

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 2606

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VOLUNTEER FIRE PERSONNEL--PUBLIC OFFICE

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Yeas 97 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 2, 2006
Yeas 45 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Approved March 24, 2006.

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2606** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

RICHARD NAFZIGER

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By Representatives Curtis, Takko, Orcutt, McDonald, Grant, Hinkle, Clements, Moeller, Chandler, Wallace, Tom, Kretz, Nixon, Blake, Kessler, Rodne, Haigh, B. Sullivan and Morrell

Read first time 01/11/2006. Referred to Committee on Local Government.

1 AN ACT Relating to allowing volunteer fire personnel to hold
2 elective or appointed office; adding a new section to chapter 35.21
3 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 52.30 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 35.21 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) Except as otherwise prohibited by law, a volunteer member of
8 any fire department who does not serve as fire chief for the department
9 may be:

10 (a) A candidate for elective public office and serve in that public
11 office if elected; or

12 (b) Appointed to any public office and serve in that public office
13 if appointed.

14 (2) For purposes of this section, "volunteer" means a member of any
15 fire department who performs voluntarily any assigned or authorized
16 duties on behalf of or at the direction of the fire department without
17 receiving compensation or consideration for performing such duties.

18 (3) For purposes of this section, "compensation" and

1 "consideration" do not include any benefits the volunteer may have
2 accrued or is accruing under chapter 41.24 RCW.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 52.30 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) Except as otherwise prohibited by law, a volunteer member of
6 any fire protection district who does not serve as fire chief for the
7 district may be:

8 (a) A candidate for elective public office and serve in that public
9 office if elected; or

10 (b) Appointed to any public office and serve in that public office
11 if appointed.

12 (2) For purposes of this section, "volunteer" means a member of any
13 fire protection district who performs voluntarily any assigned or
14 authorized duties on behalf of or at the direction of the fire
15 protection district without receiving compensation or consideration for
16 performing such duties.

17 (3) For purposes of this section, "compensation" and
18 "consideration" do not include any benefits the volunteer may have
19 accrued or is accruing under chapter 41.24 RCW.

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