## CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

### HOUSE BILL 2347

Chapter 527, Laws of 2009

61st Legislature 2009 Regular Session

### ADOPTION SUPPORT AGREEMENTS--REVIEW

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/26/09

Passed by the House April 20, 2009 Yeas 98 Nays 0

### FRANK CHOPP

## Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate April 23, 2009 Yeas 48 Nays 0

#### BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Approved May 18, 2009, 3:24 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2347** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

# BARBARA BAKER

Chief Clerk

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CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington \_\_\_\_\_

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By Representative Kagi

- AN ACT Relating to the review of support payments; and amending RCW 74.13.118.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.13.118 and 1995 c 270 s 2 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
  - ((At least once every five years, the secretary shall review the need of any adoptive parent or parents receiving continuing support pursuant to RCW 26.33.320 and 74.13.100 through 74.13.145, or the need of any parent who is to receive more than one lump sum payment where such payments are to be spaced more than one year apart.

At-the-time-of-such-review-and-at-other-times-when-changed 11 conditions, -including-variations-in-medical-opinions, -prognosis-and 12 13 costs, are deemed by the secretary to warrant such action, appropriate adjustments in payments shall be made based upon changes in the needs 14 of the child, in the adoptive parents' income, resources, and expenses 15 16 for the care of such child or other members of the family, including medical-and/or-hospitalization-expense-not-otherwise-covered-by-or 17 18 subject to reimbursement from insurance or other sources of financial 19 assistance.))

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- (1) Any parent who is a party to ((such)) an agreement under RCW 74.13.100 through 74.13.145 may at any time, in writing, request, for reasons set forth in such request, a review of the amount of any payment or the level of continuing payments. ((Such)) The review shall ((be begun)) begin not later than thirty days from the receipt of such request. Any adjustment may be made retroactive to the date such request was received by the secretary. If such request is not acted on within thirty days after it has been received by the secretary, such parent may invoke his rights under the hearing provisions set forth in RCW 74.13.127.
- (2) The secretary may make adjustments in payments at the time of 11 the review, or at other times, if the secretary finds that 12 13 <u>circumstances have changed and warrant an adjustment in payments.</u> 14 Changes in circumstances may include, but are not limited to, variations in medical opinions, prognosis, and costs. Appropriate 15 adjustments in payments shall be made based upon changes in the needs 16 17 of the child and/or changes in the adoptive parents' income, resources, and expenses for the care of such child or other members of the family, 18 19 including medical and/or hospitalization expense not otherwise covered by or subject to reimbursement from insurance or other sources of 20 21 financial assistance.

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