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Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 6220** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Secretary

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By Senator Cantu

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1 AN ACT Relating to quality awards; adding a new section to chapter
2 43.330 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 The Washington quality award council shall be organized as a part
7 of the private, nonprofit corporation quality for Washington state
8 foundation, with the assistance of the department, in accordance with
9 chapter 24.03 RCW and this section.

10 (1) The council shall oversee the governor's Washington state
11 quality achievement award program. The purpose of the program is to
12 improve the overall competitiveness of the state's economy by
13 stimulating Washington state industries, business, and organizations to
14 bring about measurable success through setting standards of
15 organizational excellence, encouraging organizational self-assessment,
16 identifying successful organizations as role models, and providing a
17 valuable mechanism for promoting and strengthening a commitment to
18 continuous quality improvement in all sectors of the state's economy.
19 The program shall annually recognize organizations that improve the

1 quality of their products and services and are noteworthy examples of
2 high-performing work organizations.

3 (2) The council shall consist of the governor and the director, as
4 chair and vice-chair, respectively, and recognized professionals who
5 shall have backgrounds in or experience with effective quality
6 improvement techniques, employee involvement quality of work life
7 initiatives, and development of innovative labor-management relations.
8 The initial membership of the board beyond the chair and vice-chair
9 shall be appointed by the governor from a list of nominees submitted by
10 the quality for Washington state foundation. The list of nominees
11 shall include representatives from the governor's small business
12 improvement council, the Washington state efficiency commission, the
13 Washington state productivity board, the Washington state service
14 quality network, the association for quality and participation, the
15 American society for quality control, business and labor associations,
16 educational institutions, elected officials, and representatives from
17 former recipients of international, national, or state quality awards.

18 (3) The council shall establish a board of examiners, a recognition
19 committee, and such other subcouncil groups as it deems appropriate to
20 carry out its responsibilities. Subcouncil groups established by the
21 council may be composed of noncouncilmembers.

22 (4) The council shall receive its administrative support and
23 operational expenses from the quality for Washington state foundation.

24 (5) The council shall, in conjunction with the quality for
25 Washington state foundation, compile a list of resources available for
26 organizations interested in productivity improvement, quality
27 techniques, effective methods of work organization, and upgrading work
28 force skills as a part of the quality for Washington state foundation's
29 ongoing educational programs. The council shall make the list of
30 resources available to the general public, including labor, business,
31 nonprofit and public agencies, and the department.

32 (6) The council, in conjunction with the quality for Washington
33 state foundation, may conduct such public information, research,
34 education, and assistance programs as it deems appropriate to further
35 quality improvement in organizations operating in the state of
36 Washington.

37 (7) The council shall:

38 (a) Approve and announce achievement award recipients;

39 (b) Approve guidelines to examine applicant organizations;

1 (c) Approve appointment of judges and examiners;

2 (d) Arrange appropriate annual awards and recognition for
3 recipients, in conjunction with the quality for Washington state
4 foundation;

5 (e) Formulate recommendations for change in the nomination form or
6 award categories, in cooperation with the quality for Washington state
7 foundation; and

8 (f) Review related education, training, technology transfer, and
9 research initiatives proposed by the quality for Washington state
10 foundation.

11 (8) By January 1st of each even-numbered year, the council shall
12 report to the governor and the appropriate committees of the
13 legislature on its activities in the proceeding two years and on any
14 recommendations in state policies or programs that could encourage
15 quality improvement and the development of high-performance work
16 organizations.

17 (9) The council shall cease to exist on July 1, 2004, unless
18 otherwise extended by law.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
20 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
21 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
22 effect immediately.

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