- RCW 10.31.040 Officer may break and enter. (1) To make an arrest in criminal actions, the officer may break open any outer or inner door, or windows of a dwelling house or other building, or any other enclosure, if, after notice of his or her office and purpose, he or she be refused admittance.
- (2) An officer may not seek and a court may not issue a search or arrest warrant granting an express exception to the requirement for the officer to provide notice of his or her office and purpose when executing the warrant. [2021 c 320 § 8; 2010 c 8 § 1030; Code 1881 § 1170; 1854 p 129 § 179; RRS § 2082.]