

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**HOUSE BILL 1225**

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PORT DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS--COMPENSATION CALCULATION

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Yeas 92 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

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Yeas 44 Nays 4

BRAD OWEN

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**President of the Senate**

Approved April 22, 2011, 1:55 p.m.

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 1225** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER

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**Chief Clerk**

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By Representatives Angel, Takko, Warnick, Van De Wege, and Fitzgibbon

Read first time 01/17/11. Referred to Committee on Local Government.

1            AN ACT Relating to clarification of the method of calculating  
2 public port district commissioner compensation; and amending RCW  
3 53.12.260.

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

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 53.12.260 and 2007 c 469 s 3 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7            (1) Each commissioner of a port district shall receive ninety  
8 dollars, as adjusted for inflation by the office of financial  
9 management in subsection (4) of this section, per day or portion  
10 thereof spent (a) in actual attendance at official meetings of the port  
11 district commission, or (b) in performance of other official services  
12 or duties on behalf of the district. The total per diem compensation  
13 of a port commissioner shall not exceed eight thousand six hundred  
14 forty dollars in a year, as adjusted for inflation by the office of  
15 financial management in subsection (4) of this section, or ten thousand  
16 eight hundred dollars in any year, as adjusted for inflation by the  
17 office of financial management in subsection (4) of this section, for  
18 a port district with gross operating income of twenty-five million or  
19 more in the preceding calendar year.

1 (2) Port commissioners shall receive additional compensation as  
2 follows: (a) Each commissioner of a port district with gross operating  
3 revenues of twenty-five million dollars or more in the preceding  
4 calendar year shall receive a salary of five hundred dollars per month,  
5 as adjusted for inflation by the office of financial management in  
6 subsection (4) of this section; and (b) each commissioner of a port  
7 district with gross operating revenues of from one million dollars to  
8 less than twenty-five million dollars in the preceding calendar year  
9 shall receive a salary of two hundred dollars per month, as adjusted  
10 for inflation by the office of financial management in subsection (4)  
11 of this section.

12 (3) In lieu of the compensation specified in this section, a port  
13 commission may set compensation to be paid to commissioners.

14 (4) For any commissioner who has not elected to become a member of  
15 public employees retirement system before May 1, 1975, the compensation  
16 provided pursuant to this section shall not be considered salary for  
17 purposes of the provisions of any retirement system created pursuant to  
18 the general laws of this state nor shall attendance at such meetings or  
19 other service on behalf of the district constitute service as defined  
20 in RCW 41.40.010(~~(+9)~~) (37): PROVIDED, That in the case of a port  
21 district when commissioners are receiving compensation and contributing  
22 to the public employees retirement system, these benefits shall  
23 continue in full force and effect notwithstanding the provisions of RCW  
24 53.12.260 and 53.12.265.

25 The dollar thresholds for salaries and per diem compensation  
26 established in this section must be adjusted for inflation by the  
27 office of financial management every five years, beginning July 1,  
28 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index during that time  
29 period. "Consumer price index" means, for any calendar year, that  
30 year's annual average consumer price index, for Washington state, for  
31 wage earners and clerical workers, all items, compiled by the bureau of  
32 labor and statistics, United States department of labor. If the bureau  
33 of labor and statistics develops more than one consumer price index for  
34 areas within the state, the index covering the greatest number of  
35 people, covering areas exclusively within the boundaries of the state,  
36 and including all items shall be used for the adjustments for inflation  
37 in this section. The office of financial management must calculate the

1 new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code reviser  
2 for publication in the Washington State Register at least one month  
3 before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

4 A person holding office as commissioner for two or more special  
5 purpose districts shall receive only that per diem compensation  
6 authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation  
7 for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or  
8 duties while representing more than one of his or her districts.  
9 However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation  
10 if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.

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