## SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1825

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By House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representative Appelwick).

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to mandatory arbitration; and reenacting and
- 2 amending RCW 7.06.020.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 7.06.020 and 1987 c 212 s 101 and 1987 c 202 s 127 are
- 5 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 6 (1) All civil actions, except for appeals from municipal or
- 7 district courts, which are at issue in the superior court in counties
- 8 which have authorized arbitration, where the sole relief sought is a
- 9 <u>lien foreclosure or</u> a money judgment, and where no party asserts a
- 10 claim in excess of fifteen thousand dollars, or if approved by the
- 11 superior court of a county by two-thirds or greater vote of the judges
- 12 thereof, up to ((thirty-five)) fifty thousand dollars, exclusive of
- 13 interest and costs, are subject to mandatory arbitration.
- 14 (2) If approved by majority vote of the superior court judges of a
- 15 county which has authorized arbitration, all civil actions which are at

- 1 issue in the superior court in which the sole relief sought is the
- 2 establishment, termination or modification of maintenance or child
- 3 support payments are subject to mandatory arbitration. The
- 4 arbitrability of any such action shall not be affected by the amount or
- 5 number of payments involved.