CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 5731

62nd Legislature 2011 Regular Session

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	I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington do hereby certify that the attached
President of the Senate	is SENATE BILL 5731 as passed by the Senate and the House of
Passed by the House April 9, 2011 YEAS 93 NAYS 2	Representatives on the dates hereouset forth.
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By Senators Chase, Kastama, Shin, and Conway

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to Washington manufacturing services; and amending
- 2 RCW 24.50.010.

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- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 24.50.010 and 2006 c 34 s 2 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
 - (1) Washington manufacturing services is organized as a private, nonprofit corporation in accordance with chapter 24.03 RCW and this section. The mission of the ((center)) corporation is to operate a modernization extension system, coordinate a network of public and private modernization resources, and stimulate the competitiveness of small and midsize manufacturers in Washington.
- (2) ((Washington manufacturing services shall)) The corporation must be governed by a board of directors. A majority of the board of directors shall be representatives of small and medium-sized manufacturing firms and industry associations, networks, or consortia. The board ((shall)) must also include at least one member representing labor unions or labor councils and, as ex officio members, the director
- of the department of ((community, trade, and economic development))

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- commerce, the executive director of the state board for community and technical colleges, and the director of the workforce training and education coordinating board, or their respective designees.
 - (3) ((Washington manufacturing services)) The corporation may be known as impact Washington and may:
 - (a) Charge fees for services, make and execute contracts with any individual, corporation, association, public agency, or any other entity, and employ all other legal instruments necessary or convenient for the performance of its duties and the exercise of its powers and functions under this chapter; and
 - (b) Receive funds from federal, state, or local governments, private businesses, foundations, or any other source for purposes consistent with this chapter.
- 14 (4) ((Washington manufacturing services shall)) The corporation 15 <u>must</u>:
 - (a) Develop policies, plans, and programs to assist in the modernization of businesses in targeted sectors of Washington's economy and coordinate the delivery of modernization services;
 - (b) Provide information about the advantages of modernization and the modernization services available in the state to federal, state, and local economic development officials, state colleges and universities, and private providers;
 - (c) Collaborate with the Washington quality initiative in the development of manufacturing quality standards and quality certification programs;
 - (d) <u>Collaborate with industry sector and cluster associations to inform import-impacted manufacturers about federal trade adjustment assistance funding;</u>
 - (e) Serve as an information clearinghouse and provide access for users to the federal manufacturing extension partnership national research and information system; and
- (((e))) <u>(f)</u> Provide, either directly or through contracts, assistance to industry <u>or cluster</u> associations, networks, or consortia, that would be of value to their member firms in:
- 35 (i) Adopting advanced business management practices such as 36 strategic planning and total quality management;
- 37 (ii) Developing mechanisms for interfirm collaboration and 38 cooperation;

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- (iii) Appraising, purchasing, installing, and effectively using equipment, technologies, and processes that improve the quality of goods and services and the productivity of the firm;
- (iv) Improving human resource systems and workforce training in a manner that moves firms toward flexible, high-performance work organizations;
 - (v) Developing new products;

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- 8 (vi) Conducting market research, analysis, and development of new 9 sales channels and export markets;
- 10 (vii) Improving processes to enhance environmental, health, and 11 safety compliance; and
- 12 (viii) Improving credit, capital management, and business finance 13 skills.
- 14 <u>(5) Between thirty-five and sixty-five percent of the funds</u>
 15 <u>received by the corporation from the state must be used by the</u>
 16 <u>corporation for carrying out the duties under subsection (4)(f) of this</u>
 17 <u>section, consistent with the intent of RCW 24.50.005(2).</u>

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