
SENATE BILL 6121

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By Senators Johnson, Kline, McCaslin, Esser and Winsley

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1 AN ACT Relating to filing a will under seal before the testator's
2 death; and adding a new section to chapter 11.12 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 11.12 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 Any person who has custody or control of any original will and who
7 has not received knowledge of the death of the testator may deliver the
8 will for filing under seal to any court having jurisdiction. The
9 testator may withdraw the original will so filed upon proper
10 identification. Any other person, including an attorney in fact or
11 guardian of the testator, may withdraw the original will so filed only
12 upon court order after showing of good cause. Upon request and
13 presentation of a certified copy of the testator's death certificate,
14 the clerk shall unseal the file. This section does not preclude filing
15 a will not under seal and does not alter any duty of a person having
16 knowledge of the testator's death to file the will.

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