

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

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PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS--EXEMPTIONS--ACCOUNTANTS

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FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Yeas 47 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Approved April 25, 2015 10:43 AM

JAY INSLEE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 1263** as passed by House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER

Chief Clerk

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State of Washington**

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By Representatives Stokesbary, Kirby, Vick, Hurst, and Buys

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1 AN ACT Relating to private investigators; and amending RCW
2 18.165.020.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.165.020 and 2000 c 171 s 37 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 The requirements of this chapter do not apply to:

7 (1) A person who is employed exclusively or regularly by one
8 employer and performs investigations solely in connection with the
9 affairs of that employer, if the employer is not a private
10 investigator agency;

11 (2) An officer or employee of the United States or of this state
12 or a political subdivision thereof, while engaged in the performance
13 of the officer's official duties;

14 (3) A person engaged exclusively in the business of obtaining and
15 furnishing information about the financial rating of persons;

16 (4) An attorney-at-law while performing the attorney's duties as
17 an attorney;

18 (5) A licensed collection agency or its employee, while acting
19 within the scope of that person's employment and making an
20 investigation incidental to the business of the agency;

- 1 (6) Insurers, agents, and insurance brokers licensed by the
2 state, while performing duties in connection with insurance
3 transacted by them;
- 4 (7) A bank subject to the jurisdiction of the department of
5 financial institutions or the comptroller of currency of the United
6 States, or a savings and loan association subject to the jurisdiction
7 of this state or the federal home loan bank board;
- 8 (8) A licensed insurance adjuster performing the adjuster's
9 duties within the scope of the adjuster's license;
- 10 (9) A secured creditor engaged in the repossession of the
11 creditor's collateral, or a lessor engaged in the repossession of
12 leased property in which it claims an interest;
- 13 (10) A person who is a forensic scientist, accident
14 reconstructionist, or other person who performs similar functions and
15 does not hold himself or herself out to be an investigator in any
16 other capacity; ((~~or~~))
- 17 (11) A person solely engaged in the business of securing
18 information about persons or property from public records; or
- 19 (12) A certified public accountant regulated under chapter 18.04
20 RCW or the employee of a certified public accountant performing
21 duties within the scope of public accountancy.

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