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SENATE BILL 5310

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By Senators Haugen, Winsley, Wojahn and Prince; by request of Washington State Historical Society

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1 AN ACT Relating to heritage capital projects; adding a new section  
2 to chapter 27.34 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the state of  
5 Washington has a rich heritage in historical sites and artifacts that  
6 have the potential to provide life-long learning opportunities for  
7 citizens of the state. Further, the legislature finds that many of  
8 these historical treasures are not readily accessible to citizens, and  
9 that there is a need to create an ongoing program to support the  
10 capital needs of heritage organizations and facilities.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 27.34 RCW  
12 to read as follows:

13 The Washington state historical society shall establish a  
14 competitive process to solicit proposals for and prioritize heritage  
15 capital projects for potential funding in the state capital budget.  
16 The society shall adopt rules governing project eligibility and  
17 evaluation criteria. Application for funding of specific projects may  
18 be made to the society by local governments, public development

1 authorities, nonprofit corporations, tribal governments, and other  
2 entities, as determined by the society. The society, with the advice  
3 of leaders in the heritage field, shall establish a prioritized list of  
4 heritage capital projects to be recommended to the governor and the  
5 legislature by September 1st of each even-numbered year, beginning in  
6 1996. The governor and the legislature shall consider the prioritized  
7 list of heritage projects as a guide for appropriating funds to  
8 heritage capital projects beginning with the 1997-99 biennium and  
9 thereafter.

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