CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 5931

67th Legislature 2022 Regular Session

Passed by the Senate February 9, 2022 Yeas 49 Nays 0

President of the Senate

Passed by the House March 2, 2022 Yeas 95 Nays 1 CERTIFICATE

I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5931** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Secretary

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved

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Secretary of State State of Washington

Governor of the State of Washington

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State of Washington67th Legislature2022 Regular SessionBy Senators Wagoner and Dhingra; by request of Court Of AppealsRead first time 01/21/22.Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

1 AN ACT Relating to appointment of judges pro tempore in the court 2 of appeals; and amending RCW 2.06.150.

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

4 Sec. 1. RCW 2.06.150 and 1997 c 88 s 3 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

6 (1) Whenever necessary for the prompt and orderly administration 7 of justice, the chief ((justice of the supreme court of the state of Washington)) judge of any division of the court of appeals may 8 appoint any regularly elected and qualified judge of ((the superior 9 10 court or any retired judge of a court of record in)) a court of 11 general jurisdiction, any retired judge of the court of appeals, or any active or retired justice of the supreme court of this state to 12 13 serve as judge pro tempore of the court of appeals to sit within that 14 division: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That no judge pro tempore appointed to 15 serve on the court of appeals under this subsection may serve more 16 than ninety days in any one year.

17 (2) If the term of a judge of the court of appeals expires with 18 cases or other judicial business pending, the chief ((justice of the 19 supreme court of the state of Washington, upon the recommendation of 20 the chief presiding)) judge of the division of the court of appeals 21 from which the term expired, may appoint the judge to serve as judge pro tempore of the court of appeals((, whenever necessary for the prompt and orderly administration of justice. No judge may be appointed under this subsection more than one time and no appointment may exceed sixty days)) to sit within that division to complete his or her cases or other judicial business.

6 (3) Before entering upon his or her duties as judge pro tempore 7 of the court of appeals, the appointee shall take and subscribe an 8 oath of office as provided for in Article IV, section 28 of the state 9 Constitution.

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