SENATE BILL 6491

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By Senators Pedersen and Roach; by request of Secretary of State

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1 AN ACT Relating to apostille or other signature or attestation 2 services by the secretary of state; and adding a new section to 3 chapter 43.07 RCW.

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

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 43.07 6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) The secretary of state may attest to the authenticity of the 8 signature of a public official in the state of Washington.

9 (2) The secretary of state may attest to the authenticity, or 10 certify a signature of, a notary public except as noted in subsection 11 (3) of this section.

12 (3) The secretary of state may not certify or attest to the13 signature of a notary public on a document:

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(a) Regarding allegiance to a government or jurisdiction;

15 (b) Relating to the relinquishment or renunciation of 16 citizenship, sovereignty, military status, or world service 17 authority; or

(c) Setting forth or implying for the bearer a claim of immunity
from the laws of the jurisdictions of Washington, immunity from the
laws of the state of Washington, or immunity from federal law.

1 (4) The secretary of state may adopt rules to implement this 2 section.

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