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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6237**

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**State of Washington****68th Legislature****2024 Regular Session**

**By** Senate Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Salomon, Shewmake, Hasegawa, Liiias, Nobles, Randall, Valdez, and J. Wilson)

READ FIRST TIME 01/29/24.

1 AN ACT Relating to ensuring connectivity for Washington wildlife  
2 through safe passages; reenacting and amending RCW 43.84.092,  
3 43.84.092, and 43.84.092; adding a new section to chapter 47.04 RCW;  
4 adding a new section to chapter 77.36 RCW; adding a new section to  
5 chapter 46.68 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 77.04 RCW;  
6 creating a new section; providing effective dates; and providing  
7 expiration dates.

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

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that:

10 (a) Vehicle collisions kill over 5,000 deer and 300 elk, hundreds  
11 of black bears, cougars, bobcats, and coyotes, and tens of thousands  
12 of small mammals and amphibians in Washington state per year. Such  
13 loss depletes the state's natural heritage, depriving residents of  
14 wildlife watching and hunting opportunities, and weakening ecosystem  
15 functions required to support human well-being;

16 (b) Wildlife vehicle collisions with deer and elk alone cost  
17 Washington residents over \$74,000,000 per year in lost work from  
18 injury, medical treatment, vehicle damage, emergency response, and  
19 insurance payouts. This does not include the cost of lost wildlife;

20 (c) Human development and roads cause loss and fragmentation of  
21 habitat, reducing the total area and quality of habitat available to

1 Washington state's wildlife populations, and impeding normal patterns  
2 of movement that wildlife need to meet their daily, seasonal, and  
3 long-term life history and population viability needs. For example,  
4 Washington state lost over 1.1 million acres of forestland to other  
5 uses between 1978 and 2019, and over 80 percent of shrub-steppe  
6 habitat has been lost since European settlement;

7 (d) Climate change is already causing wildlife populations to  
8 shift home ranges in search of more suitable habitats. Fragmented  
9 landscapes with barriers to movement make it more difficult for  
10 wildlife to meet their normal needs and to adapt to climate change;

11 (e) Preventing the loss of remaining intact landscape corridors  
12 and vulnerable core habitats is crucial for preventing large-scale  
13 loss of Washington's biological diversity;

14 (f) The state of Washington and partners have built wildlife  
15 crossing structures over and under Interstate 90 and retrofitted one  
16 underpass on United States route 97. These structures have reduced  
17 wildlife-vehicle collisions by 90 percent in the areas near the  
18 crossing structures, showing that this is an effective method of  
19 improving wildlife habitat connectivity and public safety; and

20 (g) The state of Washington has developed some of the best  
21 wildlife habitat connectivity science in the United States. The  
22 department of fish and wildlife, in consultation with the department  
23 of transportation, has begun to develop the Washington habitat  
24 connectivity action plan to synthesize that science and propose  
25 priority actions to protect habitat connectivity corridors and  
26 facilitate passage of wildlife across the state's highways.

27 (2) Therefore, it is the intent of the legislature to direct the  
28 departments of fish and wildlife and transportation, in cooperation  
29 with other state agencies as needed, to identify and protect wildlife  
30 habitat connectivity corridors and build appropriate crossing  
31 structures to preserve the natural heritage of the state and to  
32 improve highway safety by reducing wildlife vehicle collisions.

33 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 47.04  
34 RCW to read as follows:

35 (1) The department and the department of fish and wildlife shall  
36 develop an integrated strategy to implement and periodically update  
37 the Washington wildlife habitat connectivity action plan developed by  
38 the department of fish and wildlife. In developing their integrated  
39 wildlife habitat connectivity strategy, the department and the

1 department of fish and wildlife shall consult with tribal  
2 governments, federal agencies, and nongovernmental partners  
3 representing nonprofit conservation organizations and academia, for  
4 recommending funding strategies and priorities to the legislature,  
5 and developing agency budget requests.

