CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5744

56th Legislature 1999 Regular Session

Passed by the Senate April 22, 1999 YEAS 47 NAYS 0

CERTIFICATE

President of the Senate

Passed by the House April 13, 1999 YEAS 95 NAYS 0 I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5744** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Speaker of the
House of Representatives

Secretary

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved FILED

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Costa, Sheahan and Deccio)

Read first time 03/01/1999.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to representation of parties in child dependency
- 2 and termination proceedings; and creating a new section.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The office of public defense shall
- 5 develop a proposal to address the costs of legal representation and
- 6 expenses reasonably related to such representation for indigent
- 7 parents, guardians, legal custodians, and children in dependency and
- 8 termination hearings under chapter 13.34 RCW. The proposal shall
- 9 address the increased dependency and termination filings by the state
- 10 under chapter 13.34 RCW and the effect of this increase on indigent
- 11 defense costs. The proposal shall recommend strategies to ensure that
- 12 an equitable method of paying for indigent defense costs in dependency
- 13 and termination proceedings is established.
- 14 (2) The office of public defense shall present the proposal
- 15 required under subsection (1) of this section to the appropriate
- 16 standing committees of the legislature by December 6, 1999.

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