

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1827

Chapter 398, Laws of 2003

(partial veto)

58th Legislature
2003 Regular Session

MENINGOCOCCAL IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/1/04

Passed by the House April 25, 2003
Yeas 98 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate April 25, 2003
Yeas 45 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Approved May 20, 2003, with the
exception of subsection 4, which is
vetoed.

GARY LOCKE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Cynthia Zehnder, Chief Clerk of
the House of Representatives of
the State of Washington, do hereby
certify that the attached is
**ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL
1827** as passed by the House of
Representatives and the Senate on
the dates hereon set forth.

CYNTHIA ZEHNDER

Chief Clerk

FILED

May 20, 2003 - 3:11 p.m.

**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1827

AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

Passed Legislature - 2003 Regular Session

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By House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Moeller, Skinner, Fromhold, Schoesler, Romero, Sullivan, Hankins, Hunt, Morrell, Delvin, Cox, Kenney, Hinkle, Linville, Wood, Cody, Dunshee, Schual-Berke, Sehlin and Simpson)

READ FIRST TIME 03/05/03.

1 AN ACT Relating to provision of meningococcal immunization
2 information to first-time students by degree-granting postsecondary
3 educational institutions; adding a new section to chapter 70.54 RCW;
4 and providing an effective date.

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

6 *NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.54 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) Except for community and technical colleges, each degree-
9 granting public or private postsecondary residential campus that
10 provides on-campus or group housing shall provide information on
11 meningococcal disease to each enrolled matriculated first-time student.
12 Community and technical colleges must provide the information only to
13 those students who are offered on-campus or group housing. The
14 information about meningococcal disease shall include:

15 (a) Symptoms, risks, especially as the risks relate to
16 circumstances of group living arrangements, and treatment; and

17 (b) Current recommendations from the United States centers for
18 disease control and prevention regarding the receipt of vaccines for
19 meningococcal disease and where the vaccination can be received.

1 (2) This section shall not be construed to require the department
2 of health or the postsecondary educational institution to provide the
3 vaccination to students.

4 (3) The department of health shall be consulted regarding the
5 preparation of the information materials provided to the first-time
6 students.

7 ***(4) If institutions provide electronic enrollment or registration***
8 ***to first-time students, the information required by this section shall***
9 ***be provided electronically and acknowledged by the student before***
10 ***completion of electronic enrollment or registration.***

11 (5) This section does not create a private right of action.

**Sec. 1 was partially vetoed. See message at end of chapter.*

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect July 1, 2004.

Passed by the House April 25, 2003.

Passed by the Senate April 25, 2003.

Approved by the Governor May 20, 2003, with the exception of
certain items that were vetoed.

Filed in Office of Secretary of State May 20, 2003.

Note: Governor's explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"I am returning herewith, without my approval as to subsection 4,
Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1827 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to provision of meningococcal immunization
information to first-time students by degree-granting postsecondary
educational institutions;"

This bill requires all public and private higher education
institutions with student housing on campus to provide information to
each new student about meningococcal disease. This requirement is
consistent with the Centers for Disease Control recommendations to
colleges and public health departments that they provide general
information to students about the disease.

However, subsection 4 is unduly prescriptive in directing
institutions that offer electronic enrollment to provide the
meningococcal disease information to students as part of their
electronic enrollment and requiring that students acknowledge receipt
of the information in order to complete enrollment.

Many higher education institutions in Washington and across the
nation have been providing this information to their students for
years, without a mandate that students acknowledge receipt. Our
higher education institutions also provide information on other
critical public health issues, such as AIDS/HIV and alcohol abuse
without a requirement that students acknowledge receipt. Creating a
mandatory sign-off from students creates an unnecessary
administrative burden on our higher education institutions.

For these reasons, I have vetoed subsection 4 of Engrossed Substitute
House Bill No. 1827.

With the exception of subsection 4, Engrossed Substitute House Bill
No. 1827 is approved."