STATEMENT OF POLICY

REGARDING: EXPENSES THAT CAN BE PAID BY THE TRAINING SURCHARGE

It is the policy of the Board that WAC 363-116-078(10)(b) states that receipts from the “Training Surcharge” generated in connection with tariffs collected pursuant to WAC 363-116-300 “shall be disposed of as directed by the board”. It is the policy of the Board that these funds shall first be used to pay the pilot trainee stipends required under WAC 363-116-078(10)(a) and then for any or all of the following purposes:

1. Periodically provide a “Train the Trainer” program to supervising pilots which will enable the supervising pilots to know and use the best techniques and most effective methods for training, evaluating and supervising trainees.

2. In the event of a legal challenge to either the written exam or the simulator evaluation, provide funds to defray the legal expenses related to the actions against the Board including the cost for expert witnesses and other court related expenses.

3. In the event of a legal challenge of the Board’s actions related to the administration of the training program or the determinations of the Board relative to the suitability for licensure of a trainee, provide funds to defray the legal expenses related to the actions against the Board including the cost for expert witnesses and other court related expenses.

4. With the advice and supervision of the Attorney General’s office, provide funds to defray the cost of reviewing the existing RCW and WAC to insure that they are harmonious and congruent with both the training program goals and practices and the best legal advice and administrative practices as well.

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