

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5853**

55th Legislature  
1998 Regular Session

Passed by the Senate February 12, 1998  
YEAS 49 NAYS 0

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House February 27, 1998  
YEAS 97 NAYS 0

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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 **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5853** 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 Senate Committee on Government Operations (originally sponsored by  
Senators Goings, McCaslin, Haugen, Winsley and Rasmussen)**

Read first time 1/28/98.

1            AN ACT Relating to fire protection district finance officers; and  
2 amending RCW 52.16.050.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 52.16.050 and 1984 c 230 s 42 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the  
7 county treasurer shall pay out money received for the account of the  
8 district on warrants issued by the county auditor against the proper  
9 funds of the district. The warrants shall be issued on vouchers  
10 approved and signed by a majority of the district board and by the  
11 district secretary.

12            (2) The board of fire commissioners of a district that had an  
13 annual operating budget of five million or more dollars in each of the  
14 preceding three years may by resolution adopt a policy to issue its own  
15 warrants for payment of claims or other obligations of the fire  
16 district. The board of fire commissioners, after auditing all payrolls  
17 and bills, may authorize the issuing of one general certificate to the  
18 county treasurer, to be signed by the chair of the board of fire  
19 commissioners, authorizing the county treasurer to pay all the warrants

1 specified by date, number, name, and amount, and the accounting funds  
2 on which the warrants shall be drawn; thereupon the district secretary  
3 may issue the warrants specified in the general certificate.

4 (3) The county treasurer may also pay general obligation bonds and  
5 the accrued interest thereon in accordance with their terms from the  
6 general obligation bond fund when interest or principal payments become  
7 due. The county treasurer shall report in writing monthly to the  
8 secretary of the district the amount of money held by the county in  
9 each fund and the amounts of receipts and disbursements for each fund  
10 during the preceding month.

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