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By Representative O'Brien

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- AN ACT Relating to fees charged to law enforcement agencies for 1 2 certified copies of records concerning sex offenders; and amending RCW
- 36.18.020. 3

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- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 Sec. 1. RCW 36.18.020 and 2000 c 9 s 1 are each amended to read as follows: 6
 - (1) Revenue collected under this section is subject to division with the state public safety and education account under RCW 36.18.025 and with the county or regional law library fund under RCW 27.24.070.
- 10 (2) Clerks of superior courts shall collect the following fees for their official services: 11
 - (a) The party filing the first or initial paper in any civil action, including, but not limited to an action for restitution, adoption, or change of name, shall pay, at the time the paper is filed, a fee of one hundred ten dollars except, in an unlawful detainer action under chapter 59.18 or 59.20 RCW for which the plaintiff shall pay a case initiating filing fee of thirty dollars, or in proceedings filed under RCW 28A.225.030 alleging a violation of the compulsory attendance laws where the petitioner shall not pay a filing fee. The thirty

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dollar filing fee under this subsection for an unlawful detainer action shall not include an order to show cause or any other order or judgment except a default order or default judgment in an unlawful detainer action.

- (b) Any party, except a defendant in a criminal case, filing the first or initial paper on an appeal from a court of limited jurisdiction or any party on any civil appeal, shall pay, when the paper is filed, a fee of one hundred ten dollars.
- 9 (c) For filing of a petition for judicial review as required under 10 RCW 34.05.514 a filing fee of one hundred ten dollars.
- 11 (d) For filing of a petition for unlawful harassment under RCW 12 10.14.040 a filing fee of forty-one dollars.
 - (e) For filing the notice of debt due for the compensation of a crime victim under RCW 7.68.120(2)(a) a fee of one hundred ten dollars.
 - (f) In probate proceedings, the party instituting such proceedings, shall pay at the time of filing the first paper therein, a fee of one hundred ten dollars.
 - (g) For filing any petition to contest a will admitted to probate or a petition to admit a will which has been rejected, or a petition objecting to a written agreement or memorandum as provided in RCW 11.96A.220, there shall be paid a fee of one hundred ten dollars.
 - (h) Upon conviction or plea of guilty, upon failure to prosecute an appeal from a court of limited jurisdiction as provided by law, or upon affirmance of a conviction by a court of limited jurisdiction, a defendant in a criminal case shall be liable for a fee of one hundred ten dollars.
 - (i) With the exception of demands for jury hereafter made and garnishments hereafter issued, civil actions and probate proceedings filed prior to midnight, July 1, 1972, shall be completed and governed by the fee schedule in effect as of January 1, 1972: PROVIDED, That no fee shall be assessed if an order of dismissal on the clerk's record be filed as provided by rule of the supreme court.
 - (3) No fee shall be collected when a petition for relinquishment of parental rights is filed pursuant to RCW 26.33.080 or for forms and instructional brochures provided under RCW 26.50.030.
 - (4) A public agency may not charge a fee to a law enforcement agency, for preparation, copying, or mailing of certified copies of the judgment and sentence, information, affidavit of probable cause, and/or

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- 1 the notice of requirement to register, of a sex offender convicted in
- 2 <u>a Washington court, when such records are necessary for risk</u>
- 3 <u>assessment</u>, <u>preparation</u> of a case for failure to register, or
- 4 <u>maintenance of a sex offender's registration file.</u>

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