## CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

## SENATE BILL 6138

Chapter 24, Laws of 2000

56th Legislature 2000 Regular Session

INTEREST--DISCLAIMERS

EFFECTIVE DATE: 6/8/00

Passed by the Senate February 8, 2000 YEAS 46 NAYS 0

#### BRAD OWEN

#### President of the Senate

Passed by the House February 29, 2000 YEAS 97 NAYS 0

### CLYDE BALLARD

Speaker of the House of Representatives

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved March 17, 2000

CERTIFICATE

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 6138** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

TONY M. COOK

Secretary

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March 17, 2000 - 2:39 p.m.

GARY LOCKE

Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington

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By Senators Johnson, Heavey and Gardner

Read first time 01/10/2000. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to disclaimers of interests; and amending RCW
- 2 11.86.051.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 11.86.051 and 1989 c 34 s 5 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) A beneficiary may not disclaim an interest if:
- 7  $((\frac{1}{1}))$  (a) The beneficiary has accepted the interest or a benefit 8 thereunder;
- 9  $((\frac{2}{2}))$  The beneficiary has assigned, conveyed, encumbered,
- 10 pledged, or otherwise transferred the interest, or has contracted
- 11 therefor;
- 12  $((\frac{3}{3}))$  (c) The interest has been sold or otherwise disposed of
- 13 pursuant to judicial process; or
- 14  $((\frac{4}{}))$  The beneficiary has waived the right to disclaim in
- 15 writing. The written waiver of the right to disclaim also is binding
- 16 upon all persons claiming through or under the beneficiary.
- 17 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1)(a) through (c)
- 18 of this section, a beneficiary's receipt of a benefit from property
- 19 shall not necessarily bar such beneficiary's disclaimer of an interest

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- 1 in the same property when, prior to the date of the transfer of the
- 2 interest to be disclaimed, the beneficiary already owned an interest in
- 3 such property in joint tenancy, as community property, or otherwise.
- 4 Any such receipt, in the absence of clear and convincing evidence to
- 5 the contrary, shall be presumed to be an enjoyment or use of the
- 6 interest the beneficiary already owned, and only after such interest
- 7 and any benefit from such interest have been exhausted, shall the
- 8 beneficiary be deemed to have received or accepted any part of the
- 9 interest to be disclaimed.

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