

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 6516

53rd Legislature
1994 Regular Session

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President of the Senate

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**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 6516** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Secretary

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senators West, Talmadge, Moyer, Snyder and Anderson

Read first time 01/26/94. Referred to Committee on Health & Human Services.

1 AN ACT Relating to the award for excellence in health care; and
2 creating new sections.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature recognizes the critical
5 importance of ensuring that all Washington residents have access to
6 quality and affordable health care. The legislature further recognizes
7 that substantial improvements can be made in health care delivery when
8 providers, including health care facilities, are encouraged to
9 continuously strive for excellence in quality management practices,
10 value, and consumer satisfaction. The legislature finds that when
11 centers of quality are highlighted and honored publicly they become
12 examples for other health care providers to emulate, thereby further
13 promoting the implementation of improved health care delivery
14 processes.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** There is created an award to honor and
16 recognize cost-effective and quality health care services. This award
17 shall be known as the "Warren Featherstone Reid Award for Excellence in
18 Health Care."

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The governor, in conjunction with the
2 secretary of health, shall identify and honor health care providers and
3 facilities in Washington state who exhibit exceptional quality and
4 value in the delivery of health services. The award shall be given
5 annually consistent with the availability of qualified nominees. The
6 secretary may appoint an advisory committee to assist in the selection
7 of nominees, if necessary.

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