6 (2) The integrated wildlife habitat connectivity strategy should  
7 include the following objectives:

8 (a) Help advance projects that provide safe passage for wildlife  
9 and the traveling public;

10 (b) Enhance or maintain ecological connectivity for Washington's  
11 fish and wildlife species;

12 (c) Bring together state and federal agencies, tribal  
13 governments, and a diverse cadre of nongovernmental partners that  
14 represent academia, nonprofit organizations, and biological and  
15 engineering sciences in the furtherance of this purpose; and

16 (d) Establish a framework for prioritization, oversight, and  
17 funding recommendations related to implementing the Washington  
18 wildlife habitat connectivity action plan developed by the department  
19 of fish and wildlife, and the utilization of funds in the Washington  
20 wildlife corridors and Washington wildlife crossings accounts in  
21 sections 3 and 4 of this act.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 77.36  
23 RCW to read as follows:

24 (1) The Washington wildlife corridors account is created in the  
25 state treasury. The account may receive moneys appropriated to the  
26 account from the general fund and the capital appropriations act and  
27 other funding sources as directed or appropriated by the legislature.  
28 Private donations may be made to the account. Moneys in the account  
29 may be spent only after appropriation.

30 (2) Expenditures from the account may be used for implementation  
31 of strategic activities that promote the protection and management of  
32 wildlife corridors as identified in the Washington wildlife habitat  
33 connectivity action plan developed by the department pursuant to  
34 section 308(29), chapter 475, Laws of 2023 including, but not limited  
35 to:

36 (a) The purchase of land or interest in land through voluntary  
37 conservation easements to protect habitat within key connectivity  
38 corridors guided by the Washington wildlife habitat connectivity  
39 action plan developed by the department;

1 (b) Landowner assistance programs including fencing removal and  
2 invasive weed control and other habitat restoration activities within  
3 corridors;

4 (c) Required updates under sections 2 and 5 of this act to the  
5 Washington wildlife habitat connectivity action plan; and

6 (d) Department administrative and personnel staffing needs for  
7 implementation of the Washington wildlife habitat connectivity action  
8 plan.

9 (3) Biennial spending plans shall be developed consistently with  
10 the integrated wildlife habitat connectivity strategy directed in  
11 section 2 of this act.

12 (4) Beginning in 2026, the department of transportation and the  
13 department of fish and wildlife shall jointly report by June 30th of  
14 each even-numbered year, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, to the  
15 appropriate committees of the legislature, the governor's office, and  
16 the fish and wildlife commission on expenditures from the account and  
17 how the expenditures have furthered implementation of the Washington  
18 wildlife habitat connectivity action plan; and additional funding  
19 necessary to accomplish the goals of the Washington wildlife habitat  
20 connectivity action plan, including estimates for agency staffing  
21 needs, matching funds for federal grant opportunities, and other  
22 allowable expenditures specified in this section and section 4 of  
23 this act.

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 46.68  
25 RCW to read as follows:

26 (1) The Washington wildlife crossings account is created in the  
27 state treasury. The account may receive moneys appropriated to the  
28 account from the transportation appropriations act and other funding  
29 sources as directed by the legislature. Private donations may be made  
30 to the account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after  
31 appropriation.

32 (2) Expenditures from the account may be used for the design,  
33 construction, identification, restoration, and protection of wildlife  
34 crossings and other highway features to reduce wildlife-vehicle  
35 collisions and habitat fragmentation in this state. Authorized uses  
36 of funds in the account include but are not limited to:

37 (a) Conducting feasibility studies, planning, engineering design,  
38 construction of crossing structures, retrofits, fencing, wildlife  
39 jump-outs, and other features for crossing structures identified as

1 priorities in the Washington wildlife habitat connectivity action  
2 plan developed by the department of fish and wildlife;

3 (b) Using as match for federal grants to construct wildlife  
4 crossing structures;

5 (c) Incorporating wildlife connectivity features into the design  
6 and construction of fish passage projects where appropriate;

7 (d) Conducting monitoring studies of the effectiveness of  
8 constructed crossing structures at facilitating wildlife movement and  
9 reducing wildlife-vehicle collisions; and

10 (e) Department administrative and personnel staffing needs  
11 related to the design, construction, maintenance, identification,  
12 restoration, monitoring, and protection of wildlife crossings and  
13 other related highway features.

14 (3) Biennial spending priorities for constructing wildlife  
15 crossing structures shall be developed consistently with the  
16 integrated wildlife habitat connectivity strategy directed in section  
17 2 of this act.

