

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SENATE BILL 5558**

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63rd Legislature  
2013 Regular Session

HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION--DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE

EFFECTIVE DATE: 04/17/13

Passed by the Senate March 5, 2013  
YEAS 48 NAYS 0

BRAD OWEN

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House April 3, 2013  
YEAS 59 NAYS 38

FRANK CHOPP

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved April 17, 2013, 1:52 p.m.

JAY INSLEE

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5558** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

HUNTER G. GOODMAN

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**Secretary**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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By Senators Fain, Hobbs, Keiser, Shin, and Kline; by request of  
Housing Finance Commission

Read first time 02/04/13. Referred to Committee on Financial  
Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

1            AN ACT Relating to down payment assistance for single-family  
2 homeownership; amending RCW 43.180.050; and declaring an emergency.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.180.050 and 1986 c 264 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            (1) In addition to other powers and duties prescribed in this  
7 chapter, and in furtherance of the purposes of this chapter to provide  
8 decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing for eligible persons,  
9 the commission is empowered to:

10            (a) Issue bonds in accordance with this chapter;

11            (b) Invest in, purchase, or make commitments to purchase or take  
12 assignments from mortgage lenders of mortgages or mortgage loans;

13            (c) Make loans to or deposits with mortgage lenders for the purpose  
14 of making mortgage loans; (~~and~~)

15            (d) Make loans for down payment assistance to home buyers in  
16 conjunction with other commission programs; and

17            (e) Participate fully in federal and other governmental programs  
18 and to take such actions as are necessary and consistent with this  
19 chapter to secure to itself and the people of the state the benefits of

1 those programs and to meet their requirements, including such actions  
2 as the commission considers appropriate in order to have the interest  
3 payments on its bonds and other obligations treated as tax exempt under  
4 the code.

5 (2) The commission shall establish eligibility standards for  
6 eligible persons, considering at least the following factors:

7 (a) Income;

8 (b) Family size;

9 (c) Cost, condition, and energy efficiency of available residential  
10 housing;

11 (d) Availability of decent, safe, and sanitary housing;

12 (e) Age or infirmity; and

13 (f) Applicable federal, state, and local requirements.

14 The state auditor shall audit the books, records, and affairs of  
15 the commission annually to determine, among other things, if the use of  
16 bond proceeds complies with the general plan of housing finance  
17 objectives including compliance with the objective for the use of  
18 financing assistance for implementation of cost-effective energy  
19 efficiency measures in dwellings.

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

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