

1	General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .	\$252,017,000
2	General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .	\$262,547,000
3	General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	\$3,084,000
4	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	\$517,648,000

5 The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the  
6 following conditions and limitations: The state prison medical  
7 facilities may use funds appropriated in this subsection to purchase  
8 goods, supplies, and services through hospital or other group  
9 purchasing organizations when it is cost effective to do so.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 224. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SERVICES FOR THE**  
11 **BLIND**

12	General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .	\$7,212,000
13	General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .	\$7,609,000
14	General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	\$25,672,000
15	General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	\$61,000
16	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	\$40,554,000

17 The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the  
18 following conditions and limitations:

19 (1) \$201,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
20 year 2024 and \$201,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
21 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the continuation of  
22 statewide services for blind or low vision youth under the age of 14.

23 (2) \$184,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal  
24 year 2024 and \$367,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
25 fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the independent living  
26 program.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 225. FOR THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT**

28	General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2024). . . . .	\$13,866,000
29	General Fund—State Appropriation (FY 2025). . . . .	\$15,017,000
30	General Fund—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	\$213,012,000
31	General Fund—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	\$38,663,000
32	Climate Commitment Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$326,000
33	Performance Audits of Government Account—State	
34	Appropriation. . . . .	\$600,000
35	Unemployment Compensation Administration Account—	
36	Federal Appropriation. . . . .	\$275,137,000

1	Administrative Contingency Account—State	
2	Appropriation. . . . .	\$28,801,000
3	Employment Service Administrative Account—State	
4	Appropriation. . . . .	\$80,314,000
5	Family and Medical Leave Insurance Account—State	
6	Appropriation. . . . .	\$152,840,000
7	Workforce Education Investment Account—State	
8	Appropriation. . . . .	\$12,486,000
9	Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Account—State	
10	Appropriation. . . . .	\$41,104,000
11	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	\$872,166,000

12 The appropriations in this subsection are subject to the  
13 following conditions and limitations:

14 (1) The department is directed to maximize the use of federal  
15 funds. The department must update its budget annually to align  
16 expenditures with anticipated changes in projected revenues.

17 (2) \$15,399,000 of the long-term services and supports trust  
18 account—state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
19 the long-term services and support trust program information  
20 technology project and is subject to the conditions, limitations, and  
21 review provided in section 701 of this act.

22 (3) Within existing resources, the department must reassess its  
23 ongoing staffing and funding needs for the paid family medical leave  
24 program and submit documentation of the updated need to the governor  
25 and appropriate committees of the legislature by September 1, 2023,  
26 and annually thereafter.

27 (4) Within existing resources, the department shall coordinate  
28 outreach and education to paid family and medical leave benefit  
29 recipients with a statewide family resource, referral, and linkage  
30 system that connects families with children prenatal through age five  
31 and residing in Washington state to appropriate services and  
32 community resources. This coordination shall include but is not  
33 limited to placing information about the statewide family resource,  
34 referral, and linkage system on the paid family and medical leave  
35 program web site and in printed materials, and conducting joint  
36 events.

37 (5) Within existing resources, the department shall report the  
38 following to the legislature and the governor by October 15, 2023,  
39 and each year thereafter:

1 (a) An inventory of the department's programs, services, and  
2 activities, identifying federal, state, and other funding sources for  
3 each;

4 (b) Federal grants received by the department, segregated by line  
5 of business or activity, for the most recent five fiscal years, and  
6 the applicable rules;

7 (c) State funding available to the department, segregated by line  
8 of business or activity, for the most recent five fiscal years;

9 (d) A history of staffing levels by line of business or activity,  
10 identifying sources of state or federal funding, for the most recent  
11 five fiscal years;

12 (e) A projected spending plan for the employment services  
13 administrative account and the administrative contingency account.  
14 The spending plan must include forecasted revenues and estimated  
15 expenditures under various economic scenarios.

16 (6) (a) \$12,435,000 of the workforce education investment account—  
17 state appropriation are provided solely for career connected learning  
18 grants as provided in RCW 28C.30.050, including sector intermediary  
19 grants and administrative expenses associated with grant  
20 administration.

21 (b) Within existing resources, the department will collaborate  
22 with the Washington state student achievement council to develop a  
23 recommendation on whether the administration of the career connected  
24 learning grant program and other career connected learning funds  
25 should transfer from the department to the office of career connect  
26 Washington, as established in House/Senate Bill No. . . .  
27 (Z-0132.2/23) (establishing the office of career connect Washington).

28 (7) \$2,000,000 of the unemployment compensation administration  
29 account—federal appropriation is provided solely for the department  
30 to continue implementing the federal United States department of  
31 labor equity grant. This grant includes improving the translation of  
32 notices sent to claimants as part of their unemployment insurance  
33 claims into any of the 10 languages most frequently spoken in the  
34 state and other language, demographic, and geographic equity  
35 initiatives approved by the grantor. The department must also ensure  
36 that letters, alerts, and notices produced manually or by the  
37 department's unemployment insurance technology system are written in  
38 plainly understood language and evaluated for ease of claimant  
39 comprehension before they are approved for use.

1 (8) \$3,136,000 of the unemployment compensation administration  
2 account—federal appropriation is provided solely for a continuous  
3 improvement team to make customer, employer, and equity enhancements  
4 to the unemployment insurance program. If the department does not  
5 receive adequate funding from the United States department of labor  
6 to cover these costs, the department may use funding made available  
7 to the state through section 903 (d), (f), and (g) of the social  
8 security act (Reed act) in an amount not to exceed the amount  
9 provided in this subsection.

