

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5688**

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Fetal alcohol exposure prevention

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JOEL PRITCHARD

**President of the Senate**

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CLYDE BALLARD

**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

Approved April 17, 1995

MIKE LOWRY

**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5688** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representative on the dates hereon set forth.

MARTY BROWN

**Secretary**

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**Secretary of State  
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**By** Senate Committee on Human Services and Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Long, Franklin, Rasmussen, C. Anderson, Kohl, Prentice, McAuliffe, Fairley, Drew, Smith, Heavey, Sheldon, Wojahn, Bauer and Winsley)

Read first time 03/01/95.

1 AN ACT Relating to fetal alcohol exposure; adding new sections to  
2 chapter 70.96A RCW; and crating new sections.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that fetal alcohol  
5 exposure is among the leading known causes of mental retardation in the  
6 children of our state. The legislature further finds that individuals  
7 with undiagnosed fetal alcohol exposure suffer substantially from  
8 secondary disabilities such as child abuse and neglect, separation from  
9 families, multiple foster placements, depression, aggression, school  
10 failure, juvenile detention, and job instability. These secondary  
11 disabilities come at a high cost to the individuals, their family, and  
12 society. The legislature finds that these problems can be reduced  
13 substantially by early diagnosis and receipt of appropriate, effective  
14 intervention.

15 The purpose of this act is to support current public and private  
16 efforts directed at the early identification of and intervention into  
17 the problems associated with fetal alcohol exposure through the  
18 creation of a fetal alcohol exposure clinical network.

1           NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 70.96A RCW  
2 to read as follows:

3           (1) The department shall contract with the University of Washington  
4 fetal alcohol syndrome clinic to provide fetal alcohol exposure  
5 screening and assessment services. The University indirect charges  
6 shall not exceed ten percent of the total contract amount. The  
7 contract shall require the University of Washington fetal alcohol  
8 syndrome clinic to provide the following services:

9           (a) Training for health care staff in community-based fetal alcohol  
10 exposure clinics to ensure the accurate diagnosis of individuals with  
11 fetal alcohol exposure and the development and implementation of  
12 appropriate service referral plans;

13           (b) Development of written or visual educational materials for the  
14 individuals diagnosed with fetal alcohol exposure and their families or  
15 caregivers;

16           (c) Systematic information retrieval from each community clinic to  
17 (i) maintain diagnostic accuracy and reliability across all community  
18 clinics, (ii) facilitate the development of effective and efficient  
19 screening tools for population-based identification of individuals with  
20 fetal alcohol exposure, (iii) facilitate identification of the most  
21 clinically efficacious and cost-effective educational, social,  
22 vocational, and health service interventions for individuals with fetal  
23 alcohol exposure;

24           (d) Based on available funds, establishment of a network of  
25 community-based fetal alcohol exposure clinics across the state to meet  
26 the demand for fetal alcohol exposure diagnostic and referral services;  
27 and

28           (e) Preparation of an annual report for submission to the  
29 department of health, the department of social and health services, the  
30 department of corrections, and the office of the superintendent of  
31 public instruction which includes the information retrieved under  
32 subsection (1) (c) of this section.

33           (2) The department shall submit to the legislature, by January 1,  
34 1996, a copy of the governor's fetal alcohol syndrome advisory board  
35 report.

36           NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 70.96A RCW  
37 to read as follows:

1       The department of social and health services, the department of  
2 health, the department of corrections, and the office of the  
3 superintendent of public instruction shall execute an interagency  
4 agreement to ensure the coordination of identification, prevention and  
5 intervention programs for children who have fetal alcohol exposure, and  
6 for women who are at high risk of having children with fetal alcohol  
7 exposure.

8       The interagency agreement shall provide a process for community  
9 advocacy groups to participate in the review and development of  
10 identification, prevention, and intervention programs administered or  
11 contracted for by the agencies executing this agreement.

12       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 4.** If specific funding for the purposes of this  
13 act referencing this act by bill number is not provided by June 30,  
14 1995, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and void.

Passed the Senate March 13, 1995.

Passed the House April 5, 1995.

Approved by the Governor April 17, 1995.

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