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By Representatives Klippert, Appleton, MacEwen, Muri, Orwall, Goodman, Shea, Haler, Moscoso, Young, Scott, Zeiger, and McCaslin

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1 AN ACT Relating to transient lodging for military service members  
2 in armories; and amending RCW 38.20.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 38.20.010 and 2009 c 34 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 Except as provided in this section, state-owned armories shall be  
7 used strictly for military purposes.

8 (1) One room, together with the necessary furniture, heat, light,  
9 and janitor service, may be set aside for the exclusive use of bona  
10 fide veterans' organizations subject to the direction of the officer  
11 in charge. Members of these veterans' organizations and their  
12 auxiliaries shall have access to the room and its use at all times.

13 (2) A bona fide veterans' organization may use any state armory  
14 for athletic and social events without payment of rent whenever the  
15 armory is not being used by the organized militia. The adjutant  
16 general may require the veterans' organization to pay the cost of  
17 heating, lighting, or other miscellaneous expenses incidental to this  
18 use.

19 (3) The adjutant general may(~~(, during an emergency,)~~) permit  
20 transient lodging of service personnel in armories.

1 (4) The adjutant general may, upon the recommendation of the  
2 executive head or governing body of a county, city or town, permit  
3 transient lodging of anyone in armories. The adjutant general may  
4 require the county, city or town to pay no more than the actual cost  
5 of staffing, heating, lighting and other miscellaneous expenses  
6 incidental to this use.

7 (5) Civilian rifle clubs affiliated with the National Rifle  
8 Association of America are permitted to use small arms ranges in the  
9 armories at least one night each week under regulations prescribed by  
10 the adjutant general.

11 (6) State-owned armories shall be available, at the discretion of  
12 the adjutant general, for public and private use upon payment of  
13 rental charges and compliance with regulations of the state military  
14 department. Children attending primary and high schools have a  
15 preferential right to use these armories.

16 The adjutant general shall prepare a schedule of rental charges,  
17 including a cleaning deposit, and utility costs for each state-owned  
18 armory which may not be waived except for activities sponsored by the  
19 organized militia or activities provided for in subsection (4) of  
20 this section. The rental charges derived from armory rentals less the  
21 cleaning deposit shall be paid into the military department rental  
22 and lease account under RCW 38.40.210.

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