CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5745

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67th Legislature 2022 Regular Session

HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED WAIVER SERVICES-PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 9, 2022

Passed by the Senate February 14, CERTIFICATE 2022 I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of Yeas 46 Nays 1 the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that DENNY HECK the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE** BILL 5745 as passed by the Senate President of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth. Passed by the House March 4, 2022 Yeas 96 Nays 0 SARAH BANNISTER Secretary LAURIE JINKINS Speaker of the House of Representatives Approved March 24, 2022 9:23 AM FILED March 24, 2022 Secretary of State

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By Senate Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Liias, Keiser, Conway, Nobles, and C. Wilson)

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- AN ACT Relating to increasing the personal needs allowance for persons receiving state financed care; and amending RCW 74.09.340.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.09.340 and 2018 c 137 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Except as provided in RCW 72.36.160, beginning January 1, 2019, the personal needs allowance for clients being served in medical institutions and in residential settings is ((seventy dollars)) \$70.
- 10 (2) Beginning January 1, 2020, and each year thereafter, subject 11 to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific 12 purpose, the personal needs allowance <u>for clients being served in</u> 13 medical institutions and in residential settings shall ((be)):
- 14 <u>(a) Be</u> adjusted for economic trends and conditions by increasing 15 the allowance by the percentage cost-of-living adjustment for old-16 age, survivors, and disability social security benefits as published 17 by the federal social security administration((. However, in no case 18 shall the personal needs allowance)); and
- 19 <u>(b) Not</u> exceed the maximum personal needs allowance permissible 20 under the federal social security act.

- 1 (3) Unless subject to a separate determination of a monthly
 2 maintenance needs allowance for a community spouse by authority rule,
 3 beginning July 1, 2022, the personal needs allowance for a client
 4 receiving home and community-based waiver services authorized by home
 5 and community services while living at home shall:
 - (a) Be adjusted to an amount that is no less than 300 percent of the federal benefit rate; and

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8 (b) Not exceed the maximum personal needs allowance permissible 9 under the federal social security act.

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