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By Senators Prentice, Wojahn, Winsley, Kline, Patterson, Heavey and Rasmussen

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1 AN ACT Relating to developing a national research center for
2 aviation history, space, and technology; adding a new chapter to Title
3 27 RCW; and making an appropriation.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the museum of
6 flight in Seattle, Washington, offers visitors an unparalleled
7 opportunity on the west coast to observe and learn about aviation and
8 space history. The legislature further finds that the museum currently
9 is home to the complete Hatfield collection of airline memorabilia from
10 1900 to 1960, the complete Elrey Jeppesen collection, and the Donald
11 Douglas library. The legislature recognizes that the museum was
12 recently rated first in overall satisfaction and first in educational
13 value in a national survey conducted by Morely and Associates. The
14 legislature further finds that the museum may continue to develop as
15 one of the nation's finest museums with the addition of a national
16 research center for aviation history, space, and technology. The
17 center will enable the museum to increase public accessibility to
18 existing archives and serve as a study and research center for teachers
19 and scholars throughout the northwest. The center will also contribute

1 to the goal of making the museum of flight the finest nongovernment air
2 and space museum in the nation by the year 2003.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The national research center for aviation
4 history, space, and technology account is created in the custody of the
5 department of community, trade, and economic development. The museum
6 of flight may match funds from the state on a dollar-for-dollar basis.
7 Disbursements from the account may be on the authorization of the
8 museum of flight. The account is subject to allotment procedures under
9 chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for
10 expenditures.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Sections 1 and 2 of this act constitute a
12 new chapter in Title 27 RCW.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The sum of seven hundred fifty thousand
14 dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for
15 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, from the general fund to the
16 department of community, trade, and economic development for the
17 purposes of this act.

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