

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5621

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66th Legislature
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SMALL CLAIMS COURT--JURISDICTIONAL AMOUNT

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Passed by the Senate March 4, 2019
Yeas 39 Nays 9

KAREN KEISER

President of the Senate

Passed by the House April 10, 2019
Yeas 95 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved April 19, 2019 11:36 AM

JAY INSLEE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5621** as passed by Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

BRAD HENDRICKSON

Secretary

FILED

April 22, 2019

**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Senate Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Warnick, Padden, Holy, Wagoner, and Wilson, L.)

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1 AN ACT Relating to increasing the jurisdictional amount for small
2 claims courts; and amending RCW 12.40.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 12.40.010 and 2008 c 227 s 2 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) In every district court there shall be created and organized
7 by the court a department to be known as the "small claims department
8 of the district court." The small claims department shall have
9 jurisdiction, but not exclusive, in cases for the recovery of money
10 only if the amount claimed does not exceed:

11 (a) Ten thousand dollars in cases brought by a natural person; or

12 (b) Five thousand dollars in all other cases.

13 (2) For the purposes of this section, "natural person" means a
14 human being.

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