
SENATE BILL 5895

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By Senator Braun

1 AN ACT Relating to making expenditures from the budget
2 stabilization account for catastrophic wildfire events in fiscal year
3 2017; creating a new section; making appropriations; and declaring an
4 emergency.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the 2016
7 wildfires constituted a catastrophic event that resulted in a state
8 of emergency. The legislature intends to make appropriations from the
9 budget stabilization account to address this emergency.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES—
11 FIRES. The sum of \$19,123,000 is appropriated from the budget
12 stabilization account for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, and
13 is provided solely for fire suppression costs incurred by the
14 department of natural resources during the 2016 fire season. Amounts
15 provided in this section may not be used to pay for the department's
16 indirect and administrative expenses. For purposes of RCW
17 43.88.055(4), the appropriation in this section does not suspend the
18 requirements of RCW 43.88.055(1).

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE PATROL—FIRES. The
2 sum of \$4,735,000 is appropriated from the budget stabilization
3 account for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, and is provided
4 solely for Washington state fire service resource mobilization costs
5 incurred in response to an emergency or disaster authorized under RCW
6 43.43.960 through 43.43.964. For purposes of RCW 43.88.055(4), the
7 appropriation in this section does not suspend the requirements of
8 RCW 43.88.055(1).

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate
10 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
11 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
12 effect immediately.

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