

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT  
**ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5157**

Chapter 341, Laws of 1993

53rd Legislature  
1993 Regular Session

STATUTORY ATTORNEYS' FEES INCREASED

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/25/93

Passed by the Senate April 22, 1993  
YEAS 41 NAYS 4

JOEL PRITCHARD

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House April 7, 1993  
YEAS 98 NAYS 0

BRIAN EBERSOLE

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**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

Approved May 15, 1993

MIKE LOWRY

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5157** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

MARTY BROWN

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**Secretary**

FILED

May 15, 1993 - 10:42 a.m.

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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State of Washington                      53rd Legislature                      1993 Regular Session

By Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove and Nelson)

Read first time 02/08/93.

1            AN ACT Relating to attorneys' fees; and amending RCW 12.20.060.

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

3            **Sec. 1.** RCW 12.20.060 and 1985 c 240 s 2 are each amended to read  
4 as follows:

5            When the prevailing party in district court is entitled to recover  
6 costs as authorized in RCW 4.84.010 in a civil action, the judge shall  
7 add the amount thereof to the judgment; in case of failure of the  
8 plaintiff to recover or of dismissal of the action, the judge shall  
9 enter up a judgment in favor of the defendant for the amount of his or  
10 her costs; and in case any party so entitled to costs is represented in  
11 the action by an attorney, the judge shall include attorney's fees of  
12 ((fifty)) one hundred twenty-five dollars as part of the costs:  
13 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That the plaintiff shall not be entitled to such  
14 attorney fee unless he or she obtains, exclusive of costs, a judgment  
15 in the sum of ((twenty-five)) fifty dollars or more.

Passed the Senate April 22, 1993.

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