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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2468**

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**By** House Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Representatives Appelwick, Costa, Sheahan, Scott and Hatfield)

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1 AN ACT Relating to filing fees; amending RCW 36.18.012; and  
2 reenacting and amending RCW 36.18.020.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.18.012 and 1995 c 292 s 12 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) Revenue collected under this section is subject to division  
7 with the state for deposit in the public safety and education account  
8 under RCW 36.18.025.

9 (2) The party filing a transcript or abstract of judgment or  
10 verdict from a United States court held in this state, or from the  
11 superior court of another county or from a district court in the county  
12 of issuance, shall pay at the time of filing a fee of fifteen dollars.

13 (3) For the filing of a tax warrant by the department of revenue of  
14 the state of Washington, a fee of five dollars must be paid.

15 (4) The clerk shall collect a fee of twenty dollars for: Filing a  
16 paper not related to or a part of a proceeding, civil or criminal, or  
17 a probate matter, required or permitted to be filed in the clerk's  
18 office for which no other charge is provided by law; or filing a

1 petition, written agreement, or memorandum as provided in RCW  
2 11.96.170.

3 (5) If the defendant serves or files an answer to an unlawful  
4 detainer complaint under chapter 59.18 or 59.20 RCW, the plaintiff  
5 shall pay before proceeding with the unlawful detainer action eighty  
6 dollars.

7 (6) For a restrictive covenant for filing a petition to strike  
8 discriminatory provisions in real estate under RCW 49.60.227 a fee of  
9 twenty dollars must be charged.

10 (7) A fee of twenty dollars must be charged for filing a will only,  
11 when no probate of the will is contemplated.

12 (8) A fee of two dollars must be charged for filing a petition,  
13 written agreement, or written memorandum in a nonjudicial probate  
14 dispute under RCW 11.96.170.

15 (9) A fee of thirty-five dollars must be charged for filing a  
16 petition regarding a common law lien under RCW 60.70.060.

17 (10) For certification of delinquent taxes by a county treasurer  
18 under RCW 84.64.190, a fee of five dollars must be charged.

19 **Sec. 2.** RCW 36.18.020 and 1995 c 312 s 70 and 1995 c 292 s 10 are  
20 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

21 (1) Revenue collected under this section is subject to division  
22 with the state public safety and education account under RCW 36.18.025  
23 and with the county or regional law library fund under RCW 27.24.070.

24 (2) Clerks of superior courts shall collect the following fees for  
25 their official services:

26 (a) The party filing the first or initial paper in any civil  
27 action, including, but not limited to an action for restitution,  
28 adoption, or change of name, shall pay, at the time the paper is filed,  
29 a fee of one hundred ten dollars except, in an unlawful detainer action  
30 under chapter 59.18 or 59.20 RCW for which the plaintiff shall pay a  
31 case initiating filing fee of thirty dollars, or in proceedings filed  
32 under RCW 28A.225.030 alleging a violation of the compulsory attendance  
33 laws where the petitioner shall not pay a filing fee((7)). The thirty  
34 dollar filing fee under this subsection for an unlawful detainer action  
35 shall not include an order to show cause or any other order or judgment  
36 except a default order or default judgment in an unlawful detainer  
37 action.

1 (b) Any party, except a defendant in a criminal case, filing the  
2 first or initial paper on an appeal from a court of limited  
3 jurisdiction or any party on any civil appeal, shall pay, when the  
4 paper is filed, a fee of one hundred ten dollars.

5 (c) For filing of a petition for judicial review as required under  
6 RCW 34.05.514 a filing fee of one hundred ten dollars.

7 (d) For filing of a petition for unlawful harassment under RCW  
8 10.14.040 a filing fee of one hundred ten dollars.

9 (~~For filing of a petition for determination of water rights  
10 under RCW 90.03.180 a filing fee of twenty five dollars~~) For filing  
11 the notice of debt due for the compensation of a crime victim under RCW  
12 7.68.120(2)(a) a fee of one hundred ten dollars.

13 (f) In probate proceedings, the party instituting such proceedings,  
14 shall pay at the time of filing the first paper therein, a fee of one  
15 hundred ten dollars.

16 (g) For filing any petition to contest a will admitted to probate  
17 or a petition to admit a will which has been rejected, or a petition  
18 objecting to a written agreement or memorandum as provided in RCW  
19 11.96.170, there shall be paid a fee of one hundred ten dollars.

20 (h) Upon conviction or plea of guilty, upon failure to prosecute an  
21 appeal from a court of limited jurisdiction as provided by law, or upon  
22 affirmance of a conviction by a court of limited jurisdiction, a  
23 defendant in a criminal case shall be liable for a fee of one hundred  
24 ten dollars.

25 (i) With the exception of demands for jury hereafter made and  
26 garnishments hereafter issued, civil actions and probate proceedings  
27 filed prior to midnight, July 1, 1972, shall be completed and governed  
28 by the fee schedule in effect as of January 1, 1972: PROVIDED, That no  
29 fee shall be assessed if an order of dismissal on the clerk's record be  
30 filed as provided by rule of the supreme court.

31 (3) No fee shall be collected when a petition for relinquishment of  
32 parental rights is filed pursuant to RCW 26.33.080 or for forms and  
33 instructional brochures provided under RCW 26.50.030.

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