
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1059

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By House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Appelwick, Padden, Ludwig and Orr).

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1 AN ACT Relating to personal property exempt from enforcement of
2 judgments; and amending RCW 6.15.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 6.15.010 and 1988 c 231 s 5 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Except as provided in RCW 6.15.050, the following personal property
7 shall be exempt from execution, attachment, and garnishment:

8 (1) All wearing apparel of every individual and family, but not to
9 exceed ((~~seven hundred fifty~~)) one thousand dollars in value in furs,
10 jewelry, and personal ornaments for any individual.

11 (2) All private libraries of every individual, but not to exceed
12 ((~~one thousand~~)) fifteen hundred dollars in value, and all family
13 pictures and keepsakes.

1 (3) To each individual or, as to community property of spouses
2 maintaining a single household as against a creditor of the community,
3 to the community:

4 (a) The individual's or community's household goods, appliances,
5 furniture, and home and yard equipment, not to exceed ~~((one))~~ two
6 thousand ~~((five))~~ seven hundred dollars in value(~~(+~~

7 ~~(b))~~), said amount to include provisions and fuel for the
8 comfortable maintenance of the individual or community ~~((for three~~
9 ~~months))~~);

10 ~~((e))~~ (b) Other personal property, except personal earnings as
11 provided under RCW 6.15.050(1), not to exceed ~~((five hundred))~~ one
12 thousand dollars in value, of which not more than one hundred dollars
13 in value may consist of cash, and of which not more than one hundred
14 dollars in value may consist of bank accounts, savings and loan
15 accounts, stocks, bonds, or other securities; and

16 ~~((d) One))~~ (c) Two motor vehicles ~~((which is))~~ used for personal
17 transportation, not to exceed ~~((one))~~ two thousand ~~((two))~~ five hundred
18 dollars in aggregate value.

19 (4) To each qualified individual, one of the following exemptions:

20 (a) To a farmer, farm trucks, farm stock, farm tools, farm
21 equipment, supplies and seed, not to exceed ~~((three))~~ five thousand
22 dollars in value;

23 (b) To a physician, surgeon, attorney, clergyman, or other
24 professional person, the individual's library, office furniture, office
25 equipment and supplies, not to exceed ~~((three))~~ five thousand dollars
26 in value;

27 (c) To any other individual, the tools and instruments and
28 materials used to carry on his or her trade for the support of himself
29 or herself or family, not to exceed ~~((three))~~ five thousand dollars in
30 value.

1 For purposes of this section, "value" means the reasonable market
2 value of the debtor's interest in an article or item at the time it is
3 selected for exemption, exclusive of all liens and encumbrances
4 thereon.