
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1896

State of Washington 60th Legislature 2007 Regular Session

By House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representative Hunt)

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating a legislative gift center; amending RCW
2 43.04.100; and adding a new chapter to Title 44 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that Washington is
5 committed to economic development and supporting the tourism industry,
6 and that economic development is achieved by promoting the state and
7 the goods produced around the state. The legislature further finds
8 that tourism is encouraged providing a memorable experience and an
9 opportunity for visitors to take something back home with them to
10 remind them of this experience. There are many visitors every day to
11 the legislative building, including tourists, school children, and
12 people from around the state visiting the state capitol. These
13 visitors offer an opportunity for the state to showcase its products
14 and history. Therefore, the legislature finds that a gift center in
15 the legislative building would be an appropriate response to this
16 opportunity, and further, that such a gift center could provide a
17 source of revenue to help fund the oral history program and to pay for
18 the restoration and repurchase of historical capitol furnishings.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) There is created in the legislature a
2 legislative gift center for the retail sale of products bearing the
3 state seal, Washington state souvenirs, other Washington products, and
4 other products as approved. Wholesale purchase of products for sale at
5 the legislative gift center is not subject to competitive bidding.

6 (2) Governance for the legislative gift center shall be under the
7 chief clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary of the
8 senate. They may designate a legislative staff member as the lead
9 staff person to oversee management and operation of the gift shop.

10 (3) The chief clerk of the house of representatives and secretary
11 of the senate shall consult with the department of general
12 administration in planning, siting, and maintaining legislative
13 building space for the gift center.

14 (4) Products bearing the "Seal of the State of Washington" as
15 described in Article XVIII, section 1 of the Washington state
16 Constitution and RCW 1.20.080, must have prior approval for sale in the
17 legislative gift center from the secretary of state pursuant to an
18 agreement between the chief clerk of the house of representatives, the
19 secretary of the senate, and the secretary of state.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) The legislative gift center account is
21 created in the custody of the state treasurer. All moneys received by
22 the gift center from the sale of Washington state souvenirs, other
23 Washington products, and other products as approved shall be deposited
24 in the account. Expenditures from the account may be used only for the
25 operations and maintenance of the gift center, including the purchase
26 of inventory, and for other purposes as provided in this section. Only
27 the director of the office of legislative facilities or the director's
28 designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is
29 subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an
30 appropriation is not required for expenditures.

31 (2) Net profits, after expenses, from the sale of Washington state
32 souvenirs, other Washington products, and products approved by the
33 legislative gift center, shall be deposited as provided in this
34 subsection:

35 (a) Twenty-five percent in the legislative oral history account in
36 chapter 44.04 RCW (created in Substitute House Bill No. 1741);

1 (b) Twenty-five percent in the oral history, state library, and
2 archives account created in RCW 43.07.380; and

3 (c) Fifty percent in the capitol furnishings preservation committee
4 account created in RCW 27.48.040.

5 (3) Net profits, after expenses, from the sale of items bearing the
6 state seal by the legislative gift center shall be deposited in the
7 capitol furnishings preservation committee account created in RCW
8 27.48.040. A full accounting thereof shall be provided to the
9 secretary of state.

10 (4) The legislative gift center may designate special sales, the
11 proceeds of which shall go to an account specified at the time of
12 designation.

13 **Sec. 4.** RCW 43.04.100 and 1988 c 120 s 10 are each amended to read
14 as follows:

15 All fees, penalties, and damages received under this chapter shall
16 be paid to the secretary of state and with the exception of the filing
17 fee authorized in RCW 43.04.040(2) shall be deposited by the secretary
18 into the capitol (~~(building construction account in the state treasury,
19 for use in the historical restoration and completion of the legislative
20 building))~~ furnishings preservation committee account created in RCW
21 27.48.040.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** Sections 1 through 3 of this act constitute
23 a new chapter in Title 44 RCW.

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