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The state budget is the largest declaration of state policy in any legislative session, and even more so in odd calendar years when the biennial budget is adopted. However, it is also complex and can be difficult to understand. “The budget” is actually composed of three separate budgets: operating, capital, and transportation. Each budget itself is composed of at least one bill, multiple supporting or explanatory documents such as the agency detail report and programmatic project lists, and a bond authorization bill for the capital budget and frequently the transportation budget. Often an item will appear in the budget bill but not the agency detail document, or vice versa, so it is necessary to read all of the documents in order to piece together the full story.

This is further complicated by the fact that every budget starts with the assumption that prior spending levels will “carry forward.” Therefore, the budget documents show changes (either additions or reductions) to base spending in that area. However, it is often very difficult to determine what the base is, particularly for spending items within a larger agency program.

Contemporary budgets are further supported by a dedicated [website](#) that allows the user to generate custom reports for transportation and capital projects, which in reality are often necessary to understand legislative intent. A final resource is the [Legislative Budget Notes](#) document, produced by legislative staff several months after adjournment.

Within this context, this document is intended to highlight the budget changes made by the 2025 Legislature and subsequently by Governor Ferguson through his selective vetoes. Our goal is to identify spending decisions, with the expectation that further inquiry may be necessary to fully understand the impact of those decisions.

Note: For the sake of brevity, we refer to state agencies by acronym. A list of these and other commonly used acronyms can be found at the end of the document.

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Operating Budget

The operating budget provides resources for the basic functioning of state agency programs and related staffing. This includes authorization to pass funding through to local governments via direct appropriation or agency managed grant programs. Though the state constitution prohibits the Legislature from making law unrelated to the budget in the operating budget bill, that boundary is often fuzzy, and directive provisos are commonly included.

Below we highlight significant changes in spending within different topic areas. It is important to note that spending on state employee compensation spans every part of the operating budget, but if combined is the single largest area of cumulative spending, and the largest area of growth. In the 2025-2027 biennium, state employee compensation increases by more than \$1.4 billion and by more than \$3 billion over the 6-year budget outlook period.

General Government

The Municipal Research and Services Council receives the full appropriation requested. \$6.8 million through Commerce. Sec. 131(2). Pg. 55.

\$5 million transfer from the State Auditor Municipal Revolving Account balance to the General Fund. Sec. 805. Pg. 467.

\$288 million is transferred from Public Works Assistance Account to the General Fund. Sec. 805. Pg. 468.

Elections

\$38.5 million to reimburse counties for the state's share of primary and general election costs. Secretary of State. Sec. 120(1). Pg. 20.

\$228,000 to complete an annual statewide election reconciliation report for every state primary and general election which must be submitted to the Legislature annually by July 31. The report must include statewide and by county analysis on the reasons for ballot rejection, and other information to help policymakers better understand election administration. Secretary of State. Sec. 120(4). Pg. 21.

\$16 million for election security activities including: enhancements at the state security operations center; expanded security assessments, threat monitoring, and training; and

grants to counties to address identified threats, grants to other public and private organizations providing cyber security. Secretary of State. Sec. 120(6). Pg. 21.

\$162,000 for intrusion detection systems that prevent election security breaches. Secretary of State Sec. 120(9). Pg. 22.

\$500,000 to create a voting and election data repository, housed and staffed by the University of Washington. The budget proviso specifies the types of data and records that must be maintained and directs the Secretary of State to provide election data to the repository. The repository is required to post certain information online and make most data available to the public, and to publish an annual report of ballot rejections. Staff of the repository are authorized to provide nonpartisan technical assistance to political subdivisions and others seeking to use the database. Secretary of State. Sec. 606(35). Pgs. 409-411.

Personnel & Labor

The State Committee on Pension Policy is directed to study and report on the implications of merging legacy pension systems and terminating the Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters Fund Plan 1. Report due by 1/9/26. Sec. 107. Pg.6

The Employment Security Department is appropriated the following funds related to paid family and medical leave insurance:

- \$10.8 million for additional staff to process PFML customer and employer inquiries. Sec. 232(11) Pg. 274.
- \$8.9 million for completing statutorily required PFML implementation. Sec. 232(12). Pg. 274-275.
- \$5 million for implementing changes to PFML job protections. Sec. 232(13). Pg. 275.

The L&I and the Employment Security Department are provided with various funds related to employee bargaining and requirements. These include:

- \$102,000 over the course of the biennium to implement changes to public employee bargaining (SB 5503). Sec.150(1). Pg. 94.
- \$852,000 to implement unemployment insurance and benefits for striking workers (SB 5041). Sec. 232(17). Pg. 276.
- \$851,000 to implement restrictions on including unnecessary driver requirements in job applications (SB 5501). Sec. 219(21). Pg. 288.

The Public Employees' Retirement System Plan 1 pension rates are adjusted to 5.38 percent, while the Public Safety Employee's Retirement System Plan is set at 6.91 percent. This implements SB 5357. Sec. 912(2). Pg. 478.

Public Safety

JLARC is directed to study DCYF juvenile rehabilitation programs, including staffing adequacy. The report is due by June 30, 2026. Sec. 103(2). Page 4.

\$1.46 million to conduct use of force compliance audits of law enforcement agencies as authorized under 43.101.460 RCW. State Auditor. Sec. 124(2). Pg. 23.

\$137 million for the essential needs and housing support program and related services. Commerce. Sec. 130. Pg. 46.

\$2.75 million to contract with a public or private entity for public safety and security activities related to the 2026 World Cup. This includes fan activation areas. Commerce. Sec. 131(10). Pg. 57. Agency Detail Pg. 130.

Law enforcement community grants, through Commerce, are eliminated. (\$3.4 million) savings. Agency Detail Pg. 101.

Funding for multijurisdictional drug task forces is eliminated. (\$5.4 million). Commerce. Agency Detail Pg. 101.

(\$1 million) is cut from the Attorney General's Office that was added in the 2023-2025 biennium for additional criminal prosecutors that can be requested to take cases by county prosecutors. Agency Detail Pg. 81.

\$1.7 million for the cost of litigation at the juvenile rehabilitation division at the DCYF. Attorney General Agency. Detail Pg. 82.

\$250,000 for financial assistance to local jurisdictions in multiple death investigations. These are awarded for multiple death investigations involving unanticipated, extraordinary, and catastrophic events or those involving multiple jurisdictions. Forensic Investigation Council. Sec.153(1). Pg. 95-96.

\$210,000 for financial assistance to local jurisdictions in identifying human remains. Forensic Investigation Council. Sec.153(2). Pg. 96.

\$2.6 million for 7 additional BLEA instructors across all 5 training locations. CJTC. Agency Detail Pg. 254.

(\$2 million) is cut to reduce the number of BLEA training slots from 26 to 23. CJTC. Agency Detail Pg. 254.

\$3.5 million for four additional corrections officer classes per year. CJTC. Agency Detail Pg. 254.

(\$9 million) is cut to reflect that local law enforcement agencies' will be required to contribute 25 percent of their trainee costs. CJTC. Agency Detail Pg. 255.

\$664,000 for higher-than-anticipated lease and utility costs for the new regional training academy in Arlington. CJTC. Agency Detail Pg. 255.

\$1.6 million for 240 hours of medicolegal forensic investigation training to coroners and medical examiners to meet the recommendations of the national commission on forensic science for certification and accreditation. CJTC. Sec. 216(5). Pg. 220

\$5 million for officer wellness programs, local law enforcement grants, and a wellness app. CJTC. Sec. 217(8). Pg. 220.

\$110,000 for sexual assault and gender-based violence investigative training as required in SB 5356. CJTC. Agency Detail Pg. 254.

\$10 million for the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs solely to verify the address and residency of registered sex offenders and kidnapping offenders. CJTC. Sec. 217(10). Pg. 221.

\$100 million for public safety funding grants to support recruiting, hiring, retaining, and training officers and co-responders, and \$635,000 for the cost of administering the new grant program under HB 2015. CJTC. Sec. 217(17). Pg. 222. Agency Detail Pg. 255.

\$1 million for criminal street gang prevention and intervention grant program. DCYF. Sec 235(5). Pg. 288.

\$259,000 for a juvenile rehabilitation capacity needs assessment model to show how many beds are needed at various security levels over a 10-year period. The initial model is due following the November 2025 caseload forecast and must be updated after each subsequent forecast. DCYF. Agency Detail Pg. 298.

\$3.5 million one-time funding for additional security measures at the Echo Glen facility. DCYF. Agency Detail Pg. 297.

\$3.8 million one-time funding for 18 additional safety staff at the Green Hill facility. DCYF. Agency Detail Pg. 298.

\$25 million and 108 FTEs for a 48-bed living unit on the campus of the Stafford Creek Corrections Center. DCYF. Agency Detail Pg. 298.

\$3 million for grants to county juvenile courts for the programs identified by the Washington State Institute for Public Policy in its report: "Inventory of Evidence-based, Research-based, and Promising Practices for Prevention and Intervention Services for Children and Juveniles in the Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice, and Mental Health Systems." DCYF. Sec. 235(2). Pg. 286. Agency Detail Pg. 298.

\$16.39 million for block grants to county juvenile courts to serve youth in the county juvenile justice system, and evaluation of programs funded by the grants. DCYF. Sec. 235(3). Pg. 286.

(\$1.4 million) is cut by reducing funding for county release support by 50 percent. DCYF. Agency Detail Pg. 310.

\$1.2 million for impaired driving safety to be distributed quarterly to all cities based off population. State Treasurer. Sec. 803. Pg. 464.

\$50 million for legal assistance, violence prevention, and reentry purposes through the Community Reinvestment Account. Commerce. Sec. 736. Pg. 459. Agency Detail Pg. 550.

\$300,000 for extraordinary criminal justice costs incurred by Kitsap County, as authorized under RCW 43.330.190. Commerce. Sec. 740. Pgs. 460-461. Agency Detail Pg. 551.

The Jail Modernization Task Force established in the 2023-2025 biennial operating budget is continued, with a final report due on December 31, 2025. Sec. 915. Pgs. 480-482.

Courts

(\$10 million) is cut from Becca grants used for processing petitions and case management for truancy cases, due to the passage of HB 2044. Agency Detail Pg. 40. \$4 million remains for county juvenile court administrators for truancy (RCW 28A.225.035), children in need of services, and at-risk youth referrals (see RCW 13.32A.030 et. Seq.). County juvenile court administrators are required to report the total actual cost of processing truancy, children in need of services, and at-risk youth petitions. Sec.114(2). Pg. 8.

\$500,000 is appropriated to the AOC in matching funds to increase small rural court security. This is a (\$500,000) reduction. Grants must be used solely for security equipment and services for municipal, district, and superior courts and may not be used for staffing or administrative costs. Sec. 114 (2). Pg. 9. Agency Detail Pg. 41.

\$6 million for local courts to reimburse the cost of court-appointed attorney and visitor requirements from the Uniform Guardianship Act (11.130 RCW). Sec.114(3). Pg. 9.

\$5.9 million for costs paid by defendants whose convictions have been overturned in the Blake decision including legal financial obligations and collection costs. Sec.114(5). Pg. 9.

\$1.7 million to the AOC for the cost of administering the refund program and assisting with resentencing or vacating convictions after the Blake decision. Sec.114(6). Pg. 9. Agency Detail Pg. 40.

\$7.6 million for the cost of city and county courts in complying with the Blake decision. Sec. 114(7). Pg. 10. Note: the Agency Detail document indicates that this amount is \$13.5 million. Agency Detail Pg. 42.

\$4.2 million for the AOC to provide decision-making assistance to certain individuals being discharged from state care who don't have another decision-maker available. This implements chapter 267, Laws of 2024 (SB 5825). Sec. 114(8). Pg. 10.

\$520,000 for two pilot self-help centers in two courthouses, one on each side of the state. Sec. 114(10). Pg. 11. Agency Detail Pg. 42.

\$129,000 to implement HB 1219, creating an interbranch advisory committee. Sec. 114(11). Pg. 11. Vetoed.

\$382,000 is provided for the AOC to develop a framework to measure juvenile diversion programs, as required by HB 1391. Agency Detail Pg. 42.

\$1 million is provided to the AOC to expand state assistance in providing language access. Agency Detail Pg. 42.

\$1.5 million is appropriated to continue a pilot program providing grants to local courts for pretrial services and alternatives to incarceration for individuals who cannot afford court-ordered services. Agency Detail Pg. 42.

(\$2 million) is cut from the funding provided in the 2023-2025 biennial budget to support new and existing therapeutic courts. This is a 10 percent reduction. Agency Detail Pg. 42.

(\$1 million) is cut by eliminating the FY 2026 reimbursement to Thurston County for the cost associated with disproportionate state civil filings. Agency Detail Pg. 42.

Public Defense

\$27.2 million for grants to counties and cities to provide trial court indigent defense. This is an addition of \$16.6 million to a base of \$10.6 million. Sec. 115(7). Pg. 14. Agency Detail Pg. 47.

