CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 6278

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PORT DISTRICTS--NUMBER OF SIGNATURES ON PETITION FOR A NAME CHANGE

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BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate

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CLYDE BALLARD
**Speaker of the
    House of Representatives**

Approved March 30, 1998

CERTIFICATE

I, Mike O Connell, Secretary of the
Senate of the State of Washington, do
hereby certify that the attached is
SENATE BILL 6278 as passed by the
Senate and the House of
Representatives on the dates hereon
set forth.

MIKE O'CONNELL

Secretary

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GARY LOCKE
Governor of the State of Washington

**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Senators Horn, McCaslin and T. Sheldon

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1   AN ACT Relating to specifying the number of signatures required on
2 a petition to place on the ballot the question of changing the name of
3 a port district; and amending RCW 53.04.110.

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

5   **Sec. 1.** RCW 53.04.110 and 1990 c 259 s 18 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7   Any port district now existing or which may hereafter be organized
8 under the laws of the state of Washington is hereby authorized to
9 change its corporate name under the following conditions and in the
10 following manner:

11   (1) On presentation, at least forty-five days before any general
12 port election to be held in the port district, of a petition to the
13 commissioners of any port district now existing or which may hereafter
14 be established under the laws of the state of Washington, signed by
15 ((not less than two hundred fifty registered voters residing within the
16 port district)) at least ten percent of the total number of voters of
17 the port district who voted at the last general port election and
18 asking that the corporate name of the port district be changed, it
19 shall be the duty of the commissioners to submit to the voters of the

1 port district ((at the next general port election held in the port
2 district in accordance with RCW 29.13.010 and 29.13.020)) the
3 proposition as to whether the corporate name of the port shall be
4 changed. The proposition shall be submitted at the next general port
5 election.
6   (2) The petition shall contain the present corporate name of the
7 port district and the corporate name which is proposed to be given to
8 the port district.
9   (3) On submitting the proposition to the voters of the port
10 district it shall be the duty of the port commissioners to cause to be
11 printed on the official ballot used at the election the following
12 proposition:

13 "Shall the corporate name, 'Port of . . . . . .' be changed to
14   'Port of . . . .' . . . . YES
15 "Shall the corporate name, 'Port of . . . . . .' be changed to
16   'Port of . . . .' . . . . NO"

17   (4) At the time when the returns of the general election shall be
18 canvassed by the commissioners of the port district, it shall be the
19 duty of the commissioners to canvass the vote upon the proposition so
20 submitted, recording in their record the result of the canvass.
21   (5) Should a majority of the registered voters of the port district
22 voting at the general port election vote in favor of the proposition it
23 shall be the duty of the port commissioners to certify the fact to the
24 auditor of the county in which the port district shall be situated and
25 to the secretary of state of the state of Washington, under the seal of
26 the port district. On and after the filing of the certificate with the
27 county auditor as aforesaid and with the secretary of state of the
28 state of Washington, the corporate name of the port district shall be
29 changed, and thenceforth the port district shall be known and
30 designated in accordance therewith.

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