

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 1609

69th Legislature
2025 Regular Session

Passed by the House March 11, 2025
Yeas 78 Nays 17

**Speaker of the House of
Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 11, 2025
Yeas 49 Nays 0

President of the Senate

Approved

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 **ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 1609** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Representatives Waters, Mena, Reed, and Nance; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Read first time 01/27/25. Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

1 AN ACT Relating to efficient administration of state education
2 agencies; and amending RCW 43.30.205.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.30.205 and 2010 c 189 s 1 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The board shall consist of six members:

7 (a) The governor or the governor's designee;

8 (b) The superintendent of public instruction or the
9 superintendent's designee from the office of the superintendent of
10 public instruction;

11 (c) The commissioner;

12 (d) The director of the University of Washington school of forest
13 resources;

14 (e) The dean of the Washington State University college of
15 agricultural, human, and natural resource sciences; and

16 (f) A representative of those counties that contain state
17 forestlands acquired or transferred under RCW 79.22.010, 79.22.040,
18 and 79.22.020.

19 (2)(a) The county representative on the board shall be selected
20 by the legislative authorities of those counties that contain state
21 forestlands acquired or transferred under RCW 79.22.010, 79.22.040,

1 and 79.22.020. In the selection of the county representative, each
2 participating county shall have one vote. The Washington state
3 association of counties shall convene a meeting for the purpose of
4 making the selection and shall notify the board of the selection.

5 (b) The county representative must be a duly elected member of a
6 county legislative authority who shall serve a term of four years
7 unless the representative should leave office for any reason. The
8 initial term shall begin on July 1, 1986.

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