CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 2165

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FERRY EMPLOYEES--INTEREST ON RETROACTIVE COMPENSATION INCREASES

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Passed by the House April 21, 1997 Yeas 96 Nays 0

CLYDE BALLARD

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate April 17, 1997 Yeas 45 Nays 1

CERTIFICATE

I, Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2165** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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President of the Senate

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By Representatives K. Schmidt, Zellinsky, Fisher, Morris, Radcliff, Sehlin, Sheldon and Hatfield

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to interest on retroactive compensation increases
- 2 to marine employees; and amending RCW 47.64.120.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 47.64.120 and 1983 c 15 s 3 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) Ferry system management and ferry system employee
- 7 organizations, through their collective bargaining representatives,
- 8 shall meet at reasonable times, to negotiate in good faith with respect
- 9 to wages, hours, working conditions, insurance, and health care
- 10 benefits as limited by RCW 47.64.270, and other matters mutually agreed
- 11 upon. Employer funded retirement benefits shall be provided under the
- 12 public employees retirement system under chapter 41.40 RCW and shall
- 13 not be included in the scope of collective bargaining.
- (2) Upon ratification of bargaining agreements, ferry employees are
- 15 entitled to an amount equivalent to the interest earned on retroactive
- 16 compensation increases. For purposes of this section, the interest
- 17 <u>earned on retroactive compensation increases is the same monthly rate</u>
- 18 of interest that was earned on the amount of the compensation increases
- 19 while held in the state treasury. The interest will be computed for

- 1 each employee until the date the retroactive compensation is paid, and
- 2 <u>must be allocated in accordance with appropriation authority. The</u>
- 3 <u>interest earned on retroactive compensation is not considered part of</u>
- 4 the ongoing compensation obligation of the state and is not
- 5 compensation earnable for the purposes of chapter 41.40 RCW.
- 6 Negotiations shall also include grievance procedures for resolving any
- 7 questions arising under the agreement, which shall be embodied in a
- 8 written agreement and signed by the parties.

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