

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1632

55th Legislature
1997 Regular Session

Passed by the House April 19, 1997
Yeas 92 Nays 0

**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 11, 1997
Yeas 45 Nays 0

President of the Senate

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

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 1632** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on Government Administration (originally sponsored by Representatives D. Schmidt, Scott, Reams, Kenney, Blalock, Dickerson, Wood, Ogden, Costa, Dunn, Tokuda, Butler and Cole; by request of Attorney General)

Read first time 02/20/97.

1 AN ACT Relating to training for state investigators; creating a new
2 section; and providing an expiration date.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that there is a
5 need for more coordinated and uniform training and protocols for state
6 investigators. State investigators are employed by numerous state
7 agencies and separately elected offices. Currently there is minimal
8 training on policies and procedures for investigations, enforcement,
9 and scope of duties and responsibilities. It is the intent of the
10 legislature to commission a study group to develop mandatory training,
11 policies, and procedures for state investigators.

12 (2) The study group shall focus on state investigators in the
13 following agencies: Attorney general's office; auditor's office;
14 department of corrections; department of health; department of ecology;
15 department of fish and wildlife; department of labor and industries;
16 department of licensing; department of revenue; liquor control board;
17 public disclosure commission; department of social and health services;
18 and Washington state patrol.

1 (3) The study group shall consist of: The attorney general; chief
2 of the state patrol; state auditor; one legislator from each caucus of
3 the senate and house of representatives, as appointed by leaders of the
4 caucuses; a representative from the governor's office; two
5 representatives of state agencies appointed by the governor; a
6 representative appointed by the Washington association of prosecuting
7 attorneys; a representative appointed by the Washington association of
8 sheriffs and police chiefs; and a representative appointed by the
9 criminal justice program at Washington State University. The study
10 group shall be cochaired by the attorney general and the chief of the
11 state patrol.

12 (4) The study group shall:

13 (a) Develop minimum ongoing training requirements for state
14 investigators. Training must include education in civil investigations
15 and recognition of crimes for transfer to appropriate law enforcement
16 agencies;

17 (b) Evaluate current training requirements, policies, and
18 procedures for state investigators;

19 (c) Recommend who will provide training, how it will be done, and
20 minimal training requirements;

21 (d) Recommend basic policies and procedures for state
22 investigators;

23 (e) Develop cost estimates for mandatory training;

24 (f) Make recommendations on the scope of duties and
25 responsibilities for state investigators; and

26 (g) Include other issues related to state investigators, as desired
27 by the study group.

28 (5) The office of the attorney general shall provide staff and
29 administrative support for the study group.

30 (6) The study group shall deliver its recommendations to the
31 legislature by December 1, 1997.

32 (7) This section shall expire June 1, 1998.

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