

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

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FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

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CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

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 1120** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Representatives Pedersen, Rodne, Goodman, and Morrell; by request of Uniform Legislation Commission

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1 AN ACT Relating to uniform laws; amending RCW 43.56.010, 43.56.020,
2 and 43.56.040; and repealing RCW 43.56.050.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.56.010 and 1965 c 8 s 43.56.010 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The governor shall appoint three ((suitable)) qualified persons
7 ((as a board of commissioners)) to serve on the Washington state
8 uniform law commission for the promotion of uniformity of legislation
9 in the United States. ((Any vacancy on the board shall be filled by
10 appointment by the governor.)) A qualified person is a resident of the
11 state of Washington and a member of the state bar association of this
12 or another state, who is or has been a judge, law professor,
13 legislator, or practicing attorney.

14 (2) In addition to the members of the commission appointed pursuant
15 to subsection (1) of this section, the governor may appoint to the
16 commission any person who has served at least twenty years on the
17 commission and who is a life member in the national conference of
18 commissioners on uniform state laws or its successor.

1 (3) In addition to the members of the commission appointed pursuant
2 to subsections (1) and (2) of this section, the code reviser shall
3 serve as a member of the commission.

4 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.56.020 and 1965 c 8 s 43.56.020 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The ((board)) commission shall ((examine—the—subjects—of
7 marriage—and—divorce,—insolvency,—the—descent—and—distribution—of
8 property,—the—execution—and—probate—of—wills,—and—other—subjects—upon
9 which—uniformity—of—legislation—in—the—various—states—is—desirable,—but
10 which—are—outside—of—the—jurisdiction—of—the—congress—of—the—United
11 States)) identify areas of the law in which (a) uniformity in the laws
12 among the states and other jurisdictions is desirable and practicable
13 and (b)(i) the congress of the United States lacks jurisdiction to act
14 or (ii) it is preferable that the several states enact the laws.

15 ((†)) (2) The commissioners, at the national conference of
16 commissioners on uniform state laws or its successor, shall confer upon
17 these matters with the commissioners appointed by other states for the
18 same purpose and shall consider and draft uniform laws to be submitted
19 for approval and adoption by the several states((†)).

20 (3) The commission shall propose to the legislature for approval
21 and adoption the uniform acts developed with the other commissioners
22 and generally devise and recommend such other and further courses of
23 action as shall accomplish such uniformity.

24 **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.56.040 and 1975-'76 2nd ex.s. c 34 s 118 are each
25 amended to read as follows:

26 No member of the ((board)) commission shall receive any
27 compensation for ((his)) services, but each member shall be paid travel
28 expenses incurred in the discharge of official duty in accordance with
29 RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 ((as now existing or hereafter amended)),
30 after the account thereof has been audited by the ((board)) commission.

31 The ((board)) commission shall keep a full account of its
32 expenditures and shall report it in each report. ((There—shall—be

33 allowed—such)) The commission shall allow expenses for only one
34 ((annual)) meeting of the ((board)) commission within this state each
35 year, and shall allow expenses for the members ((in attendance, not

1 ~~oftener~~) to attend, no more than once in each year, (~~at~~) any
2 conference of the national conference of commissioners on uniform state
3 laws, or its successor, outside of this state.

4 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. RCW 43.56.050 (Membership--Code reviser) and
5 2001 c 205 s 1 are each repealed.

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