

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

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DRAINAGE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

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BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

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FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved March 19, 2008, 10:00 a.m.

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 6275** 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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1 AN ACT Relating to drainage district commissioners' authority; and
2 amending RCW 85.06.640.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 85.06.640 and 1941 c 133 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Whenever in the judgment of the commissioners of any drainage
7 district general benefits to the entire district will accrue therefrom,
8 or the general plan for improvement as adopted by such district will be
9 more fully or properly carried out thereby, the board of commissioners
10 of such district is hereby given and granted authority and power to do
11 the following things:

12 (1) Straighten, widen, deepen, improve, or alter the course of or
13 discontinue the use and maintenance of, or abandon any existing drains
14 or ditches in said district, and when abandoned or discontinued, the
15 right-of-way may be held or disposed of by said district in the
16 discretion of the commissioners;

17 (2) Dig or construct any additional and auxiliary drains or ditches
18 therein;

1 (3) Obtain, improve, or alter any existing reservoirs, spillways or
2 outlets;

3 (4) Lease, acquire, build, or construct additional, new, or better
4 reservoirs, spillways, and outlets;

5 (5) Lease, acquire, erect, build, or construct and operate any
6 pumping plant and acquire equipment necessary therefor;

7 (6) Divert, dam, or carry off the waters of any stream or water
8 endangering or damaging said district and protect against damage or
9 flood from any waters whatsoever; and

10 (7) Implement the provisions of a drainage maintenance plan adopted
11 by the district.

12 PROVIDED, That in carrying out such powers, said commissioners
13 shall not be authorized under RCW 85.06.640 through 85.06.700 to tap
14 new sources of water which have other outlets and do not endanger the
15 system or property of such district.

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