

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 5772

Chapter 53, Laws of 1999

56th Legislature
1999 Regular Session

CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS--DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT
VICTIMS

EFFECTIVE DATE: 4/20/99

Passed by the Senate March 12, 1999
YEAS 43 NAYS 0

BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate

Passed by the House April 7, 1999
YEAS 90 NAYS 0

CLYDE BALLARD
**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

FRANK CHOPP
**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Approved April 20, 1999

GARY LOCKE
Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5772** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

TONY M. COOK
Secretary

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Senators Gardner, T. Sheldon, Rasmussen, Swecker, Prentice, Costa, McCaslin, Wojahn, Spanel, Goings and Oke; by request of Secretary of State

Read first time 02/08/1999. Referred to Committee on State & Local Government.

1 AN ACT Relating to confidentiality of records of participants in
2 programs for victims of domestic violence or sexual assault; amending
3 RCW 40.24.070; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 40.24.070 and 1998 c 138 s 3 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 The secretary of state may not make any records in a program
8 participant's file available for inspection or copying, other than the
9 address designated by the secretary of state, except under the
10 following circumstances:

11 (1) If requested by a law enforcement agency, to the law
12 enforcement agency;

13 (2) If directed by a court order, to a person identified in the
14 order; or

15 (3) (~~If certification has been canceled; or~~

16 ~~(4))~~) To verify the participation of a specific program
17 participant, in which case the secretary may only confirm information
18 supplied by the requester.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
3 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
4 immediately.

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