CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2226

53rd Legislature 1994 Regular Session

Passed by the House February 8, 1994 CERTIFICATE Yeas 93 Nays 0 I, Marilyn Showalter, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2226** as passed by the House of
Representatives and the Senate on the Speaker of the House of Representatives dates hereon set forth. Passed by the Senate March 7, 1994 Yeas 42 Nays 2 President of the Senate Chief Clerk Approved FILED Secretary of State Governor of the State of Washington State of Washington

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By House Committee on Environmental Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Horn, Rust and Cooke)

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State of Washington

- 1 AN ACT Relating to solid waste handling; adding a new section to
- 2 chapter 35.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35A.21 RCW; and
- 3 creating a new section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that local governments
- 6 and private waste management companies have significantly changed solid
- 7 waste management services in an effort to preserve landfill space and
- 8 to avoid costly environmental cleanups of municipal landfills. The
- 9 legislature recognizes that these new services have enabled the state
- 10 to achieve one of the nation's highest recycling rates.
- 11 The legislature also finds that the need to pay for the cleanup of
- 12 past disposal practices and to provide new recycling services has
- 13 caused solid waste rates to increase substantially. The legislature
- 14 further finds that private solid waste collection companies regulated
- 15 by the utilities and transportation commission are required to provide
- 16 public notice but that city-managed solid waste collection systems are
- 17 not. The legislature declares it to be in the public interest for
- 18 city-managed systems to provide public notice of solid waste rate
- 19 increases.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 35.21 RCW to read as follows:
- 3 (1) A city that contracts for the collection of solid waste, or 4 provides for the collection of solid waste directly, shall notify the public of each proposed rate increase for a solid waste handling 5 The notice may be mailed to each affected ratepayer or 6 published once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the collection area. The notice shall be 8 9 available to affected ratepayers at least forty-five days prior to the proposed effective date of the rate increase. 10
- 11 (2) For purposes of this section, "solid waste handling" has the 12 same meaning as provided in RCW 70.95.030.
- NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 35A.21 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) A city that contracts for the collection of solid waste, or 15 provides for the collection of solid waste directly, shall notify the 16 public of each proposed rate increase for a solid waste handling 17 18 service. The notice may be mailed to each affected ratepayer or published once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of 19 general circulation in the collection area. The notice shall be 20 available to affected ratepayers at least forty-five days prior to the 21 proposed effective date of the rate increase. 22
- 23 (2) For purposes of this section, "solid waste handling" has the 24 same meaning as provided in RCW 70.95.030.

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