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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8226

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- BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
- 2 THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION ASSEMBLED:
- 3 THAT, At the next general election to be held in this state there
- 4 shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state for their
- 5 approval and ratification, or rejection, an amendment to Article VIII
- 6 of the Constitution of the state of Washington to read as follows:
- 7 Article VIII, section.... The state treasurer shall transfer into
- 8 an emergency reserve fund one-half of one percent of general fund--
- 9 state revenue collections from July 1, 1993, through June 30, 1994, one
- 10 percent from July 1, 1994, through June 30, 1995, and one and one-half
- 11 percent thereafter. During any fiscal biennium, the accumulated
- 12 balance in the fund shall never exceed the equivalent of five percent
- 13 of that biennium's general fund--state revenues. Any balance in excess
- 14 of five percent and any earnings shall be transferred by the state

- 1 treasurer to another account for use after appropriation for
- 2 construction of common school and higher educational facilities.
- 3 All withdrawals from the emergency reserve fund shall be pursuant
- 4 to a declaration of emergency by the governor and approval by two-
- 5 thirds of the membership of each house of the legislature.
- 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause
- 7 notice of the foregoing constitutional amendment to be published at
- 8 least four times during the four weeks next preceding the election in
- 9 every legal newspaper in the state.