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By House Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Blake, Chapman, Macri, Robinson, Van Werven, Morris, Smith, Haler, J. Walsh, Ryu, Johnson, Stanford, Sells, Ormsby, Frame, Kretz, Dye, Santos, Doglio, Pollet, Tarleton, and Jinkins)

- 1 AN ACT Relating to creating a low-income home rehabilitation
- 2 revolving loan program; reenacting and amending RCW 43.79A.040; and
- 3 adding new sections to chapter 43.330 RCW.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330 6 RCW to read as follows:
- 7 The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter 8 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 9 (1) "Home" means a single-family residential structure.
- 10 (2) "Home rehabilitation" means residential repairs and 11 improvements that address health, safety, and durability issues in 12 existing housing in rural areas.
- 13 (3) "Homeowner" means a person who owns and resides permanently 14 in the home the person occupies.
- 15 (4) "Low-income" means persons or households with income at or 16 below two hundred percent of the federal poverty level as adjusted 17 for family size and determined annually by the federal department of 18 health and human services.
- 19 (5) "Rehabilitation agency" means any approved department 20 grantee, tribal nation, or any public service company, municipality, 21 public utility district, mutual or cooperative, or other entity that

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- 1 bears the responsibility for rehabilitating residences under this 2 chapter and has been approved by the department.
- 3 (6) "Rural areas" means areas of Washington state defined as non-4 entitlement areas by the United States department of housing and 5 urban development.
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330 7 RCW to read as follows:
  - (1) Subject to availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the low-income home rehabilitation revolving loan program is created within the department.
    - (2) The program must include the following elements:

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- 12 (a) Eligible homeowners must be low-income and live in rural 13 areas.
- 14 (b) Homeowners who are senior citizens, persons with 15 disabilities, families with children five years old and younger, and 16 veterans must receive priority for loans.
  - (c) The cost of the home rehabilitation must be the lesser of eighty percent of the assessed value of the property post rehabilitation or forty thousand dollars.
- 20 (d) The maximum amount that may be loaned under this program may 21 not exceed the cost of the home rehabilitation as provided in (c) of 22 this subsection.
  - (e) The interest rate of the loan must be equal to the previous calendar year's annual average consumer price index compiled by the bureau of labor statistics, United States department of labor.
  - (f) The department must allow participating homeowners to defer repayment of the loan principal and interest and any fees related to the administration or issuance of the loan. Any amounts deferred pursuant to this section becomes a lien in favor of the state and is secondary in rank over all other privileges, liens, monetary encumbrances, or other security interests affecting the real property, whenever incurred, filed, or recorded, except for local and special district property tax assessments. The department must take such necessary action to file and perfect the state's lien. All amounts due under the loan become due and payable upon the sale of the home or upon change in ownership of the home.
- 37 (3) All moneys from repayments must be deposited into the low-38 income home rehabilitation revolving loan program account created in 39 section 4 of this act.

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- 1 (4) The department must adopt rules for implementation of this 2 program.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330 4 RCW to read as follows:

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- (1) The department must contract with rehabilitation agencies to provide home rehabilitation to participating homeowners. Preference must be given to local agencies delivering programs and services with similar eligibility criteria.
- 9 (2) Any rehabilitation agency may charge participating homeowners 10 an administrative fee of no more than seven percent of the home 11 rehabilitation loan amount. The administrative fee must become a 12 component of the total loan amount to be repaid by the participating 13 homeowner.
- 14 (3) Any rehabilitation agency receiving funding under this 15 section must report to the department at least quarterly, or in 16 alignment with federal reporting, whichever is the greater frequency, 17 the project costs and the number of homes repaired or rehabilitated. 18 The director must review the accuracy of these reports.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 43.330 RCW to read as follows:
  - The low-income home rehabilitation revolving loan program account is created in the custody of the state treasury. All transfers and appropriations by the legislature, repayments of loans, private contributions, and all other sources must be deposited into the account. Expenditures from the account may be used only for the purposes of the low-income home rehabilitation revolving loan program created in section 2 of this act. Only the director or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.
- 31 **Sec. 5.** RCW 43.79A.040 and 2016 c 203 s 2, 2016 c 173 s 10, 2016 32 c 69 s 21, and 2016 c 39 s 7 are each reenacted and amended to read 33 as follows:
- 34 (1) Money in the treasurer's trust fund may be deposited, 35 invested, and reinvested by the state treasurer in accordance with 36 RCW 43.84.080 in the same manner and to the same extent as if the

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money were in the state treasury, and may be commingled with moneys in the state treasury for cash management and cash balance purposes.

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- (2) All income received from investment of the treasurer's trust fund must be set aside in an account in the treasury trust fund to be known as the investment income account.
- (3) The investment income account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking services on behalf of treasurer's trust funds including, but not limited to, depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state treasurer or affected state agencies. The investment income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for payments to financial institutions. Payments must occur prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.
- (4)(a) Monthly, the state treasurer must distribute the earnings credited to the investment income account to the state general fund except under (b), (c), and (d) of this subsection.
- following accounts and funds must receive their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period: The 24/7 sobriety account, the Washington promise scholarship account, the Washington advanced college tuition payment program account, the Washington college savings program account, the accessible communities account, the Washington achieving a better life experience program account, the community and technical college innovation account, the agricultural local fund, the American Indian scholarship endowment fund, the foster care scholarship endowment fund, the foster care endowed scholarship trust fund, the contract harvesting revolving account, the Washington state combined fund drive account, the commemorative works account, the county enhanced 911 excise tax account, the toll collection account, the developmental disabilities endowment trust fund, the energy account, the fair fund, the family leave insurance account, the food animal veterinarian conditional scholarship account, the fruit and vegetable inspection account, the future teachers conditional scholarship account, the game farm alternative account, the GET ready for math and science scholarship account, the Washington global health technologies and product development account, the grain inspection revolving fund, the industrial insurance rainy day fund, the juvenile accountability incentive account, the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' plan 2 expense fund, the local tourism promotion account, the low-income

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1 home rehabilitation revolving loan program account, the multiagency permitting team account, the pilotage account, the produce railcar 2 account, the regional transportation investment district 3 account, the rural rehabilitation account, the Washington sexual 4 assault kit account, the stadium and exhibition center account, the 5 6 youth athletic facility account, the self-insurance revolving fund, 7 the children's trust fund, the Washington horse racing commission Washington bred owners' bonus fund and breeder awards account, the 8 Washington horse racing commission class C purse fund account, the 9 individual development account program account, the Washington horse 10 11 racing commission operating account, the life sciences discovery 12 fund, the Washington state heritage center account, the reduced cigarette ignition propensity account, the center for childhood 13 deafness and hearing loss account, the school for the blind account, 14 the Millersylvania park trust fund, the public employees' 15 16 retirees' insurance reserve fund, and the radiation perpetual 17 maintenance fund.

(c) The following accounts and funds must receive eighty percent of their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period: The advanced right-of-way revolving fund, the advanced environmental mitigation revolving account, the federal narcotics asset forfeitures account, the high occupancy vehicle account, the local rail service assistance account, and the miscellaneous transportation programs account.

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- (d) Any state agency that has independent authority over accounts or funds not statutorily required to be held in the custody of the state treasurer that deposits funds into a fund or account in the custody of the state treasurer pursuant to an agreement with the office of the state treasurer shall receive its proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period.
- 32 (5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state 33 Constitution, no trust accounts or funds shall be allocated earnings 34 without the specific affirmative directive of this section.

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