

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6065

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Yeas 47 Nays 0

President of the Senate

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**Speaker of the House of
Representatives**

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6065** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Secretary

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senate Environment, Energy & Technology (originally sponsored by Senators Brown, Hasegawa, Kuderer, Nguyen, Rolfes, Short, Wilson, L., Das, and Wellman)

READ FIRST TIME 01/31/20.

1 AN ACT Relating to establishing the Washington blockchain work
2 group; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) Subject to the availability of amounts
5 appropriated for this specific purpose, the Washington blockchain
6 work group is established. The purpose of the work group is to
7 examine various potential applications for blockchain technology
8 including, but not limited to, applications in computing, banking and
9 other financial services, the real estate transaction process, health
10 care, supply chain management, higher education, and public
11 recordkeeping.

12 (2) The work group is composed of the following members:

13 (a) One senator from each of the two largest caucuses of the
14 senate, appointed by the president of the senate;

15 (b) One representative from each of the two largest caucuses of
16 the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house
17 of representatives;

18 (c) The lieutenant governor, or the lieutenant governor's
19 designee;

20 (d) The director of the department of commerce, or the director's
21 designee;

1 (e) The director of the department of financial institutions, or
2 the director's designee;

3 (f) The director of Washington technology solutions, the
4 consolidated technology services agency, or the director's designee;

5 (g) The director of the department of agriculture, or the
6 director's designee;

7 (h) An individual representing a Washington-based technology
8 trade association for the full cross section of the technology
9 sector;

10 (i) An individual representing a trade association for financial
11 services companies that do business in Washington;

12 (j) An individual representing a trade association for title
13 insurance companies that do business in Washington;

14 (k) An individual representing a trade association for health
15 care companies that do business in Washington;

16 (l) An individual representing an association for county
17 government officials in Washington;

18 (m) An individual representing a trade association for
19 Washington-based agriculture;

20 (n) An individual representing a trade association for property
21 and casualty insurance companies that do business in Washington; and

22 (o) An individual representing an association for public utility
23 districts in Washington.

24 (3) The individuals appointed under subsection (2)(h) through (o)
25 of this section must be appointed by the governor.

26 (4) In addition to the members appointed to the work group under
27 subsection (2) of this section, individuals representing other
28 sectors may be invited by the chair, in consultation with the other
29 appointed members of the work group, to participate in an advisory
30 capacity in meetings of the work group. Individuals participating in
31 an advisory capacity under this subsection are not members of the
32 work group, may not vote, and are not subject to the appointment
33 process established in this section. There is no limit to the number
34 of individuals who may participate in work group meetings in an
35 advisory capacity under this subsection.

36 (5) A majority of the work group members constitutes a quorum. If
37 a member has not been designated for a position set forth in this
38 section, that position may not be counted for the purpose of
39 determining a quorum.

1 (6) The work group shall hold its inaugural meeting by August 1,
2 2020. The work group shall elect a chair from among its members at
3 the inaugural meeting. The election of the chair must be by a
4 majority vote of the work group members who are present at the
5 inaugural meeting. The chair of the work group is responsible for
6 arranging subsequent meetings and developing meeting agendas.

7 (7) Staff support for the work group, including arranging the
8 inaugural meeting of the work group and assisting the chair of the
9 work group in arranging subsequent meetings, must be provided by the
10 office of the lieutenant governor.

11 (8) Legislative members of the work group may be reimbursed for
12 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative
13 members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they
14 are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer,
15 governmental entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for
16 other nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

17 (9) The work group is a class one group under chapter 43.03 RCW.

18 (10) A public comment period must be provided at every meeting of
19 the work group.

20 (11) The work group shall submit a report on recommended policies
21 that will facilitate the development of blockchain applications in
22 Washington to the governor and the appropriate committees of the
23 legislature by December 1, 2021.

24 (12) This section expires January 1, 2022. The work group is
25 dissolved upon the expiration of this section.

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