

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5966

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HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY OMBUDSMAN

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Passed by the Senate February 10, 2012
YEAS 47 NAYS 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Passed by the House February 29, 2012
YEAS 83 NAYS 15

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved March 29, 2012, 3:36 p.m.

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

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 5966** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

THOMAS HOEMANN

Secretary

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Senate Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Fraser and Swecker)

READ FIRST TIME 01/30/12.

1 AN ACT Relating to establishing the office of the health care
2 authority ombudsman; and adding a new section to chapter 48.02 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.02 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 There is established, within the office of the insurance
7 commissioner, the volunteer position of health care authority ombudsman
8 to assist retirees enrolled in the public employees benefits board
9 program. The volunteer position shall be trained as part of the
10 existing volunteer training provided to the statewide health insurance
11 benefit advisors. The position shall help retirees with questions and
12 concerns, assist the public employees benefits board program with
13 identification of retiree concerns, and maintain access to updated
14 program information.

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