18 (4) Beginning in 2026, the department of transportation and the  
19 department of fish and wildlife shall jointly report by June 30th of  
20 each even-numbered year, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, to the  
21 appropriate committees of the legislature and the governor's office  
22 on expenditures from the account and how the expenditures have  
23 furthered implementation of the Washington wildlife habitat  
24 connectivity action plan developed by the department of fish and  
25 wildlife; and additional funding necessary to accomplish the goals of  
26 the Washington wildlife habitat connectivity action plan, including  
27 estimates for agency staffing needs, matching funds for federal grant  
28 opportunities, and other allowable expenditures specified in this  
29 section and section 3 of this act.

30 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 77.04  
31 RCW to read as follows:

32 The department shall take the following actions to implement its  
33 Washington wildlife habitat connectivity action plan:

34 (1) Develop strategies for habitat protection and restoration in  
35 priority corridors including, but not limited to:

36 (a) Recommendations and cost estimates on the purchase of  
37 conservation easements by the department or other appropriate state  
38 agencies or nonprofit land trusts;

1 (b) Incorporation of mapped connectivity corridors in the  
2 priority habitats and species program;

3 (c) Providing county planning departments with appropriate  
4 habitat connectivity data to support the development of and updates  
5 to comprehensive plans and open space policies; and

6 (d) Conducting outreach and education with private landowners;

7 (2) Update the Washington wildlife habitat connectivity action  
8 plan every six years based on actions accomplished in the prior  
9 period, and incorporating new science and other relevant technical  
10 and policy information. In the course of preparing updates to the  
11 Washington wildlife habitat connectivity action plan, the department  
12 shall consult with the department of transportation, tribes,  
13 interested stakeholders, and academic institutions;

14 (3) Prepare biennial reports to the appropriate committees of the  
15 legislature regarding progress on implementation of the Washington  
16 wildlife habitat connectivity action plan and funding needs to  
17 accomplish the plan's goals; and

18 (4) Nothing in this section conveys additional authority to the  
19 department regarding regulation of land use.

20 **Sec. 6.** RCW 43.84.092 and 2023 c 435 s 13, 2023 c 431 s 9, 2023  
21 c 389 s 9, 2023 c 377 s 6, 2023 c 340 s 9, 2023 c 110 s 2, 2023 c 73  
22 s 9, and 2023 c 41 s 3 are each reenacted and amended to read as  
23 follows:

24 (1) All earnings of investments of surplus balances in the state  
25 treasury shall be deposited to the treasury income account, which  
26 account is hereby established in the state treasury.

27 (2) The treasury income account shall be utilized to pay or  
28 receive funds associated with federal programs as required by the  
29 federal cash management improvement act of 1990. The treasury income  
30 account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no  
31 appropriation is required for refunds or allocations of interest  
32 earnings required by the cash management improvement act. Refunds of  
33 interest to the federal treasury required under the cash management  
34 improvement act fall under RCW 43.88.180 and shall not require  
35 appropriation. The office of financial management shall determine the  
36 amounts due to or from the federal government pursuant to the cash  
37 management improvement act. The office of financial management may  
38 direct transfers of funds between accounts as deemed necessary to  
39 implement the provisions of the cash management improvement act, and

1 this subsection. Refunds or allocations shall occur prior to the  
2 distributions of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this  
3 section.

4 (3) Except for the provisions of RCW 43.84.160, the treasury  
5 income account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking  
6 services on behalf of treasury funds including, but not limited to,  
7 depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state  
8 treasury and affected state agencies. The treasury income account is  
9 subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is  
10 required for payments to financial institutions. Payments shall occur  
11 prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this  
12 section.

13 (4) Monthly, the state treasurer shall distribute the earnings  
14 credited to the treasury income account. The state treasurer shall  
15 credit the general fund with all the earnings credited to the  
16 treasury income account except:

