

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**HOUSE BILL 2457**

Chapter 98, Laws of 2016

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ELECTRIC UTILITIES--RECORDED INTEREST IN EASEMENT

EFFECTIVE DATE: 6/9/2016

Passed by the House February 10, 2016  
Yeas 97 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate March 1, 2016  
Yeas 48 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN

**President of the Senate**

Approved March 31, 2016 11:08 AM

JAY INSLEE

**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 2457** as passed by House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER

**Chief Clerk**

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April 1, 2016

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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By Representative Young

Read first time 01/13/16. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

1 AN ACT Relating to recorded interests in easements by an electric  
2 utility; and amending RCW 36.35.290.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.35.290 and 1961 c 15 s 84.64.460 are each amended  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The general property tax assessed on any tract, lot, or  
7 parcel of real property includes all easements appurtenant thereto,  
8 provided said easements are a matter of public record in the  
9 auditor's office of the county in which said real property is  
10 situated.

11 (2)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, any  
12 foreclosure of delinquent taxes on any tract, lot, or parcel of real  
13 property subject to such easement or easements, and any tax deed  
14 issued pursuant thereto shall be subject to such easement or  
15 easements, provided such easement or easements were established of  
16 record prior to the year for which the tax was foreclosed.

17 (b) If an electric utility has a recorded interest in the  
18 easement or easements, any foreclosure of delinquent taxes and tax  
19 deed issued pursuant thereto are subject to such easement or  
20 easements regardless of when such easement or easements were  
21 established.

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