

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SENATE BILL 5566**

67th Legislature  
2022 Regular Session

Passed by the Senate March 7, 2022  
Yeas 34 Nays 15

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House March 2, 2022  
Yeas 55 Nays 41

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**Speaker of the House of  
Representatives**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5566** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

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**Secretary**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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**By** Senators Kuderer, Lovelett, Das, Dhingra, Fortunato, Nguyen, Saldaña, and C. Wilson; by request of Department of Commerce

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1            AN ACT Relating to expanding eligibility for the independent  
2 youth housing program; amending RCW 43.63A.307; and creating a new  
3 section.

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

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.63A.307 and 2009 c 148 s 2 are each amended to  
6 read as follows:

7            The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter  
8 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

9            (1) "Department" means the department of (~~community, trade, and~~  
10 ~~economic development~~) commerce.

11            (2) "Eligible youth" means an individual who:

12            (a) On or after September 1, 2006, is at least eighteen, was a  
13 dependent of the state under chapter 13.34 RCW at any time (~~during~~  
14 ~~the four-month period~~) before his or her eighteenth birthday, and  
15 has not yet reached the age of (~~twenty-three~~) 25;

16            (b) Except as provided in RCW 43.63A.309(2)(a), has a total  
17 income from all sources, except for temporary sources that include,  
18 but are not limited to, overtime wages, bonuses, or short-term  
19 temporary assignments, that does not exceed fifty percent of the area  
20 median income;

21            (c) (~~Is not receiving services under RCW 74.13.031(10)(b)~~);

1       ~~(d)~~) Complies with other eligibility requirements the department  
2 may establish.

3       (3) "Fair market rent" means the fair market rent in each county  
4 of the state, as determined by the United States department of  
5 housing and urban development.

6       (4) "Independent housing" means a housing unit that is not owned  
7 by or located within the home of the eligible youth's biological  
8 parents or any of the eligible youth's former foster care families or  
9 dependency guardians. "Independent housing" may include a unit in a  
10 transitional or other supportive housing facility.

11       (5) "Individual development account" or "account" means an  
12 account established by contract between a low-income individual and a  
13 sponsoring organization for the benefit of the low-income individual  
14 and funded through periodic contributions by the low-income  
15 individual that are matched with contributions by or through the  
16 sponsoring organization.

17       (6) "Subcontractor organization" means an eligible organization  
18 described under RCW 43.185A.040 that contracts with the department to  
19 administer the independent youth housing program.

20       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of  
21 this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not  
22 provided by June 30, 2022, in the omnibus appropriations act, this  
23 act is null and void.

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