
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5157

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By Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove and Nelson)

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1 AN ACT Relating to attorneys' fees; and amending RCW 12.20.060.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 12.20.060 and 1985 c 240 s 2 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 When the prevailing party in district court is entitled to recover
6 costs as authorized in RCW 4.84.010 in a civil action, the judge shall
7 add the amount thereof to the judgment; in case of failure of the
8 plaintiff to recover or of dismissal of the action, the judge shall
9 enter up a judgment in favor of the defendant for the amount of his or
10 her costs; and in case any party so entitled to costs is represented in
11 the action by an attorney, the judge shall include attorney's fees of
12 (~~fifty dollars as part of the costs: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That the~~
13 ~~plaintiff shall not be entitled to such attorney fee unless he obtains,~~
14 ~~exclusive of costs, a judgment in the sum of twenty-five dollars or~~
15 ~~more)) one hundred dollars or the amount of the judgment obtained,
16 exclusive of costs, whichever is less.~~

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