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SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1164

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By House Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Representatives Sheahan and Sheldon)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to dispute resolution services; and amending RCW
- 2 7.75.030.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 7.75.030 and 1984 c 258 s 503 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) A dispute resolution center established under this chapter
- 7 shall provide dispute resolution services either without charge to the
- 8 participants or for a fee which is based on the participant's ability
- 9 to pay.
- 10 (2) If a dispute resolution center charges a fee for services
- 11 provided under chapter 59.18 or 59.20 RCW, the fee shall be shared
- 12 equally by the parties. If, upon a showing of financial hardship, the
- 13 dispute resolution center waives a portion of the fee for either or all
- 14 parties, the waived portion of one party's fee may not be charged to
- 15 the other party.

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