\$3.8 million is provided for a rate increase for attorneys who contract with the OPD. Rates are increased by 3 percent in FY 2026 and 2 percent in FY 2027. Agency Detail Pg. 46.

\$5.4 million for the OPD to cover a backlog of case assignments and increasing workload associated with indigent appeals. Sec. 115(2). Pg 12. Agency Detail Pg. 46.

\$1.8 million for improving the quality of trial court public defense services, to be split evenly between cities and counties. Sec. 115(1). Pg. 12.

\$8.6 million to assist counties and cities for public defense services related to vacating convictions or resentencing defendants whose convictions are affected by the Blake decision. Sec 115(3). Pg. 12. Agency Detail Pg. 47.

\$1.8 million to implement programs created in SB 5780 from 2024 – encouraging participation in public defense and prosecution professions. This included creation of a law student rural public defense program for internships, expansion of the Criminal Defense Training Academy specifically prioritized for practitioners in underserved and rural areas,

and a law student rural prosecution program administered by the Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys. Sec. 115(8). Pg. 14.

\$5.2 million is provided for the DSHS to increase services to patients found not guilty by reason of insanity under the Ross v. Lashway settlement agreement. Sec. 202(12). Pg. 116.

Civil Legal Aid

\$10 million is provided to the OCLA for programs such as: appointed counsel for children and youth in dependency cases, legal aid for tenants at risk of eviction, and indigent tenants in unlawful detainer cases; kinship care legal advice; legal aid for survivors of domestic violence; reentry legal aid; and legal aid for Medicaid eligible long-term care residents that are being discharged from a facility. Section 116. Pgs. 14-16. Agency Detail Pg. 49.

\$200,000 is provided for the distribution for legal financial obligations. Sec. 711. Pgs. 449-451. Agency Detail Pg. 551.

Human Services

\$25 million is appropriated to Commerce for grant funding through existing network of federal low-income home energy assistance. Sec. 129(11). Pg. 36.

\$60 million for Commerce to make grants to programs providing economic development, civil and criminal legal assistance, community-based violence intervention and prevention services, and reentry services programs. Sec. 129(23). Pg. 39.

Governor Ferguson vetoed a proviso for \$200,000 for a grant through Commerce for an organization providing community health services in King and Snohomish Counties. Section 129(36). Pg. 43.

\$14 million is provided through Commerce for legal aid to asylum seekers, undocumented immigrants, and refugees. Agency Detail Pg. 101.

\$20 million is provided for the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy at Commerce. Agency Detail Pg. 103.

\$500,000 for the DSHS and the HCA to develop and implement a predictive modeling tool that identifies clients who are at high risk of future involvement with the criminal justice

system and for developing a model to estimate demand for civil and forensic state hospital bed needs. Sec. 202(6). Pg. 113.

\$2 million is provided for the operational support of the 211 information network organization. Sec. 205(8). Pg 143.

\$85 million is provided to continue the Cascade Care program which provides health care premium assistance for individuals with an income up to 250 percent of the federal poverty level. Appropriations are made for both the HCA and Governor's Office. Sec. 213 (3). Pg. 178. Agency Detail Pgs. 231, 552.

\$4.3 million is provided through the HCA, in coordination with Commerce and DSHS, to support individuals enrolled in the foundational community supports initiative who are transitioning from the Essential Needs and Housing program because of increased income or other changes in eligibility. Sec. 214(40). Pg. 199.

\$11.5 million for health care for individuals who would meet the criteria for the Medicaid categorically needy program but are not eligible for that program because of their immigration status. Sec. 214(48). Pgs. 205-206.

The Department of Veterans' Affairs receives over (\$4 million) in reductions through several unrelated cuts including: administrative efficiencies, reduced IT and travel, underspending in the Conservation Corps and Veterans Services programs, reductions in goods & services, consolidating management and administrative positions, and reducing Vet Corps internships. Agency Detail Pg. 288.

\$120,000 is provided to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for a second veteran service officer in Island County. Sec. 220(3). Pg. 234. Agency Detail Pg. 287.

(\$750,000) is cut from the Retired Seniors Volunteer program at Commerce. The program provides matching dollars to local organizations receiving federal funding. Agency Detail Pg. 102.

The DCYF is directed to cut (\$12 million) through general administrative efficiencies. Agency Detail Pgs. 287, 301.

\$5.6 million is provided to the DCYF for grants to county juvenile courts for effective, community-based programs that are culturally relevant, research-informed, and focused

on supporting positive youth development, not just reducing recidivism. Sec. 235(1). Pg. 286.

(\$31.6 million) is cut from DCYF's budget that was anticipated to provide rate increases at Working Connections Child Care centers. Rates were previously planned to increase to the 85th percentile on July 1, 2026. Agency Detail Pg. 296.

Over **(\$390 million)** in anticipated spending is reduced by delaying the expansion of the Working Childcare Connections expansion through SB 5752. This includes a number of elements that would have increased eligibility for the program, increased rates, and reduced parent copays. Agency Detail Pgs. 302, 305.

(\$5 million) is cut from DCYF's budget by a 25 percent reduction to the Child Care Complex Needs grants. This program is available to childcare providers that serve children with developmental disabilities, behavioral health needs, and other complex issues. Agency Detail Pg. 302.

(\$70 million) in savings is achieved by delaying the ECEAP entitlement date from the 2026-2027 school year to the 2030-2031 school year under SB 5752. This removes maintenance level funding for 6,950 new part-day slots in FY 2027. Agency Detail Pg. 303. An additional **(\$60.5 million)** is saved by eliminating 3,000 part-day slots in FY 2026. Agency Detail Pg. 303.

\$4 million is provided to add an additional 250 full-day ECEAP slots beginning in FY 2027. Agency Detail Pg. 303.

\$14 million is provided for a 5 percent rate increase for full-day ECEAP slots beginning in FY 2026. Agency Detail Pg. 303.

(\$6.7 million) is reduced from resources provided to area agencies on aging through DSHS for case management services. This is a 2 percent reduction. Sec. 204(30). Pg. 137. Agency Detail Pg. 354.

(\$400,000) is cut from DSHS by eliminating the nursing services contract with the area agencies on aging. Agency Detail Pg. 354.

\$28 million is provided to DSHS to continue senior nutrition services. Agency Detail Pg. 359.

\$800,000 is provided to the Office of Refugee Assistance at DSHS to comply with fiscal monitoring required by federal grant funding. Agency Detail Pg. 365.

\$25 million is provided to the Office of Refugee Assistance to support individuals newly arriving in the U.S. who do not now qualify for federal refugee resettlement program services. Sec. 205(17). Pg. 145. Agency Detail Pg. 365.

\$93 million is provided for the emergency food system at Agriculture. Agency Detail Pg. 443.

(\$10 million) is cut from the Home Visiting Services Account, which is used by DCYF to aid in child welfare and school readiness. Sec. 729. Pg. 458. Agency Detail Pg. 551.

Developmental Disabilities

\$1.6 million is provided for a contract with a nonprofit to provide developmental disability ombuds services, through Commerce. Sec. 129(4). Pg. 34. Agency Detail Pg. 99.

\$280,000 is provided through Commerce to support the Developmental Disabilities Council. Sec. 129(12) Pg. 37.

(\$478,000) is cut from the HCA budget for transitional housing and employment supports for individuals engaged in supported employment. Agency Detail Pg. 223.

(\$4 million) is cut from the supported employment program at HCA that serves individuals who don't qualify for Medicaid. Agency Detail Pg. 241.

The DSHS Developmental Disabilities Administration is directed to find \$18.5 million in "efficiency" savings. Agency Detail Pg. 347.

\$2.1 million is provided for supported employment and community inclusion services for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities who are transitioning from high school. DSHS is required to provide a caseload forecast with these funds. Sec. 203(s). Pgs. 125-126.

\$113 million in combined General Fund and state Medicaid dollars are provided to increase labor rates for individual in-home care providers in the Consumer-Directed Employer program, through the DSHS. Agency Detail Pg. 345. An additional \$1.5 million is provided to increase the administrative rate in each fiscal year. Agency Detail Pg. 345.

\$40.2 million in combined General Fund and state Medicaid dollars are provided to increase home care agency rates, including \$30 million to fund the collective bargaining agreement for adult family home workers. Agency Detail Pg. 345.

(\$1 million) is saved by freezing DSHS case manager caseloads at 2025 levels. The Legislature had planned to reduce caseloads over the biennium. Agency Detail Pg. 345.

\$42.6 million combined General Fund and state Medicaid funding is provided to increase rates for providers of community residential services. Agency Detail Pg. 346.

(\$2.9 million) is saved by eliminating a planned 3-bed intensive habilitation services facility to provide short-term placement for children and youth. Two facilities were budgeted in the 2023-2025 biennial budget, but only one was brought online. Agency Detail Pg. 347.

(\$1.7 million) is saved by increasing the caseload for intensive in-home service providers. Agency Detail Pg. 347.

(\$19 million) is saved by maintaining staffing levels instead of adjusting workload to keep pace with caseload changes. This eliminates 70 planned FTE positions. Agency Detail Pg. 348.

(\$28.6 million) is cut by discontinuing the meaningful day program, which allows residents of adult family homes to engage in community activities that are meaningful to the resident and would otherwise be impossible. Agency Detail Pg. 348.

(\$15 million) is cut by closing the Rainier School Intermediate Care Facility. DSHS is directed to recommend options for converting the property to alternate uses or transfer to a third party capable of continuing services for the population of 75 individuals with developmental disabilities. Agency Detail Pg. 348. A second budget item provides \$12 million to transition and support thirty individuals in various community settings. Agency Detail Pg. 349.

\$15 million is provided in association with services provided to individuals utilizing Medicaid “waiver” services, which are intended to enable individuals to receive in-home or community services rather than more expensive institutional settings. A rate increase for providers is included, as well as additional funding for increased utilization of waiver services. Agency Detail Pg. 349.

Governor Ferguson vetoed a proviso providing \$150,000 for DSHS to contract with a community-based organization specializing in independent living, community integration, and accessibility for individuals with developmental disabilities. Sec. 206(2). Pg. 147. Agency Detail Pg. 369.

Behavioral Health

\$250,000 is appropriated for a grant through Commerce to a nonprofit to support community-led mental health support groups and classes. The program must focus on individuals and families throughout Washington, but with a focus on Latino communities, rural areas, and tribes. Sec. 129(24). Pg. 39.

(\$610,000) is cut from the Office of the Behavioral Health Ombuds at Commerce. This is a 10 percent reduction. Agency Detail Pg. 102.

\$2.8 million is provided for the Office of Homeless Youth at Commerce to administer a grant program for youth shelters and crisis centers to provide behavioral health services for youth in crisis. Sec. 130(13). Pg. 49

The HCA is provided with \$189.6 million in a mixture of state and federal funding authority for supported housing and employment services for the 1115 demonstration waiver. Sec 211(4). Pg 155-156.

\$62.5 million-federal and \$44.275 million-local are provided to the HCA for additional housing supports described in the 1115 demonstration waiver. Sec 211(4). Pg 155-156.

\$265.8 million for the biennium are provided to the HCA solely to contract behavioral health administrative service organizations for behavioral health treatment services not covered under the Medicaid program. Sec. 214. Pg. 182.

\$98.5 million for the HCA to fund for the implementation of HB 1392 (Medicaid access program). Sec. 211(69). Pgs. 175-176.

\$400,000 through DOE for communities impacted by environmental health inequities face disproportionate harm from environmental violations, systemic barriers to reporting, and access to determining whether any enforcement action was taken. DOE must consult with state agencies, local governments, and community-based organizations to develop a report analyzing equity and accessibility considerations for environmental incident

reporting and resolution and provide recommendations for changes and improvements. Sec, 224(9). Pg. 244.

(\$1.4 million) is cut from funding for behavioral health administrative service organizations to plan for regional substance use disorder recovery services. This is a 50 percent reduction. Agency Detail Pg. 223.

\$78.5 million for the HCA and behavioral health organizations to continue to contract for high-intensity Programs for Assertive Community Treatment teams. Sec. 214(5). Pg 181.

\$6 million is provided to reimburse Pierce, Spokane, Thurston, and King counties for the cost of Involuntary Treatment Act judicial proceedings. Sec. 214(9). Pgs. 182-183. King County receives a specific appropriation for the cost of providing defense services to patients at the University of Washington teaching hospital, under the provisions of SB 5745. Agency Detail Pg. 221.

\$4.1 million is appropriated to the HCA to provide mental health services for incarcerated individuals while confined in a county or city jail and to facilitate access to programs that offer mental health services upon release from confinement. Sec. 214(11). Pg. 183. This is a (\$400,000) cut compared to the prior biennium. Agency Detail Pg. 219.

The HCA is required to establish minimum and maximum funding reserve levels for behavioral health administrative services organizations. This proviso includes flexibility for fund utilization for the biennium. Sec. 214(13). Pgs. 184-185.

