CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 1292

Chapter 43, Laws of 2007

60th Legislature 2007 Regular Session

STATE VETERANS' CEMETERY

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/22/07

Passed by the House February 12, 2007 Yeas 96 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate April 3, 2007 Yeas 45 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Approved April 17, 2007, 9:07 a.m.

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 1292** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

RICHARD NAFZIGER

Chief Clerk

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April 17, 2007

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington

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By Representatives Barlow, Ahern, Morrell, Hailey, Seaquist, Schindler, Appleton, Skinner, Williams, McDonald, Hurst, Campbell, Haler, Wood, Moeller, VanDeWege, McCune, Conway and Kenney; by request of Department of Veterans Affairs

Read first time 01/16/2007. Referred to Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to establishing the eastern Washington state
- 2 veterans' cemetery; adding a new section to chapter 72.36 RCW; and
- 3 creating a new section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature recognizes the unique
- 6 sacrifices made by veterans and their family members. The legislature
- 7 recognizes further that while all veterans are entitled to interment at
- 8 the Tahoma national cemetery, veterans and families living in eastern
- 9 Washington desire a veterans' cemetery location closer to their homes.
- 10 The legislature requested and received the department of veterans
- 11 affairs feasibility study and business plan outlining the need and
- 12 feasibility and now intends to establish a state veterans' cemetery to
- 13 honor veterans in their final resting place.
- 14 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 72.36 RCW
- 15 to read as follows:
- 16 (1) The department shall establish and maintain in this state an
- 17 eastern Washington state veterans' cemetery.

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- 1 (2) All honorably discharged veterans, as defined by RCW 41.04.007, 2 and their spouses are eligible for interment in the eastern Washington 3 state veterans' cemetery.
 - (3) The department shall collect all federal veterans' burial benefits and other available state or county resources.
 - (4) The department shall adopt rules defining the services available, eligibility, fees, and the general operations associated with the eastern Washington state veterans' cemetery.

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