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HOUSE BILL 1132

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By Representatives Romero, Skinner, Lantz, Hankins, Ogden, Radcliff,  
Mitchell and Lambert

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1            AN ACT Relating to the capitol furnishings preservation committee;  
2 adding a new section to chapter 27.48 RCW; adding a new section to  
3 chapter 43.19 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that those historic  
6 furnishings that illustrate the history of the state of Washington  
7 should be maintained and preserved for the use and benefit of the  
8 people of the state. It is the purpose of this act to establish the  
9 capitol furnishings preservation committee to increase the awareness of  
10 the public and state employees about the significance of the  
11 furnishings within the state capitol campus buildings as envisioned by  
12 the original architects Wilder and White.

13            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 27.48 RCW  
14 to read as follows:

15            (1) Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions  
16 in this section apply throughout this section.

1 (a) "State capitol group" includes the legislative building, the  
2 insurance building, the Cherberg building, the John L. O'Brien  
3 building, and the temple of justice building.

4 (b) "Historic furnishings" means furniture, fixtures, and artwork  
5 fifty years of age or older.

6 (2) The capitol furnishings preservation committee is established  
7 to promote and encourage the recovery and preservation of the original  
8 and historic furnishings of the state capitol group, prevent future  
9 loss of historic furnishings, and review and advise future remodeling  
10 and restoration projects as they pertain to historic furnishings.

11 (3) The membership of the committee shall include: Two members of  
12 the house of representatives, one from each major caucus, appointed by  
13 the speaker of the house of representatives; two members of the senate,  
14 one from each major caucus, appointed by the president of the senate;  
15 the chief clerk of the house of representatives; the secretary of the  
16 senate; the governor or the governor's designee; the lieutenant  
17 governor or the lieutenant governor's designee; a representative from  
18 the office of the secretary of state, the office of the state  
19 treasurer, the office of the state auditor, and the office of the  
20 insurance commissioner; a representative from the supreme court; a  
21 representative from the Washington state historical society, the  
22 department of general administration, and the Thurston county planning  
23 council, each appointed by the governor; and three private citizens,  
24 appointed by the governor.

25 (4) Any original or historic furnishings from the state capitol  
26 group is not surplus property under chapter 43.19 RCW unless authorized  
27 by the committee.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW  
29 to read as follows:

30 Original or historic furnishings from the state capitol group under  
31 section 2 of this act do not constitute surplus property under this  
32 chapter.

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