

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 5566

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INDEPENDENT YOUTH HOUSING PROGRAM—ELIGIBILITY

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DENNY HECK

President of the Senate

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Yeas 55 Nays 41

LAURIE JINKINS

**Speaker of the House of
Representatives**

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JAY INSLEE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5566** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

SARAH BANNISTER

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 Senators Kuderer, Lovelett, Das, Dhingra, Fortunato, Nguyen, Saldaña, and C. Wilson; by request of Department of Commerce

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1 AN ACT Relating to expanding eligibility for the independent
2 youth housing program; amending RCW 43.63A.307; and creating a new
3 section.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.63A.307 and 2009 c 148 s 2 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter
8 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

9 (1) "Department" means the department of (~~community, trade, and~~
10 ~~economic development~~) commerce.

11 (2) "Eligible youth" means an individual who:

12 (a) On or after September 1, 2006, is at least eighteen, was a
13 dependent of the state under chapter 13.34 RCW at any time (~~during~~
14 ~~the four-month period~~) before his or her eighteenth birthday, and
15 has not yet reached the age of (~~twenty-three~~) 25;

16 (b) Except as provided in RCW 43.63A.309(2)(a), has a total
17 income from all sources, except for temporary sources that include,
18 but are not limited to, overtime wages, bonuses, or short-term
19 temporary assignments, that does not exceed fifty percent of the area
20 median income;

21 (c) (~~Is not receiving services under RCW 74.13.031(10)(b)~~);

1 ~~(d))~~) Complies with other eligibility requirements the department
2 may establish.

3 (3) "Fair market rent" means the fair market rent in each county
4 of the state, as determined by the United States department of
5 housing and urban development.

6 (4) "Independent housing" means a housing unit that is not owned
7 by or located within the home of the eligible youth's biological
8 parents or any of the eligible youth's former foster care families or
9 dependency guardians. "Independent housing" may include a unit in a
10 transitional or other supportive housing facility.

11 (5) "Individual development account" or "account" means an
12 account established by contract between a low-income individual and a
13 sponsoring organization for the benefit of the low-income individual
14 and funded through periodic contributions by the low-income
15 individual that are matched with contributions by or through the
16 sponsoring organization.

17 (6) "Subcontractor organization" means an eligible organization
18 described under RCW 43.185A.040 that contracts with the department to
19 administer the independent youth housing program.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of
21 this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not
22 provided by June 30, 2022, in the omnibus appropriations act, this
23 act is null and void.

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