

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5677**

58th Legislature  
2004 Regular Session

Passed by the Senate March 9, 2004  
YEAS 48 NAYS 0

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House March 5, 2004  
YEAS 94 NAYS 0

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Milton H. Doumit, Jr.,  
Secretary of the Senate of the  
State of Washington, do hereby  
certify that the attached is  
**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5677** as  
passed by the Senate and the House  
of Representatives on the dates  
hereon set forth.

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**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 Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Carlson, Parlette, Eide, Rasmussen, Regala, Schmidt, Kohl-Welles and Shin)

READ FIRST TIME 03/04/03.

1            AN ACT Relating to cooperation among education policy boards;  
2 adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

4            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that to achieve the  
5 goals of education reform and improve student learning and achievement,  
6 the separate public education systems should strive to create a  
7 seamless system of education from grades K-12 through higher education.  
8 The legislature further finds that a seamless system is a system where  
9 there is an easy transition from one system to another system. The  
10 legislature further finds that a seamless system begins with close  
11 collaboration and coordination between the state-level policy boards,  
12 as well as the office of the superintendent of public instruction, the  
13 council of presidents, and the legislature.

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

16            Each year in September or December, an annual meeting shall focus  
17 attention on the practical implementation of cross-sector education  
18 policies. Participants in the annual meeting shall include the state

1 board of education, the higher education coordinating board, the state  
2 board for community and technical colleges, the superintendent of  
3 public instruction, the council of presidents, the work force training  
4 and education coordinating board, and legislators from the higher  
5 education, education, and fiscal committees. A specific and focused  
6 agenda for the annual meeting shall include efforts to improve  
7 articulation among high schools and two and four-year institutions of  
8 higher education; efforts to increase student success in completing  
9 math requirements in high school and college through alignment of  
10 standards and improved instruction, advising, and assessment; and  
11 development of standards for the knowledge and skills students need to  
12 be ready for college-level work. The council of presidents shall  
13 coordinate the first annual meeting in 2004. Responsibility for  
14 coordinating subsequent annual meetings shall rotate among the state  
15 education agencies that participate in the meeting. Each year after  
16 the annual meeting, the coordinating agency shall summarize the results  
17 of the meeting and propose an action plan for the ensuing year to the  
18 higher education and education committees of the legislature.

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