17 (a) The following accounts and funds shall receive their  
18 proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's and fund's  
19 average daily balance for the period: The abandoned recreational  
20 vehicle disposal account, the aeronautics account, the Alaskan Way  
21 viaduct replacement project account, the ambulance transport fund,  
22 the brownfield redevelopment trust fund account, the budget  
23 stabilization account, the capital vessel replacement account, the  
24 capitol building construction account, the Central Washington  
25 University capital projects account, the charitable, educational,  
26 penal and reformatory institutions account, the Chehalis basin  
27 account, the Chehalis basin taxable account, the cleanup settlement  
28 account, the climate active transportation account, the climate  
29 transit programs account, the Columbia river basin water supply  
30 development account, the Columbia river basin taxable bond water  
31 supply development account, the Columbia river basin water supply  
32 revenue recovery account, the common school construction fund, the  
33 community forest trust account, the connecting Washington account,  
34 the county arterial preservation account, the county criminal justice  
35 assistance account, the covenant homeownership account, the deferred  
36 compensation administrative account, the deferred compensation  
37 principal account, the department of licensing services account, the  
38 department of retirement systems expense account, the developmental  
39 disabilities community services account, the diesel idle reduction  
40 account, the opioid abatement settlement account, the drinking water

1 assistance account, the administrative subaccount of the drinking  
2 water assistance account, the early learning facilities development  
3 account, the early learning facilities revolving account, the Eastern  
4 Washington University capital projects account, the education  
5 construction fund, the education legacy trust account, the election  
6 account, the electric vehicle account, the energy freedom account,  
7 the energy recovery act account, the essential rail assistance  
8 account, The Evergreen State College capital projects account, the  
9 fair start for kids account, the ferry bond retirement fund, the  
10 fish, wildlife, and conservation account, the freight mobility  
11 investment account, the freight mobility multimodal account, the  
12 grade crossing protective fund, the higher education retirement plan  
13 supplemental benefit fund, the Washington student loan account, the  
14 highway bond retirement fund, the highway infrastructure account, the  
15 highway safety fund, the hospital safety net assessment fund, the  
16 Interstate 5 bridge replacement project account, the Interstate 405  
17 and state route number 167 express toll lanes account, the judges'  
18 retirement account, the judicial retirement administrative account,  
19 the judicial retirement principal account, the limited fish and  
20 wildlife account, the local leasehold excise tax account, the local  
21 real estate excise tax account, the local sales and use tax account,  
22 the marine resources stewardship trust account, the medical aid  
23 account, the money-purchase retirement savings administrative  
24 account, the money-purchase retirement savings principal account, the  
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28 municipal criminal justice assistance account, the oyster reserve  
29 land account, the pension funding stabilization account, the  
30 perpetual surveillance and maintenance account, the pilotage account,  
31 the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank  
32 revolving account, the public employees' retirement system plan 1  
33 account, the public employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and  
34 plan 3 account, the public facilities construction loan revolving  
35 account, the public health supplemental account, the public works  
36 assistance account, the Puget Sound capital construction account, the  
37 Puget Sound ferry operations account, the Puget Sound Gateway  
38 facility account, the Puget Sound taxpayer accountability account,  
39 the real estate appraiser commission account, the recreational  
40 vehicle account, the regional mobility grant program account, the



1 reserve officers' relief and pension principal fund, the resource  
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3 mobility grant program account, the rural Washington loan fund, the  
4 second injury fund, the sexual assault prevention and response  
5 account, the site closure account, the skilled nursing facility  
6 safety net trust fund, the small city pavement and sidewalk account,  
7 the special category C account, the special wildlife account, the  
8 state hazard mitigation revolving loan account, the state investment  
9 board expense account, the state investment board commingled trust  
10 fund accounts, the state patrol highway account, the state  
11 reclamation revolving account, the state route number 520 civil  
12 penalties account, the state route number 520 corridor account, the  
13 statewide broadband account, the statewide tourism marketing account,  
14 the supplemental pension account, the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge  
15 account, the teachers' retirement system plan 1 account, the  
16 teachers' retirement system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, the  
17 tobacco prevention and control account, the tobacco settlement  
18 account, the toll facility bond retirement account, the  
19 transportation 2003 account (nickel account), the transportation  
20 equipment fund, the JUDY transportation future funding program  
21 account, the transportation improvement account, the transportation  
22 improvement board bond retirement account, the transportation  
23 infrastructure account, the transportation partnership account, the  
24 traumatic brain injury account, the University of Washington bond  
25 retirement fund, the University of Washington building account, the  
26 voluntary cleanup account, the volunteer firefighters' relief and  
27 pension principal fund, the volunteer firefighters' and reserve  
28 officers' administrative fund, the vulnerable roadway user education  
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30 Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' system plan 1  
31 retirement account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and  
32 firefighters' system plan 2 retirement account, the Washington public  
33 safety employees' plan 2 retirement account, the Washington school  
34 employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and 3 account, the  
35 Washington state patrol retirement account, the Washington State  
36 University building account, the Washington State University bond  
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38 account, the water pollution control revolving fund, the Western  
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40 wildlife corridors account, the Washington wildlife crossings

