

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5744

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56th Legislature
1999 Regular Session

CHILD DEPENDENCY PROCEEDINGS--LEGAL COSTS

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/25/99

Passed by the Senate April 22, 1999
YEAS 47 NAYS 0

BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate

Passed by the House April 13, 1999
YEAS 95 NAYS 0

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

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

Approved May 17, 1999

GARY LOCKE
Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5744** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

TONY M. COOK
Secretary

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Costa, Sheahan and Deccio)

Read first time 03/01/1999.

1 AN ACT Relating to representation of parties in child dependency
2 and termination proceedings; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The office of public defense shall
5 develop a proposal to address the costs of legal representation and
6 expenses reasonably related to such representation for indigent
7 parents, guardians, legal custodians, and children in dependency and
8 termination hearings under chapter 13.34 RCW. The proposal shall
9 address the increased dependency and termination filings by the state
10 under chapter 13.34 RCW and the effect of this increase on indigent
11 defense costs. The proposal shall recommend strategies to ensure that
12 an equitable method of paying for indigent defense costs in dependency
13 and termination proceedings is established.

14 (2) The office of public defense shall present the proposal
15 required under subsection (1) of this section to the appropriate
16 standing committees of the legislature by December 6, 1999.

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