

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT  
**ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5190**

54th Legislature  
1995 Regular Session

Passed by the Senate April 17, 1995  
YEAS 43 NAYS 0

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House April 5, 1995  
YEAS 80 NAYS 15

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**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

Approved

CERTIFICATE

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5190** 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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**Governor of the State of Washington**

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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**By Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators  
Roach, Pelz, Smith and Heavey)**

Read first time 02/07/95.

1            AN ACT Relating to tattooing of minors; adding a new section to  
2 chapter 26.28 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

4            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 26.28 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6            Every person who applies a tattoo to any minor under the age of  
7 eighteen is guilty of a misdemeanor. It is not a defense to a  
8 violation of this section that the person applying the tattoo did not  
9 know the minor's age unless the person applying the tattoo establishes  
10 by a preponderance of the evidence that he or she made a reasonable,  
11 bona fide attempt to ascertain the true age of the minor by requiring  
12 production of a driver's license or other picture identification card  
13 or paper and did not rely solely on the oral allegations or apparent  
14 age of the minor.

15            For the purposes of this section, "tattoo" includes any permanent  
16 marking or coloring of the skin with any pigment, ink, or dye, or any

1 procedure that leaves a visible scar on the skin. Medical procedures  
2 performed by a licensed physician are exempted from this section.

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