

**HB 2436** - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Ways & Means

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

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 41.05.120 and 2005 c 518 s 921 and 2005 c 143 s 3 are  
4 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

5 (1) The public employees' and retirees' insurance account is hereby  
6 established in the custody of the state treasurer, to be used by the  
7 administrator for the deposit of contributions, the remittance paid by  
8 school districts and educational service districts under RCW  
9 28A.400.410, reserves, dividends, and refunds, for payment of premiums  
10 for employee and retiree insurance benefit contracts and subsidy  
11 amounts provided under RCW 41.05.085, and transfers from the  
12 ~~((medical))~~ flexible spending administrative account as authorized in  
13 RCW 41.05.123. Moneys from the account shall be disbursed by the state  
14 treasurer by warrants on vouchers duly authorized by the administrator.  
15 Moneys from the account may be transferred to the ~~((medical))~~ flexible  
16 spending administrative account to provide reserves and start-up costs  
17 for the operation of the ~~((medical))~~ flexible spending administrative  
18 account program.

19 (2) The state treasurer and the state investment board may invest  
20 moneys in the public employees' and retirees' insurance account. All  
21 such investments shall be in accordance with RCW 43.84.080 or  
22 43.84.150, whichever is applicable. The administrator shall determine  
23 whether the state treasurer or the state investment board or both shall  
24 invest moneys in the public employees' and retirees' insurance account.

25 ~~((During the 2005-07 fiscal biennium, the legislature may  
26 transfer from the public employees' and retirees' insurance account  
27 such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the fund.))~~ The  
28 public employees' benefits board benefits account is created in the  
29 state treasury. Moneys in the account must be used exclusively to  
30 purchase, through consolidated contracts, benefits or services approved

1 by the public employees' benefits board for the benefit of subscribers  
2 and members. Moneys in the account, including unanticipated receipts  
3 under RCW 43.79.270, may be spent only after appropriation by statute."

**HB 2436** - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Ways & Means

4 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "account;" strike the  
5 remainder of the title and insert "and reenacting and amending RCW  
6 41.05.120."

EFFECT: Requires that funds in the new account be spent only after appropriation by the legislature. Treats the new account similar to the health care authority administrative account. Benefits or services for PEBB members can be purchased using the new account only if those benefits or services have been approved by the Public Employees' Benefits Board.

--- END ---