

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SENATE BILL 5211**

55th Legislature  
1997 Regular Session

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**President of the Senate**

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**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Mike O Connell, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5211** 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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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By Senators Newhouse, Wojahn and Schow**

Read first time 01/20/97. Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

1            AN ACT Relating to including public hospital districts as  
2 authorized self-insurers; and amending RCW 51.14.150.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 51.14.150 and 1993 c 158 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            (1) For the purposes of this section, "hospital" means a hospital  
7 as defined in RCW 70.41.020(2) or a psychiatric hospital regulated  
8 under chapter 71.12 RCW, but does not include beds utilized by a  
9 comprehensive cancer center for cancer research.

10           (2)(a) Any two or more employers which are school districts or  
11 educational service districts, or (b) any two or more employers which  
12 are public hospital districts or hospitals, and are owned or operated  
13 by a state agency or municipal corporation of this state, or (c) any  
14 two or more employers which are hospitals, no one of which is owned or  
15 operated by a state agency or municipal corporation of this state, may  
16 enter into agreements to form self-insurance groups for the purposes of  
17 this chapter.

1           (3) No more than one group may be formed under subsection (2)(b) of  
2 this section and no more than one group may be formed under subsection  
3 (2)(c) of this section.

4           (4) The self-insurance groups shall be organized and operated under  
5 rules promulgated by the director under RCW 51.14.160. Such a self-  
6 insurance group shall be deemed an employer for the purposes of this  
7 chapter, and may qualify as a self-insurer if it meets all the other  
8 requirements of this chapter.

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