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Brief Title: Abolishing the crime of failure to appear.

HB 1521 - DIGEST

Declares that the power of courts of limited jurisdiction, under RCW 2.28.010(4), to compel obedience to judgments, decrees, orders, and process, are limited as follows: (1) A court of limited jurisdiction shall not allow a probationer to serve jail time in lieu of a financial obligation;

(2) a court of limited jurisdiction dealing with a probationer who has failed to pay financial obligations, in a case not involving violence or driving under the influence, shall impose the maximum fine and turn the matter over to a collection agency as provided under RCW 3.02.045.