

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1632**

Chapter 39, Laws of 2001

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DIGITAL SIGNATURES--FRAUD

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/22/01

Passed by the House March 9, 2001  
Yeas 94 Nays 1

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

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

Passed by the Senate April 4, 2001  
Yeas 48 Nays 0

ROSA FRANKLIN  
**President of the Senate**

Approved April 17, 2001

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 **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1632** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

CYNTHIA ZEHNDER  
**Chief Clerk**

TIMOTHY A. MARTIN  
**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By** House Committee on Technology, Telecommunications & Energy  
(originally sponsored by Representatives Ruderman, Anderson,  
Schual-Berke and Casada; by request of Department of Information  
Services)

Read first time 02/26/2001. Referred to Committee on .

1            AN ACT Relating to fraudulently obtaining or using digital  
2 signatures and digital certificates; adding a new section to chapter  
3 9.38 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 9.38 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7            (1) A person shall not knowingly misrepresent the person's identity  
8 or authorization to obtain a public key certificate used to reference  
9 a private key for creating a digital signature.

10           (2) A person shall not knowingly forge a digital signature as  
11 defined in RCW 19.34.020(16).

12           (3) A person shall not knowingly present a public key certificate  
13 for which the person is not the owner of the corresponding private key  
14 in order to obtain unauthorized access to information or engage in an  
15 unauthorized transaction.

16           (4) The definitions in RCW 19.34.020 apply to this section.

17           (5) A person who violates this section is guilty of a class C  
18 felony punishable under chapter 9A.20 RCW.

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