\$27.5 million is appropriated from the Criminal Justice Treatment Account for the treatment of offenders with substance use disorder. Counties must be given the option to administer the share of these funds they receive, and if they do not choose to do so, the HCA must contract with a behavioral health entity to administer the funds. Section 214(15). Pg. 186. This is an increase for grants in fiscal year 2026, but an ongoing reduction in state funding of (\$1.5 million). Agency Detail Pg. 221.

\$17 million is provided for substance use disorder peer support services through HCA. Sec. 214(18). Pg. 187.

\$47.9 million from the Opioid Abatement Account is provided for a variety of programs intended to assist individuals with behavioral health issues that interact with law enforcement. This includes community grant programs through the CJTC, the statewide

Recovery Navigator Program, existing Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion programs, and the University of Washington Addictions, Drug, and Alcohol Institute which provides law enforcement training. Sec. 214(19). Pgs. 187-190. Within this amount, specific funding for Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion is reduced by **(\$1 million)**. Agency Detail Pg. 221. In addition, resources to the Washington Sheriffs and Police Chiefs for local initiatives to provide therapeutic interventions and services is reduced by **(\$700,000)** or 10 percent. Agency Detail Pg. 218.

(\$9.8 million) is cut from the Recovery Navigator Program. This is a 20 percent reduction. Agency Detail Pg. 222.

The Washington State Institute of Public Policy receives \$97,000 to study the long-term effectiveness of Recovery Navigator and Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion programs. Under RCW 71.24.909 the report is due in June of 2029. Agency Detail Pg. 223.

\$9.5 million to continue support for recovery residences. Sec. 214(20). Pg. 190. This is a **(\$1 million)** reduction from previous funding levels. Agency Detail Pg. 221.

A **(\$5 million)** reduction is made to programs that provide short-term housing for individuals with mental health disorders and substance use disorders. Agency Detail Pg. 219.

Funding to provide medical respite care for individuals with significant medical and behavioral health needs is eliminated, saving **(\$4.5 million)**. Agency Detail Pg. 219.

\$13 million from the General Fund, \$21.6 million of federal funds, and \$3.5 million in opioid settlement funds are appropriated to the HCA to implement clubhouse services across the state. Sec. 214(21). Pg. 190.

\$3 million is provided for mental health peer respite centers through the HCA. Sec. 214(22). Pg. 190.

The HCA is directed through proviso to use a transparent process in establishing or updating Medicaid rates for behavioral health services that allows interested parties to provide data and feedback on proposed rate changes. Sec. 214(25). Pg. 191. A second proviso directs the HCA to seek input from specific entities to develop metrics related to behavioral health outcomes under integrated care. The HCA is required to report to the Legislature on this effort. Sec. 214(26). Pgs. 191-192

\$104 million for the biennium, and \$90 million in federal appropriation is provided for the HCA to contract with community hospitals or freestanding evaluation and treatment centers to provide long-term inpatient care beds. Within this amount, HCA must meet the requirements for reimbursing counties for the judicial services for patients being served in these settings. Sec. 214(30). Pg. 192.

\$300,000 is provided for a grant to Island County to continue support for a pilot program to improve behavioral health outcomes for young people in rural communities. Sec. 214(31). Pg. 195.

\$11.2 million is provided for alternative response services. Of this amount: \$2 million is for grants to law enforcement and first responders to include a mental health professional on an emergency response team; \$4 million is for corresponder services on non-law enforcement emergency medical response teams; \$4 million is for the Association of Washington Cities to provide grants to cities to create alternative response team programs around the state; and \$1.2 million to support Whatcom County alternative response team. Sec. 214(35). Pgs. 196-197.

\$5 million is provided for long-term involuntary treatment services in a 16-bed residential treatment facility developed by the Tulalip Tribe in Stanwood. Sec. 214(36). Pgs. 36-37. The budget is adjusted to reflect the current estimate that the facility will open in August 2025 rather than in March. Agency Detail Pg. 223.

\$13 million is provided for an opioid awareness campaign, syringe exchange, and other harm reduction services programs. Sec. 214(39). Pgs. 39-40.

(\$916,000) is cut from an effort to prevent inappropriate opioid prescribing. Agency Detail Pg. 222.

\$57.7 million is provided to support the housing needs of individuals with behavioral health disorders. This includes:

- \$2.6 million to contract with three regional behavioral health mobile crisis response teams.
- \$15 million to maintain and expand no-barrier and low-barrier housing programs.
- \$5 million for short-term rental subsidies for individuals with mental health or substance use disorders and may be used for individuals transitioning from behavioral health facilities to local jails.

- \$8.4 million for three behavioral health administrative services organizations to transition persons who are either being diverted from criminal prosecution to behavioral health treatment or are in need of housing upon discharge from crisis stabilization services.
- \$6 million for short-term housing vouchers for individuals with substance use disorders.
- \$15 million for homeless outreach stabilization teams.
- \$4.5 million for a post-inpatient housing program for youth.

Sec. 214(41). Pgs. 199-201.

(\$676,000) is cut from a program intended to reduce instances where an individual leaves a behavioral health facility and directly enters homelessness. This is a 50 percent reduction. Agency Detail Pg. 223.

\$886,000 is provided for the HCA to develop and implement the certified community behavioral health clinic model for comprehensive behavioral health services. Sec. 214(43). Pgs. 202-204.

\$13.6 million is appropriated for providers to operate mobile methadone units to address treatment gaps statewide. Sec. 214(47). Pg. 205.

\$500,000 is provided for DSHS to track and report on new behavioral health community capacity. This information includes bed utilization rates, client counts by each provider, and information on utilization for each facility that has received state capital budget funding. Sec. 214(49). Pg. 206-207.

\$3 million is provided for the HCA to expand efforts to provide opioid use disorder and alcohol use disorder medication in city, county, regional and county jails. Sec. 214(50). Pg. 206.

\$56 million is appropriated for long-term inpatient care beds at the University of Washington behavioral health teaching facility. Sec. 214(51). Pg. 207.

\$57.7 million is provided to continue to support existing mobile rapid response teams and community-based crisis teams. Sec. 214(53). Pgs. 207-208. The budget also shifts \$20 million of this cost from the General Fund to the Behavioral Health Crisis Line Account. Agency Detail Pg. 218.

\$16.8 million is provided for Tribes to implement opioid prevention and overdose response activities. Sec. 214(55). Pg. 208.

\$7.4 million is provided for a Seattle based behavioral health provider that has a partnership with the opioid recovery and care access center. Sec. 214(57). Pg. 209.

\$2 million is provided for the HCA to increase access to long-acting injectable buprenorphine products for uninsured individuals who do not qualify for other programs. Sec. 214(58). Pg. 209.

\$11.9 million is provided to contract for community behavioral health services at the Olympic heritage behavioral health facility in Tukwila. Sec. 214(60). Pg. 209. This is actually a reduction of (\$12.8 million) from the base level of funding, reflecting a delay in finding a contractor to serve the facility. Agency Detail Pg. 220.

\$15 million is provided for three new crisis relief centers, including startup costs, bridge funding until facilities are at full-capacity, and to pay for crisis relief services not being reimbursed by Medicaid. This is funded with Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line Account dollars. Sec. 214(61). Pg. 209.

\$300,000 is provided for a one-time grant to pay for startup costs and bridge funding for services at the Skagit County crisis stabilization facility. Sec. 214(62). Pg. 210. Agency Detail Pg. 222.

\$9.5 million is for health engagement hub pilot program sites. These were established in legislation from 2023 (SB 5536) in response to the Supreme Court's Blake decision and are intended to be "all-in-one" locations where people who use drugs can access a range of medical, harm reduction, treatment, and social services. Sec. 214(63). Pg. 210. This is a reduction of (\$500,000) related to delays in implementing the pilot sites. Agency Detail Pg. 221.

\$1.3 million is provided for the HCA to implement legislation from the 2024 session relating to the use of high-THC cannabis. This includes developing, implementing, testing and evaluating guidance and health intervention strategies for use in medical and poison control and recovery settings, as well as data collection on adverse health impacts associated with the consumption of high-THC cannabis. Sec. 214(64). Pg. 210.

\$3.3 million is for contracts with King County, Kitsap County, Tacoma, Everett, and Spokane for street medicine teams to rapidly assess and address the acute and chronic physical and behavioral health needs of homeless people. Sec. 214(65). Pgs. 210-211.

\$1 million is appropriated for the HCA to continue work on the behavioral health comparison rate project. This includes developing a minimum fee schedule for services, reporting to the Legislature on new comparison rates, future actions, and funding needs, and implementation of the minimum fee schedule. Sec. 214(66). Pgs. 211-212.

\$2 million is appropriated for grants to Tribes to implement the “Icelandic model” of prevention in their communities. Sec. 214(69). Pg. 214.

\$3.2 million is provided for a Tribal opioid prevention campaign. Sec. 214(70). Pg. 214. This is an (\$800,000) reduction from the prior biennium. Agency Detail Pg. 224.

\$5.2 million is provided to provide employment and educational services to individuals with substance use disorder. Sec. 214(71). Pgs. 214-215.

A 2024 effort to establish high intensity community-based teams to treat people with opioid use disorder is eliminated, saving (\$1.5 million). Agency Detail Pg. 221.

\$3.8 million is appropriated for opioid treatment services. Sec. 214(72). Pg. 215.

\$534,000 is provided for the HCA to implement HB 1813 relating to procurement of Medicaid services. Sec. 214(73). Pg. 215.

\$2.7 million is appropriated for a program to provide emergency management departments with real-time clinical guidance for opioid use disorder and scheduling of follow-up appointments. Sec. 214(75). Pg. 215.

\$1 million is provided for 988 rapid response behavioral health and suicide prevention crisis teams to purchase electric vans. This is funded using Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line Account dollars. Sec. 214(76). Pg. 215.

(\$600,000) is cut from resources to maintain the 20 public health dispensing machines funded in 2024 to distribute Naloxone, fentanyl test strips and other public health supplies. This is a 50 percent reduction. Agency Detail Pg. 222.

A proviso directs HCA and Governor's Indian Health Advisory Council to identify the cost to Tribes for providing substance use disorder services to non-Tribal Medicaid enrollees. A report outlining options and a plan for compensating Tribes for these costs must be provided to the Office of Financial Management and the Legislature by December 1, 2025. Sec. 214(77). Pg. 216.

HCA is directed to reduce Medicaid managed care rates by 1 percent by January 1, 2026. Sec. 214(81). Pg. 217. This results in a (\$27.7 million) savings for the state. Agency Detail Pg. 217. Funding for increases to Medicaid reimbursements for community behavioral health providers contracted through managed care organizations are protected. Sec. 214(82). Pg. 217.

HCA is directed to continue working with a provider to reopen a youth behavioral facility in Clark County. Sec. 214(83). Pg. 217.

\$4.2 million is provided to DOH for the 988 behavioral health crisis response line. Sec. 222. Pg. 239.

\$18.8 million in expenditure authority from the Behavioral Health Crisis Response Account is provided to DOH for the operating costs of three 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Centers, expansion of the Native & Strong Lifeline contracts, and for a 988 call volume forecasting model. Agency Detail Pg. 277. An additional \$1 million is provided to plan for a related technology platform. Agency Detail Pg. 277.

A (\$29 million) reduction in expenditures on long-term civil commitment beds is assumed. Savings are expected from contractor delays in opening new beds and aligning actual expenditures with federal Medicaid rates. Agency Detail Pg. 221.

A (\$5 million) cut is taken from resources used to provide rate enhancements to providers who care for civil conversion patients in community long-term inpatient settings. Slots for an enhanced rate are reduced from 64 to 35 slots. Agency Detail Pg. 221.

Trueblood

Several agencies are provided resources to implement the Trueblood settlement agreement relating to timely forensic competency evaluation and restoration. HCA receives:

- \$14.4 million to continue diversion grant programs including assessments, mental health treatment, substance use disorder treatment, case management,

employment, and other social services. Sec 214(4). Pgs. 180-181. This is a (\$1.6 million) reduction from the previous biennium. Agency Detail Pg. 224.

- \$1.3 million for crisis stabilization gaps in two regions.
- \$16.7 million for additional Forensic Housing and Recovery through Peer Services teams and increased housing subsidies.
- \$7.6 million for additional Forensic Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness teams.
- \$1.7 million for additional housing support specialist positions and long-term housing subsidies in the global leasing program.
- \$1.3 million for additional positions with Outpatient Competency Restoration Programs.

\$1.8 million is provided to CJTC for crisis intervention training as required in the Trueblood settlement agreement. Sec. 217(12). Pg. 222.

The DSHS is appropriated the following amount related to the Trueblood settlement:

- \$18.2 million to phase-in competency evaluations, competency restoration, forensic navigators, crisis diversion and supports, education and training, and workforce development. Sec. 202(7). Pg. 113.
- \$14.3 million to improve the timeliness of competency evaluation services for individuals who are in local jails. Sec. 202(8). Pg. 113.
- \$163 million to implement an acuity-based staffing tool at Western and Eastern State Hospitals to identify the clinical acuity of each patient ward and minimum level of direct care staff by profession to be deployed to meet the needs of patients in each ward. Sec. 202(10). Pg 115.

