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### **PATRICK HENRY COLLEGE ALUMNUS SIMON SEFZIK BECOMES THE YOUNGEST SENATOR ON RECORD IN WASHINGTON STATE**

**Purcellville, VA, January 27, 2022 — Patrick Henry College alumnus Simon Sefzik ('21) became the youngest senator on record in Washington state history when he was appointed by the Whatcom County Council to represent the 42<sup>nd</sup> district earlier this month.**

Sefzik was appointed as the Washington State Senator for the 42<sup>nd</sup> legislative district on January 11, 2022 at the age of 22. The seat of his predecessor, Sen. Doug Ericksen, became available when he passed away unexpectedly on December 17, 2021.

Sefzik is the youngest legislator in Washington and the youngest state senator in Washington history that can be determined by legislative record; however, the full historical record dating back to 1854 is incomplete.

“We were delighted to hear of Simon’s appointment to represent the people of the 42<sup>nd</sup> district in Washington,” said PHC President Jack W. Haye. “He is a principled leader who knows what it means to think carefully and stand up for what matters. I have no doubt he will represent his constituency with both integrity and foresight.”

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