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HOUSE BILL 1128

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By Representative Nixon

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- AN ACT Relating to the definition of the term "conviction" in chapter 77.15 RCW; and amending RCW 77.15.050.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.15.050 and 1998 c 190 s 6 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, as used in this chapter, "conviction" means a final conviction in a state or municipal
- 8 court or an unvacated forfeiture of bail or collateral deposited to
- 9 secure the defendant's appearance in court. A plea of guilty, or a
- 10 finding of guilt for a violation of this title or rule of the
- 11 commission or director constitutes a conviction regardless of whether
- 12 the imposition of sentence is deferred or the penalty is suspended.
- 13 "Conviction" also means an uncontested notice of infraction, a
- 14 <u>determination</u>, <u>judgment</u>, <u>or finding that an infraction has been</u>
- 15 <u>committed</u>, or a failure to appear after requesting a hearing to contest
- 16 an infraction. The commission may, by rule, designate infractions that
- 17 <u>are not included within the definition of "conviction."</u>

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