By Representative Appelwick

1 ESSB 5157 - H COMM AMD ADOPTED 4-7-93 By Committee on Judiciary 2 On page 1, strike everything after the enacting clause and 3 4 insert the following: "Sec. 1. RCW 12.20.060 and 1985 c 240 s 2 are each amended to 5 б read as follows: When the prevailing party in district court is entitled to 7 recover costs as authorized in RCW 4.84.010 in a civil action, the 8 9 judge shall add the amount thereof to the judgment; in case of failure of the plaintiff to recover or of dismissal of the action, 10 the judge shall enter up a judgment in favor of the defendant for 11 12 the amount of his or her costs; and in case any party so entitled 13 to costs is represented in the action by an attorney, the judge

14 shall include attorney's fees of ((fifty)) one hundred twenty-five 15 dollars as part of the costs: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That the 16 plaintiff shall not be entitled to such attorney fee unless he or 17 she obtains, exclusive of costs, a judgment in the sum of ((twenty-18 five)) fifty dollars or more."

<u>EFFECT:</u> Replaces the bill with the House version (SHB 1210), which allows attorney's fees of \$125 in cases with judgments of at least \$50.

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