\$18.8 million is provided to the HCA for operating costs for three regional 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline Centers, DOH staff, an expansion of the Native & Strong Lifeline contracts, and funding for a 988 call volume forecasting model. In addition, federal expenditure authority is provided for a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration grant. Sec. 1215. Pg. 904.

Behavioral health apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs at L&I receive additional funding. \$3 million is provided to continue or extend grants for apprenticeships. \$1 million is provided to continue or extend preapprenticeship and entry level training, including nursing assistant certified programs. Agency Detail Pg. 262.

\$652,000 is provided to DCYF for staff to provide medications for opioid use disorder counseling, case management, delivery, and education to youth with an opioid use disorder. Sec. 235(14). Pg. 290. Agency Detail Pg. 299.

\$2.1 million is provided to DCYF for a team of opioid use intervention professionals that assist youth before and after release from juvenile rehabilitation facilities. State funding is used to replace expiring federal funding. Agency Detail Pg. 299.

Public Health

\$72.8 million is appropriated for distributions to county and health districts for public health services, including public health nursing. Sec. 710(7). Pg 448.

Foundational Public Health Services are reduced by at least \$24 million. A total of \$300 million is provided for distribution to local health jurisdictions. The General Fund portion is reduced by \$44 million, while expenditure authority from the Foundational Public Health Services account is increased by \$20 million. At a minimum this results in a \$24 million reduction, however, this number could be higher if collections are insufficient to support the higher expenditure authority. Sec. 713(27). Pg. 451-452. Agency Detail Pg. 550.

DOH takes several program-level cuts: **(\$2 million)** is cut from the Environmental Public Health Division. Agency Detail Pg. 272. **(\$1.2 million)** is cut from the Prevention & Community Health Division. Agency Detail Pg. 278. **(\$1 million)** is cut from 4 projects and programs within the agency's administrative program. Agency Detail Pg. 280. \$1.7 million is cut from the Office of Resiliency and Health Security. Agency Detail Pg. 285. **(\$4.6 million)** is cut from the Health Data, Planning, Assessment, and Planning Division. Agency Detail Pg. 286.

\$4 million is provided to continue grants to overburdened communities and vulnerable populations to provide guidance to agencies implementing the HEAL Act. Agency Detail Pg. 272.

\$1.1 million is provided to maintain the Washington Environmental Health Disparities Map developed under the HEAL Act. This includes transitioning the map to a new platform. Agency Detail Pg. 272.

\$2.7 million to the DOH is provided from four dedicated accounts for maintenance of drinking water systems to certify water system operators, to implement the federal Safe

Drinking Water Act, and to administer safe drinking water loans. Sec 222. Pg 238-239. Agency Detail Pg. 272.

\$324,000 is provided for the DOH, DCYF, and local health jurisdictions to implement SB 5163 relating to child fatalities. Sec. 223(202). Pg. 241. Agency Detail Pgs. 269, 278, 307.

\$25,000 for the DOH to provide supplement fee revenue for the doula program while fees are waived in FY 2026. Sec. 225(18). Pg. 249. Agency Detail Pg. 274.

\$3.8 million is provided for DOH to continue the 17 school-based health centers currently receiving operational grants, and to establish one additional center. Sec. 226(3). Pg. 252. Agency Detail Pg. 278.

\$1.9 million for DOH to expand the birth equity project with the goal of reducing prenatal and perinatal health disparities. Sec. 226(8). Pg. 253.

\$346,000 for DOH to provide perinatal opioid use disorder information and services. Sec. 226(14). Pg. 254. Agency Detail Pg. 278.

\$55,000 for DOH to conduct rulemaking establishing the mobile market program in SB 5214. Sec. 226(23). Pg. 255. Agency Detail Pg. 278.

\$1.38 million is provided to DOH for one-time funding for the Snohomish County Health Department for field-based treatment for syphilis and to maintain an in-house sexual health clinic. Sec. 226(24). Pg. 256. Agency Detail Pg. 279.

\$124,000 is provided to DOH to implement HB 1946 which modifies how tribal representatives are selected for local health boards. Sec. 227. Pg. 256-257. Agency Detail Pg. 284.

\$4.8 million is appropriated for DOH for the operation of the statewide medical logistics center warehouse. This is a (\$1.9 million) reduction due to lower-than-expected costs to modify the leased space. Sec. 228(4). Pg. 257.

\$7.4 million is provided for DOH to maintain public health information technology systems. Sec. 229. Pg. 257-258. Agency Detail Pg. 286

\$419,000 is provided for DOE to develop compliance and testing programs, conduct outreach to cookware manufacturers and sellers, and educate consumers, especially those in overburdened communities, about the dangers of lead in cookware and how to purchase safer pots, pans, and bakeware. Agency Detail Pg. 390.

\$253,000 is provided for the Office of the Attorney General and the DOH, to form a task force to provide recommendations to establish a comprehensive public health and community-based framework to combat extremism and mass violence. Sec. 126(10). Pg. 27. Agency Detail Pg. 82

Governor Ferguson vetoed \$200,000 for a grant through Commerce to a statewide public health organization to coordinate statewide work related to opioid use prevention, harm reduction, and treatment. Section 129(28). Pg. 42.

Governor Ferguson vetoed \$250,000 for a grant through Commerce for a grant to a Seattle-based organization providing individuals with access to HIV treatment, and to assist in expanding the program to Snohomish County. Section 129(34). Pg. 43.

Housing

The Lieutenant Governor is directed to conduct a review of retail or commercial properties with substantial potential for redevelopment as residential or mixed-use providing market rate and affordable housing supply. In addition, the review must identify state or local legislative actions that would reduce costs and accelerate delivery of new housing supply. A report to the Legislature identifying state and local legislative actions including, regulatory and tax incentives, permit streamlining, infrastructure assistance, and other actions that would accelerate delivery and reduce costs of new housing supply must be delivered by December 2025. Section 118. Pg. 18.

Commerce is required to assess a number of factors before entering into new contracts or grants using Home Security Fund or Affordable Housing for All Account resources. This includes ensuring that funding from these sources is used to maintain the quantity and types of housing and services funded in local communities as of February, 2025. The Department is authorized to consider local government recording fee balances and fluctuations in collections when allocating funds. Further, Commerce is authorized to redeploy funds if they are not utilized by the recipient within a “reasonable” period of time. Sec. 130(17). Pgs. 51-52.

Commerce is directed to review current policies and practices regarding reimbursement documentation requirements for grant and contracts. The purpose is to make the reimbursement process more efficient and to streamline compliance processes. Sec. 130(20). Pg. 53.

Commerce is directed to publish housing data on its website for local governments to complete their housing needs assessments. The proviso specifies the types of information to include, such as housing profiles for each county and city in the state. Sec. 131(6). Pgs. 56-57.

(\$2 million) is cut by eliminating grants to support Apple Health and Homes recovery residences. Agency Detail Pg. 120.

\$1.6 million is provided to Commerce to “increase middle housing.” Sec. 131(7). Pg. 57.

\$2 million is provided through Commerce for services to Homeless Families and Youth Fund Program. This is a public/private partnership created by the Legislature and administered by Building Changes, a Washington nonprofit. Sec. 130(1). Pg. 44.

\$4 million is provided to Commerce to administer the State Housing Homeless Grant Program. Sec. 130(2). Pg. 44. Agency Detail Pg. 123.

\$22.5 million is provided for Commerce to provide housing assistance to unhoused individuals. Priority must be given to individuals with a mental health disorder, a criminal history, or transitioning from behavioral health treatment facilities or local jails. Sec. 130(3). Pgs. 44-45.

\$52 million is provided for Commerce to administer and provide grants for permanent supportive housing. This includes the operation and maintenance of buildings or units within housing projects that receive capital funding from the Housing Trust Fund or other state capital accounts. Commerce is required to develop a model to estimate demand for operation and maintenance costs for permanent supportive housing units that receive grant funding from the program. Sec. 130(4). Pgs. 45-46.

\$7 million is provided for the Office of Homeless Youth at Commerce for prevention and protection programs. Sec. 130(5). Pg. 46.

\$4.6 million is provided for the Office of Homeless Youth to build infrastructure and services to reduce youth homelessness in communities identified in the Anchor Community Initiative which currently exists in Clallam, Jefferson, Clark, Thurston, Pierce, Skagit, Whatcom, Yakima, Spokane and Walla Walla Counties. This is actually a reduction of (\$400,000) compared to last biennium. Sec. 130(6). Pg. 46. Agency Detail Pg. 120.

\$137 million is provided for the Essential Needs and Housing Support Program at Commerce. This program provides access to items such as personal health and hygiene items, cleaning products, as well as transportation assistance and rent and utility assistance. Sec. 130(8). Pg. 47.

\$6.5 million is provided for Commerce's Consolidated Homeless Grant Program. \$4.5 million of this must be dedicated to permanent supportive housing for families who are chronically homeless and where at least one member has a disability. \$1 million must be provided for diversion services for families and individuals who are at substantial risk of losing housing or have recently become homeless and who have a high probability of returning to stable housing (this is a (\$1 million) reduction to diversion services). Sec. 130(9). Pgs. 47-48. Agency Detail Pg. 120.

\$14 million is provided for expanded foreclosure mediation assistance as required by SB 5686. Agency Detail Pg. 120.

(\$1.2 million) is cut from housing assistance for individuals with complex conditions. This is a 5 percent reduction. Agency Detail Pg. 121.

\$2 million is provided to Commerce to administer a transitional housing program for nondependent homeless youth. Sec. 130(10). Pg. 48.

\$4 million is provided to the Office of Homeless Youth for flexible funding to serve eligible youth and young adults by supporting housing stability, education, or employment, or meet immediate basic needs. The proviso includes eligibility criteria. Sec. 130(11). Pgs. 48-49. Agency Detail Pg. 121.f

\$1.2 million is available to homeowners at risk of foreclosure through Commerce. Sec. 130(12). Pg. 49.

\$111 million is provided for Commerce to provide grant funding for emergency shelter capacity and related services. Local governments are named specifically as eligible grant applicants. Sec. 130(14). Pgs. 49-50

\$90 million is provided for a grant program administered by Commerce to transition persons living in encampments to safer housing. Local governments are named specifically as eligible grant applicants. Grant recipients are prohibited from closing encampments unless they have provided “extensive outreach” and offered to provide temporary lodging or permanent housing that is noncongregate whenever possible. Sec. 130(15). Pgs. 50-51.

\$200 million is provided through Commerce for the state covenant homeownership program. This program, managed by the Housing Finance Commission, offers up to \$150,000 zero-interest loan for prospective low-income homebuyers’ down payments and closing costs. To be eligible individuals must have lived in Washington before 1968 or have a parent, grandparent, or great grandparent who did, and belong to a minority racial group. The loan must be repaid when the house is sold or refinanced. Sec. 130(16). Pg. 51.

\$117 million is provided for grants to local governments through Commerce for homeless housing programs and services including emergency housing and shelters, permanent supportive housing, and temporary housing. Grants that maintain existing levels of service and preventing the closure of existing beds or programs must be priorities. Sec. 130(19). Pgs. 52-52. Agency Detail Pg. 122.

Funding for a grant program at Commerce for rental and other housing supports for victims of human trafficking is reduced by (\$1 million). The remaining budget level is unclear. Agency Detail Pg. 100.

\$5 million is provided to HCA for short-term rental subsidies for individuals with mental health or substance use disorders. Sec. 214(40)(d). Pg. 200.

\$400,000 is provided for HCA for supportive housing and clinical services for mothers recovering from substance use disorder and their children. Sec. 214(79). Pg 216.

\$5.7 million is provided to help landlords pay for damage to their rental units through the Landlord Mitigation Program Account. Sec. 721. Pg. 454. Agency Detail Pgs. 122, 551.

An additional \$3.7 million is provided for the operation, maintenance, and services for permanent supportive housing through the Affordable Housing for All Account. Sec. 730. Pg. 458. Agency Detail Pg. 550.

(\$500,000) is cut by eliminating down payment assistance for individuals purchasing condos or townhouses as operated by the Housing Finance Commission. Agency Detail. Pgs. 120, 559.

Land Use & Permitting

Commerce is provided \$200,000 to prepare a list of projects to address incompatible developments near military installations as provided in RCW 43.330.520. Sec. 131(3). Pg. 55.

\$18 million is provided for grants to local governments to update and implement comprehensive plans and development regulations. This is a (\$2 million) reduction from the last biennium. In addition to providing grant resources for the current update cycle, this proviso contains a number of related requirements including a grant program to implement the Growth Management Act, \$500,000 for Commerce to conduct policy research and assessment of the effectiveness of existing growth management policy, a process for Commerce to establish emphasis areas for competitive grant distribution and for research priorities, and for Commerce to develop recommendations for integrating special purpose districts into the Growth Management Act process. Sec. 131(5). Pgs. 56-57. Agency Detail Pg. 129.

Local government climate planning implementation activities are funded through Commerce at \$22.5 million. Sec. 131(8). Pg. 57.

