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1 AN ACT Relating to creating a temporary homeless status
2 certification; and adding a new section to chapter 43.185C 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 43.185C
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) The department shall provide a temporary homeless status
7 certificate form to any homeless person in the state who may need to
8 provide a physical or mailing address for the purpose of obtaining or
9 maintaining employment. The certificate must be provided in the form
10 and manner prescribed by the department and must include:

11 (a) The person's full name, age, date and place of birth (if
12 known), social security number if available, and the information on any
13 driver's license or identification card issued by any state that the
14 person may possess;

15 (b) A signed declaration by the person stating that he or she is
16 homeless and currently resides at a particular address or a specific
17 physical location in the state; and

18 (c) A declaration by a temporary housing or homeless service
19 provider located in the state affirming that the person is homeless,

1 providing the particular address or the specific physical location
2 where the person currently resides, and listing the provider's physical
3 and mailing address.

4 (2) The certificate form must be filed with the department within
5 ten days of completion. Upon verification of the information provided
6 on the form, the department shall certify the address of the temporary
7 housing or homeless service provider for the homeless person. The
8 certification allows a homeless person to use the provider's address as
9 his or her own address for purposes of completing a job application or
10 as otherwise required by a prospective or current employer.

11 (3) The certification must expire one year from the date it is
12 certified by the department, except that the department may renew it
13 for up to an additional six months upon written request by the
14 temporary housing or homeless service provider. The department may
15 periodically check with the provider on the current location of a
16 person. If the department finds that the person is no longer homeless,
17 it may cancel the certification at any time.

18 (4) The department may integrate the information gathered in this
19 section with the homeless client management information system. The
20 department must publish and circulate the certificate form to temporary
21 housing and homeless service providers throughout the state.

22 (5) The certification may not be used as proof of residency in this
23 state for purposes of obtaining a state driver's license or identicard,
24 for voter registration, or for any other purpose than those described
25 in this section.

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