

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5290**

Chapter 32, Laws of 2009

61st Legislature  
2009 Regular Session

UTILITIES--RATE CASE HEARING--LOW-INCOME PROGRAMS

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/26/09

Passed by the Senate February 26, 2009  
YEAS 45 NAYS 0

BRAD OWEN

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House March 30, 2009  
YEAS 97 NAYS 0

FRANK CHOPP

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved April 8, 2009, 3:43 p.m.

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

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**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 **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5290** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

THOMAS HOEMANN

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**Secretary**

FILED

April 9, 2009

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By** Senate Environment, Water & Energy (originally sponsored by Senators Franklin, Brown, Fraser, Kauffman, McAuliffe, Shin, Murray, Eide, Keiser, Berkey, and Regala)

READ FIRST TIME 01/28/09.

1            AN ACT Relating to requests made by a party concerning gas or  
2 electrical company discounts for low-income senior customers and low-  
3 income customers; and amending RCW 80.28.068.

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

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 80.28.068 and 1999 c 62 s 1 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7            Upon request by an electrical or gas company, or other party to a  
8 general rate case hearing, the commission may approve rates, charges,  
9 services, and/or physical facilities at a discount for low-income  
10 senior customers and low-income customers. Expenses and lost revenues  
11 as a result of these discounts shall be included in the company's cost  
12 of service and recovered in rates to other customers.

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