

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**HOUSE BILL 1128**

68th Legislature  
2023 Regular Session

Passed by the House February 1, 2023  
Yeas 97 Nays 0

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**Speaker of the House of  
Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 12, 2023  
Yeas 49 Nays 0

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**President of the Senate**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 1128** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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By Representatives Bateman, Reed, Taylor, Doglio, Macri, Caldier, Simmons, Thai, Bergquist, Wylie, Kloba, Ormsby, and Tharinger; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

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1 AN ACT Relating to raising the residential personal needs  
2 allowance; and amending RCW 74.09.340.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.09.340 and 2022 c 164 s 1 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 (1) Except as provided in RCW 72.36.160, beginning (~~January 1,~~  
7 ~~2019~~) July 1, 2023, the personal needs allowance for clients being  
8 served in medical institutions and in residential settings is (~~(\$70)~~)  
9 \$100.

10 (2) Beginning January 1, (~~2020~~) 2024, and each year thereafter,  
11 (~~subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this~~  
12 ~~specific purpose,~~) the personal needs allowance for clients being  
13 served in medical institutions and in residential settings shall:

14 (a) Be adjusted for economic trends and conditions by increasing  
15 the allowance by the percentage cost-of-living adjustment for old-  
16 age, survivors, and disability social security benefits as published  
17 by the federal social security administration; and

18 (b) Not exceed the maximum personal needs allowance permissible  
19 under the federal social security act.

20 (3) Unless subject to a separate determination of a monthly  
21 maintenance needs allowance for a community spouse by authority rule,

1 beginning July 1, 2022, the personal needs allowance for a client  
2 receiving home and community-based waiver services authorized by home  
3 and community services while living at home shall:

4 (a) Be adjusted to an amount that is no less than 300 percent of  
5 the federal benefit rate; and

6 (b) Not exceed the maximum personal needs allowance permissible  
7 under the federal social security act.

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