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HOUSE BILL 1083

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By Representatives Dent, Keaton, Dye, and Eslick

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1 AN ACT Relating to the distribution of aircraft fuel tax revenue;  
2 amending RCW 82.42.090; providing an effective date; and declaring an  
3 emergency.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 82.42.090 and 2017 3rd sp.s. c 25 s 42 are each  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (1) All moneys collected by the director from the aircraft fuel  
8 excise tax as provided in RCW 82.42.020 (~~shall~~) must be transmitted  
9 to the state treasurer and (~~shall~~) must be credited to the  
10 aeronautics account hereby created in the state treasury.

11 (2) Moneys collected from the consumer or user of aircraft fuel  
12 from either the use tax imposed by RCW 82.12.020 or the retail sales  
13 tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 (~~shall~~) must be transmitted to the  
14 state treasurer and distributed as follows:

15 (a)(i) During the period from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2027, an  
16 amount equivalent to imposing 0.5 percent tax must be credited to the  
17 aeronautics account; and

18 (ii) Beginning July 1, 2027, an amount equivalent to imposing a  
19 one percent tax must be credited to the aeronautics account; and

20 (b) An amount equivalent to 6.5 percent minus the amount in (a)  
21 of this subsection must be credited to the state general fund.

1       (3) Beginning July 1, 2025, the aviation division of the  
2 department of transportation must track the amount of additional  
3 funds awarded for airport projects through the airport aid grant  
4 program. The aviation division of the department of transportation  
5 must report annually to the transportation committees of the  
6 legislature for the years 2025 to 2031, and thereafter as needed. The  
7 report must include, but is not limited to:

8       (a) A short description of each airport project funded;

9       (b) The state grant amount from the aeronautics account  
10 contributed to each project;

11       (c) The amount of federal matching funds contributed to the  
12 project; and

13       (d) The amount of local airport sponsor matching funds  
14 contributed to the project.

15       (4) At the end of fiscal close of each biennium, beginning June  
16 30, 2027, the aviation division of the department of transportation  
17 must report to the senate ways and means, house appropriations, and  
18 the transportation committees of the legislature the estimated amount  
19 of funds returned to the general fund giving consideration of sales  
20 and business and occupation taxes generated as a result of the funded  
21 airport projects.

22       NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate  
23 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of  
24 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes  
25 effect July 1, 2025.

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