

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 5135**

67th Legislature  
2021 Regular Session

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Yeas 28 Nays 21

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**President of the Senate**

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Yeas 58 Nays 40

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**Speaker of the House of  
Representatives**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 5135** 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 Das, Hasegawa, Nguyen, Stanford, and Wilson, C.

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1            AN ACT Relating to unlawfully summoning a police officer; and  
2 adding a new section to chapter 4.24 RCW.

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

4            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 4.24 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6            (1) A person may bring a civil action for damages against any  
7 person who knowingly causes a law enforcement officer to arrive at a  
8 location to contact another person with the intent to:

9            (a) Infringe on the other person's rights under the Washington  
10 state or United States Constitutions;

11            (b) Unlawfully discriminate against the other person;

12            (c) Cause the other person to feel harassed, humiliated, or  
13 embarrassed;

14            (d) Cause the other person to be expelled from a place in which  
15 the other person is lawfully located; or

16            (e) Damage the other person's:

17            (i) Reputation or standing in the community; or

18            (ii) Financial, economic, consumer, or business prospects or  
19 interests.

1           (2) A person shall not be held liable under subsection (1) of  
2 this section if the person acted in good faith in causing a law  
3 enforcement officer to arrive.

4           (3) Upon prevailing in an action under this section, the  
5 plaintiff may recover:

6           (a) The greater of:

7           (i) Economic and noneconomic damages; or  
8           (ii) \$250 against each defendant found liable under this section;  
9 and

10          (b) Punitive damages.

11          (4) The court may award reasonable attorneys' fees and costs to  
12 the prevailing plaintiff in an action under this section.

13          (5) A civil action under this section:

14          (a) May be maintained in a court of limited jurisdiction if the  
15 total damages claimed do not exceed the statutory limit for damages  
16 that the court of limited jurisdiction may award; and

17          (b) Does not affect a right or remedy available under any other  
18 law of this state.

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