CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1214

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ATTENDANCE INCENTIVE PROGRAM--REIMBURSEMENT FOR UNUSED SICK LEAVE

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JOE KING

Speaker of the
House of Representatives

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JOEL PRITCHARD

President of the Senate

Approved May 17, 1991

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 1214** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

ALAN THOMPSON

Chief Clerk

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BOOTH GARDNER
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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Anderson, Spanel, Fraser, R. Johnson and Riley).

Read first time March 5, 1991.

- AN ACT Relating to state employees; and amending RCW 41.04.340 and
- 2 41.04.255.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 41.04.340 and 1990 c 162 s 1 are each amended to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) An attendance incentive program is established for all eligible
- 7 employees. As used in this section the term "eligible employee" means
- 8 any employee of the state, other than teaching and research faculty at
- 9 the state and regional universities and The Evergreen State College,
- 10 entitled to accumulate sick leave and for whom accurate sick leave
- 11 records have been maintained. No employee may receive compensation
- 12 under this section for any portion of sick leave accumulated at a rate
- 13 in excess of one day per month. The state and regional universities
- 14 and The Evergreen State College shall maintain complete and accurate
- 15 sick leave records for all teaching and research faculty.

1 ((An attendance incentive program is established for all eligible 2 employees.)) (2) In January of the year following any year in which a minimum of sixty days of sick leave is accrued, and each January 3 4 thereafter, any eligible employee may receive remuneration for unused sick leave accumulated in the previous year at a rate equal to one 5 6 day's monetary compensation of the employee for each four full days of accrued sick leave in excess of sixty days. Sick leave for which 7 compensation has been received shall be deducted from accrued sick 8 leave at the rate of four days for every one day's monetary 9 10 compensation. (3) At the time of separation from state service due to retirement 11 or death, an eligible employee or the employee's estate ((shall)) may 12 elect to receive remuneration at a rate equal to one day's current 13 14 monetary compensation of the employee for each four full days of 15 accrued sick leave((: PROVIDED, That community college districts may delay until July 1, 1981, payment due any eligible employee or 16 17 employee's estate: PROVIDED FURTHER, That there shall be added to any 18 such delayed payment interest at the rate of eight percent per year)). 19 (4) Pursuant to this subsection, in lieu of cash remuneration the state may, with equivalent funds, provide eligible employees with a 20 benefit plan providing for reimbursement of medical expenses. The 21 committee for deferred compensation shall develop any benefit plan 22 established under this subsection, but may offer and administer the 23 24 plan only if (a) each eliqible employee has the option of whether to receive cash remuneration or to have his or her employer transfer 25 26 equivalent funds to the plan; and (b) the committee has received an opinion from the United States internal revenue service stating that 27 28 participating employees, prior to the time of receiving reimbursement 29 for expenses, will incur no United States income tax liability on the amount of the equivalent funds transferred to the plan. 30

- 1 ((Moneys)) (5) Remuneration or benefits received under this section
- 2 shall not be included for the purpose of computing a retirement
- 3 allowance under any public retirement system in this state.
- 4 (6) With the exception of subsection (4) of this section, this
- 5 section shall be administered, and rules shall be promulgated to carry
- 6 out its purposes, by the state personnel board and the higher education
- 7 personnel board for persons subject to chapters 41.06 and 28B.16 RCW,
- 8 respectively, and by their respective personnel authorities for other
- 9 eligible employees: PROVIDED, That determination of classes of
- 10 eligible employees shall be subject to approval by the office of
- 11 financial management.
- 12 (7) Should the legislature revoke any remuneration or benefits
- 13 granted under this section, no affected employee shall be entitled
- 14 thereafter to receive such benefits as a matter of contractual right.
- 15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 41.04.255 and 1982 c 107 s 2 are each amended to read
- 16 as follows:
- 17 In addition to its other powers prescribed under this chapter, the
- 18 committee for deferred compensation is authorized to offer to state
- 19 employees one or more individual retirement account plans established
- 20 under applicable state or federal law. The committee for deferred
- 21 compensation is also authorized to administer the medical benefits plan
- 22 <u>identified in RCW 41.04.340.</u>

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