

2SSB 5370 - H COMM AMD

By Committee on Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) The economic development strategic reserve account is created
6 in the state treasury to be used only for the purposes of this section.

7 (2) Only the governor, in consultation with the director of the
8 department of community, trade, and economic development and the public
9 works board, may authorize expenditures from the account, subject to
10 appropriation by the legislature.

11 (3) Funding for a minimum of one full-time equivalent staff
12 position for the economic development commission and to cover any other
13 operational costs of the commission may be provided only through an
14 operating appropriation to the account.

15 (4) Expenditures from the account may be made to prevent closure of
16 a business or facility, to prevent relocation of a business or facility
17 in the state to a location outside the state, or to recruit a business
18 or facility to the state. Contingent on the funding of the account,
19 expenditures may be authorized for:

20 (a) Work force development;

21 (b) Public infrastructure needed to support or sustain the
22 operations of the business or facility; and

23 (c) Other lawfully provided assistance, including, but not limited
24 to, technical assistance, environmental analysis, relocation
25 assistance, and planning assistance. Funding may be provided for such
26 assistance only when it is in the public interest and may be provided
27 under a contractual arrangement ensuring that the state will receive
28 appropriate consideration, such as an assurance of job creation or
29 retention.

30 (5) The funds shall not be expended from the account unless:

1 (a) The circumstances are such that time does not permit the
2 director of the department of community, trade, and economic
3 development or the business or facility to secure funding from other
4 state sources;

5 (b) The business or facility produces or will produce significant
6 long-term economic benefits to the state, a region of the state, or a
7 particular community in the state;

8 (c) The business or facility does not require continuing state
9 support;

10 (d) The expenditure will result in new jobs, job retention, or
11 higher incomes for citizens of the state;

12 (e) The expenditure will not supplant private investment; and

13 (f) The expenditure is accompanied by private investment.

14 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.155.050 and 2001 c 131 s 2 are each amended to read
15 as follows:

16 The public works assistance account is hereby established in the
17 state treasury. Money may be placed in the public works assistance
18 account from the proceeds of bonds when authorized by the legislature
19 or from any other lawful source. Money in the public works assistance
20 account shall be used to make loans and to give financial guarantees to
21 local governments for public works projects. Moneys in the account may
22 also be appropriated to provide for state match requirements under
23 federal law for projects and activities conducted and financed by the
24 board under the drinking water assistance account. Not more than
25 fifteen percent of the biennial capital budget appropriation to the
26 public works board from this account may be expended or obligated for
27 preconstruction loans, emergency loans, or loans for capital facility
28 planning under this chapter; of this amount, not more than ten percent
29 of the biennial capital budget appropriation may be expended for
30 emergency loans and not more than one percent of the biennial capital
31 budget appropriation may be expended for capital facility planning
32 loans. In addition to other appropriations, beginning July 1, 2007,
33 and continuing until June 30, 2011, ten million dollars from the public
34 works assistance account will be appropriated each biennium to the
35 economic development strategic reserve account to be used for public
36 infrastructure expenditures only."

1 Correct the title.

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