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## HOUSE BILL 1471

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## FRANK CHOPP

## Speaker of the House of Representatives

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#### BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Approved March 24, 2006.

## CERTIFICATE

I, Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 1471** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

# RICHARD NAFZIGER

Chief Clerk

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CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington \_\_\_\_\_

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By Representatives Lovick, McDonald and Takko

Read first time 01/25/2005. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to authentication of documents; and amending RCW
- 2 5.44.130 and 5.52.050.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 5.44.130 and Code 1881 s 434 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 A seal of court or public office, when required to any writ,
- 7 process, or proceeding to authenticate a copy of any record or
- 8 document, may be affixed by making an inked, printed, or embossed
- 9 impression directly on the ((paper which)) document and shall be ((as))
- 10 considered valid ((as if made upon a wafer or on wax)).
- 11 **Sec. 2.** RCW 5.52.050 and Code 1881 s 2356 are each amended to read
- 12 as follows:
- 13 Except as ((hereinbefore)) otherwise provided in this chapter, any
- 14 instrument in writing, duly certified, under his or her hand and
- 15 official seal, by a notary public, commissioner of deeds, or clerk of
- 16 a court of record, to be genuine, within the personal knowledge of such
- 17 officer, may, together with such certificate, be sent by telegraph or
- 18 <u>other electronic transmission</u> and the telegraphic <u>or other electronic</u>

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- 1 <u>transmission</u> copy thereof shall, prima facie, only have the same force,
- 2 effect and validity, in all respects whatsoever as the original, and
- 3 the burden of proof shall rest with the party denying the genuineness,
- 4 or due execution of the original.

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