

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1841**

Chapter 151, Laws of 2014

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2014 Regular Session

PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTING--ELECTRONIC COMPETITIVE BIDDING

EFFECTIVE DATE: 06/12/14

Passed by the House February 17, 2014  
Yeas 97 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate March 5, 2014  
Yeas 49 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN

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**President of the Senate**

Approved March 31, 2014, 2:41 p.m.

JAY INSLEE

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**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 **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1841** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER

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**Chief Clerk**

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March 31, 2014

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By** House Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Stonier, Warnick, Dunshee, Morrell, Ryu, and Freeman; by request of Department of Enterprise Services)

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1       AN ACT Relating to electronic competitive bidding for state public  
2 works contracting; and adding a new section to chapter 39.04 RCW.

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

4       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 39.04 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6       (1) Any state agency authorized to conduct public works contracting  
7 and competitive bidding under this chapter may do so electronically and  
8 may use or accept electronic signatures in these processes. Such  
9 signatures are deemed presumptively valid and enforceable.

10       (2) For purposes of this section:

11       (a) "Electronic signature" means a signature in electronic form  
12 attached to or logically associated with an electronic record.

13       (b) "State agency" means any state office or activity of the  
14 executive and judicial branches of state government, including state  
15 departments, offices, divisions, boards, commissions, institutions of  
16 higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016, and correctional and  
17 other types of institutions.

18       (3) The office of chief information officer, in coordination with  
19 the department of enterprise services and all state agencies with

1 contracting authority under this chapter, must establish standards and  
2 policies for the electronic submittal of bids and electronic signatures  
3 in public works contracting and competitive bidding processes.

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