

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1135**

Chapter 159, Laws of 2007

60th Legislature  
2007 Regular Session

**AQUIFER CONSERVATION ZONES**

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/22/07

Passed by the House February 23, 2007  
Yeas 94 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 10, 2007  
Yeas 49 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN

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**President of the Senate**

Approved April 21, 2007, 10:16 a.m.

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1135** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

RICHARD NAFZIGER

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**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By** House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Appleton, Rolfes, Lantz, Seaquist and Clibborn)

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1            AN ACT Relating to aquifer conservation zones in qualifying island  
2 cities without access to potable water sources outside their  
3 jurisdiction; and adding a new section to chapter 36.70A RCW.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 36.70A RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7            (1) Any city coterminous with, and comprised only of, an island  
8 that relies solely on groundwater aquifers for its potable water source  
9 and does not have reasonable access to a potable water source outside  
10 its jurisdiction may designate one or more aquifer conservation zones.

11            Aquifer conservation zones may only be designated for the purpose  
12 of conserving and protecting potable water sources.

13            (2) Aquifer conservation zones may not be considered critical areas  
14 under this chapter except to the extent that specific areas located  
15 within aquifer conservation zones qualify for critical area designation  
16 and have been designated as such under RCW 36.70A.060(2).

17            (3) Any city may consider whether an area is within an aquifer  
18 conservation zone when determining the residential density of that

1 particular area. The residential densities within conservation zones,  
2 in combination with other densities of the city, must be sufficient to  
3 accommodate projected population growth under RCW 36.70A.110.

4 (4) Nothing in this section may be construed to modify the  
5 population accommodation obligations required of jurisdictions under  
6 this chapter.

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