\$3.8 million is directed to Commerce to support implementation of various land use bills (HB 1096 (lot splitting), HB 1183 (development regulations), HB 1491 (transit density), SB 5148 (housing element audits), SB 5509 (childcare zoning), SB 5559 (subdivision reform), & SB 5587 (housing gaps report & infill housing)). Sec. 131(17). Pg. 57. Agency Detail Pgs. 128, 129.

\$10.7 million for the Conservation Commission for implementation of the Voluntary Stewardship Program. Sec. 307(3). Pg. 322.

A (\$430,000) savings is booked by maintaining a vacancy on the Growth Management Hearings Board. The position has been vacant since 2023. Agency Detail Pg. 412.

(\$100,000) is cut from DNR's budget that was used to produce county-based mineral resource maps to help counties make land use decisions. Agency Detail Pg. 435.

(\$500,000) is cut from DNR's budget for community Firewise grants and community outreach. Agency Detail Pg. 437.

Agriculture & Natural Resources

(\$1.6 million) is cut from the DOE Water Resources Program, which is responsible for managing the state water rights system, including instream flows. Agency Detail Pg. 391.

\$1.1 million is provided to Washington State Parks for the short-term operation and maintenance at Fort Worden until long-term management of the park is determined. Agency Detail Pg. 403.

\$1 million is provided to the Conservation Commission for the integrated science hub for agriculture, ecosystems, and climate. This collaborative effort is focused on natural resource protection, climate resilience, and agricultural viability statewide and within priority watersheds. Agency Detail Pg. 415.

(\$2 million) is cut from DFW activities related to increasing biodiversity and recovery of threatened and endangered species. Agency Detail Pg. 420.

\$200,000 is provided to DFW for a dispute resolution process for the ongoing use and management of tide gates in the Skagit Delta. Agency Detail Pg. 423.

(\$2 million) is cut from DNR's budget as a 10 percent reduction in administration. Agency Detail Pg. 437.

(\$1 million) is cut from DNR's budget for the Snohomish Watershed Resiliency Strategy. These resources were added in the 2023-2025 biennial budget. Agency Detail Pg. 437.

\$3.9 million is provided for payment in lieu of tax to counties for DFW lands. Sec. 801. Pg. 462.

(\$3 million) is cut from the DOE surface water mapping project. Agency Detail Pg. 392. \$2.5 million is provided for county fair funding, this is a reduction of (\$1.5 million). Sec. 919(2). Pg. 489.

Columbia River Gorge Commission

While the final budget restores funding for the Columbia River Gorge Commission, the agency takes a 25 percent cut of **(\$454,000)**. Sec. 301. Pg. 305. Agency Detail Pg. 382.

Puget Sound Conservation

\$910,000 is provided for the Northwest Straights Commission to support seven Puget Sound marine resource committees. Sec. 302(1). Pg. 306.

\$600,000 is appropriated for the UW Sea Grant Program to continue education targeted at small oil spills from commercial fishing vessels, ferries, cruise ships, ports and marinas. Sec. 302(2). Pg. 307.

\$204,000 is appropriated to implement Washington's response to ocean acidification as provided in Executive Order No. 12-07. Sec. 302(3). Pg 307.

\$150,000 is provided for ongoing costs of the Washington Coastal Marine Advisory Council to implement the state marine management plan, and serve as a forum and provide recommendations on coastal management issues. Sec. 302(5). Pg. 307.

(\$2 million) is cut from DOE activities related to coastal hazards, coastal monitoring and analysis, a coastal hazard resilience, and a coastal hazard grant program for local communities. \$1.9 million remains in the program. Sec. 302(12). Pg. 309. Agency Detail Pg. 388.

\$276,000 for a grant to San Juan County for the enhancement of ongoing oil spill response preparedness staff, equipment, training, and operations. Sec. 302(13). Pg. 309.

The Puget Sound Partnership is cut by **(\$9 million)** by eliminating two administrative positions, and two positions working on recovery integration efforts. Agency Detail Pg. 427.

Funding for DNR's aquatic derelict structure removal effort is shifted out of the General Fund to the revenue anticipated from the Puget Sound Partnership Nearshore Conservation Credit Program. Agency Detail Pg. 433.

Salmon Recovery

\$340,000 is appropriated for the Governor's Office to hire an independent entity to facilitate a stakeholder process to develop recommendations on proposed changes in policy and

spending priorities to improve riparian habitat to ensure salmon and steelhead recovery. Preliminary recommendations due June 1, 2026, final report due November 15, 2026. Sec. 117(7). Pgs. 17-18.

\$2.26 million is provided for the DOE to provide technical assistance for water quality cleanup plans, including focused on protection and restoration of critical riparian management areas important for salmon recovery. Sec. 302(11). Pg. 308.

\$8.5 million is appropriated for DOE to address and mitigate 6PPD, including monitoring, finding safer alternatives, and identifying best management practices to treat stormwater. Sec. 302(17). Pg. 311. Agency Detail Pg. 392. DFW receives \$1.94 million to track 6PPD and PFAS contaminants in salmon and other fish species in the Puget Sound. Agency Detail Pg. 423.

Governor Ferguson vetoed funding for several natural resource agencies to participate and contribute to a multiagency permitting team for the purpose of streamlining the review and environmental restoration projects that directly benefit fish or fish habitat. \$262,000 DOE Sec. 302(40). Pg. 316.

\$200,000 is provided to the Recreation and Conservation Office for operation and maintenance of a fish passage device at the Hood Canal Bridge. Agency Detail Pg. 408.

(\$1.6 million) is cut from Conservation Commission actions related to riparian habitat projects. This includes landowner education and outreach, project engineering, and implementation of capital projects. Agency Detail Pgs. 415 & 416.

\$1 million for the Conservation Commission to provide native trees and shrubs for riparian restoration projects. Sec. 307(5). Pg. 322. The Agency Detail document indicates that this is a fund shift from the General Fund to the Natural Climate Solutions Account. Agency Detail Pg. 416.

Forest Management

JLARC is directed to study DNR's long-term forest health planning and sustainable harvest approach. Sec. 103(4). Page 5.

Funding provided for the Conservation Commission to work with local conservation districts to implement priority forest health and community wildfire resilience projects is cut in half (\$2.5 million). Sec. 307(1). Pg. 321. Agency Detail Pg. 415.

(\$2.8 million) is cut from DFW resources used to reduce severe wildfire risk and increase forest resiliency on agency lands. \$1.2 million remains for these activities. Sec. 308(13). Pg. 325. Agency Detail Pg. 421.

(\$4 million) is cut from DNR used for exclusive contracts with two Fire Boss wildland firefighting aircraft. Agency Detail Pg. 432.

DNR is allowed to continue to retain 27 percent of revenue from state forestlands to reimburse the agency for the cost of administration, reforestation, and protection. State statute establishes the cap at 25 percent, but the Legislature has allowed the cap to be raised to 27 percent for the last four biennia. Sec. 988. Pgs. 579-580.

(\$576,000) is removed from DNR's budget for Forest Practices Board rulemaking. Agency Detail Pg. 430.

(\$128,000) is cut from DNR's budget that was used to support DFW's participation in the forest practices system including interdisciplinary teams, review of forest practices applications, hydraulic project approvals, water type modification forms, and participation in the adaptive management program. Agency Detail Pg. 434.

(\$3.1 million) of Natural Climate Solutions Account funding is cut from DNR's budget for forest health treatments. Agency Detail Pg. 434.

\$2.8 million is provided from the Natural Climate Solutions Account for the forest practices adaptive management program. Agency Detail Pg. 435. At the same time, funding for the Habitat Conservation Plan administrator is eliminated (\$322,000). Agency Detail Pg. 435.

(\$1.5 million) savings is booked from the permanent closure of the Larch correctional facility and relocation of wildfire work crews. Agency Detail Pg. 435.

(\$636,000) is cut from the DNR's budget that had been provided to develop a programmatic safe harbor agreement with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service for the northern spotted owl. Agency Detail Pg. 437.

Over (\$13 million) in cuts are made to a variety of wildfire response, prevention, preparedness, and resilience related activities in DNR's budget. Agency Detail Pgs. 433-437.

Invasive Species

\$542,000 is provided for DOE and \$2.5 million for DNR to implement an annual European Green Crab workplan, including enhancing understanding of crab behavior and dispersal, and holding workshops for natural resources managers to implement larval identification monitoring. Sec. 302(20). Pg. 312. Agency Detail Pgs. 388, 434.

\$7.24 is appropriated for DFW to expand Quagga and Zebra mussel control activities. This includes prevention, response readiness, public awareness, regulatory compliance, and preparation for long-term management and mitigation. Agency Detail Pg. 422.

Energy, Utilities & Carbon

\$5 million is appropriated to Commerce to support local governments in siting and permitting clean energy projects. This is actually a (\$5 million) reduction from previous levels. Sec. 133(3). Pg. 63-64. Agency Detail Pg. 113.

\$13 million is provided to Commerce to administer a grant program to assist owners of public buildings conduct energy audits. This is a (\$7.5 million) reduction from last biennium. Sec. 133(5). Pg. 65. Agency Detail Pg. 114.

\$10 million is provided to Commerce to assist local governments, local organizations, and tribes access federal tax incentives and grants. Sec. 133(12). Pg. 68.

The State Home Energy Assistance Program, which provides energy assistance for low-income households through Commerce, is reduced by (\$10 million). Agency Detail Pg. 99.

\$456,000 is provided for Commerce to develop guidance documents concerning safety, emergency response preparation, siting and zoning guidance on battery storage systems. The agency must convene a workgroup to develop the guidance documents, which must be completed by June 30, 2027. Agency Detail Pg. 113.

(\$1.5 million) is cut by eliminating resources at Commerce to provide technical assistance to counties establishing Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and Resilience (C-PACER) Programs. Agency Detail Pg. 113.

\$1.9 million is provided to Commerce for a local government grant program for progress towards compliance with the Clean Buildings Performance Standards. Agency Detail Pg. 113.

\$300,000 is appropriated to Commerce to provide technical assistance to local and Tribal governments regarding electric transmission project permitting and to transmission operators to increase transmission capacity. The agency must submit a report on financing mechanisms for transmission projects by November 1, 2025. Agency Detail Pg. 114.

The electric vehicle rebate program is eliminated. This is a (\$50 million) reduction in the Commerce budget. Agency Detail Pg. 114. Further, (\$1 million) is cut from the Electric Vehicle Mapping Tool project to provide locations of charging locations. Agency Detail Pg. 114.

\$719,000 is provided to Commerce to create a guidebook and provide technical assistance to local governments for integrating clean energy development into planning and zoning. Agency Detail Pg. 115.

\$2.5 million is provided to Commerce for engagement with Tribes when siting renewable energy projects and transmission facilities, and to create a framework and process to support transmission corridors. Agency Detail Pg. 115.

\$250,000 for a contract with a nonprofit through Commerce to develop a framework for the production, supply, and use of sustainable maritime fuels, and deployment of low and zero emission fuels. Agency Detail Pg. 115.

\$450,000 for the Washington Academy of Sciences to determine the value of distributed solar energy and storage. A report is due by October 1, 2026. Agency Detail Pg. 116.

\$382,000 for the DOH to update to the state's Integrated Climate Response Strategy regarding extreme heat and wildfire smoke. Sec. 224(10). Pg. 245.

Governor Ferguson vetoed two appropriations related to offshore wind projects. The first directed DOE to report on state authority relevant to potential siting and permitting of floating offshore wind projects. Sec. 302(15). Pg. 309. The second directed DOE to convene a tribal-state science advisory panel to advance understanding of potential ecological impacts of floating offshore wind projects. Sec. 302(16). Pg. 310.

\$1.3 million for DOE to assist local governments in building climate resilience, updating guidance including integrating climate policies through amendments to local shoreline master programs. Sec. 302(18). Pg. 312.

\$331,000 for DOE to update the state's climate resilience strategy. Sec. 302(19). Pg. 312.

\$1.3 million for DOE to develop a market platform for the state clean fuel standard in collaboration with the State of California. Agency Detail Pg. 393.

\$1.6 million for DFW to complete energy audits of agency facilities, develop a plan to electrify facilities currently using natural gas, and improve wildlife habitat connectivity. Agency Detail Pg. 421.

(\$250,000) is cut from DNR's budget for geologic research on the geothermal potential in the Columbia Basin. It is unclear what level of resources remain for this activity. Agency Detail Pg. 433.

\$3 million for DNR investment in urban forestry to support reduction of negative environmental conditions such as heat, flooding, and pollution and helping communities become greener, cleaner, healthier, and more resilient. Sec.310(11) Pg. 334.

\$500,000 for Commerce to conduct an analysis for new electricity generation, transmission, ancillary services, efficiency, and storage sufficient to offset those presently provided by the lower Snake River dams. Sec. 133(4). Pg. 64.

\$382,000 is provided for DOH to hire one person to focus on extreme heat and wildfire smoke as part of the state's Integrated Climate Response Strategy. Agency Detail Pg. 271.

