SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2766

By House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Rayburn, Nealey, Riley, Edmondson, Paris and Basich)

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State of Washington

- 1 AN ACT Relating to sheriffs' fees and costs; and amending RCW
- 2 36.18.040.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 36.18.040 and 1981 c 194 s 1 are each amended to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) Sheriffs shall collect the following fees for their official
- 7 services:
- 8 (a) For service of each summons and complaint, notice and
- 9 complaint, summons and petition, and notice of small claim on ((each
- 10 defendant, besides mileage, six dollars)) one defendant at one
- 11 residence, ten dollars, and on two or more defendants at the same
- 12 residence, twelve dollars, besides mileage;
- 13 (b) For making a return, besides mileage actually traveled,
- 14 ((five)) seven dollars;

- 1 (c) For levying each writ of attachment or writ of execution upon
- 2 real or personal property, besides mileage, ((fifteen)) thirty dollars
- 3 per hour;
- 4 (d) For filing copy of writ of attachment or writ of execution with
- 5 auditor, ((five)) ten dollars plus auditor's filing fee;
- 6 (e) For serving writ of possession or restitution without aid of
- 7 the county, besides mileage, ((fifteen)) twenty-five dollars;
- 8 <u>(f)</u> For serving writ of possession or restitution with aid of the
- 9 county, besides mileage, ((twenty-five)) forty dollars plus ((fifteen))
- 10 thirty dollars for each hour after one hour;
- 11 ((For summoning each juror, besides mileage, five dollars;))
- 12 (g) For serving an arrest warrant in any action or proceeding,
- 13 besides mileage, ((fifteen)) thirty dollars;
- 14 (h) For executing any other writ or process in a civil action or
- 15 proceeding, besides mileage, ((fifteen)) thirty dollars per hour;
- 16 (i) For each mile actually and necessarily traveled ((by him)) in
- 17 going to or returning from any place of service, or attempted service,
- 18 ((twenty-five)) thirty-five cents;
- 19 (j) For making a deed to lands sold upon execution or order of sale
- 20 or other decree of court, to be paid by the purchaser, ((twenty))
- 21 thirty dollars;
- 22 <u>(k)</u> For making copies of papers when sufficient copies are not
- 23 furnished, one dollar for first page and fifty cents per each
- 24 additional page;
- 25 (1) For the service of any other document and supporting papers for
- 26 which no other fee is provided for herein, ((six)) twelve dollars;
- 27 (m) For posting a notice of sale, or postponement, ((five)) ten
- 28 dollars besides mileage;
- 29 (n) For certificate or bill of sale of property, or certificate of
- 30 redemption, ((twenty)) thirty dollars;

- 1 (o) For conducting a sale of property(([,] fifteen)), thirty
- 2 dollars per hour spent at a sheriff's sale;
- 3 (p) For notarizing documents, five dollars for each document;
- 4 (q) For fingerprinting for noncriminal purposes, ten dollars for
- 5 <u>each person for up to two sets, three dollars for each additional set;</u>
- 6 (r) For mailing required by statute, whether regular, certified, or
- 7 registered, the actual cost of postage;
- 8 (s) For an internal criminal history records check, ten dollars;
- 9 <u>(t) For copies of incident or case reports, ten dollars;</u>
- 10 (u) For the reproduction of audio, visual, or photographic
- 11 material, to include magnetic microfilming, the actual cost including
- 12 personnel time.
- 13 (2) Fees allowable under this section may be recovered by the
- 14 prevailing party incurring the same as court costs. Nothing contained
- 15 in this section permits the expenditure of public funds to defray costs
- 16 of private litigation. Such costs shall be borne by the party seeking
- 17 action by the sheriff, and may be recovered from the proceeds of any
- 18 subsequent judicial sale, or may be added to any judgment upon proper
- 19 application to the court entering the judgment.