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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives H. Sommers, Sehlin, Romero, Wood and Schindler; by request of Secretary of State)

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1 AN ACT Relating to local government records; amending RCW
2 36.22.175; adding a new section to chapter 36.22 RCW; repealing 1996 c
3 245 s 2 (uncodified); providing an effective date; and declaring an
4 emergency.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.22.175 and 1996 c 245 s 1 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 In addition to any other charge authorized by law, the county
9 auditor shall charge a surcharge of one dollar per instrument for each
10 document recorded. Revenue generated through this surcharge shall be
11 transmitted monthly to the state treasurer for deposit in the archives
12 and records management account. These funds shall be used solely for
13 providing records scheduling, security microfilm inspection and
14 storage, archival preservation, cataloging, and indexing for local
15 government records and access to those records through the regional
16 branch archives of the division of archives and records management.
17 (~~(This section shall expire June 30, 2001.)~~)

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 36.22 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 (1) If there are surplus moneys in the archives and records
4 management account that are attributable to local revenues under RCW
5 36.22.175 or 40.14.027, then the secretary of state may:

6 (a) Provide records management training for local government; and

7 (b) Establish a competitive grant program for records management
8 and archive projects of local government as provided in subsection (2)
9 of this section.

10 Total expenditures for these purposes may not exceed four hundred
11 thousand dollars in any fiscal biennium. Any additional surplus moneys
12 shall be used for construction or improvement of specialized regional
13 facilities designed to serve the archives and records management needs
14 of local governments.

15 (2)(a) The competitive grant program shall solicit and prioritize
16 projects for records management and archive projects of local
17 government. The state archivist may adopt rules governing project
18 eligibility, evaluation, awarding of grants, requirement of records
19 management training for grant recipients, and other criteria.

20 (b) By January 1st of each even-numbered year, the advisory
21 committee established in RCW 40.14.027 shall review grant proposals and
22 establish a prioritized list of projects to be considered for funding.
23 The evaluation of proposals and development of the prioritized list
24 must be developed through open public meetings.

25 (c) Funding for projects within the program shall be granted
26 according to the ranking of each application on the prioritized list,
27 and projects may be funded only to the extent moneys are available
28 under subsection (1) of this section. A grant award may have an
29 effective date other than the date the project is placed on the
30 prioritized list.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** 1996 c 245 s 2 (uncodified) is repealed.

32 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate
33 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
34 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
35 June 30, 2001.

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