(\$500,000) is cut from DOH for the Climate Health Adaptation Initiative which connects local governments with federal and state resources for climate action plans. Agency Detail Pg. 271.

(\$6 million) is cut from DOH climate impact worker safety program. Agency Detail Pg. 272.

\$750,000 is provided to DOH for an additional staff person at the Environmental Justice Council and for translation services. The new position will engage communities and Tribes around environmental justice priorities. Agency Detail Pg. 272.

Funding for DNR's hydrogeologist working on carbon sequestration and geothermal projects is shifted from the General Fund to the Climate Commitment Account. Agency Detail Pg. 433.

Environment

\$1.5 million is provided for Commerce to continue implementation of the HEAL Act. DOE receives \$1.1 million. Agency Detail Pgs. 94, 388.

\$196,000 is appropriated to DOE to implement SB 5033, required PFAS testing of biosolids. Sec. 302(29). Pg. 314.

Solid Waste

\$24 million for grants to support local solid waste and financial assistance programs. This is a (\$3 million) reduction. Sec. 302(4). Pg. 307. Agency Detail Pg. 389.

\$493,000 is appropriated to DOE to provide for rulemaking costs resulting from HB 1154 which requires the agency to approve solid waste handling facility permits. Sec. 302(31). Pg. 314. Agency Detail Pg. 393.

\$1.656 million to DOE to implement SB 5284 for extended producer responsibility. Sec. 302(32). Pg. 315.

\$3.8 million is shifted from the General Fund to the Model Toxics Control Act Account for activities including shoreline protection, solid waste management, water quality and stream flow management, and water pollution prevention. Agency Detail Pg. 389. An additional \$1 million for the Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program which provides assistance to local governments for shoreline management is shifted from the General Fund to MTCA. Agency Detail Pg. 392.

\$4 million is provided to DOE for investments in the state's Recycling Market Development Center to continue its business accelerator program, furthering innovation in the recycling market. Additionally, funding will increase support to local governments, nonprofits, and state agency litter collection and prevention programs, including the cleanup of roadways and highway interchanges. Agency Detail Document, pgs. 384 & 390. Agency Detail Pg. 390.

\$4 million for DOE to address flood prevention in the Nooksack basin and Sumas prairie. Of this:

- \$2 million for Whatcom County's Floodplain Integrated Planning process;
- \$900,000 for transboundary coordination;

- \$1.1 million for floodplain planning and technical support. Of this \$738,000 is for Whatcom County, and the remaining is for DOE staff technical assistance.

Sec. 302(7). Pg. 307.

\$2.75 million for DOE to prepare and file the adjudication of water rights in the Nooksack Basin. Sec. 302(9). Pg. 308.

\$200,000 for Whatcom County to provide technical assistance for all water users in the Nooksack basin to file adjudication claims. Sec. 302(36). Pg. 316.

Governor Ferguson vetoed a \$200,000 proviso for DOE to engage on a process that could result in a federal Indian water rights settlement through the Nooksack adjudication. Sec. 302(37). Pg. 316.

Governor Ferguson also vetoed a \$300,000 proviso for a grant to Clark County for the purpose of developing and implementing the lake management plan to restore and maintain the health of Vancouver Lake. Sec. 302(38). Pg. 316.

\$4 million for DOE to take several actions related to PFAS contamination, including providing support for source control and treatment at municipal wastewater facilities and cleanup sites. The agency is required to complete a study of waste discharge permittees to inform how the state should best manage these discharges. Sec. 302(21). Pg. 312.

Economic Development

Funding for associate development organizations is cut by **(\$1.7 million.)** Agency Detail Pg. 107.

(\$4 million) is cut from Commerce's grant to a network of microenterprise development organizations. Agency Detail Pg. 108.

(\$300,000) is cut from the Northwest Agriculture Business Center. This is a 50 percent reduction. Agency Detail Pg. 108.

(\$2.5 million) is saved by eliminating grants for predevelopment work to prepare sites to attract, retain or expand manufacturing businesses. Agency Detail Pg. 108.

(\$2.4 million) is cut from the Commerce sector lead program. This is a 50 percent reduction. Agency Detail Pg. 108.

(\$2.6 million) is cut from the Commerce program that provides small businesses with export assistance and international marketing representation. Agency Detail Pg. 109.

The L&I grant program to promote workforce development in aerospace related industries is reduced by (\$600,000) This is a 15 percent reduction. Agency Detail Pg. 262.

Transportation Budget

The state transportation budget is unique because it provides funding for the operation of the State Department of Transportation and transportation-related operational spending at other agencies, in addition to capital construction funding for transportation infrastructure. It is by far the most complicated of the three budgets. The 2023-2025 transportation budget authorizes a total of \$15.5 billion in spending, with \$6.2 dedicated to operations and \$9.3 billion for capital projects.

The budget authorizes the transfer of \$494 million to local governments from the Motor Vehicle Account and Multimodal Transportation Account. Sec. 401. Pg. 104. This distribution was over \$515 million in the last biennium, a reflection on decreasing fuel tax sales.

The transportation budget also relies on a variety of revenue sources. 40 percent of transportation revenues are derived from fuel taxes with the remainder derived from licenses, fees, permits, fares, tolls and federal funds. The Legislature increased the state gas tax by six cents per gallon in 2025 as well as raising vehicle weight fees, the rental car tax, the motor vehicle sales tax, and a new luxury tax on high-priced vehicles. This raises over \$3 billion over a six-year period. The Legislature also dedicated .1 percent of the state retail sales and use tax which raises \$300 million per year. The increased gas tax rate will eventually result in additional revenue for cities and counties.

Finally, the transportation budget assumes the issuance of \$3.5 billion in bond sales for transportation infrastructure projects. \$104 million is appropriated for the debt service on construction bonds. Budget Notes, Pg. 105.

Rather than highlighting specific transportation projects across the state, we summarize spending levels for the major programmatic areas of the transportation budget.

WSDOT Aviation

The Aviation program at the Department of Transportation, whose primary function is supporting public airports and maintaining 16 state-owned airports, sees its funding cut from \$23 million to \$16 million for the biennium.

(\$2 million) is cut from the Sustainable Aviation Grant program, which reflects the level of grants requested. Budget Notes, Pg. 28.

\$300,000 is provided to continue a feasibility study on offering commercial service at the Port of Bremerton Airport. This is an outgrowth of the effort to find a second regional airport to reduce pressure on Sea-Tac. Budget Notes, Pg. 27.

\$500,000 is provided to Snohomish County to begin to expand commercial passenger service at Paine Field. Budget Notes, Pg. 28

WSDOT Capital Projects

This transportation budget does not make significant new investments in new transportation infrastructure projects but rather continues to fund previously planned projects. This predominantly includes projects from the 2015 Connecting Washington and 2022 Move Ahead Washington packages. Some projects that weren't already under contract are delayed.

(\$306,000) is removed from WSDOT's budget for a staff liaison to work with local governments and project proponents regarding land use decisions and permit applications. Budget Notes, Pg. 47.

Department of Commerce

Commerce receives funding through the transportation budget for economic development and clean energy development. In the 2023-2025 biennium this equaled \$300,000 but in the 2025-2025 biennium the number grows to \$13.7 million. Budget Notes, Pg. 106.

\$6.8 million is provided for a sustainable aviation fuel institute or accelerator to advance the sustainable aviation fuel ecosystem in Washington. Budget Notes, Pg. 106.

\$2 million is provided to Snohomish County for preconstruction and site readiness for the sustainable aviation fuel research and development center at Paine Field. Budget Notes, Pg. 106. In a related proviso, Washington State University receives \$1.2 million for staff and support services for the temporary sustainable aviation fuel research and development center at Paine Field. Budget Notes, Pg. 120.

County Road Administration Board

The operation of the County Road Administration Board (CRAB) is funded through the state transportation budget. Overall funding is reduced by (\$11.2 million) between the 2023-2025 and 2025-2027 biennia. Budget Notes, Pg. 81.

Over \$30 million is provided for the County Arterial Preservation program, and \$9.3 million is provided for the County Road Preservation program. Sec. 302. Pgs. 73-74. Budget Notes, Pg. 81.

\$5 million is provided on a one-time basis for grants to assist counties comply with new Federal Highway Administration regulations regarding load ratings for bridges. Budget Notes, Pg. 82.

\$2 million is provided for continued debt service payments for the Pierce County and Skagit County ferry vessels. Budget Notes, Pg. 83.

\$300,000 is provided to update the methodology used to distribute motor vehicle fuel taxes to each county. Budget Notes, Pg. 85.

Department of Ecology

The 2025-2027 biennial budget reappropriates \$39 million and an additional \$15 million in new funding for grants to school districts to transition from diesel school buses to zero emission buses. Budget Notes, Pg. 107.

\$1.5 million is provided to DOE to develop a nonproject environmental impact statement for alternative jet fuel production pathways. Budget Notes, Pg. 107.

WSDOT Ferry Funding

The Legislature has recently re-focused on the need to invest in the 20 marine terminals and 21 car and passenger ferries that comprise the state ferry system. Preservation funding is increased by approximately \$100 million for a total of \$359 million in the 2025-2027 biennium. In addition, the Legislature is investing in new vessels and in the conversion of existing vessels and terminals to add electric propulsion. The current budget provides \$158 million for the conversion of two Jumbo Mark II vessels. The budget provides a total of \$894 million for infrastructure projects to preserve and improve terminals and vessels, and to build new vessels.

\$4.2 million is provided for additional deck and engine crews across the system. Budget Notes, Pg. 59.

(\$3 million) is saved by continuing to defer service from the San Juan Islands to Sidney, B.C. Budget Notes, Pg. 59.

\$4 million is provided for interim passenger only ferry service between Bremerton and Seattle. Agency Budget Notes, Pg. 60.

\$6.9 million is provided for overtime and special pay for engine room and terminal staff. Budget Notes, Pg. 60.

\$2.6 million is provided to continue additional service during the winter on the San Juan islands interisland route. Budget Notes, Pg. 61.

WSDOT Fish Passage Barrier Removal

The 2025-2027 budget sees another increase to the resources dedicated to meeting the Federal court injunction requirement to remove fish blocking barriers on state highways. \$1.09 billion is provided for the biennium, an increase of \$125 million from last biennium. Sec. 305. Pg. 79.

Department of Licensing

The Department of Licensing receives funding through the transportation budget for programs licensing drivers, vehicles, and businesses. In the 2023-2025 biennium this equaled \$427.5 million, and in the 2025-2027 biennium this grows to \$446 million. Budget Notes, Pgs. 77-83.

Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board

The Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board (FMSIB) has the duty of providing strategic guidance to the governor and Legislature regarding the highest priority freight needs in the state. Overall funding for operations of the agency are reduced by **(\$583,000)**. Sec. 311. Pg. 101. Budget Notes, Pg. 87.

Joint Transportation Committee

The Joint Transportation Committee is a legislative agency that informs state transportation policy. Much of the funding provided is for studies on specific topics. The agency was appropriated over \$9 million in the 2023-2025 biennium and that is reduced to \$4.3 million for the 2025-2027 biennium. In this budget the JTC is provided additional or new funding for studies relating to:

- Alternative project delivery methods and innovative practices;
- Tools to evaluate of programs that receive appropriations from the Carbon Emissions Reduction Account through the Climate Commitment Act;

- Evaluating the performance of alternative fuel and zero emission vehicle and infrastructure programs under the Climate Commitment Act;
- Update prior reports related to city and state responsibilities for road maintenance and city transportation funding needs;
- Review the 2024 Amtrak Cascades preliminary service development plan;
- Ocean going vessels;
- Alternative new methods for local governments to fund sidewalk improvements;
- Transportation alternatives in the event the Snake River dams are removed;
- Review transit-oriented development conditions in cities in King, Pierce, Spokane, Clark, and Snohomish counties.

Budget Notes, Pgs. 89-90.

Transportation Safety Commission

The Washington State Transportation Safety Commission administers state and federal traffic safety programs. The agency's budget in the 2023-2025 biennium was \$47 million and increases to \$51 million in the 2025-2027 biennium. Budget Notes, Pg. 94.

\$350,000 is provided to the Commission to complete an annual report on impacts of the automated traffic safety cameras. Sec. 201(4). Pg. 14.

Transportation Commission

The Washington State Transportation Commission conducts a statewide outreach program to gather input on state transportation policy. The Commission is also responsible for setting tolls for state highways and fares for state ferries. The Commission's budget was \$4.3 million in the 2023-2025 biennium and will be \$3.3 million for 2025-2027. Budget Notes, Pg. 95.

Transportation Improvement Board

The Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) administers grants for various transportation projects including the Active Transportation, Arterial Preservation, Complete Streets, Relight Washington, Small City Arterial, Small City Preservation, and Urban Arterial programs. \$259 million was provided for agency operations in 2023-2025, and is increased to \$315 million for the 2025-2027 biennium. Sec. 303. Pg. 74. Budget Notes, Pg. 99.

