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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "Sec. 1. RCW 36.18.020 and 1992 c 54 s 1 are each amended to read 8 as follows:
- 9 Clerks of superior courts shall collect the following fees for 10 their official services:
- (1) The party filing the first or initial paper in any civil 11 12 action, including an action for restitution, or change of name, shall pay, at the time said paper is filed, a fee of one hundred ten dollars 13 14 except in proceedings filed under RCW 26.50.030 or 49.60.227 where the petitioner shall pay a filing fee of twenty dollars, or an unlawful 15 16 detainer action under chapter 59.18 or 59.20 RCW where the plaintiff shall pay a filing fee of thirty dollars. If the defendant serves or 17 files an answer to an unlawful detainer complaint under chapter 59.18 18 or 59.20 RCW, the plaintiff shall pay, prior to proceeding with the 19 20 unlawful detainer action, an additional eighty dollars which shall be 21 considered part of the filing fee. The thirty dollar filing fee under 22 this subsection for an unlawful detainer action shall not include an 23 order to show cause or any other order or judgment except a default order or default judgment in an unlawful detainer action. 24
- (2) 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 said paper is filed, a fee of one hundred ten dollars.
- 29 (3) The party filing a transcript or abstract of judgment or 30 verdict from a United States court held in this state, or from the 31 superior court of another county or from a district court in the county 32 of issuance, shall pay at the time of filing, a fee of fifteen dollars.
- 33 (4) For the filing of a tax warrant by the department of revenue of 34 the state of Washington, a fee of five dollars shall be paid.
- 35 (5) For the filing of a petition for modification of a decree of dissolution, a fee of twenty dollars shall be paid.

1 (6) The party filing a demand for jury of six in a civil action, 2 shall pay, at the time of filing, a fee of fifty dollars; if the demand 3 is for a jury of twelve the fee shall be one hundred dollars. If, 4 after the party files a demand for a jury of six and pays the required 5 fee, any other party to the action requests a jury of twelve, an 6 additional fifty-dollar fee will be required of the party demanding the 7 increased number of jurors.

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- (7) For filing any paper, not related to or a part of any proceeding, civil or criminal, or any probate matter, required or permitted to be filed in the clerk's office for which no other charge is provided by law, or for filing a petition, written agreement, or memorandum as provided in RCW 11.96.170, the clerk shall collect ((two)) twenty dollars.
- (8) For preparing, transcribing or certifying any instrument on file or of record in the clerk's office, with or without seal, for the first page or portion thereof, a fee of two dollars, and for each additional page or portion thereof, a fee of one dollar. For authenticating or exemplifying any instrument, a fee of one dollar for each additional seal affixed.
- 20 (9) For executing a certificate, with or without a seal, a fee of 21 two dollars shall be charged.
- (10) For each garnishee defendant named in an affidavit for garnishment and for each writ of attachment, a fee of ((five)) twenty dollars shall be charged.
- 25 (11) For approving a bond, including justification thereon, in 26 other than civil actions and probate proceedings, a fee of two dollars 27 shall be charged.
- 28 In probate proceedings, the party instituting proceedings, shall pay at the time of filing the first paper therein, 29 30 a fee of one hundred ten dollars: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, A fee of ((two)) twenty dollars shall be charged for filing a will only, when no probate 31 of the will is contemplated. Except as provided for in subsection (13) 32 33 of this section a fee of two dollars shall be charged for filing a 34 petition, written agreement, or memorandum as provided in RCW 35 11.96.170.
- 36 (13) For filing any petition to contest a will admitted to probate 37 or a petition to admit a will which has been rejected, or a petition 38 objecting to a written agreement or memorandum as provided in RCW 39 11.96.170, there shall be paid a fee of one hundred ten dollars.

- 1 (14) For the issuance of each certificate of qualification and each 2 certified copy of letters of administration, letters testamentary or 3 letters of guardianship there shall be a fee of two dollars.
 - (15) For the preparation of a passport application ((there shall be a fee of four dollars)) the clerk may collect an execution fee as authorized by the federal government.

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- (16) For ((searching records for which a written report is issued there shall be a fee of eight dollars per hour)) clerks' special services such as processing ex parte orders by mail, performing historical searches, compiling statistical reports, and conducting exceptional record searches the clerk may collect a fee not to exceed twenty dollars per hour or portion of an hour.
- 13 (17) For duplicated recordings of court's proceedings there shall
 14 be a fee of ten dollars for each audio tape and twenty-five dollars for
 15 each video tape.
- (((17))) (18) 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.
- (((18))) (<u>19)</u> 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.
- $((\frac{(19)}{(19)}))$ (20) 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."

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