CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SENATE BILL 5886**

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68th Legislature

2024 Regular Session

FIREFIGHTER SAFETY FUNDING—USES

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 6, 2024

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| Passed by the Senate February 1, 2024Yeas 49 Nays 0DENNY HECK**President of the Senate**Passed by the House February 22, 2024Yeas 93 Nays 0LAURIE JINKINS**Speaker of the House of Representatives** | CERTIFICATEI, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5886** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.SARAH BANNISTERSecretary |
| Approved March 13, 2024 11:21 AM | March 14, 2024 |
| JAY INSLEE**Governor of the State of Washington** | **Secretary of State** **State of Washington** |

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**By** Senators Braun, Keiser, Nobles, and Van De Wege; by request of Department of Labor & Industries

AN ACT Relating to adding purposes for the use of existing firefighter safety funding; and amending RCW 51.04.175.

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

**Sec.**  RCW 51.04.175 and 2019 c 76 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The director is authorized to provide funding of up to two percent of the premiums paid in the prior year from the risk classes for firefighters as defined in RCW 41.26.030(17) (a) through (c) for the purposes of providing funding to employers of firefighters who have limited resources to ((~~purchase~~)):

(a) Purchase additional equipment and other gear that may be needed to follow best practices under RCW 51.04.170; and

(b) Participate in assessments or training related to safety culture or other safety intervention activities.

(2) The department may require matching funds from employers. An appropriation is not required for expenditures. Only employers who pay premiums to the state fund as defined in RCW 51.08.175 are eligible for funding under this section.

((~~(2)~~)) (3) The department may adopt rules if necessary to implement this section.

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