

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 6729

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1998 Regular Session

TASK FORCE ON FINANCING SENIOR HOUSING AND HOUSING FOR PERSONS
WITH DISABILITIES

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BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

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CLYDE BALLARD

**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Approved March 23, 1998

GARY LOCKE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Mike O Connell, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 6729** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

MIKE O'CONNELL

Secretary

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By Senators Prentice, Winsley, Finkbeiner, Fairley, Rasmussen and Kline

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Institutions, Insurance & Housing.

1 AN ACT Relating to financing needs for senior housing; creating new
2 sections; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the availability
5 of safe and affordable housing is vital to low-income senior citizens
6 and persons with disabilities. The legislature further finds that the
7 availability of low-cost financing is necessary for the development or
8 preservation of housing for seniors and persons with disabilities. The
9 legislature further finds that many existing housing developments for
10 seniors and persons with disabilities are in need of renovation. The
11 legislature further finds that there is a need to explore alternative
12 financing techniques to cover the cost of development or renovation of
13 housing for seniors and persons with disabilities. It is the intent of
14 the legislature to create the task force on financing housing for
15 seniors and persons with disabilities to explore alternative financing
16 techniques for the development and renovation of housing developments
17 in Washington for low-income seniors and persons with disabilities.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) There is created the task force on
2 financing senior housing and housing for persons with disabilities to
3 consist of thirteen members. The task force consists of the following
4 members:

5 (a) The director of the department of community, trade, and
6 economic development or the director's designee, who serves as an ex
7 officio member and as chair;

8 (b) The executive director of the Washington state housing finance
9 commission or the director's designee, who serves as an ex officio
10 member;

11 (c) The secretary of the department of social and health services
12 or the secretary's designee, who serves as an ex officio member;

13 (d) Three representatives from organizations involved in the
14 management of senior housing developments, one of which must be from an
15 organization involved in the ownership of senior housing developments;

16 (e) Two representatives from financial institutions involved in
17 financing senior housing developments, one of which must be from an
18 investment and banking firm involved in financing federally insured
19 senior housing developments;

20 (f) One representative from a mobile home owners association that
21 represents seniors;

22 (g) One representative from a mobile home park owners association;

23 (h) Two representatives from state-wide organizations that
24 represent persons with disabilities; and

25 (i) One representative from a public housing authority.

26 (2) The director of the department of community, trade, and
27 economic development shall appoint all nonex officio members to the
28 task force on financing senior housing and housing for persons with
29 disabilities. The vice-chair of the task force is selected by majority
30 vote of the task force members. The members of the task force on
31 financing senior housing and housing for persons with disabilities
32 serve without compensation.

33 (3) The department of community, trade, and economic development,
34 the department of social and health services, and the Washington state
35 housing finance commission shall supply such information and assistance
36 as is necessary for the task force on financing senior housing and
37 housing for persons with disabilities to carry out its duties under
38 section 3 of this act.

1 (4) The department of community, trade, and economic development,
2 the department of social and health services, and the Washington state
3 housing finance commission shall provide administrative and clerical
4 assistance to the task force on financing senior housing and housing
5 for persons with disabilities.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The task force on financing senior housing
7 and housing for persons with disabilities shall by December 15, 1998,
8 prepare and submit to the house of representatives committee on trade
9 and economic development and the senate committee on financial
10 institutions, insurance and housing a progress report on the findings
11 and recommendations required under chapter 383, Laws of 1997. The task
12 force may also make additional recommendations on financial and
13 regulatory techniques designed to assist in the construction of new
14 facilities or renovation of existing housing facilities for seniors and
15 persons with disabilities.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate
17 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
18 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
19 immediately.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act expires February 1, 1999.

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