

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**HOUSE BILL 1172**

Chapter 38, Laws of 2025

69th Legislature  
2025 Regular Session

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS—CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM DISSOLUTION

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 27, 2025

Passed by the House March 4, 2025  
Yeas 94 Nays 1

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LAURIE JINKINS

**Speaker of the House of  
Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 2, 2025  
Yeas 48 Nays 1

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DENNY HECK

**President of the Senate**

Approved April 11, 2025 11:13 AM

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BOB FERGUSON

**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 1172** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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BERNARD DEAN

**Chief Clerk**

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April 14, 2025

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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By Representatives Schmidt and Bronoske

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1 AN ACT Relating to authorizing fire protection districts to  
2 dissolve existing civil service systems with approval from the civil  
3 service employees; and amending RCW 52.30.040.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 52.30.040 and 1984 c 230 s 79 are each amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (1) A fire protection district with a fully-paid fire department  
8 may, by resolution of its board of fire commissioners, provide for  
9 civil service in its fire department in the same manner, with the  
10 same powers, and with the same force and effect as provided by  
11 chapter 41.08 RCW for cities, towns, and municipalities, including  
12 restrictions against the discharge of an employee because of  
13 residence outside the limits of the fire protection district.

14 (2) A fire protection district that has adopted civil service in  
15 its fire department as provided for in subsection (1) of this section  
16 may dissolve its civil service system if:

17 (a) Its board of fire commissioners adopts a resolution to  
18 dissolve the civil service system; and

19 (b) A majority of the civil service employees employed by the  
20 fire protection district vote to dissolve the civil service system

1 within 60 calendar days of the adoption of the resolution by the  
2 board of fire commissioners.

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