

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 1673

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PUBLIC RECORDS ACT EXEMPTION--EXPLOSIVES

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President of the Senate

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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 1673** as passed by House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BERNARD DEAN

Chief Clerk

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April 25, 2019

**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Representatives Steele, Eslick, Goehner, and Riccelli

Read first time 01/28/19. Referred to Committee on State Government & Tribal Relations.

1 AN ACT Relating to exempting information relating to the
2 regulation of explosives from public disclosure; amending RCW
3 42.56.460; and adding a new section to chapter 42.56 RCW.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.56.460 and 2005 c 274 s 426 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) All records obtained and all reports produced as required by
8 state fireworks law, chapter 70.77 RCW, are exempt from disclosure
9 under this chapter.

10 (2) All records obtained and all reports submitted as required by
11 the Washington state explosives act, chapter 70.74 RCW, are exempt
12 from disclosure under this chapter. Nothing in this subsection (2)
13 shall be construed to restrict access to information related to the
14 regulatory duties or actions of any agency.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 42.56
16 RCW to read as follows:

17 By December 1, 2023, the public records exemptions accountability
18 committee, in addition to its duties in RCW 42.56.140, must prepare
19 and submit a report to the legislature that includes recommendations
20 on whether the exemption created in RCW 42.56.460(2) should be

1 continued, modified, or terminated. No recommendations or action from
2 the committee or the legislature will result in the continuation of
3 the exemption created in RCW 42.56.460(2).

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