
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5682

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By Senate Committee on Labor & Commerce (originally sponsored by Senators Sutherland, Oke, Prentice and Erwin)

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1 AN ACT Relating to an exemption from Title 48 RCW; and adding a new
2 section to chapter 48.01 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.01 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 This title does not apply to an organization that:

7 (1) Operates as a nonprofit organization registered under chapter
8 19.09 RCW;

9 (2) Produces a periodic publication that:

10 (a) Suggests amounts publication subscribers may voluntarily give
11 to other subscribers, with no assumption of risk or promise to pay
12 either among the subscribers or between the subscribers and the
13 publication;

14 (b) Provides for the payment of subscriber financial or medical
15 needs by payments directly from one subscriber to another; and

16 (c) Discloses plainly in bold ink on the first page of any
17 pamphlet, advertisement, questionnaire, enrollment, or subscription
18 form:

1 "WARNING: THIS IS **NOT** AN INSURANCE CONTRACT. IF YOU ARE NOT
2 HELPED WITH ANY OF YOUR NEEDS, YOU HAVE NO LEGAL RECOURSE AGAINST
3 ANY OTHER SUBSCRIBER OR THE ORGANIZATION. NO CONTRACT OF INSURANCE
4 OR INDEMNIFICATION EXISTS EITHER IN FACT OR IMPLIED.";

5 (3) Acts as an organizational clearinghouse for information between
6 subscribers who have financial, physical, or medical needs and
7 subscribers who choose to assist with those needs, matching subscribers
8 with the present ability to pay with subscribers having a present
9 financial or medical need; and

10 (4) Receives subscription fees or other payments or charges of any
11 kind annually from subscribers that do not exceed an amount equal to
12 eight and thirty-four one-hundredths percent of the total suggested
13 amounts to give published annually.

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