CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 6091**

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64th Legislature

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SLAYERS--DEFINITION--NOT GUILTY BY REASON OF INSANITY

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| Passed by the Senate March 8, 2016  Yeas 46 Nays 0  BRAD OWEN  **President of the Senate**  Passed by the House March 1, 2016  Yeas 97 Nays 0  FRANK CHOPP  **Speaker of the House of Representatives** | CERTIFICATE  I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 6091** as passed by Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.  HUNTER G. GOODMAN  **Chief Clerk** |
| Approved April 1, 2016 4:41 PM | April 4, 2016 |
| JAY INSLEE  **Governor of the State of Washington** | **Secretary of State**  **State of Washington** |

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

Passed Legislature - 2016 Regular Session

**State of Washington 64th Legislature 2015 Regular Session**

**By** Senators Dammeier, O'Ban, Conway, and Becker

AN ACT Relating to the definition of slayer; amending RCW 11.84.010 and 11.84.140; and creating a new section.

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

**Sec.**  RCW 11.84.010 and 2009 c 525 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter:

(1) "Abuser" means any person who participates, either as a principal or an accessory before the fact, in the willful and unlawful financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult.

(2) "Decedent" means:

(a) Any person whose life is taken by a slayer; or

(b) Any deceased person who, at any time during life in which he or she was a vulnerable adult, was the victim of financial exploitation by an abuser.

(3) "Financial exploitation" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 74.34.020, as enacted or hereafter amended.

(4) "Property" includes any real and personal property and any right or interest therein.

(5) "Slayer" means any person who participates, either as a principal or an accessory before the fact, in the willful and unlawful killing of any other person as determined under RCW 11.84.140.

(6) "Vulnerable adult" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 74.34.020.

**Sec.**  RCW 11.84.140 and 2009 c 525 s 14 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A final judgment of conviction for the willful and unlawful killing of the decedent is conclusive for purposes of determining whether a person is a slayer under this section. A finding of not guilty by reason of insanity for the willful and unlawful killing of the decedent carries the same meaning as a judgment of conviction.

(2) In the absence of a criminal conviction or a finding of not guilty by reason of insanity, a superior court finding by a preponderance of the evidence that a person participated in the willful and unlawful killing of the decedent is conclusive for purposes of determining whether a person is a slayer under this section.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  This act may be known and cited as Carol's law.

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