CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6426

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INTERSTATE COMPACT ON EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY CHILDREN

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BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate

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FRANK CHOPP
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved March 27, 2008, 10:47 a.m.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6426 as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

THOMAS HOEMANN
Secretary

FILED
March 28, 2008

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE
Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State
State of Washington
1 AN ACT Relating to an interstate compact on educational opportunity
2 for military children; and creating a new section.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The office of the superintendent of
2 public instruction shall convene and support a task force to review and
3 make recommendations regarding the interstate compact on educational
4 opportunity for military children. Education committee staff from
5 senate committee services and house of representatives office of
6 program research shall provide support to the legislative members of
7 the task force.
8 (2) The task force shall review the compact and issue a final
9 report on the following, at a minimum:
10 (a) Which components of the compact are currently being
11 substantially implemented in Washington and which are not;
12 (b) The implications of and the interplay between the compact and
13 applicable federal education law;
14 (c) The implications of and the interplay between the compact and
15 applicable state education law; and
(d) The legal obligations that the compact would impose on the state if it were to be adopted.

(3) The task force shall also address any provisions within the compact that raise concerns of the task force members and shall make recommendations on how to address those concerns within the final report.

(4) The task force shall include the following members:

(a) Four legislative members, including one member appointed by the president of the senate from each of the two largest caucuses of the senate, and one member appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of representatives;

(b) The attorney general or a designee;

(c) A representative from the United States department of defense;

(d) The superintendent of public instruction or a designee;

(e) A representative from each educational service district;

(f) A superintendent from a school district with a high concentration of military children; and

(g) A representative of the state board of education.

(5) Legislative members of the task force shall be reimbursed for travel expenses under RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative members are entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

(6) The task force shall present its final report of findings and conclusions, including recommendations for legislative action if necessary, to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2008.

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