CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 6231

Chapter 61, Laws of 2006

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PRIVATE AIR AMBULANCE SERVICES

EFFECTIVE DATE: 6/7/06

Passed by the Senate February 3, 2006 YEAS 47 NAYS 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Passed by the House February 28, 2006 YEAS 97 NAYS 0

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved March 15, 2006.

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 6231** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

THOMAS HOEMANN

Secretary

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Secretary of State State of Washington

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By Senator Spanel; by request of Insurance Commissioner

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to exempting certain private air ambulance services
- 2 from licensing under the insurance code; and adding a new section to
- 3 chapter 48.01 RCW.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.01 RCW
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 A private air ambulance service that solicits membership
- 8 subscriptions, accepts membership applications, charges membership
- 9 fees, and provides air ambulance services, to subscription members and
- 10 designated members of their household is not an insurer under RCW
- 11 48.01.050, a health carrier under chapter 48.43 RCW, a health care
- 12 services contractor under chapter 48.44 RCW, or a health maintenance
- 13 organization under chapter 48.46 RCW if the private air ambulance
- 14 service:
- 15 (1) Is licensed in accordance with RCW 18.73.130;
- 16 (2) Attains and maintains accreditation by the commission on
- 17 accreditation of medical transport services or another accrediting
- 18 organization approved by the department of health as having equivalent
- 19 requirements as the commission for aeromedical transport;

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(3) Has been in operation in Washington for at least two years; and

(4) Has submitted evidence of its compliance with this section, the licensing requirements of RCW 18.73.130, and accreditation from the commission or another accrediting organization approved by the department of health as having equivalent requirements as the commission for aeromedical transport to the commissioner.

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