

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**HOUSE BILL 2375**

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HIGHER EDUCATION--INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY LITERACY

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Passed by the House February 8, 2000  
Yeas 96 Nays 1

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

FRANK CHOPP  
**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate March 2, 2000  
Yeas 42 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN  
**President of the Senate**

Approved March 27, 2000

GARY LOCKE  
**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

We, Timothy A. Martin and Cynthia Zehnder, Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2375** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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**Chief Clerk**

CYNTHIA ZEHNDER  
**Chief Clerk**

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By Representatives Lantz, Esser, Carlson, Kenney, Dunn, O'Brien and Haigh

Read first time 01/12/2000. Referred to Committee on Higher Education.

1            AN ACT Relating to information and technology literacy in higher  
2 education; adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW; and creating a  
3 new section.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that competence in  
6 information literacy and fluency in information technology are  
7 increasingly important in the workplace as well as in day-to-day  
8 activities. The legislature finds that to prepare students to meet the  
9 challenges of the work force and society, students must be able to  
10 effectively manage and apply information from a variety of sources. In  
11 addition, the legislature finds that institutions of higher education  
12 have the opportunity to provide students with a framework and approach  
13 to use information and technology effectively.

14            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10 RCW  
15 to read as follows:

16            (1) Beginning in April 2000, representatives of the public  
17 baccalaureate institutions designated by the council of presidents, in  
18 consultation with representatives of the community and technical

1 colleges and representatives of the higher education coordinating  
2 board, shall convene an interinstitutional group to begin to: (a)  
3 Develop a definition of information and technology literacy; (b)  
4 develop strategies or standards by which to measure the achievement of  
5 information and technology literacy; and (c) develop a financial  
6 assessment of the cost of implementation.

7 (2) The baccalaureate institutions shall provide the house of  
8 representatives and senate committees on higher education with a  
9 progress report in January 2001.

10 (3) By the end of January 2002, the baccalaureate institutions  
11 shall deliver to the house of representatives and senate committees on  
12 higher education a report detailing: (a) The definition of information  
13 and technology literacy; (b) strategies or standards for measurement;  
14 (c) institutionally specific plans for implementation; and (d) an  
15 evaluation of the feasibility of implementation taking into  
16 consideration cost.

17 (4) If the legislature determines that implementation is feasible,  
18 the public baccalaureate institutions shall pilot test strategies to  
19 assess and report on information and technology literacy during the  
20 2002-03 academic year.

21 (5) By the end of January 2004, the institutions shall report to  
22 the house of representatives and senate committees on higher education  
23 the results of the 2002-03 pilot study.

24 (6) Implementation of assessment strategies shall begin in the  
25 academic year 2003-04.

26 (7) The higher education coordinating board shall report results to  
27 the house of representatives and senate committees on higher education  
28 in the 2005 legislative session.

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