CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 1022

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BAIL BOND AGREEMENTS--GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY PROVISIONS

EFFECTIVE DATE: 6/9/2016

Passed by the House February 11, 2016
Yeas 96  Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 1, 2016
Yeas 47  Nays 0

BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate

Approved March 31, 2016 10:32 AM

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is HOUSE BILL 1022 as passed by House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER
Chief Clerk

FILED
April 1, 2016

JAY INSLEE
Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State
State of Washington
AN ACT Relating to prohibiting general power of attorney provisions in bail bond agreements; and adding a new section to chapter 18.185 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 18.185 RCW to read as follows:

Entering into a contract, including a general power of attorney, that gives a bail bond agent full authority over a person's finances, assets, real property, or personal property creates a presumption of unprofessional conduct that may be overcome by a preponderance of the evidence presented to the department to the contrary. The department has the discretion to determine whether or not the bail bond agency or agent has overcome the presumption and if unprofessional conduct was committed.

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