1 account, the Yakima integrated plan implementation account, the  
2 Yakima integrated plan implementation revenue recovery account, and  
3 the Yakima integrated plan implementation taxable bond account.  
4 Earnings derived from investing balances of the agricultural  
5 permanent fund, the normal school permanent fund, the permanent  
6 common school fund, the scientific permanent fund, and the state  
7 university permanent fund shall be allocated to their respective  
8 beneficiary accounts.

9 (b) Any state agency that has independent authority over accounts  
10 or funds not statutorily required to be held in the state treasury  
11 that deposits funds into a fund or account in the state treasury  
12 pursuant to an agreement with the office of the state treasurer shall  
13 receive its proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's  
14 or fund's average daily balance for the period.

15 (5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state  
16 Constitution, no treasury accounts or funds shall be allocated  
17 earnings without the specific affirmative directive of this section.

18 **Sec. 7.** RCW 43.84.092 and 2023 c 435 s 14, 2023 c 431 s 10, 2023  
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4 depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state  
5 treasury and affected state agencies. The treasury income account is  
6 subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is  
7 required for payments to financial institutions. Payments shall occur  
8 prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this  
9 section.

10 (4) Monthly, the state treasurer shall distribute the earnings  
11 credited to the treasury income account. The state treasurer shall  
12 credit the general fund with all the earnings credited to the  
13 treasury income account except:

14 (a) The following accounts and funds shall receive their  
15 proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's and fund's  
16 average daily balance for the period: The abandoned recreational  
17 vehicle disposal account, the aeronautics account, the Alaskan Way  
18 viaduct replacement project account, the brownfield redevelopment  
19 trust fund account, the budget stabilization account, the capital  
20 vessel replacement account, the capitol building construction  
21 account, the Central Washington University capital projects account,  
22 the charitable, educational, penal and reformatory institutions  
23 account, the Chehalis basin account, the Chehalis basin taxable  
24 account, the cleanup settlement account, the climate active  
25 transportation account, the climate transit programs account, the  
26 Columbia river basin water supply development account, the Columbia  
27 river basin taxable bond water supply development account, the  
28 Columbia river basin water supply revenue recovery account, the  
29 common school construction fund, the community forest trust account,  
30 the connecting Washington account, the county arterial preservation  
31 account, the county criminal justice assistance account, the covenant  
32 homeownership account, the deferred compensation administrative  
33 account, the deferred compensation principal account, the department  
34 of licensing services account, the department of retirement systems  
35 expense account, the developmental disabilities community services  
36 account, the diesel idle reduction account, the opioid abatement  
37 settlement account, the drinking water assistance account, the  
38 administrative subaccount of the drinking water assistance account,  
39 the early learning facilities development account, the early learning  
40 facilities revolving account, the Eastern Washington University

