

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 5736

Chapter 286, Laws of 1997

55th Legislature
1997 Regular Session

BURIAL OF INDIGENT DECEASED VETERANS--INCREASE IN COUNTY BURIAL
COSTS

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/27/97

Passed by the Senate April 23, 1997
YEAS 40 NAYS 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Passed by the House April 15, 1997
YEAS 95 NAYS 0

CLYDE BALLARD

**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Approved May 7, 1997

CERTIFICATE

I, Mike O Connell, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5736** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

MIKE O'CONNELL

Secretary

FILED

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GARY LOCKE

Governor of the State of Washington

**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senators Roach, Winsley, Oke, Benton, Schow, Snyder, Heavey, Bauer and Rasmussen

Read first time 02/10/97. Referred to Committee on Government Operations.

1 AN ACT Relating to county burial costs for indigent deceased
2 veterans; and amending RCW 73.08.070.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 73.08.070 and 1983 c 295 s 5 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 It shall be the duty of the legislative authority in each of the
7 counties in this state to designate some proper authority other than
8 the one designated by law for the care of paupers and the custody of
9 criminals who shall cause to be interred at the expense of the county
10 the body of any honorably discharged veterans as defined in RCW
11 41.04.005 and the wives, husbands, minor children, widows or widowers
12 of such veterans, who shall hereafter die without leaving means
13 sufficient to defray funeral expenses; and when requested so to do by
14 the commanding officer of any post, camp or chapter of any national
15 organization of veterans now, or which may hereafter be, chartered by
16 an act of congress or the relief committee of any such posts, camps or
17 chapters: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That such interment shall not cost more
18 than the limit established by the county legislative authority nor less
19 than three hundred dollars. If the deceased has relatives or friends

1 who desire to conduct the burial of such deceased person, then upon
2 request of said commander or relief committee a sum not to exceed the
3 limit established by the county legislative authority nor less than
4 three hundred dollars shall be paid to said relatives or friends by the
5 county treasurer, upon due proof of the death and burial of any person
6 provided for by this section and proof of expenses incurred.

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