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Brief Description: Creating the Washington electronic authentication act.

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Declares an intent to effectuate the following purposes: (1) To facilitate commerce by means of reliable electronic messages;

(2) to minimize the incidence of forged digital signatures and fraud in electronic commerce;

(3) to implement legally the general import of relevant standards, such as X.509 of the international telecommunication union, formerly known as the international telegraph and telephone consultative committee; and

(4) to establish, in coordination with multiple states, uniform rules regarding the authentication and reliability of electronic messages.

Provides that use of electronic messages is only on a voluntary basis.