

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SENATE BILL 6602**

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CITY AND COUNTY DISABILITY BOARDS

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**President of the Senate**

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

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

Approved March 30, 2000

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 **SENATE BILL 6602** 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  
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**By Senators Loveland and Patterson**

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1            AN ACT Relating to disability board membership; and amending RCW  
2 41.26.110.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.26.110 and 1988 c 164 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            (1) All claims for disability shall be acted upon and either  
7 approved or disapproved by either type of disability board hereafter  
8 authorized to be created.

9            (a) Each city having a population of twenty thousand or more shall  
10 establish a disability board having jurisdiction over all members  
11 employed by said cities and composed of the following five members:  
12 Two members of the city legislative body to be appointed by the mayor,  
13 one active or retired fire fighter to be elected by the fire fighters  
14 employed by or retired from the city, one active or retired law  
15 enforcement officer to be elected by the law enforcement officers  
16 employed by or retired from the city and one member from the public at  
17 large who resides within the city to be appointed by the other four  
18 members heretofore designated in this subsection. Retired members who  
19 are subject to the jurisdiction of the board have both the right to

1 elect and the right to be elected under this section. Each of the  
2 elected members shall serve a two year term. The members appointed  
3 pursuant to this subsection shall serve for two year terms: PROVIDED,  
4 That cities of the first class only, shall retain existing firemen's  
5 pension boards established pursuant to RCW 41.16.020 and existing  
6 boards of trustees of the relief and pension fund of the police  
7 department as established pursuant to RCW 41.20.010 which such boards  
8 shall have authority to act upon and approve or disapprove claims for  
9 disability by fire fighters or law enforcement officers as provided  
10 under the Washington law enforcement officers' and fire fighters'  
11 retirement system act.

12 (b) Each county shall establish a disability board having  
13 jurisdiction over all members residing in the county and not employed  
14 by a city in which a disability board is established. The county  
15 disability board so created shall be composed of five members to be  
16 chosen as follows: One member of the legislative body of the county to  
17 be appointed by the county legislative body, one member of a city or  
18 town legislative body located within the county which does not contain  
19 a city disability board established pursuant to subsection (1)(a) of  
20 this section to be chosen by a majority of the mayors of such cities  
21 and towns within the county which does not contain a city disability  
22 board, one fire fighter or retired fire fighter to be elected by the  
23 fire fighters employed or retired in the county who are not employed by  
24 or retired from a city in which a disability board is established, one  
25 law enforcement officer or retired law enforcement officer to be  
26 elected by the law enforcement officers employed in or retired from the  
27 county who are not employed by or retired from a city in which a  
28 disability board is established, and one member from the public at  
29 large who resides within the county but does not reside within a city  
30 in which a city disability board is established, to be appointed by the  
31 other four members heretofore designated in this subsection. However,  
32 in counties with a population less than sixty thousand, the member of  
33 the disability board appointed by a majority of the mayors of the  
34 cities and towns within the county that do not contain a city  
35 disability board must be a resident of one of the cities and towns but  
36 need not be a member of a city or town legislative body. Retired  
37 members who are subject to the jurisdiction of the board have both the  
38 right to elect and the right to be elected under this section. All

1 members appointed or elected pursuant to this subsection shall serve  
2 for two year terms.

3 (2) The members of both the county and city disability boards shall  
4 not receive compensation for their service upon the boards but said  
5 members shall be reimbursed by their respective county or city for all  
6 expenses incidental to such service as to the amount authorized by law.

7 (3) The disability boards authorized for establishment by this  
8 section shall perform all functions, exercise all powers, and make all  
9 such determinations as specified in this chapter.

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