## CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

## SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2664

54th Legislature 1996 Regular Session

Passed by the House February 6, 1996 CERTIFICATE Yeas 97 Nays 0 I, Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2664** as passed by the House of
Representatives and the Senate on the Speaker of the House of Representatives dates hereon set forth. Passed by the Senate March 1, 1996 Yeas 47 Nays 0 President of the Senate Chief Clerk Approved FILED Secretary of State Governor of the State of Washington State of Washington

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By House Committee on Government Operations (originally sponsored by Representatives Hargrove, Sheahan, Reams, Cairnes, Hymes and Thompson)
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- 1 AN ACT Relating to competitive negotiations; and adding a new
- 2 section to chapter 39.04 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 39.04 RCW 5 to read as follows:
- 6 (1) The legislature finds that the unique aspects of electronic
- 7 data processing and telecommunications systems and the importance of
- 8 these systems for effective administration warrant separate acquisition
- 9 authority for electronic data processing and telecommunication systems.
- 10 It is the intent of the legislature that municipalities utilize an
- 11 acquisition method for electronic data processing and telecommunication
- 12 systems that is both competitive and compatible with the needs of the
- 13 municipalities.
- 14 (2) A municipality may acquire electronic data processing or
- 15 telecommunication equipment, software, or services through competitive
- 16 negotiation rather than through competitive bidding.
- 17 (3) "Competitive negotiation," for the purposes of this section,
- 18 shall include, as a minimum, the following requirements:

- (a) A request for proposal shall be prepared and submitted to an 1 adequate number of qualified sources, as determined by the municipality 2 3 in its discretion, to permit reasonable competition consistent with the 4 requirements of the procurement. Notice of the request for the proposal must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the 5 municipality at least thirteen days before the last date upon which 6 7 proposals will be received. The request for proposal shall identify 8 significant evaluation factors, including price, and their relative 9 importance.
- 10 (b) The municipality shall provide reasonable procedures for 11 technical evaluation of the proposals received, identification of 12 qualified sources, and selection for awarding the contract.
- 13 (c) The award shall be made to the qualified bidder whose proposal 14 is most advantageous to the municipality with price and other factors 15 considered. The municipality may reject any and all proposals for good 16 cause and request new proposals.

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