

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SENATE BILL 6356**

58th Legislature  
2004 Regular Session

Passed by the Senate March 10, 2004  
YEAS 49 NAYS 0

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House March 3, 2004  
YEAS 96 NAYS 0

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Milton H. Doumit, Jr.,  
Secretary of the Senate of the  
State of Washington, do hereby  
certify that the attached is  
**SENATE BILL 6356** as passed by the  
Senate and the House of  
Representatives on the dates  
hereon set forth.

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**Secretary**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senators Honeyford and Rasmussen

Read first time 01/19/2004. Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

1            AN ACT Relating to physician assistants executing a certain  
2 certificate for labor and industries; adding a new section to chapter  
3 51.28 RCW; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and  
4 providing an expiration date.

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

6            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 51.28 RCW  
7 to read as follows:

8            Physician assistants practicing with physician supervision as  
9 required by chapters 18.57A and 18.71A RCW may assist workers who  
10 suffer simple industrial injuries in making application for  
11 compensation under this title as specified in RCW 51.28.020. Physician  
12 assistants may not rate a worker's permanent partial disability under  
13 RCW 51.32.055, or determine a worker's entitlement to benefits under  
14 chapter 51.32 RCW. The department shall adopt rules necessary to  
15 implement this section, including rules identifying simple industrial  
16 injuries using diagnosis codes and other relevant criteria.

17            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.** By December 1, 2006, the department of labor  
18 and industries shall report to the senate committee on commerce and

1 trade and the house committee on commerce and labor, or successor  
2 committees, on the implementation of this act, including but not  
3 limited to the effects of this act on injured worker outcomes, claim  
4 costs, and disputed claims.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act takes effect July 1, 2004.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Sections 1 and 2 of this act expire July 1,  
7 2007.

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