

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1256**

Chapter 299, Laws of 2007

60th Legislature  
2007 Regular Session

WINDOW BLIND CORDS--CHILD CARE SETTINGS

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/22/07

Passed by the House April 16, 2007  
Yeas 94 Nays 1

FRANK CHOPP

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 13, 2007  
Yeas 42 Nays 3

BRAD OWEN

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**President of the Senate**

Approved May 2, 2007, 3:32 p.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 1256** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

RICHARD NAFZIGER

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**Chief Clerk**

FILED

May 3, 2007

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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**By** House Committee on Early Learning & Children's Services  
(originally sponsored by Representatives Dickerson, Kagi, Hunter,  
O'Brien and Ericks)

READ FIRST TIME 02/14/07.

1            AN ACT Relating to preventing serious injury and strangulation from  
2 window blind cords or other significant safety hazards in child care  
3 settings; adding a new section to chapter 43.215 RCW; and creating a  
4 new section.

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

6            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.215 RCW  
7 to read as follows:

8            (1) Minimum licensing requirements under this chapter shall include  
9 a prohibition on the use of window blinds or other window coverings  
10 with pull cords or inner cords capable of forming a loop and posing a  
11 risk of strangulation to young children. Window blinds and other  
12 coverings that have been manufactured or properly retrofitted in a  
13 manner that eliminates the formation of loops posing a risk of  
14 strangulation are not prohibited under this section.

15            (2) When developing and periodically reviewing minimum licensing  
16 requirements related to safety of the premises, the director shall  
17 consult and give serious consideration to publications of the United  
18 States consumer product safety commission.

1           (3) The department may provide information as available regarding  
2 reduced cost or no-cost options for retrofitting or replacing unsafe  
3 window blinds and window coverings.

4           NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 2.** This act may be known and cited as the  
5 Jaclyn Frank act.

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