WSDOT Local Programs

WSDOT local programs serves as the program administrator for federal aid funds used to build and improve city, county, port, tribal, transit agency, and metropolitan and regional

transportation planning organization transportation systems. \$21.6 million is provided to support these operating activities, and \$963 million is provided for capital projects. The capital portion includes the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety grant program, the Safe Routes to Schools grant program, and specific local projects.

\$83.3 million is provided for Safe Routes to Schools projects Sec. 311(2). Pg. 98.

\$81.7 million is provided to pedestrian and bicycle safety programs and grants. Sec. 311(2). Pg. 98.

\$5.5 million is provided to continue the Reducing Rural Roadway Departures Program. LEAP Transportation Document 2025-2, Pg. 42.

\$930,000 is provided from the county portion of fuel tax distributions for studies. Sec. 224(4). Pg 71. Budget Notes, Pg. 66.

\$17.5 million is provided to support the Federal Funds Exchange Pilot Project. This is a \$500,000 increase. Sec. 305. Pg. 84. Budget Notes, Pg. 66.

\$33 million is provided for the Sandy Williams Connecting Communities Pilot Program. Priority must be given to historically marginalized or overburdened communities. Sec. 311(7). Pg. 100.

\$500,000 is provided for grants to local jurisdictions to implement network-wide traffic conflict screening programs using video analytics in controlled intersections with a disproportionate number of traffic violations and injuries to active transportation users. Grants must be awarded proportionally across the state and include controlled intersections in both urban and rural environments and along state highways and county roads. Sec. 311(8). Pg. 100.

A budget proviso states that where WSDOT is the lead on a transportation project and is unable to deliver or complete the project within the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the agency must determine if a potential local partner is ready, willing, and able to execute delivery and completion of the project within the fiscal biennium. Sec. 609. Pg. 117.

WSDOT Maintenance and Preservation

Resources dedicated to the preservation and maintenance of the state highway system is maintained at about \$295 million in state funding for the 2025-2027 biennium. Spending is planned to increase by another \$200 million in the 2027-2029 biennium.

\$9.2 million is provided to address homeless encampments on WSDOT-owned rights-of-way in coordination with local governments and social service organizations to direct people to housing and prevent future encampments. This is a (\$2 million) reduction from last biennium. Sec. 216(44). Pg. 47-48. Budget Notes, Pg. 35.

WSDOT Public-Private Partnerships

\$25 million is provided for clean alternative fuel vehicle charging and refueling infrastructure. Sec. 215(1). Pg. 43.

\$126 million is provided for a point-of-sale voucher incentive program to encourage the faster adoption of zero-emission medium and heavy-duty vehicles. Sec. 215(2). Pg. 44.

\$15 million is provided for grants or to match federal funding to finance hydrogen refueling infrastructure for medium and heavy-duty vehicles. Sec. 215(3). Pg. 45.

WSDOT Public Transportation

\$9 million is provided to WSDOT for increased grants to public transit agencies for enhanced service during the 2026 FIFA World Cup event. Budget Notes, Pg. 51.

\$5 million is provided to expand the service of the Washington intercity transit bus program. Sec. 221. Pg. 65. Budget Notes, Pg. 52.

(\$2 million) is cut by eliminating transit coordination grants which were provided from CCA dollars. Budget Notes, Pg. 52

\$338 million is directed to public transit agency capital projects. Budget Notes, Pg. 54.

\$32.2 million is provided for the Rural Mobility Grant Program. Sec. 221. Pg. 62.

WSDOT Rail Capital

The WSDOT rail, freight, and ports capital program maintains state rail infrastructure including the Pacific Northwest Rail Corridor and the 297-mile state-owned Palouse River

and Coulee City Rail system, as well as supporting freight and port projects. This biennial budget provides \$311 million for these projects. Budget Notes, Pg. 64.

Washington State Patrol

The total budget for operation of the Washington State Patrol is increased by \$98.8 million from the 2023-2025 biennium to the 2025-2027 biennium. This includes additional funding for longevity bonuses for troopers who reach 26 years of service, and an additional trooper basic training class to graduate in the 2027-2029 biennium. Budget Notes, Pg. 72.

\$3 million in one-time funding is provided for additional staff and equipment at the WSP toxicology laboratory to reduce the backlog in processing DUI evidence. Budget Notes, Pg. 73.

\$1.7 million is provided for three lateral trooper training academies for individuals with prior law enforcement background seeking to become troopers. Budget Notes, Pg. 73.

\$7.5 million is provided for speed safety cameras in state highway construction zones. Budget Notes, Pg. 73.

University of Washington

\$200,000 is provided to the University of Washington mobility innovation center to conduct transportation-related research in partnership with the WSDOT, private sector and local transportation agencies. Sec. 115(3). Pg. 11-12.

Capital Budget

The state capital budget directs expenditures for the acquisition of real property and the construction and maintenance of facilities such as schools, universities, prisons, behavioral health treatment centers, and parks. A combination of general obligation bonds and cash receipts from a variety of dedicated accounts are used to fund the capital budget.

For the 2025-2027 biennium the capital budget authorizes the expenditure of \$7.6 billion; \$4.5 billion from bonds. An additional \$3.1 billion is derived from:

- Water pollution control accounts, both state and federal - \$655 million
- Climate Commitment Act funds - \$376 million
- Other federal funds - \$288 million
- Model Toxic Control Act funds - \$283 million
- Public Works Assistance Account - \$265 million
- Other funds - \$1.2 billion.

This spending plan leaves a total of \$356 million in bond capacity available for the 2026 supplemental capital budget.

Agriculture & Natural Resources

Algae Carbon Sequestration and Regenerative Soils project. \$2.5 million. Commerce. Sec. 1037. Pg. 58.

\$10 million is provided for the National Coastal Wetland Conservation Program for the protection of coastal and estuarine areas. DOE. Sec. 3002. Pg. 98.

\$1.3 million is provided for grants and technical assistance to local governments for the management of freshwater aquatic invasive plants. Sec. 3003. Pg. 98.

\$468,000 is provided for grants to manage freshwater algal blooms. DOE. Sec. 3004. Pg. 98.

\$75.8 million is provided to the DOE for Floodplains by Design grants to provide technical assistance and projects to restore natural floodplain conditions by preserving open spaces, improving long-term community flood resilience, reducing flood risks to infrastructure, and developing and improving habitat conditions for salmon and other species. Sec. 3019. Pg. 102.

\$60 million is provided to the Columbia River Water Supply Development Program at DOE. Sec. 3021. Pgs. 103-104.

Governor Ferguson vetoed a \$600,000 appropriation to State Parks for an engineering study of options for historic structures at Cama Beach State Park. Sec. 3054. Pgs. 117-118.

\$120 million is provided to the RCO for the Washington Wildlife Recreation Program for grants for land protection on and outdoor recreation on, including park acquisition on and development, habitat conservation, farmland and forest preservation, and construction of outdoor recreation facilities. Sec 3056. Pg. 118.

\$105 million is appropriated to the RCO for the Salmon Recovery Funding Board Grant Programs for projects that protect or restore salmon habitat, and for other salmon-recovery programs and activities across the state. These funds are also used to match federal funds. Sec. 3057. Pg. 119.

\$20 million is provided to the RCO for the Salmon Recovery Funding Board Riparian Grant Programs for projects that focus on the recovery and health of riparian areas in order to support salmon recovery. Sec. 3058. Pg. 119-120.

\$60.5 million is appropriated to the RCO for Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration. The appropriations is solely for projects identified in LEAP Capital Document No. RCO-2-2025. Sec. 3059. Pg. 120-121.

\$4.4 million is appropriated to the RCO for the Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. The appropriations is solely for projects identified in LEAP Capital Document No. RCO-4-2025. Sec. 3061. Pg. 121-122.

\$6.2 million is appropriated to the RCO for the Community Forest Grant Program to protect communities and enhance their surrounding forestlands by acquiring land and developing collaborative models of community-based forest management and use. Sec. 3062. Pg. 122.

\$32.5 million is provided to the RCO for the Brian Abbott Fish Barrier Removal Board. The appropriation is subject to certain conditions and limitations including projects identified in LEAP Capital Document CO-6-2025, developed April 26, 2025. Sec. 3063. Pg. 122.

\$15.7 million is provided for grants to protect and restore the Puget Sound nearshore ecosystem for salmon recovery. Sec. 3064. Pgs. 123-124.

\$9.6 million is provided to the RCO for the Washington Coastal Restoration and Resiliency Initiative. The appropriation is solely for projects identified in LEAP Capital Document No. RCO-8-2025. Sec. 3065. Pg. 124.

\$5 million is provided for grants to develop or maintain recreational trails and trailhead facilities. Sec. 3069. Pg. 125.

\$20 million is provided from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for grants to preserve and develop access to recreation areas. Sec. 3071. Pg. 126.

\$7.9 million is appropriated to the family forest fish passage program. Sec. 3073. Pg. 126.

\$6.3 million is provided to the Conservation Commission as a match for federal funds received by conservation districts and other organizations for federally approved Regional Conservation Partnership Program projects. Sec. 3075. Pg. 124.

\$4 million is provided to the Conservation Commission for the Farmland Protection and Land Access Program, which reduces the conversion of agricultural land at risk of development, and increases farmland access by beginning or historically underserved producers. Sec. 3076. Pg. 127.

\$3 million is provided to the Conservation Commission for counties to incentivize the protection of critical natural areas in places where agricultural activity is conducted and fulfills statutory requirements. Sec. 3080. Pg. 129.

\$25 million is provided to the Conservation Commission for the Voluntary Riparian Grant Program. The appropriation is solely for the Commission to provide grants for riparian restoration projects with landowners. Sec. 3081. Pg. 129-131.

\$4.9 million is appropriated to the Forest Riparian Easement Program at DNR. Sec. 3106. Pg. 139.

\$4.3 million is provided to DNR for the removal or refurbishment of derelict aquatic structures. Sec. 3111. Pg. 140.

\$6 million is provided to DNR to remove two large derelict vessels. The specific vessels are not identified. Sec. 3113. Pgs. 140-141.

\$60.4 million is appropriated to the DOE for the Columbia River Water Supply Development Program to continue to build on projects currently being implemented and new projects, including pursuing water supplies to benefit both instream and out-of-stream uses through storage, conservation and voluntary regional water management agreements. Sec. 3021. Pg. 103-104.

\$52 million is provided to the DOE to continue implementing the Yakima River Basin Integrated Water Resource Management Plan. Sec. 3022. Pg. 104.

\$75 million is appropriated to the DOE for the Chehalis Basin Strategy to design and implement flood reduction on and habitat restoration on projects, including new grants, contracts, interagency agreements, and staff, subject to certain conditions and limitations. Sec. 3026. Pg. 105-107.

\$40 million is appropriated to the DOE for the Streamflow Restoration Program to provide competitive grants for projects that include water acquisition on, storage, retiming, aquifer storage and recharge, habitat improvement, water use, and streamflow monitoring. Sec. 3027. Pg. 107.

\$19.8 million is appropriated to the RCO for Community Outdoor Athletic Facilities Program for regional grants for projects that improve or renovate community athletic facilities that encourage participation in outdoor athletics. Sec. 3060. Pg. 121.

\$5.5 million is provided to DNR for State Forest Land Replacement-Encumbered Lands for small, rural timber-dependent counties in southwest Washington where implementation of the Endangered Species Act has decreased their ability to generate revenue from the DNR's current asset portfolio. Sec. 3109. Pg. 139-140.

\$16.9 million is appropriated to the DNR for the Trust Land Transfer Program to perform trust land transfers identified by DNR and to conduct a natural areas assessment of DNR-managed lands in the Elwha watershed. Sec. 3120. Pg. 142-143.

\$23 million is appropriated to the DNR to preserve and replace structurally complex forested state trust lands and encumbered State Forestlands and is subject to certain conditions and limitations. The appropriation is solely for DNR to acquire working forestlands to be managed for increased carbon sequestration and carbon storage through sustainable timber harvests consistent with RCW 79.10.310 and 31 79.10.320. P. Sec. 3121. Pg. 143-45.

Behavioral Health

\$129.8 million is appropriated to Commerce for various Behavioral Health Facilities in the state. This includes \$70 million for competitive community behavioral health grants to address regional needs, and \$49.8 million for 11 specific local crisis stabilization projects. The funding is solely for Commerce to issue grants to community hospitals or other community providers to expand and establish new and preserve existing capacity for behavioral health services in communities. Commerce will also develop the criteria of the issuance of the grants, meeting certain conditions. Sec. 1013. Pg. 14-20.

\$2.6 million is provided to Commerce for School-based Health and Behavioral Health Clinics at pre-determined schools and school districts. Sec. 1046. Pg. 62-63.

\$14.2 million in reappropriation and \$6 million in new appropriation to the Olympic Heritage Behavioral Health Facility for facility modernization. Sec. 2010. Pg. 84.

\$282 million additional funding is provided to DSHS for the new forensic hospital located on the Western State Hospital grounds. This is in addition to \$582 million that is reappropriated from prior budgets. Sec. 2016. Pg. 86.

