

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT  
**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6706**

61st Legislature  
2010 1st Special Session

Passed by the Senate March 25, 2010  
YEAS 45 NAYS 0

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House March 22, 2010  
YEAS 90 NAYS 2

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6706** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

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**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 Economic Development, Trade & Innovation (originally sponsored by Senators Murray, Delvin, Kastama, Shin, Marr, Kilmer, and Kohl-Welles)

READ FIRST TIME 02/03/10.

1            AN ACT Relating to commercialization of research at state  
2 universities; and adding new sections to chapter 28B.10 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 28B.10 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6            (1) It is the intent of the legislature that state universities  
7 engage in the commercialization of research and other economic  
8 development and workforce development activities that benefit the  
9 intermediate and long-term economic vitality of Washington. State  
10 universities are expected to develop and strengthen university-industry  
11 relationships through the conduct of research, the support of company  
12 formation and job generation, and collaborative training. The state  
13 universities, using a collaborative process that may include both in-  
14 house resources and independent contractors with necessary technical  
15 expertise or innovative processes, must perform one or more of the  
16 following functions:

17            (a) Provide collaborative research and technology transfer  
18 opportunities;

1 (b) Publicize their commercialization processes and include an  
2 explanation of how to access commercialization resources at the  
3 universities;

4 (c) Develop mechanisms for pairing researchers, entrepreneurs, and  
5 investors. Such mechanisms are to include, but are not limited to,  
6 developing guides, web sites, or workshops on funding opportunities, on  
7 entrepreneurship and the process of starting a company, and on  
8 university-industry relations;

9 (d) Host events to connect researchers to entrepreneurs, investors,  
10 and individuals from the state's technology-based industries; and

11 (e) Provide opportunities for training undergraduate and graduate  
12 students through direct involvement in research and industry  
13 interactions.

14 (2) In carrying out the functions in this section, the universities  
15 may work with and through the higher education coordinating board.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10 RCW  
17 to read as follows:

18 To support the formation of companies created around the  
19 technologies developed at state universities, the state universities  
20 are authorized to establish and administer bridge-funding programs for  
21 start-up companies using funds from the federal government and the  
22 private sector.

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