

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6337

As Passed Senate, February 16, 2004

Title: An act relating to the fee for birth certificates suitable for display.

Brief Description: Revising the fee for birth certificates suitable for display.

Sponsors: Senators Regala, Parlette, Winsley, Stevens, Hargrove, Oke and Kohl-Welles; by request of Washington Council for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Children & Family Services & Corrections: 1/27/04 [DP].
Passed Senate: 2/16/04, 49-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES & CORRECTIONS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Stevens, Chair; Parlette, Vice Chair; Carlson, Deccio, Hargrove, McAuliffe and Regala.

Staff: Edith Rice (786-7444)

Background: The Washington Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (WCPCAN) was created in 1982 to increase public awareness of child abuse prevention programs and to advocate for public policies that support families and protect children. Members of the council are appointed by the Governor. The children's trust fund is administered by WCPCAN and accepts contributions, grants and cash gifts. It also receives the proceeds from the sale of "heirloom" birth certificates. Current law sets the fee for "heirloom" birth certificates at \$25.

Summary of Bill: WCPCAN can establish the fee for an "heirloom" birth certificate at its discretion.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: WCPCAN would like to be able to market these birth certificates to maximize their usage.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Joan Sharp, Washington Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (pro).