

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6138

53rd Legislature
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YEAS 45 NAYS 0

President of the Senate

Passed by the House March 3, 1994
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**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Approved

CERTIFICATE

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6138** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Secretary

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Governor of the State of Washington

**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators A. Smith and Nelson)

Read first time 01/27/94.

1 AN ACT Relating to obstructing a law enforcement officer; amending
2 RCW 9A.76.020; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9A.76.020 and 1975 1st ex.s. c 260 s 9A.76.020 are
5 each amended to read as follows:

6 (~~Every person who, (1) without lawful excuse shall refuse or
7 knowingly fail to make or furnish any statement, report, or information
8 lawfully required of him by a public servant, or (2) in any such
9 statement or report shall make any knowingly untrue statement to a
10 public servant, or (3) shall knowingly hinder, delay, or obstruct any
11 public servant in the discharge of his official powers or duties; shall
12 be guilty of a misdemeanor.~~)

13 (1) A person is guilty of obstructing a law enforcement officer if
14 the person:

15 (a) Willfully makes a false or misleading statement to a law
16 enforcement officer who has detained the person during the course of a
17 lawful investigation or lawful arrest; or

18 (b) Willfully hinders, delays, or obstructs any law enforcement
19 officer in the discharge of his or her official powers or duties.

1 (2) "Law enforcement officer" means any general authority, limited
2 authority, or specially commissioned Washington peace officer or
3 federal peace officer as those terms are defined in RCW 10.93.020, and
4 other public officers who are responsible for enforcement of fire,
5 building, zoning, and life and safety codes.

6 (3) Obstructing a law enforcement officer is a gross misdemeanor.

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