benefits Access**

This section provides funding to the Department of Licensing to implement Senate Bill 5420, which did not pass the Legislature. Because the funding has lapsed, I am vetoing Section 401, page 340, line 7, and Section 401(3).

**Section 401(6), page 341, Department of Licensing, Real Estate Appraisers**

This section uses state general funds to supplement the Real Estate Appraiser License Program at the Department of Licensing. It also creates a cap on licensing fee rates for real estate appraisers which would lower the rates from current levels. Real estate appraisers, like all professions that receive oversight from the Department of Licensing, are required to support the program they operate under entirely through fees. This means the profession must periodically increase fees to accommodate for inflation and other cost factors. While this is difficult for professions, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For these reasons, I am vetoing Section 401(6).

**Section 605(39), page 401, State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, Hospitality Center of Excellence**

This section provides funding for the Hospitality Center of Excellence at Columbia Basin College. Though this is a worthwhile endeavor, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 605(39).

**Section 606(64), page 414, University of Washington, Housing Mini-Academy**

This section provides funding for the Housing Mini-Academy. Though this work is important, I am vetoing this item because of the state's significant fiscal challenges and funding cuts from the federal government. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 606(64).

**Section 610(3)(f), page 425, The Evergreen State College, Housing Cost Task Force**

This section provides funding to The Evergreen State College to implement Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1108 (Housing Cost Task Force). I have vetoed E2SHB 1108, and therefore, the funding has lapsed. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 610(3)(f).

**Section 942, pages 511-512, Department of Retirement Systems, Excess Compensation Threshold**

This section reduces the threshold where employers must reimburse the pension system for increased benefits that result from "excessive compensation," which is sometimes referred to as "pension spiking." The item would temporarily reduce one threshold from double-time to time-and-a-half, which creates administrative challenges for multiple state and local government employers. Additionally, a substantive change such as this is better achieved through a statutory change. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 942.

**Section 1202(14), page 787, Department of Social and Health Services, Design and Planning Activities for New Forensic Hospital**

Changes to fiscal year 2024 appropriations are prohibited in the 2025 supplemental budget because that fiscal year is closed. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 1202(14).

**Sections 1207, page 848, lines 22-23; 1208, page 850, lines 1-2, Department of Social and Health Services, Fiscal Year 2025 General Fund—State Appropriation**

The 2025 supplemental budget makes large reductions to the Department of Social and Health Services, leaving the agency in a position where it may not have sufficient resources to close fiscal year 2025. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 1207, page 848, lines 22-23, and Section 1208, page 850, lines 1-2.

**Section 1223, page 1058, line 28, and page 1059, lines 7-9, Employment Security Department, Top Line Appropriations**

This section changes the funding source for multiple items by using the Administrative Contingency Account instead of the General Fund and Workforce Education Investment Account. Several of these items do not fall within the allowable uses of the Administrative Contingency Account. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 1223, page 1058, line 28, and page 1059, lines 7-9. However, I am directing the Office of Financial Management, in collaboration with the Employment Security Department, to place any unexpended amounts in unallotted status.

**Section 1223(6), page 1060, Employment Security Department, Career Connected Learning**

The Workforce Education Investment Account appropriation was reduced for Career Connected Learning and replaced with Administrative Contingency Account funds. This is not currently an allowable use of the Administrative Contingency Account. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 1223(6).

**Section 1223(26), page 1065, Employment Security Department, AmeriCorps Living Stipend**

The General Fund—State appropriation for fiscal year 2025 was reduced for the Washington Service Corps living stipend increase and replaced with Administrative Contingency Account funds. This is not currently an allowable use of the Administrative Contingency Account. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 1223(26).

**Section 1223(36), page 1066, Employment Security Department, Transportation Network Navigators**

The General Fund—State appropriation for fiscal year 2025 was reduced for Transportation Network Navigators associated with a Paid Family and Medical Leave pilot program and replaced with Administrative Contingency Account funds. This is not currently an allowable use of the account. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 1223(36).

**Section 1223(41), page 1067, Employment Security Department, North Thurston Career Connected Learning Expansion**

The General Fund—State appropriation for fiscal year 2025 was reduced for a one-time Career Connected Learning expansion for North Central and replaced with Administrative Contingency Account funds. This is not currently an allowable use of the Administrative Contingency Account. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 1223(41).

**Section 1223(42), pages 1067-1068, Employment Security Department, Demographic Data Feasibility**

The General Fund—State appropriation for fiscal year 2025 was reduced for a one-time Demographic Data Feasibility study for the Unemployment Insurance program and the Paid Family and Medical Leave program and replaced with Administrative Contingency Account funds. This is not currently an allowable use of the Administrative Contingency Account. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 1223(42).

**Section 1223(43), pages 1068-1069, Employment Security Department, Wage Replacement Program Workgroup**

The General Fund—State appropriation for fiscal year 2025 was reduced for a wage replacement program for an undocumented workers work group and replaced with Administrative Contingency Account funds. This is not currently an allowable use of the Administrative Contingency Account. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 1223(43).

For these reasons I have vetoed Sections 114(11), 117(8), 126(20), 129(16), 129(18), 129(19), 129(28), 129(30), 129(31), 129(32), 129(34), 129(35), 129(36), 129(37), 130(28), 131(11), 131(12), 131(16), 132(10), 133(15), 133(16), 152, page 95, lines 15-25, 155(4), 203(2)(d), 204(27), 206(2), 211(51), 211(60), 214(61)(d), 214(68)(c), 219(16), 225(17), 226(16), 230(7)(f)(i), 234(27), 235(20), 235(23), 234(26), 236(21), 237(1), 302(15), 302(16), 302(35), 302(37), 302(38), 302(40), 305(7), 305(8), 305(10), 305(11), 308(27), 309(3), 310(10), 310(19), 310(20), 311(14), 311(18), 401, page 340, line 7, 401(3), 401(6), 605(39), 606(64), 610(3)(f), 942, 1202(14), 1207, page 848, lines 22-23, 1208, page 850, lines 1-2, 1223, page 1058, line 28, page 1059, lines 8-9, 1223(6), 1223(26), 1223(36), 1223(41), 1223(42), 1223(43) of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5167.

With the exception of Sections 114(11), 117(8), 126(20), 129(16), 129(18), 129(19), 129(28), 129(30), 129(31), 129(32), 129(34), 129(35), 129(36), 129(37), 130(28), 131(11), 131(12), 131(16), 132(10), 133(15), 133(16), 152, page 95, lines 15-25, 155(4), 203(2)(d), 204(27), 206(2), 211(51), 211(60), 214(61)(d), 214(68)(c), 219(16), 225(17), 226(16), 230(7)(f)(i), 234(27), 235(20), 235(23), 234(26), 236(21), 237(1), 302(15), 302(16), 302(35), 302(37), 302(38), 302(40), 305(7), 305(8), 305(10), 305(11), 308(27), 309(3), 310(10), 310(19), 310(20), 311(14), 311(18), 401, page 340, line 7, 401(3), 401(6), 605(39), 606(64), 610(3)(f), 942, 1202(14), 1207, page 848, lines 22-23, 1208, page 850, lines 1-2, 1223, page 1058, line 28, page 1059, lines 8-9, 1223(6), 1223(26), 1223(36), 1223(41), 1223(42), 1223(43), Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5167 is approved."

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