

2 **ESSB 6354** - H COMM AMD  
3 By Committee on Health Care

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.79 RCW  
8 to read as follows:

9 (1) In any legal action, or settlement thereof, by the state of  
10 Washington to recover moneys expended by the state for the tobacco-  
11 related health care costs of state residents, and to the maximum extent  
12 permitted by court order, negotiated settlement, or federal law, the  
13 proceeds recovered for the state shall be subject to legislative  
14 appropriation and shall be deposited in the health services account  
15 established by RCW 43.72.900.

16 (2) In any legal action, or settlement thereof, by the state of  
17 Washington to recover moneys expended by the state for the tobacco-  
18 related health care costs of state residents, the attorney general  
19 shall seek a legal resolution of the action that is consistent with and  
20 maximizes the effect of subsection (1) of this section.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If any provision of this act or its  
22 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
23 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other  
24 persons or circumstances is not affected."

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