CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6403

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President of the Senate

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Approved

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Secretary of State State of Washington

Secretary

CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6403** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Governor of the State of Washington

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senate Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senator Regala)

READ FIRST TIME 02/03/12.

AN ACT Relating to removing financial barriers to persons seeking vulnerable adult protection orders; amending RCW 74.34.140; and adding a new section to chapter 74.34 RCW.

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

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 74.34 RCW 6 to read as follows:

A public agency may not charge a fee for filing or service of
process to petitioners seeking relief under this chapter. Petitioners
must be provided the necessary number of certified copies at no cost.

10 **Sec. 2.** RCW 74.34.140 and 1986 c 187 s 8 are each amended to read 11 as follows:

12 When an order for protection under RCW 74.34.130 is issued upon 13 request of the petitioner, the court may order a peace officer to 14 assist in the execution of the order of protection. <u>A public agency</u> 15 <u>may not charge a fee for service of process to petitioners seeking</u> 16 <u>relief under this chapter. Petitioners must be provided the necessary</u> --- END ---