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**SENATE BILL 5000**

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**State of Washington**

**69th Legislature**

**2025 Regular Session**

**By** Senators J. Wilson and Chapman

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1 AN ACT Relating to the state nickname; adding a new section to  
2 chapter 1.20 RCW; and creating new sections.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the official  
5 adoption of "the ((~~evergreen~~)) new text state" as the state nickname  
6 will be the final chapter to formalize a nickname long associated  
7 with our beautiful state. This nickname has been long circulated by  
8 word of mouth, storytelling, and license plate display. The reference  
9 to freshness is supported by foliage that remains green and  
10 functional past just one growing season.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 1.20 RCW  
12 to read as follows:

13 "The evergreen state" is hereby designated as the official  
14 nickname of the state of Washington.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Nothing in this act shall be construed as  
16 creating a requirement for any entity to update or revise any  
17 existing materials, documents, or publications.

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