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By House State Government & Tribal Relations (originally sponsored by Representatives Kretz, Chapman, Dent, Barnard, Ormsby, and Timmons)

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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing a memorial on the capitol campus
2 to commemorate eastern Washington; and adding new sections to chapter
3 43.34 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.34
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) Any cultural landscape feature established on the capitol
8 campus to commemorate the geological and cultural diversity of
9 eastern Washington must recognize the flora and fauna, rich
10 agriculture and forestry, and history of eastern Washington. Any such
11 cultural landscape feature must include floral components such as
12 ponderosa pine trees, quaking aspen trees, and western larch trees,
13 or other site-adapted species. The design of such a cultural
14 landscape feature must serve to celebrate the unique beauty of
15 eastern Washington, its unparalleled agricultural significance to the
16 state and world, and the deep history of these lands. The cultural
17 landscape feature will also serve as a place of enjoyment and
18 familiarity for those who call eastern Washington home.

19 (2) The capitol committee, or any subcommittee within, must
20 consult with the department of enterprise services and the department
21 of natural resources in its planning, planting, and placement of any

1 floral components to be used as part of the eastern Washington
2 cultural landscape feature.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.34
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) The Washington state eastern Washington cultural landscape
6 feature account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. The
7 purpose of the account is to support the establishment and
8 maintenance of the cultural landscape feature. The secretary of state
9 may solicit and accept moneys from gifts, grants, or endowments for
10 this purpose. All receipts from federal funds, gifts, or grants from
11 the private sector, foundations, or other sources must be deposited
12 into the account. Expenditures from the account may be used only for
13 the design, siting, permitting, construction, maintenance,
14 dedication, or creation of educational materials related to placement
15 of this cultural landscape feature on the capitol campus. Only the
16 secretary of state, or the secretary of state's designee, may
17 authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to
18 allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but appropriation is
19 not required for expenditures.

20 (2) The secretary of state may adopt rules governing the receipt
21 and use of funds in the account.

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