CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1009

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LIS PENDENS NOTICES

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Passed by the House March 7, 1994 Yeas 92 Nays 0

BRIAN EBERSOLE

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 1, 1994 Yeas 48 Nays 0

CERTIFICATE

I, Marilyn Showalter, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1009** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

JOEL PRITCHARD

MARILYN SHOWALTER

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk

Approved March 30, 1994

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MIKE LOWRY

Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Appelwick and Riley)

Read first time 01/14/94.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to notices of lis pendens; and adding a new section
- 2 to chapter 4.28 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 4.28 RCW
- 5 to read as follows:

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- (1) For purposes of this section:
- 7 (a) "Lis pendens" means a lis pendens filed under RCW 4.28.320 or
- 8 4.28.325 or other instrument having the effect of clouding the title to
- 9 real property, however named, including consensual commercial lien,
- 10 common law lien, commercial contractual lien, or demand for performance
- 11 of public office lien, but does not include a lis pendens filed in
- 12 connection with an action under Title 6, 60, other than chapter 60.70
- 13 RCW, or 61 RCW.
- (b) "Claimant" means a person who files a lis pendens, but does not
- 15 include the United States, any agency thereof, or the state of
- 16 Washington, any agency, political subdivision, or municipal corporation
- 17 thereof; and
- 18 (c) "Aggrieved party" means (i) a person against whom the claimant
- 19 asserted the cause of action in which the lis pendens was filed, but

- does not include parties fictitiously named in the pleading; or (ii) a person having an interest or a right to acquire an interest in the real property against which the lis pendens was filed, provided that the claimant had actual or constructive knowledge of such interest or right when the lis pendens was filed.
 - (2) A claimant in an action not affecting the title to real property against which the lis pendens was filed is liable to an aggrieved party who prevails on a motion to cancel the lis pendens, for actual damages caused by filing the lis pendens, and for reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in canceling the lis pendens.
- (3) Unless the claimant establishes a substantial justification for filing the lis pendens, a claimant is liable to an aggrieved party who prevails in defense of the action in which the lis pendens was filed for actual damages caused by filing the lis pendens, and in the court's discretion, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred in defending the action.

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