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By Senators Roach, Johnson, Heavey, McCaslin, Loveland, Snyder and Winsley

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1 AN ACT Relating to civil jurisdiction of district courts; and
2 amending RCW 3.66.020.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 3.66.020 and 1991 c 33 s 1 are each amended to read as
5 follows:

6 If the value of the claim or the amount at issue does not exceed
7 (~~twenty-five~~) thirty-five thousand dollars, exclusive of interest,
8 costs, and attorneys' fees, the district court shall have jurisdiction
9 and cognizance of the following civil actions and proceedings:

10 (1) Actions arising on contract for the recovery of money;

11 (2) Actions for damages for injuries to the person, or for taking
12 or detaining personal property, or for injuring personal property, or
13 for an injury to real property when no issue raised by the answer
14 involves the plaintiff's title to or possession of the same and actions
15 to recover the possession of personal property;

16 (3) Actions for a penalty;

17 (4) Actions upon a bond conditioned for the payment of money, when
18 the amount claimed does not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, though
19 the penalty of the bond exceeds that sum, the judgment to be given for

1 the sum actually due, not exceeding the amount claimed in the
2 complaint;

3 (5) Actions on an undertaking or surety bond taken by the court;

4 (6) Actions for damages for fraud in the sale, purchase, or
5 exchange of personal property;

6 (7) Proceedings to take and enter judgment on confession of a
7 defendant;

8 (8) Proceedings to issue writs of attachment, garnishment and
9 replevin upon goods, chattels, moneys, and effects; and

10 (9) All other actions and proceedings of which jurisdiction is
11 specially conferred by statute, when the title to, or right of
12 possession of real property is not involved.

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