## CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

## SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1093

# 63rd Legislature 2013 Regular Session

Passed by the House April 22, 2013 Yeas 95 Nays 0  Speaker of the House of Representatives  Passed by the Senate April 17, 2013 Yeas 40 Nays 8	I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1093 as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.		
			Chief Clerk
		President of the Senate	
		Approved	FILED
Governor of the State of Washington	Secretary of State State of Washington		

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#### AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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# State of Washington 63rd Legislature 2013 Regular Session

By House Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Representatives Shea, Overstreet, and Taylor)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to state agencies' lobbying activities; amending
- 2 RCW 42.17A.750 and 42.17A.055; prescribing penalties; and providing an
- 3 effective date.

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- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 Sec. 1. RCW 42.17A.750 and 2011 c 145 s 6 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
  - (1) In addition to the penalties in subsection (2) of this section, and any other remedies provided by law, one or more of the following civil remedies and sanctions may be imposed by court order in addition to any other remedies provided by law:
  - (a) If the court finds that the violation of any provision of this chapter by any candidate or political committee probably affected the outcome of any election, the result of that election may be held void and a special election held within sixty days of the finding. Any action to void an election shall be commenced within one year of the date of the election in question. It is intended that this remedy be imposed freely in all appropriate cases to protect the right of the electorate to an informed and knowledgeable vote.

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- (b) If any lobbyist or sponsor of any grass roots lobbying campaign violates any of the provisions of this chapter, his or her registration may be revoked or suspended and he or she may be enjoined from receiving compensation or making expenditures for lobbying. The imposition of a sanction shall not excuse the lobbyist from filing statements and reports required by this chapter.
- (c) A person who violates any of the provisions of this chapter may be subject to a civil penalty of not more than ten thousand dollars for each violation. However, a person or entity who violates RCW 42.17A.405 may be subject to a civil penalty of ten thousand dollars or three times the amount of the contribution illegally made or accepted, whichever is greater.
- (d) A person who fails to file a properly completed statement or report within the time required by this chapter may be subject to a civil penalty of ten dollars per day for each day each delinquency continues.
- (e) Each state agency director who knowingly fails to file statements required by RCW 42.17A.635 shall be subject to personal liability in the form of a civil penalty in the amount of one hundred dollars per statement. These penalties are in addition to any other civil remedies or sanctions imposed on the agency.
- (f) A person who fails to report a contribution or expenditure as required by this chapter may be subject to a civil penalty equivalent to the amount not reported as required.
- $((\frac{f}{f}))$  (g) Any state agency official, officer, or employee who is responsible for or knowingly directs or expends public funds in violation of RCW 42.17A.635 (2) or (3) may be subject to personal liability in the form of a civil penalty in an amount that is at least equivalent to the amount of public funds expended in the violation.
- 30 <u>(h)</u> The court may enjoin any person to prevent the doing of any act 31 herein prohibited, or to compel the performance of any act required 32 herein.
- 33 (2) The commission may refer the following violations for criminal prosecution:
- 35 (a) A person who, with actual malice, violates a provision of this 36 chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor under chapter 9.92 RCW;
- 37 (b) A person who, within a five-year period, with actual malice,

- violates three or more provisions of this chapter is guilty of a gross misdemeanor under chapter 9.92 RCW; and
- 3 (c) A person who, with actual malice, procures or offers any false 4 or forged document to be filed, registered, or recorded with the 5 commission under this chapter is guilty of a class C felony under 6 chapter 9.94A RCW.
- 7 **Sec. 2.** RCW 42.17A.055 and 2010 c 204 s 202 are each amended to 8 read as follows:
- 9 (1) The commission shall make available to candidates, public officials, and political committees that are required to file reports under this chapter an electronic filing alternative for submitting financial affairs reports, contribution reports, and expenditure reports.
- 14 (2) The commission shall make available to lobbyists and lobbyists' 15 employers required to file reports under RCW 42.17A.600, 42.17A.615, 16 42.17A.625, or 42.17A.630 an electronic filing alternative for 17 submitting these reports.
- 18 (3) <u>State agencies required to report under RCW 42.17A.635 must</u>
  19 file all reports electronically.
- 20 <u>(4)</u> The commission shall make available to candidates, public officials, political committees, lobbyists, and lobbyists' employers an electronic copy of the appropriate reporting forms at no charge.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act takes effect January 1, 2014.

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