## CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

## SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1652

# 59th Legislature 2005 Regular Session

Passed by the House April 20, 2005 Yeas 95 Nays 2	CERTIFICATE  I, Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby
Passed by the Senate April 13, 2005 Yeas 40 Nays 7	the dates hereon set forth.
	Chief Clerk
President of the Senate	
Approved	FILED
Governor of the State of Washington	Secretary of State State of Washington

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### AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Ericks, Appleton, Simpson, Kilmer, Eickmeyer, Woods, Lovick, Santos and Linville)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to authorizing fire protection districts to
- 2 establish or participate in health clinic services; amending RCW
- 3 52.02.020; and creating a new section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 52.02.020 and 2003 c 309 s 1 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
  - (1) Fire protection districts for the provision of fire prevention services, fire suppression services, emergency medical services, and for the protection of life and property in areas outside of cities and towns, except where the cities and towns have been annexed into a fire protection district or where the district is continuing service pursuant to RCW 35.02.202, are authorized to be established as provided in this title.
- (2) In addition to other services authorized under this section, fire protection districts that share a common border with Canada and are surrounded on three sides by water or are bounded on the north by Bremerton, on the west by Mason county, on the south by Pierce county, and on the east by the Puget Sound, may also establish or participate
- 19 in the provision of health clinic services.

- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** The department of health shall conduct a study to evaluate the merits of allowing fire protection districts to establish or participate in the provision of health clinic services.
- (1) The study shall consider any relevant matters, including but not limited to: The scope of the services which might be provided, the interest among Washington's fire protection districts in providing these services, the need for having them do so, the impact on overall health expenditures of allowing health services to be provided this way, potential government liability, and patient health and safety issues.
- (2) The secretary of health shall appoint an advisory group of affected parties, including local physicians and other health care providers, to assist in the study.
- (3) The department shall report the results of the study and any recommendations to the legislature by September 1, 2006. At a minimum, the recommendations shall include: (a) The criteria and process which should be used to evaluate requests by fire protection districts to establish or participate in the provision of health clinic services; and (b) any other statutory or administrative changes needed to address the concerns identified.

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