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1 AN ACT Relating to the building code council account; and amending
2 RCW 19.27.085.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 19.27.085 and 1989 c 256 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) There is hereby created the building code council account in
7 the state treasury. Moneys deposited into the account shall be used by
8 the building code council, after appropriation, to perform the purposes
9 of the council.

10 (2) All moneys collected under subsection (3) of this section shall
11 be deposited into the building code council account. Every four years
12 the state treasurer shall report to the legislature on the balances in
13 the account so that the legislature may adjust the charges imposed
14 under subsection (3) of this section. To the extent that funds are not
15 expended at the end of each fiscal year, the building code council may
16 maintain an operating contingency fund of up to six months' average
17 expenditure. One-half of this contingency may be used specifically for
18 additional participation in model code development, council or local
19 jurisdiction training, professional services, public outreach, and

1 legal counsel. Fees accumulated in excess of the contingency fund at
2 the end of a fiscal year must be made available to Washington state
3 city and county jurisdictions that have contributed to the fund,
4 through recognized statewide organizations, for training or the
5 advancement of public services as approved by the building code
6 council.

7 (3) There is imposed a fee of (~~four~~) five dollars and fifty cents
8 on each residential building permit issued by a county or a city, plus
9 an additional surcharge of two dollars for each residential unit, but
10 not including the first unit, on each building containing more than one
11 residential unit, and a fee of eight dollars for each nonresidential
12 permit issued. The legislature may revise these fees concurrently with
13 the four-year legislative fee review cycle at a rate of increase not to
14 exceed the sum of the consumer price index over the previous four years
15 in increments not less than five cents per permit. Quarterly each
16 county and city shall remit moneys collected under this section to the
17 state treasury; however, no remittance is required until a minimum of
18 fifty dollars has accumulated pursuant to this subsection.

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