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BRIAN EBERSOLE
Speaker of the
House of Representatives

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Yeas 33  Nays 13

JOEL PRITCHARD
President of the Senate

I, Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1357 as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

ALAN THOMPSON
Chief Clerk

MIKE LOWRY
Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

Approved May 12, 1993

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Secretary of State
State of Washington
AN ACT Relating to public water supply system operators; amending RCW 70.119.100, 70.119.120, and 70.119.150; and adding a new section to chapter 70.119 RCW.

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

Sec. 1. RCW 70.119.100 and 1991 c 305 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

The issuance and renewal of a certificate shall be subject to the following conditions:

(1) Except as provided in RCW 70.119.090, a certificate shall be issued if the operator has satisfactorily passed a written examination, has paid the department an application fee as established by the department under ((RCW 43.70.110)) section 4 of this act, and has met the requirements specified in the rules and regulations as authorized by this chapter.

(2) Every certificate shall be renewed annually upon the payment of a fee as established by the department under ((RCW 43.70.110)) section 4 of this act and satisfactory evidence is presented to the secretary that the operator has fulfilled the continuing education requirements as prescribed by rule of the department.
(3) The secretary shall notify operators who fail to renew their certificates before the end of the year that their certificates are temporarily valid for two months following the end of the certificate year. Certificates not renewed during the two month period shall be invalid and the secretary shall so notify the holders of such certificates.

(4) An operator who has failed to renew a certificate pursuant to the provisions of this section, may reapply for certification and the secretary may require the operator to meet the requirements established for new applicants.

Sec. 2. RCW 70.119.120 and 1977 ex.s. c 99 s 12 are each amended to read as follows:

To carry out the provisions and purposes of this chapter, the secretary is authorized and empowered to:

(1) Receive financial and technical assistance from the federal government and other public or private agencies.

(2) Participate in related programs of the federal government, other state, interstate agencies, or other public or private agencies or organizations.

(3) Assess fees determined pursuant to section 4 of this act on public water systems to support the waterworks operator certification program.

Sec. 3. RCW 70.119.150 and 1977 ex.s. c 99 s 15 are each amended to read as follows:

The waterworks operator certification account is created in the general fund of the state treasury. All fees paid pursuant to RCW 70.119.100, 70.119.120(3), and any other receipts realized in the administration of this chapter shall be deposited in the waterworks operator certification account. Moneys in the account shall be spent only after appropriation. Moneys from the account shall be used by the department of health to carry out the purposes of the waterworks operator certification program.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 70.119 RCW to read as follows:

The department of health certifies individuals responsible for the active daily technical operation of public water supply systems and
monitors public water supply systems to ensure that such systems comply
with the requirements of this chapter and regulations implementing this
chapter. The secretary shall establish a schedule of fees for
certified operator applicants and renewal licenses and a separate
schedule of fees for public water systems to support the waterworks
operator certification program. The fees shall be set at a level
sufficient for the department to recover the costs of the waterworks
operator certification program and in accordance with the procedures
established under RCW 43.70.250.

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