CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1948

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HISPANIC AFFAIRS COMMISSION--REVISED PROVISIONS RELATING TO

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Passed by the House April 20, 1993
Yeas 97  Nays 0

__/BRIAN EBERSOLE__/  
Speaker of the  
House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate April 13, 1993
Yeas 45  Nays 0

__/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
1948 as passed by the House of
Representatives and the Senate on the
dates hereon set forth.

__/ALAN THOMPSON__/  
Chief Clerk

Approved May 7, 1993

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__/J. MIKE LOWRY__/  
Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State
State of Washington
AN ACT Relating to the state commission on Hispanic affairs; amending RCW 43.115.010, 43.115.030, 43.115.040, 43.131.341, and 43.131.342; adding a new section to chapter 43.115 RCW; and repealing RCW 43.115.050.

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

Sec. 1. RCW 43.115.010 and 1987 c 249 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

The legislature declares that the public policy of this state is to insure equal opportunity for all of its citizens. ((The legislature finds that Hispanics have unique and special problems. It is the purpose of this chapter to improve the well-being of Hispanics by insuring their participation in the fields of government, business, and education. The legislature further finds that it is necessary to aid Hispanics in obtaining governmental services in order to promote the health, safety and welfare of all the residents of this state.)) The legislature believes that it is the duty of the state to improve the well-being of Hispanics by enabling them to participate fully in all fields of endeavor and assisting them in obtaining governmental services. The legislature further finds that the development of public
policy and the delivery of governmental services to meet the special
needs of Hispanics can be improved by establishing a focal point in
state government for the interests of Hispanics. Therefore the
legislature deems it necessary to create a commission to carry out the
purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 2. RCW 43.115.030 and 1987 c 249 s 3 are each amended to read
as follows:

(1) The commission shall consist of eleven members of Hispanic
origin appointed by the governor. ((The membership shall include:
   (a) Two members from workers in the agricultural field;
   (b) Three members from the general populace of Hispanics, but not
of Mexican American origin;
   (c) One member from the field of education;
   (d) One member who is a professional from the business community,
government employment, or public service;
   (e) One member from among elected trade union officials; and
   (f) Three members from the Mexican American community in the state.
(2) Members shall serve for four-year terms and until their
successors are chosen and qualified.)) To the extent practicable,
appointments to the commission shall be made to achieve a balanced
representation based on the Hispanic population distribution within the
state, geographic considerations, sex, age, and occupation. Members
shall serve three-year terms. No member shall serve more than two full
consecutive terms. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the
original appointments.

((4))) (2) Members shall receive reimbursement for travel expenses
incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with RCW
43.03.050 and 43.03.060 as now existing or hereafter amended.

((4))) (3) Six members of the commission shall constitute a quorum
for the purpose of conducting business.

Sec. 3. RCW 43.115.040 and 1987 c 249 s 4 are each amended to read
as follows:
The commission shall have the following powers and duties:
(1) Elect one of its members to serve as chairman;
(2) ((Appoint a full time director;
(3) Appoint a staff who shall be state employees pursuant to Title
41 RCW; and

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(4) Adopt rules and regulations pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW;
(3) Examine and define issues pertaining to the rights and needs of
Hispanics, and make recommendations to the governor and state agencies
for changes in programs and laws;
(4) Advise the governor and state agencies on the development and
implementation of policies, plans, and programs that relate to the
special needs of Hispanics;
(5) Advise the legislature on issues of concern to the Hispanic
community;
(6) Establish relationships with state agencies, local governments,
and private sector organizations that promote equal opportunity and
benefits for Hispanics; and
(7) Receive gifts, grants, and endowments from public or private
sources that are made for the use or benefit of the commission and
expend, without appropriation, the same or any income from the gifts,
grants, or endowments according to their terms.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 43.115 RCW
to read as follows:
1. The commission shall be administered by an executive director,
who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the governor.
The governor shall base the appointment of the executive director on
recommendations of the commission. The salary of the executive
director shall be set by the governor.
2. The executive director shall employ a staff, who shall be state
employees pursuant to Title 41 RCW. The executive director shall
prescribe the duties of the staff as may be necessary to implement the
purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 5. RCW 43.131.341 and 1987 c 249 s 8 are each amended to read
as follows:
The Washington state commission on Hispanic affairs and its powers
and duties shall be terminated on June 30, (1996) 2021, as provided
in RCW 43.131.342.

Sec. 6. RCW 43.131.342 and 1987 c 249 s 9 are each amended to read
as follows:
The following acts or parts of acts, as now existing or hereafter
amended, are each repealed, effective June 30, (1997) 2022:
NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. RCW 43.115.050 and 1987 c 249 s 5 & 1971 ex.s. c 34 s 5 are each repealed.

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