CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 5151

Chapter 246, Laws of 1997

55th Legislature 1997 Regular Session

CIVIL JURISDICTION OF DISTRICT COURTS--INCREASE IN AMOUNT AT ISSUE

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/27/97

Passed by the Senate April 19, 1997 YEAS 46 NAYS 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Passed by the House April 9, 1997 YEAS 98 NAYS 0

CERTIFICATE

I, Mike O Connell, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5151** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

CLYDE BALLARD

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved May 2, 1997

MIKE O'CONNELL

Secretary

FILED

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GARY LOCKE

Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senators Roach, Johnson, Heavey, McCaslin, Loveland, Snyder and Winsley

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to civil jurisdiction of district courts; and
- 2 amending RCW 3.66.020.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 3.66.020 and 1991 c 33 s 1 are each amended to read as 5 follows:
- If the value of the claim or the amount at issue does not exceed
- 7 ((twenty-five)) <u>thirty-five</u> thousand dollars, exclusive of interest,
- 8 costs, and attorneys' fees, the district court shall have jurisdiction
- 9 and cognizance of the following civil actions and proceedings:
- 10 (1) Actions arising on contract for the recovery of money;
- 11 (2) Actions for damages for injuries to the person, or for taking
- 12 or detaining personal property, or for injuring personal property, or
- 13 for an injury to real property when no issue raised by the answer
- 14 involves the plaintiff's title to or possession of the same and actions
- 15 to recover the possession of personal property;
- 16 (3) Actions for a penalty;
- 17 (4) Actions upon a bond conditioned for the payment of money, when
- 18 the amount claimed does not exceed ((twenty-five)) thirty-five thousand
- 19 dollars, though the penalty of the bond exceeds that sum, the judgment

- 1 to be given for the sum actually due, not exceeding the amount claimed
 2 in the complaint;
 - (5) Actions on an undertaking or surety bond taken by the court;
- 4 (6) Actions for damages for fraud in the sale, purchase, or 5 exchange of personal property;
- 6 (7) Proceedings to take and enter judgment on confession of a 7 defendant;
- 8 (8) Proceedings to issue writs of attachment, garnishment and 9 replevin upon goods, chattels, moneys, and effects; and
- 10 (9) All other actions and proceedings of which jurisdiction is 11 specially conferred by statute, when the title to, or right of 12 possession of real property is not involved.

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