1 capital projects account, the education construction fund, the  
2 education legacy trust account, the election account, the electric  
3 vehicle account, the energy freedom account, the energy recovery act  
4 account, the essential rail assistance account, The Evergreen State  
5 College capital projects account, the fair start for kids account,  
6 the ferry bond retirement fund, the fish, wildlife, and conservation  
7 account, the freight mobility investment account, the freight  
8 mobility multimodal account, the grade crossing protective fund, the  
9 higher education retirement plan supplemental benefit fund, the  
10 Washington student loan account, the highway bond retirement fund,  
11 the highway infrastructure account, the highway safety fund, the  
12 hospital safety net assessment fund, the Interstate 5 bridge  
13 replacement project account, the Interstate 405 and state route  
14 number 167 express toll lanes account, the judges' retirement  
15 account, the judicial retirement administrative account, the judicial  
16 retirement principal account, the limited fish and wildlife account,  
17 the local leasehold excise tax account, the local real estate excise  
18 tax account, the local sales and use tax account, the marine  
19 resources stewardship trust account, the medical aid account, the  
20 money-purchase retirement savings administrative account, the money-  
21 purchase retirement savings principal account, the motor vehicle  
22 fund, the motorcycle safety education account, the move ahead WA  
23 account, the move ahead WA flexible account, the multimodal  
24 transportation account, the multiuse roadway safety account, the  
25 municipal criminal justice assistance account, the oyster reserve  
26 land account, the pension funding stabilization account, the  
27 perpetual surveillance and maintenance account, the pilotage account,  
28 the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank  
29 revolving account, the public employees' retirement system plan 1  
30 account, the public employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and  
31 plan 3 account, the public facilities construction loan revolving  
32 account, the public health supplemental account, the public works  
33 assistance account, the Puget Sound capital construction account, the  
34 Puget Sound ferry operations account, the Puget Sound Gateway  
35 facility account, the Puget Sound taxpayer accountability account,  
36 the real estate appraiser commission account, the recreational  
37 vehicle account, the regional mobility grant program account, the  
38 reserve officers' relief and pension principal fund, the resource  
39 management cost account, the rural arterial trust account, the rural  
40 mobility grant program account, the rural Washington loan fund, the



1 second injury fund, the sexual assault prevention and response  
2 account, the site closure account, the skilled nursing facility  
3 safety net trust fund, the small city pavement and sidewalk account,  
4 the special category C account, the special wildlife account, the  
5 state hazard mitigation revolving loan account, the state investment  
6 board expense account, the state investment board commingled trust  
7 fund accounts, the state patrol highway account, the state  
8 reclamation revolving account, the state route number 520 civil  
9 penalties account, the state route number 520 corridor account, the  
10 statewide broadband account, the statewide tourism marketing account,  
11 the supplemental pension account, the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge  
12 account, the teachers' retirement system plan 1 account, the  
13 teachers' retirement system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, the  
14 tobacco prevention and control account, the tobacco settlement  
15 account, the toll facility bond retirement account, the  
16 transportation 2003 account (nickel account), the transportation  
17 equipment fund, the JUDY transportation future funding program  
18 account, the transportation improvement account, the transportation  
19 improvement board bond retirement account, the transportation  
20 infrastructure account, the transportation partnership account, the  
21 traumatic brain injury account, the University of Washington bond  
22 retirement fund, the University of Washington building account, the  
23 voluntary cleanup account, the volunteer firefighters' relief and  
24 pension principal fund, the volunteer firefighters' and reserve  
25 officers' administrative fund, the vulnerable roadway user education  
26 account, the Washington judicial retirement system account, the  
27 Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' system plan 1  
28 retirement account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and  
29 firefighters' system plan 2 retirement account, the Washington public  
30 safety employees' plan 2 retirement account, the Washington school  
31 employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and 3 account, the  
32 Washington state patrol retirement account, the Washington State  
33 University building account, the Washington State University bond  
34 retirement fund, the water pollution control revolving administration  
35 account, the water pollution control revolving fund, the Western  
36 Washington University capital projects account, the Washington  
37 wildlife corridors account, the Washington wildlife crossings  
38 account, the Yakima integrated plan implementation account, the  
39 Yakima integrated plan implementation revenue recovery account, and  
40 the Yakima integrated plan implementation taxable bond account.

1 Earnings derived from investing balances of the agricultural  
2 permanent fund, the normal school permanent fund, the permanent  
3 common school fund, the scientific permanent fund, and the state  
4 university permanent fund shall be allocated to their respective  
5 beneficiary accounts.

6 (b) Any state agency that has independent authority over accounts  
7 or funds not statutorily required to be held in the state treasury  
8 that deposits funds into a fund or account in the state treasury  
9 pursuant to an agreement with the office of the state treasurer shall  
10 receive its proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's  
11 or fund's average daily balance for the period.

12 (5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state  
13 Constitution, no treasury accounts or funds shall be allocated  
14 earnings without the specific affirmative directive of this section.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** (1) Section 6 of this act expires July 1,  
16 2024.

17 (2) Section 7 of this act expires July 1, 2028.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** (1) Section 7 of this act takes effect  
19 July 1, 2024.

20 (2) Section 8 of this act takes effect July 1, 2028.

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