\$22 million is provided for rapid behavioral health bed capacity at the DSHS Maple Lane facility. Sec. 2018. Pg. 87.

\$5 million is reappropriated to Commerce for the Phase 3 Crisis Stabilization Trueblood Facility. Sec. 6056. Pg. 196.

Energy, Utilities & Carbon

\$146.6 million in total is provided to Commerce for various clean energy & climate resilience and mitigation grants. The grants are as follows:

- \$10 million for Clean Energy Community grants. Sec. 1011. Pg. 12-13
- \$30 million for rebates on heat pumps and other high-efficiency electric equipment. Sec. 1012. Pgs. 13-14.
- \$20 million for Energy Retrofits for Public Buildings grants. Sec. 1016. Pg. 23-25.
- \$35 million for Weatherization Plus Health grants. Sec. 1017. Pg. 25-26.
- \$23 million for Community EV charging grants. Sec. 1019. Pg. 27-2.
- \$35 million for Clean Energy Fund program. Sec. 1022. Pg. 36-39.
- \$20.6 million for Solar and Energy Storage grants. Sec. 1024. Pg. 40-43.
- \$5 million for Clean Buildings Performance grants. Sec. 1025. Pg. 42.

\$3 million is provided for DOH to assist water systems with updating water system plans and to support water infrastructure improvement projects. Sec. 2021. Pg. 88.

Environment

\$8.3 million is provided to Commerce for the Participatory Budgeting Program which will provide funding for the development and administration of a participatory budget grant program to fund climate resiliency projects that benefit overburdened communities. Sec. 1029. Pg. 54-55.

\$13.6 million is provided for specified water quality projects in local communities. Sec. 1030. Pg. 55.

\$5 million is provided for water quality in the City of Centralia to clean up nitrate contamination. Sec. 1031. Pgs. 55-56.

\$5 million is provided to Commerce for industrial symbiosis assistance and support the development of industrial symbiosis park projects that benefit rural and overburdened communities. Sec. 1043. Pg. 61.

\$4 million is provided to continue the next phase of work on the Swift Creek cleanup, near the city of Everson. Sec. 2017. Pg. 102.

\$26 million is provided to DOH to assist small and disadvantaged communities in addressing emerging contaminants through water quality sampling, short-term mitigation, planning and engineering grants, technical assistance, and long-term remediation projects. Sec. 2022. Pg. 88.

\$120 million is appropriated for grants and loans for water infrastructure through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program. Sec. 2020. Pg. 88. An additional \$25 million is provided as state match for the federal Drinking Water Revolving Fund Construction Loan Program. Sec. 2023. Pgs. 88-89.

\$614 million is appropriated to DOE for the Water Pollution Control Revolving Program. This will provide low-interest loans to local governments and tribes to plan, design, acquire, construct, and improve water pollution control facilities and related nonpoint source activities to meet state and federal water pollution control requirements. Sec. 3005. Pg. 98-99.

\$40 million is appropriated to the DOE for the Centennial Clean Water Program which will provide grants to public entities for the construction of water pollution control facilities, and for planning and implementing nonpoint pollution control activities. Sec. 3011. Pg. 100.

\$60 million is provided to the DOE for the Stormwater Financial Assistance Program for grants to local governments for stormwater retrofit projects and associated source control activities. Sec. 3012. Pg. 100.

\$11 million is provided to DOE for the Affordable Housing Cleanup Grant Program to clean up hazardous sites and expand buildable land to develop affordable housing. Sec. 3013. Pg. 100-101.

\$3 million is provided to DOE for cleanup projects in the Puget Sound basin. Sec. 3016. Pg. 101.

\$7.8 million is provided to the DOE to replace diesel school buses with zero-emission buses and associated charging infrastructure. Funding may also be used for idle reduction and other diesel engine replacement projects. Sec. 3018. Pg. 102.

\$13.6 million is provided to Commerce for PFAS cleanup. \$7.5 million is provided for Spokane County West Plains PFAS, \$2 million for Lower Issaquah Valley cleanup, \$3 million for site identification and remediation, and \$2 million for fire engine decontamination. Sec. 1030. Pg. 55. Sec. 3023. Pg. 104.

\$10 million is appropriated to DOE for the Puget Sound Nutrient Reduction Grant Program to provide local jurisdictions subject to the Puget Sound Nutrient General Permit for the purpose of reducing nutrient discharges into Puget Sound. Sec. 3024. Pg. 104-105.

\$3 million is provided to the DOE to finance stormwater retrofit projects that treat polluted stormwater through public-private partnerships. Sec. 3025. Pg. 104.

\$84.4 million is provided to the DOE for the Remedial Action Grant Program. DOE must prioritize ongoing projects that have received funding from a previous Capital Budget appropriation for the Remedial Action Grant Program. This will provide grants to local governments to clean up contaminated sites in Washington. These projects support the

cleanup of contaminated industrial sites that impact the air, land, and water resources of the state and the cleanup of the Puget Sound. Sec. 3028. Pg 107.

\$1.3 million is provided to the RCO for community planning projects for outdoor recreation opportunities. Funding is also provided for a staff position to provide technical assistance to grant applicants and recipients. Sec. 3072. Pg. 126.

\$817,000 is provided to the DFW for the design phase of a project to remove or replace eight fish passage barrier culverts in compliance with the permanent injunction regarding culvert correction. Sec. 3097. Pg. 135.

\$9 million is provided to Agriculture for competitive grants to agricultural fairs for access and safety improvement projects. Sec. 3123. Pg. 146.

Housing

\$100 million is provided to Commerce for the Connecting Housing to Infrastructure program. This appropriation is subject to certain conditions and limitations including that the appropriation provided is solely for grants to local governments and public utility districts to defray the cost of waiving a portion of or all of the fees normally applied to developers for utility connection charges and related street improvements related to new affordable housing projects for low- and moderate-income households. Sec. 1020. Pg. 29-31.

\$605 million is appropriated to Commerce for the Housing Trust Fund. This includes \$536 million dedicated to housing to benefit low-income and special needs populations, including permanent supportive housing. Sec. 1021. Pg. 31-36.

Additional funds related to housing and shelters are provided to Commerce. These include:

- \$22 million for projects that create and preserve affordable housing. Specific projects are identified. Sec. 1041. Pgs. 60-61.
- \$5 million for low-income home rehabilitation grants. Sec. 1026. Pg. 42.
- \$14.7 million for recovery residences grants. Sec. 1032. Pg. 56.
- \$9 million for youth shelters and housing. Sec. 1033. Pg. 56-57.
- \$8.2 million for identified transit-oriented housing projects. Sec. 1040. Pg. 60.

Human Services

\$87 million is provided for grants and loans to purchase, construct or modernize early learning facilities in the ECEAP program. Sec. 1003. Pgs. 3-6.

\$12.1 million is provided to Commerce for grants and loans to plan, renovate, construct, or purchase high-quality early learning facilities for low-income children in specified school districts, including school districts in Benton and Whatcom counties. Sec. 1010. Pg. 12.

\$49 million is provided to Commerce for the Building Communities Fund Program. The program provides a competitive grant program for social service and multipurpose community center construction projects located in a distressed community or serving low-income individuals. Sec. 1015. Pg. 22.

\$6.6 million is provided for a grant to the Medically Tailored Meals Coalition of Washington. Sec. 1042. Pg. 61.

\$12 million is provided for the Open Doors Multicultural Village project, an affordable housing and early learning development project serving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Sec. 1044. Pg. 62.

\$500,000 is provided to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for pre-design of a new veteran's cemetery in southeast Washington. Sec. 2030. Pgs. 90-91.

Land Use & Permitting

\$11 million is provided for grants through the Defense Community Compatibility Program at Commerce. Sec. 1007. Pg. 8.

\$8.3 million is appropriated to Commerce for Transit-Oriented Housing Development investments. Sec. 1040. Pg. 60

Public Safety

\$5.6 million is provided to the CJTC for several infrastructure projects at the Burien Campus, including cost estimate reviews for new dormitory buildings and a new weapons training facility. Secs. 2001 through 2004. Pgs. 81-82.

\$250,000 is provided to DCYF to develop a facilities master plan to expand the agency's capital footprint. Sec. 2033. Pg. 91.

\$3 million is provided to DCYF for the acquisition, predesign, and design of one or more facilities to be used as medium security juvenile rehabilitation facilities. Sec. 2038. Pg. 93.

The Green Hill School is provided with funding for:

- \$4.5 million for HVAC upgrades. Sec. 2032. Pg. 91.
- \$4.5 million for visitor screening and security Improvements. Sec. 2036. Pg. 92.
- \$6 million in additional funds for the school-recreation building replacement. Sec. 6242. Pg. 250.
- \$1 million for the Baker North remodel. Sec. 6243. Pg. 250.
- \$1 million for the Green Hill Spruce Living Unity renovation. Sec. 6245. Pg. 251.

The Echo Glen facility is provided with the following funding for:

- \$800,000 in additional funding for secure facility improvements. Sec. 2031. Pg. 91.
- \$8.2 million for Echo Glen Upper Campus main boiler HVAC replacement. Sec. 2035. Pg. 92.
- \$250,000 in additional funding for Echo Glen Central Family Visiting Center. Sec. 2037. Pg. 92.
- \$264,000 in additional funding for Echo Glen-Housing Unit: Acute Mental Health Unit. Sec. 6241. Pg. 250.
- \$2.1 million is reappropriated for the emergency generator and fuel storage tank. Sec. 6244. Pg. 250-251.
- \$500,000 is reappropriated for the Echo Glen Academic School walkway roofing and lighting. Sec. 6247. Pg. 251.

Infrastructure

\$5 million is provided for the WSDOT Community Aviation Revitalization Board loan program for smaller public use airports. Sec. 403. Pg. 147.

\$19.5 million is provided for capital improvements related to hosting the 2026 World Cup. Sec. 1002. Pg. 3.

\$2 million is appropriated to Commerce for the Regional Approaches Program. The appropriation is solely for Commerce to provide planning, technical assistance, and predevelopment grants to local governments and federally recognized tribal governments for projects that would directly benefit overburdened communities, as defined by RCW 70A.02.010, that have been historically underserved by capital grant programs. Commerce

will prioritize applications that advance community housing, energy, and 30 infrastructure needs. Sec. 1004. Pg. 6-7.

\$81.3 million is provided to Commerce for the Community Economic Revitalization Board to provide grants to rural ports for infrastructure repair, improvement, and development projects for the purpose of rural economic development. Sec. 1005. Pg. 7-8.

\$7.7 million is provided to Commerce recreational projects that feature an indoor youth recreational component and supporting social service or educational component through the Youth Recreational Facilities competitive grant program. Sec. 1008. Pg. 8-9.

\$6.5 million is for the Library Capital Improvement grant program. Sec. 1009. Pgs. 9-11.

\$365 million is provided for the Public Works Board to award new or reimburse previously authorized grants and loans to local governments for infrastructure projects in accordance with chapter 43.155 RCW. Sec. 1018. Pg. 26.

\$4 million is provided to Commerce for the Communities of Concern Program which will provide funding for pre-development and development costs of capital infrastructure programs. These funds provide communities with the capacity to develop projects: design, consultation, and other pre-development tasks necessary to prepare projects for capital funding. Sec. 1023. Pg. 39-40.

\$201 million is provided to Commerce for various local and community projects throughout the state. Sec. 1027. Pg. 42-53.

\$7.4 million is provided for the Historic County Courthouse Rehabilitation Grant Program and specific projects are identified. Sec. 1093. Pg. 79-80.

\$19.7 million is provided for regional grants for projects that improve or renovate community athletic facilities that encourage youth outdoor athletics. Sec. 3060. Pg. 121.

\$9 million is provided to Agriculture for grants for agricultural fair access and safety improvements. Sec. 3123. Pg. 146.

\$10.1 million is appropriated to the DOE for Landfill Methane Capture grants. This is a (\$4.9 million) reduction from the 2023-2025 appropriation due to the Cowlitz PUD project no longer going forward. Sec. 6476. Pg. 314.

\$114 million is provided to Commerce for the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment grant program for public or tribal government lead entities. This funding is match-funding to the federally provided \$1.2 billion. Sec. 7033. Pg. 453-454.

List of Acronyms

AOC – Administrative Office of the Courts
Agriculture – Department of Agriculture
BLEA – Basic Law Enforcement Academy
Commerce – Department of Commerce
CJTC – Criminal Justice Training Commission
DCYF – Department of Children, Youth, and Families
DOE – Department of Ecology
DFW – Department of Fish and Wildlife
DOH – Department of Health
DOL – Department of Licensing
DNR – Department of Natural Resources
DSHS – Department of Social and Health Services
ECEAP – Early Childhood Education and Assistance program
HCA – Health Care Authority
HEAL Act – Healthy Environment for All Act
JLARC – Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee
L&I – Department of Labor and Industries
OCLA – Office of Civil Legal Aid
OPD – Office of Public Defense
PFML – Paid Family Medical Leave Act
RCO – Recreation and Conservation Office
WSDOT – Department of Transportation



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