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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "Sec. 1. RCW 4.56.100 and 1997 c 358 s 4 are each amended to read 8 as follows:
- 9 (1) When any judgment for the payment of money only shall have been 10 paid or satisfied, the judgment creditor shall file with the clerk of the court in which the judgment was rendered an acknowledgment of 11 12 satisfaction if payment was made to the creditor rather than the clerk. 13 The clerk of the court in which such judgment was rendered shall note upon the record in the execution docket satisfaction thereof giving the 14 15 date of such satisfaction upon either the payment to such clerk of the 16 amount of such judgment, costs and interest and any accrued costs by reason of the issuance of any execution, or the filing with such clerk 17 of a satisfaction entitled in such action and identifying the same 18 19 executed by the judgment creditor or his or her attorney of record in 20 such action or his or her assignee acknowledged as deeds are acknowledged. The clerk has the authority to note the satisfaction of 21 judgments for criminal and juvenile legal financial obligations when 22 23 the clerk's record indicates payment in full or as directed by the court. Every satisfaction of judgment and every partial satisfaction 24 25 of judgment which provides for the payment of money shall clearly designate the judgment creditor and his or her attorney if any, the 26 27 judgment debtor, the amount or type of satisfaction, whether the satisfaction is full or partial, the cause number, and the date of 28 entry of the judgment. A certificate by such clerk of the entry of 29 30 such satisfaction by him or her may be filed in the office of the clerk of any county in which an abstract of such judgment has been filed. 31 When so satisfied by the clerk or the filing of such certificate the 32 lien of such judgment shall be discharged. 33
- 34 (2) The department of social and health services shall file a 35 satisfaction of judgment for welfare fraud conviction if a person does

1 not pay money through the clerk as ((required)) allowed under 2 subsection (1) of this section.

- (3) The department of corrections shall file a satisfaction of judgment if a person does not pay money through the clerk's office as ((required)) allowed under subsection (1) of this section.
- (4) If the judgment debtor makes payment directly to the judgment creditor in full satisfaction of judgment, including payment of any fees associated with filing the satisfaction of judgment and any postjudgment interest and awarded costs and fees, the judgment creditor shall file a satisfaction of judgment with the clerk of the court.
- (5) If the judgment creditor fails to file a satisfaction of 11 judgment under subsection (4) of this section, the judgment debtor may 12 13 at any time after satisfaction request in writing that the judgment creditor file a satisfaction of judgment, specifying the court, case 14 number, and date of judgment. If the judgment creditor fails to comply 15 with the request within sixty days after receipt of the request, the 16 court, when convinced by proof that the judgment has been fully 17 satisfied, shall issue an order in writing, directing the clerk to 18 19 satisfy such judgment on the execution docket, and in its discretion 20 the court may award damages and reasonable attorneys' fees against the judgment creditor for failure to file the satisfaction within the time 21 22 allowed."

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On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "judgments;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 4.56.100."

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