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1 AN ACT Relating to the capitol furnishings preservation
2 committee; and amending RCW 27.48.040.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 27.48.040 and 1999 c 343 s 2 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the
7 definitions in this ~~((section))~~ subsection apply throughout this
8 section.

9 (a) "State capitol group" includes the legislative building, the
10 insurance building, the Cherberg building, the John L. O'Brien
11 building, the Newhouse building, ~~((and))~~ the Pritchard building, and
12 the temple of justice building. "State capitol group" also includes
13 the general administration building if the building is repurposed to
14 serve a different function or substantially remodeled.

15 (b) "Historic furnishings" means furniture, fixtures, and artwork
16 fifty years of age or older.

17 (2) The capitol furnishings preservation committee is established
18 to:

19 (a) Promote and encourage the recovery and preservation of the
20 original and historic furnishings of the state capitol group((7));

21 (b) Prevent future loss of historic furnishings((7)); and

1 (c) Review and advise future remodeling and restoration projects
2 as they pertain to historic furnishings. The committee's authority
3 does not extend to the placement of any historic furnishings within
4 the state capitol group.

5 (3) The capitol furnishings preservation committee account is
6 created in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts
7 designated for the account from appropriations and from other sources
8 must be deposited into the account. Expenditures from the account may
9 be used only to finance the activities of the capitol furnishings
10 preservation committee. Only the director of the Washington state
11 historical society or the director's designee may authorize
12 expenditures from the account when authorized to do so by the
13 committee. The account is subject to allotment procedures under
14 chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for
15 expenditures.

16 (4) The committee may:

17 (a) Authorize the director of the Washington state historical
18 society or the director's designee to expend funds from the capitol
19 furnishings preservation committee account for limited purposes of
20 purchasing and preserving historic furnishings of the state capitol
21 group;

22 (b) Accept monetary donations, grants, and donations of historic
23 furnishings from, but not limited to, (i) current and former
24 legislators, state officials, and lobbyists; (ii) the families of
25 former legislators, state officials, and lobbyists; and (iii) the
26 general public. Moneys received under this section must be deposited
27 in the capitol furnishings preservation committee account; ~~((and))~~

28 (c) Engage in or encourage fund-raising activities including
29 ~~((the solicitation of))~~ soliciting charitable gifts, grants, or
30 donations specifically for the limited purpose of the recovery of the
31 original and historic furnishings; and

32 (d) Engage in interpretive and educational activities, including
33 displaying historic furnishings.

34 (5) The membership of the committee shall include:

35 (a) Two members of the house of representatives, one from each
36 major caucus, appointed by the speaker of the house of
37 representatives;

38 (b) Two members of the senate, one from each major caucus,
39 appointed by the president of the senate;

1 (c) The chief clerk of the house of representatives or the chief
2 clerk's designee;
3 (d) The secretary of the senate or the secretary's designee;
4 (e) The governor or the governor's designee;
5 (f) The lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's
6 designee;
7 (g) A representative from the office of the secretary of state,
8 the office of the state treasurer, the office of the state auditor,
9 and the office of the insurance commissioner;
10 (h) A representative from the supreme court;
11 (i) A representative from the Washington state historical
12 society, the department of ((general-administration)) enterprise
13 services, and the Thurston ((county)) regional planning council, each
14 appointed by the governor; and
15 ((three)) (j) Six private citizens, appointed by the governor.
16 (6) Original or historic furnishings from the state capitol group
17 are not surplus property under chapter 43.19 RCW or other authority
18 unless designated as such by the committee.

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