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By Senators Kastama, Roach, Kline, Benton, Keiser, Fairley, Fraser, Haugen and Rasmussen

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1 AN ACT Relating to authorizing additional payroll deductions for  
2 state employees; and amending RCW 41.04.230.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.04.230 and 2002 c 61 s 5 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 Any official of the state authorized to disburse funds in payment  
7 of salaries and wages of public officers or employees is authorized,  
8 upon written request of the officer or employee, to deduct from the  
9 salaries or wages of the officers or employees, the amount or amounts  
10 of subscription payments, premiums, contributions, or continuation  
11 thereof, for payment of the following:

12 (1) Credit union deductions: PROVIDED, That twenty-five or more  
13 employees of a single state agency or a total of one hundred or more  
14 state employees of several agencies have authorized such a deduction  
15 for payment to the same credit union. An agency may, in its own  
16 discretion, establish a minimum participation requirement of fewer than  
17 twenty-five employees.

18 (2) Parking fee deductions: PROVIDED, That payment is made for

1 parking facilities furnished by the agency or by the department of  
2 general administration.

3 (3) U.S. savings bond deductions: PROVIDED, That a person within  
4 the particular agency shall be appointed to act as trustee. The  
5 trustee will receive all contributions; purchase and deliver all bond  
6 certificates; and keep such records and furnish such bond or security  
7 as will render full accountability for all bond contributions.

8 (4) Board, lodging or uniform deductions when such board, lodging  
9 and uniforms are furnished by the state, or deductions for academic  
10 tuitions or fees or scholarship contributions payable to the employing  
11 institution.

12 (5) Dues and other fees deductions: PROVIDED, That the deduction  
13 is for payment of membership dues to any professional organization  
14 formed primarily for public employees or college and university  
15 professors: AND PROVIDED, FURTHER, That twenty-five or more employees  
16 of a single state agency, or a total of one hundred or more state  
17 employees of several agencies have authorized such a deduction for  
18 payment to the same professional organization.

19 (6) Labor or employee organization dues, and voluntary employee  
20 contributions to any funds, committees, or subsidiary organizations  
21 maintained by labor or employee organizations, may be deducted in the  
22 event that a payroll deduction is not provided under a collective  
23 bargaining agreement under the provisions of (~~RCW 41.06.150~~) chapter  
24 41.80 RCW: PROVIDED, That twenty-five or more officers or employees of  
25 a single agency, or a total of one hundred or more officers or  
26 employees of several agencies have authorized such a deduction for  
27 payment to the same labor or employee organization: PROVIDED, FURTHER,  
28 That labor or employee organizations with five hundred or more members  
29 in state government may have payroll deduction for employee benefit  
30 programs.

31 (7) Insurance contributions to the authority for payment of  
32 premiums under contracts authorized by the state health care authority.  
33 However, enrollment or assignment by the state health care authority to  
34 participate in a health care benefit plan, as required by RCW  
35 41.05.065(5), shall authorize a payroll deduction of premium  
36 contributions without a written consent under the terms and conditions  
37 established by the public employees' benefits board.

1           (8) Deductions to a bank, savings bank, or savings and loan  
2 association if (a) the bank, savings bank, or savings and loan  
3 association is authorized to do business in this state; and (b) twenty-  
4 five or more employees of a single agency, or fewer, if a lesser number  
5 is established by such agency, or a total of one hundred or more state  
6 employees of several agencies have authorized a deduction for payment  
7 to the same bank, savings bank, or savings and loan association.

8           Deductions from salaries and wages of public officers and employees  
9 other than those enumerated in this section or by other law, may be  
10 authorized by the director of financial management for purposes clearly  
11 related to state employment or goals and objectives of the agency and  
12 for plans authorized by the state health care authority.

13           (9) Contributions to the Washington state combined fund drive.

14           The authority to make deductions from the salaries and wages of  
15 public officers and employees as provided for in this section shall be  
16 in addition to such other authority as may be provided by law:  
17 PROVIDED, That the state or any department, division, or separate  
18 agency of the state shall not be liable to any insurance carrier or  
19 contractor for the failure to make or transmit any such deduction.

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