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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5682**

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**State of Washington**

**53rd Legislature**

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**By** Senate Committee on Labor & Commerce (originally sponsored by Senators Sutherland, Oke, Prentice and Erwin)

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1 AN ACT Relating to an exemption from Title 48 RCW; and adding a new  
2 section to chapter 48.01 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.01 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 This title does not apply to an organization, publication, or its  
7 subscribers, that:

8 (1) Is or is published by a nonprofit organization that is  
9 registered under chapter 19.09 RCW;

10 (2) Acts as an organizational clearing house for information  
11 between subscribers who have financial, physical, or medical needs and  
12 subscribers who choose to assist with those needs, matching subscribers  
13 with the present ability to pay with subscribers with a present  
14 financial or medical need;

15 (3) Pays for the subscriber financial or medical needs by payments  
16 directly from one subscriber to another;

17 (4) Suggests amounts to give that are voluntary among the  
18 subscribers, with no assumption of risk or promise to pay either among  
19 the subscribers or between the subscribers and the publication;

1 (5) Receives subscription fees or other payments or charges of any  
2 kind annually from subscribers that do not exceed an amount equal to  
3 8.34 percent of the total suggested amounts to give published annually;  
4 and

5 (6) Discloses plainly in bold ink on the first page of any  
6 pamphlet, advertisement, questionnaire, or enrollment or subscription  
7 form:

8 "WARNING: THIS IS **NOT** AN INSURANCE CONTRACT. IF YOU ARE NOT  
9 HELPED WITH ANY OF YOUR NEEDS, YOU HAVE NO LEGAL RECOURSE AGAINST ANY  
10 OTHER SUBSCRIBER OR THE ORGANIZATION. NO CONTRACT OF INSURANCE OR  
11 INDEMNIFICATION EXISTS EITHER IN FACT OR IMPLIED."

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