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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2349** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Representative Cody

1 AN ACT Relating to disproportionate share hospital adjustments; and
2 amending RCW 74.09.730.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.09.730 and 1991 sp.s. c 9 s 8 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 In establishing Title XIX payments for inpatient hospital services:

7 (1) To the extent funds are appropriated specifically for this
8 purpose, and subject to any conditions placed on appropriations made
9 for this purpose, the department of social and health services shall
10 provide a disproportionate share hospital adjustment considering the
11 following components:

12 (a) A low-income care component based on a hospital's medicaid
13 utilization rate, its low-income utilization rate, its provision of
14 obstetric services, and other factors authorized by federal law;

15 (b) A medical indigency care component based on a hospital's
16 services to persons who are medically indigent; and

17 (c) A state-only component, to be paid from available state funds
18 to hospitals that do not qualify for federal payments under (b) of this

1 subsection, based on a hospital's services to persons who are medically
2 indigent;

3 (2) The payment methodology for disproportionate share hospitals
4 shall be specified by the department in regulation.

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