SENATE BILL 5928

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1 AN ACT Relating to good faith communications to self-regulatory 2 organizations delegated authority by government agencies; and amending 3 RCW 4.24.510.

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

5 Sec. 1. RCW 4.24.510 and 1989 c 234 s 2 are each amended to read 6 as follows:

7 A person who in good faith communicates a complaint or information 8 to any agency of federal, state, or local government, or to any selfregulatory organization that has been delegated authority by a federal, 9 10 state, or local government agency and is subject to oversight by the delegating agency, is immune from civil liability for claims based upon 11 the communication to the agency or organization regarding any matter 12 13 reasonably of concern to that agency ((shall be immune from civil 14 liability on claims based upon the communication to the agency)) or 15 organization. A person prevailing upon the defense provided for in this section shall be entitled to recover costs and reasonable 16 17 attorneys' fees incurred in establishing the defense.

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