## ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1166

State of Washington 64th Legislature 2015 Regular Session

By House Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Dunshee, Gregerson, and DeBolt; by request of Governor Inslee)

READ FIRST TIME 04/01/15.

- AN ACT Relating to state general obligation bonds and related
- 2 accounts; adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; and declaring an
- 3 emergency.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** For the purpose of providing funds to 6 finance the projects described and authorized by the legislature in
- 7 the omnibus capital and operating appropriations acts for the
- 8 2015-2017 fiscal biennium, and all costs incidental thereto, the
- 9 state finance committee is authorized to issue general obligation
- 10 bonds of the state of Washington in the sum of two billion three
- 11 hundred thirty-two million four hundred fifty-six thousand dollars,
- 12 or as much thereof as may be required, to finance these projects and
- 13 all costs incidental thereto. Bonds authorized in this section may be
- 14 sold at such price as the state finance committee shall determine. No
- 15 bonds authorized in this section may be offered for sale without
- 16 prior legislative appropriation of the net proceeds of the sale of
- 17 the bonds.
- 18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** (1) The proceeds from the sale of bonds
- 19 authorized in section 1 of this act shall be deposited in the state

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building construction account created by RCW 43.83.020. The proceeds shall be transferred as follows:

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- (a) Two billion one hundred eighty-five million five hundred sixty-two thousand dollars to remain in the state building construction account created by RCW 43.83.020;
- (b) One hundred twenty-three million eight hundred thousand dollars to the state taxable building construction account. All receipts from taxable bonds issued are to be deposited into the account. If the state finance committee deems it necessary or advantageous to issue more than the amount specified in this subsection (1)(b) as taxable bonds in order to comply with federal internal revenue service rules and regulations pertaining to the use of nontaxable bond proceeds or in order to reduce the total financing costs for bonds issued, the proceeds of such additional taxable bonds shall be transferred to the state taxable building construction account in lieu of any transfer otherwise provided by this section. If the state finance committee determines that a portion of the amount specified in this subsection (1)(b) as taxable bonds may be issued as nontaxable bonds in compliance with federal internal revenue service rules and regulations pertaining to the use of nontaxable bond proceeds, then such bond proceeds shall transferred to the state building construction account in lieu of the transfer to the state taxable building construction account otherwise provided by this subsection (1)(b). The state treasurer shall submit written notice to the director of financial management if it is determined that any such additional transfer to the state taxable building construction account is necessary or that a transfer from the state taxable building construction account to the state building construction account may be made. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.
  - (c) The treasurer shall transfer bond proceeds deposited in the state building construction account into the outdoor recreation account created by RCW 79A.25.060, the habitat conservation account created by RCW 79A.15.020, the riparian protection account created by RCW 79A.15.120, and the farmlands preservation account created by RCW 79A.15.130 at various times and in various amounts necessary to support authorized expenditures from those accounts.
  - (2) These proceeds shall be used exclusively for the purposes specified in this section and for the payment of expenses incurred in the issuance and sale of the bonds issued for the purposes of this

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- 1 section, and shall be administered by the office of financial
- 2 management subject to legislative appropriation.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) The debt-limit general fund bond retirement account shall be used for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds authorized in section 2(1) (a) through (c) of this act.
  - (2) The state finance committee shall, on or before June 30th of each year, certify to the state treasurer the amount needed in the ensuing twelve months to meet the bond retirement and interest requirements on the bonds authorized in section 2(1) (a) through (c) of this act.
- 12 (3) On each date on which any interest or principal and interest
  13 payment is due on bonds issued for the purposes of section 2(1) (a)
  14 through (c) of this act the state treasurer shall withdraw from any
  15 general state revenues received in the state treasury and deposit in
  16 the debt-limit general fund bond retirement account an amount equal
  17 to the amount certified by the state finance committee to be due on
  18 the payment date.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. (1) Bonds issued under sections 1 through 3 of this act shall state that they are a general obligation of the state of Washington, shall pledge the full faith and credit of the state to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon, and shall contain an unconditional promise to pay the principal and interest as the same shall become due.
- 25 (2) The owner and holder of each of the bonds or the trustee for 26 the owner and holder of any of the bonds may by mandamus or other 27 appropriate proceeding require the transfer and payment of funds as 28 directed in this section.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. The legislature may provide additional means for raising moneys for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds authorized in section 1 of this act, and sections 2 and 3 of this act shall not be deemed to provide an exclusive method for the payment.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Sections 1 through 5 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 43 RCW.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately.

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