10 (9) \$326,000 of the climate commitment account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for participation on the clean  
12 energy technology work force advisory committee and collaboration on  
13 the associated report established in House/Senate Bill No. . . .  
14 (Z-0226/23) (climate service corps). If the bill is not enacted by  
15 June 30, 2023, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

16 (10)(a) \$9,323,000 of the employment service administrative  
17 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the replacement of  
18 the WorkSource integrated technology platform. The replacement system  
19 must support the workforce administration statewide to ensure  
20 adoption of the United States department of labor's integrated  
21 service delivery model and program performance requirements for the  
22 state's workforce innovation and opportunity act and other federal  
23 grants. This subsection is subject to the conditions, limitations,  
24 and review provided in section 701 of this act.

25 (b) \$2,290,000 of the employment services administrative account—  
26 state appropriation is provided solely for the maintenance and  
27 operation of the WorkSource integrated technology platform.

28 (11) \$6,208,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
29 fiscal year 2024 and \$6,208,000 of the general fund—state  
30 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for the  
31 continuation of the economic security for all program. The department  
32 must collect quarterly data on the number of participants that  
33 participate in the program, the costs associated with career,  
34 training, and other support services provided by category, including  
35 but not limited to, child care, housing, transportation, and car  
36 repair, and progress made towards self-sufficiency. The department  
37 must provide a report to the governor and the legislature on December  
38 1 and June 1 of each year that includes an analysis of the program, a

1 detailed summary of the quarterly data collected, and associated  
2 recommendations for program delivery.

3 (12) (a) \$2,646,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
4 fiscal year 2024 and \$2,646,000 of the general fund—state  
5 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided to expand the  
6 economic security for all program to residents of Washington state  
7 that are over 200 percent of the federal poverty level but who  
8 demonstrate financial need for support services or assistance with  
9 training costs to either maintain or secure employment. Supports to  
10 each participant must not exceed \$5,000 per year.

11 (b) The department must collect quarterly data on the number of  
12 participants that participate in the program, the costs associated  
13 with career, training, and other support services provided by  
14 category, including but not limited to, child care, housing,  
15 transportation, and car repair, and progress made towards self-  
16 sufficiency. The department must provide a report to the governor and  
17 the legislature on December 1 and June 1 of each year that includes  
18 an analysis of the program, a detailed summary of the quarterly data  
19 collected, and associated recommendations for program delivery.

20 (c) Of the amounts in (a) of this subsection, the department may  
21 use \$146,000 each year to cover program administrative expenses.

22 (13) \$1,655,000 of the administrative contingency account—state  
23 appropriation is provided to increase the department's information  
24 security team to proactively address critical security  
25 vulnerabilities, audit findings, and process gaps.

26 (14) \$600,000 of the performance audits of government account—  
27 state appropriation is provided for two project managers to assist  
28 with the coordination of state audits.

29 (15) \$1,448,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
30 fiscal year 2024 and \$1,448,000 of the general fund—state  
31 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for business  
32 navigators at the local workforce development boards to increase  
33 employer engagement in an effort to support industry recovery and  
34 growth. Of the amounts in this subsection, the department may use  
35 \$148,000 per year to cover associated administrative expenses.

36 (16) \$7,500,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation is  
37 provided solely for the implementation of the quality jobs, equity  
38 strategy, and training (QUEST) grant to enhance the workforce  
39 system's ongoing efforts to support employment equity and employment

1 recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. The funds are for partnership  
2 development, community outreach, business engagement, and  
3 comprehensive career and training services.

4 (17) \$3,389,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for  
5 fiscal year 2024 and \$4,540,000 of the general fund—state  
6 appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely to increase  
7 the stipend for Washington service corps members to \$26,758 per year  
8 and for one staff member to assist with program outreach. The stipend  
9 increase is for members that enter into a service year with income  
10 below 200 percent of the federal poverty level.

11 (18) \$1,615,000 of the family and medical leave account—state  
12 appropriation and \$1,513,000 of the long-term services and supports  
13 trust account—state appropriation are provided solely for the paid  
14 family and medical leave and long-term services and supports programs  
15 to increase outreach to underserved communities, perform program  
16 evaluation and data management, perform necessary fiscal functions,  
17 and make customer experience enhancements.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 226. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH,**  
19 **AND FAMILIES—GENERAL**

20 (1) The health care authority, the health benefit exchange, the  
21 department of social and health services, the department of health,  
22 and the department of children, youth, and families shall work  
23 together within existing resources to establish the health and human  
24 services enterprise coalition (the coalition). The coalition, led by  
25 the health care authority, must be a multi-organization collaborative  
26 that provides strategic direction and federal funding guidance for  
27 projects that have cross-organizational or enterprise impact,  
28 including information technology projects that affect organizations  
29 within the coalition. The office of the chief information officer  
30 shall maintain a statewide perspective when collaborating with the  
31 coalition to ensure that projects are planned for in a manner that  
32 ensures the efficient use of state resources, supports the adoption  
33 of a cohesive technology and data architecture, and maximizes federal  
34 financial participation.

35 (2) Information technology projects or investments and proposed  
36 projects or investments impacting time capture, payroll and payment  
37 processes and systems, eligibility, case management, and