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By Representatives Donaghy, Reeves, and Ormsby; by request of Department of Licensing

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1 AN ACT Relating to transferring dedicated accounts for certain  
2 professional licenses to the business and professions account;  
3 amending RCW 43.24.150; creating a new section; repealing RCW  
4 18.08.240, 18.39.810, 18.96.210, 18.140.260, 18.220.120, and  
5 18.310.160; and providing an effective date.

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

7 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.24.150 and 2017 c 281 s 40 are each amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 (1) The business and professions account is created in the state  
10 treasury. All receipts from business or professional licenses,  
11 registrations, certifications, renewals, examinations, or civil  
12 penalties assessed and collected by the department from the following  
13 chapters must be deposited into the account:

14 (a) Chapter 18.08 RCW, architects, except as provided in RCW  
15 18.08.510;

16 (b) Chapter 18.11 RCW, auctioneers;

17 ~~((b))~~ (c) Chapter 18.16 RCW, cosmetologists, barbers, and  
18 manicurists;

19 ~~((e))~~ (d) Chapter 18.39 RCW, embalmers and funeral directors;

20 (e) Chapter 18.96 RCW, landscape architects;

21 (f) Chapter 18.140 RCW, certified real estate appraisers;

1        ~~(g)~~ Chapter 18.145 RCW, court reporters;  
2        ~~((d))~~ ~~(h)~~ Chapter 18.165 RCW, private investigators;  
3        ~~((e))~~ ~~(i)~~ Chapter 18.170 RCW, security guards;  
4        ~~((f))~~ ~~(j)~~ Chapter 18.185 RCW, bail bond agents;  
5        ~~((g))~~ ~~(k)~~ Chapter 18.220 RCW, geologists;  
6        ~~(l)~~ Chapter 18.280 RCW, home inspectors;  
7        ~~((h))~~ ~~(m)~~ Chapter 18.310 RCW, appraisal management companies;  
8        ~~(n)~~ Chapter 19.16 RCW, collection agencies;  
9        ~~((i))~~ ~~(o)~~ Chapter 19.31 RCW, employment agencies;  
10       ~~((j))~~ ~~(p)~~ Chapter 19.105 RCW, camping resorts;  
11       ~~((k))~~ ~~(q)~~ Chapter 19.138 RCW, sellers of travel;  
12       ~~((l))~~ ~~(r)~~ Chapter 42.45 RCW, notaries public;  
13       ~~((m))~~ ~~(s)~~ Chapter 64.36 RCW, timeshares;  
14       ~~((n))~~ ~~(t)~~ Chapter 67.08 RCW, boxing, martial arts, and  
15 wrestling;  
16       ~~((o))~~ ~~(u)~~ Chapter 68.05 RCW, funeral and cemetery board;  
17       ~~(v)~~ Chapter 18.300 RCW, body art, body piercing, and tattooing;  
18       ~~((p))~~ ~~(w)~~ Chapter 79A.60 RCW, whitewater river outfitters;  
19       ~~((q))~~ ~~(x)~~ Chapter 19.158 RCW, commercial telephone  
20 solicitation; and  
21       ~~((r))~~ ~~(y)~~ Chapter 19.290 RCW, scrap metal businesses.

22        Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.  
23        Expenditures from the account may be used only for expenses incurred  
24        in carrying out these business and professions licensing activities  
25        of the department. Any residue in the account must be accumulated and  
26        may not revert to the general fund at the end of the biennium.  
27        ~~((However, during the 2013-2015 fiscal biennium the legislature may  
28        transfer to the state general fund such amounts as reflect the excess  
29        fund balance in the account.))~~

30        (2) The director must biennially prepare a budget request based  
31        on the anticipated costs of administering the business and  
32        professions licensing activities listed in subsection (1) of this  
33        section, which must include the estimated income from these business  
34        and professions fees.

35        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.**    The following acts or parts of acts are  
36        each repealed:

37        (1) RCW 18.08.240 (Architects' license account) and 2018 c 207 s  
38        9, 1991 sp.s. c 13 s 2, 1985 c 57 s 4, & 1959 c 323 s 15;

- 1 (2) RCW 18.39.810 (Funeral and cemetery account) and 2018 c 299 s  
2 919 & 2009 c 102 s 24;
- 3 (3) RCW 18.96.210 (Landscape architects' license account) and  
4 2009 c 370 s 17;
- 5 (4) RCW 18.140.260 (Real estate appraiser commission account) and  
6 2005 c 339 s 20 & 2002 c 86 s 241;
- 7 (5) RCW 18.220.120 (Geologists' account) and 2000 c 253 s 13; and  
8 (6) RCW 18.310.160 (Appraisal management company account) and  
9 2010 c 179 s 16.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Any residual balance of funds remaining,  
11 as of December 31, 2025, in the architects' license account except as  
12 provided in RCW 18.08.510, the funeral and cemetery account, the  
13 landscape architects' license account, the real estate appraiser  
14 commission account, the geologists' account, and the appraisal  
15 management company account must be transferred to the business and  
16 professions account in RCW 43.24.150. The treasurer shall make the  
17 transfer after being notified by the office of financial management  
18 that it has completed the financial statement for fiscal year 2025,  
19 and no later than February 28, 2026.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act takes effect January 1, 2026.

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