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1 AN ACT Relating to moneys received by the state pursuant to
2 litigation or settlements with the tobacco industry; adding a new
3 section to chapter 43.72 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.72 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 Unless otherwise directed by an act of congress or, in the case of
8 a lawsuit against the tobacco industry, the ensuing settlement or
9 judicial determination, any recovery for damages received by the state
10 in any such settlement or litigation, exclusive of costs and fees,
11 shall be deposited into the health services account and be subject to
12 legislative appropriation for purposes specified in RCW 43.72.900.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
14 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
15 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
16 immediately.

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