CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1449

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EDUCATOR CERTIFICATES--CERTIFICATION FEES

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Yeas 50  Nays 41

FRANK CHOPP
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate May 20, 2011
Yeas 35  Nays 7

BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate
Approved June 7, 2011, 3:16 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1449 as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER
Chief Clerk

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June 8, 2011

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE
Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State
State of Washington
AN ACT Relating to establishing a processing fee for educator certificates and subsequent actions; adding a new section to chapter 28A.410 RCW; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 28A.410 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The legislature finds that the current economic environment requires that the state, when appropriate, charge for some of the services provided directly to the users of those services. The office of the superintendent of public instruction is currently supported with state funds to process certification fees. In addition, the legislature finds that the processing of certifications should be moved to an online system that allows educators to manage their certifications and provides better information to policymakers. The legislature intends to assess a certification processing fee to eliminate state-funded support of the cost to issue educator certificates.

(2) In addition to the certification fee established under RCW 28A.410.060, the superintendent of public instruction shall charge an
application processing fee for initial educator certificates and
subsequent actions. The superintendent of public instruction shall
establish the amount of the fee by rule under chapter 34.05 RCW. The
superintendent shall set the fee at a sufficient level to defray the
costs of administering the educator certification program under RCW
28A.300.040(9). Revenue generated through the processing fee shall be
deposited in the educator certification processing account.

(3) The educator certification processing account is established in
the custody of the state treasurer. The superintendent of public
instruction shall deposit in the account all moneys received from the
fees collected in subsection (2) of this section. Moneys in the
account may be spent only for the processing of educator certificates
and subsequent actions. Disbursements from the account shall be on
authorization of the superintendent of public instruction or the
superintendent's designee. The account is subject to the allotment
procedure provided under chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is
required for disbursements.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
July 1, 2011.

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