

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT  
**ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1172**

52nd Legislature  
1991 Regular Session

Passed by the House March 18, 1991  
Yeas 96 Nays 0

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**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

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Yeas 47 Nays 0

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**President of the Senate**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1172** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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**Chief Clerk**

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Secretary of State  
State of Washington



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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Holland, Cole, Peery, Brumsickle, G. Fisher, Valle, Brough, Phillips, Rasmussen, Jones, Dorn, P. Johnson, Jacobsen, Winsley, R. King, Pruitt, H. Myers, Ogden, Wood, Vance, Sheldon, Day, Spanel, Leonard, Paris, Rust, Scott, Haugen, Mitchell, Hine, Cantwell, Wynne, Nealey, Miller, Bowman, Moyer, Fraser, O'Brien, Sprenkle, Orr and Tate; by request of Task Force on Student Transp. Safety).

Read first time February 18, 1991.

1            AN ACT Relating to student pedestrian safety; adding new sections  
2 to chapter 28A.160 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an  
3 expiration date.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**            The legislature finds that the number of  
6 motor vehicles on the roads of the state has increased dramatically in  
7 recent years, and that this increase has created unsafe conditions for  
8 many of our children as they travel to and from school.    The  
9 legislature further finds that responsibility to ensure safe walking  
10 conditions and bus stops for our children is fragmented, and that  
11 inadequate resources have been devoted to improving pedestrian safety.

12           NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.**            The school pathway and bus stop  
13 improvement program is hereby created.    The purpose of the program is  
14 to establish a council to make recommendations about roads, streets,

1 and bus stops that the council considers inadequate for school children  
2 as they travel to school, and develop a program for making safety  
3 improvements.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The school pathway and bus stop  
5 improvement program council is established. Membership on the council  
6 shall include two members of the senate, two members of the house of  
7 representatives, and representatives from the department of  
8 transportation, the office of the superintendent of public instruction,  
9 school district administrators, school board members, counties, cities,  
10 the traffic safety commission, school bus drivers, and parents. The  
11 president of the senate shall select the senate members and the speaker  
12 of the house of representatives shall select the house of  
13 representatives members. Representatives of state agencies shall be  
14 selected by the respective agency. Other representatives shall be  
15 selected by appropriate state-wide organizations. The council shall  
16 select a chair from among its members. Staffing and administrative  
17 support shall be provided by the Washington traffic safety commission.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** (1) The council established in section  
19 3 of this act shall:

20 (a) Formulate criteria for identifying roads and school bus stops  
21 that the council considers inadequate for elementary school students  
22 and establish recommendations for standards for making safety  
23 improvements;

24 (b) Based on the criteria and standards in (a) of this subsection,  
25 inventory those roads within a one-mile radius of elementary schools  
26 and those school bus stops considered inadequate by the council, and  
27 recommend priority safety improvement projects;

1 (c) Develop a plan by which the recommended priority safety  
2 improvement projects may be implemented, and make the plan available to  
3 applicable local jurisdictions;

4 (d) Based on the criteria and standards in (a) of this subsection,  
5 formulate recommended guidelines for student pedestrian safety within  
6 a one-mile radius of new elementary schools. At a minimum, the council  
7 shall develop recommended guidelines for incorporating pedestrian  
8 safety considerations into school siting decisions, constructing  
9 pedestrian safety infrastructure improvements within a specified time  
10 after new elementary schools are opened, and creating incentives and  
11 enforcement measures to ensure that the safety improvements are  
12 completed; and

13 (e) Estimate the cost of implementing state-wide sidewalk crossing  
14 rules.

15 (2) By June 30, 1993, the council shall submit its recommendations  
16 and findings required in subsection (1) of this section to the  
17 appropriate committees of the house of representatives and the senate,  
18 the governor, local governments, school districts, and other  
19 appropriate agencies and organizations. After July 1, 1992, the  
20 council shall provide general oversight, coordination, and assistance  
21 to local governments, state agencies, and private parties in the  
22 consideration and implementation of the recommendations.

23 (3) The recommendations of the council are advisory only and shall  
24 not constitute proof of an actual unsafe condition.

25 (4) Local jurisdictions may adopt, in whole or in part, the  
26 recommendations of the council.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** Sections 2 through 4 of this act are  
28 each added to chapter 28A.160 RCW.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 6.**        If specific funding for the purposes of  
2 this act, referencing this act by bill number, is not provided by June  
3 30, 1991, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act shall be null and  
4 void.

5        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 7.**        Sections 1 through 4 of this act shall  
6 expire June 30, 1996.