

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SENATE BILL 6411**

59th Legislature  
2006 Regular Session

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**President of the Senate**

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 6411** 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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By Senators Doumit, Parlette, Pridemore, Delvin, Fraser, McAuliffe,  
Shin and Kohl-Welles

Read first time 01/12/2006.                      Referred to Committee on Labor,  
Commerce, Research & Development.

1            AN ACT Relating to collective bargaining agreements; and amending  
2 RCW 41.56.070.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.56.070 and 1975 1st ex.s. c 296 s 18 are each  
5 amended to read as follows:

6            In the event the commission elects to conduct an election to  
7 ascertain the exclusive bargaining representative, and upon the request  
8 of a prospective bargaining representative showing written proof of at  
9 least thirty percent representation of the public employees within the  
10 unit, the commission shall hold an election by secret ballot to  
11 determine the issue. The ballot shall contain the name of such  
12 bargaining representative and of any other bargaining representative  
13 showing written proof of at least ten percent representation of the  
14 public employees within the unit, together with a choice for any public  
15 employee to designate that he does not desire to be represented by any  
16 bargaining agent. Where more than one organization is on the ballot  
17 and neither of the three or more choices receives a majority vote of  
18 the public employees within the bargaining unit, a run-off election  
19 shall be held. The run-off ballot shall contain the two choices which

1 received the largest and second-largest number of votes. No question  
2 concerning representation may be raised within one year of a  
3 certification or attempted certification. Where there is a valid  
4 collective bargaining agreement in effect, no question of  
5 representation may be raised except during the period not more than  
6 ninety nor less than sixty days prior to the expiration date of the  
7 agreement. Any agreement which contains a provision for automatic  
8 renewal or extension of the agreement shall not be a valid agreement;  
9 nor shall any agreement be valid if it provides for a term of existence  
10 for more than ((three)) six years.

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