

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6115

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Exempting licensed private investigators from process server requirements.

Sponsors: Senators Benton, Roach, Billig and Hobbs.

Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor
House Committee on Judiciary

Background: People who serve legal process for a fee in Washington must be at least 18 years old, be a resident of Washington, and register as a process server with the auditor of the county where the process server resides or operates their business. However, a person does not need to be a resident or register as a process server if that person is:

- a sheriff, deputy sheriff, marshal, constable, or government employee who is acting in the course of employment;
- an attorney or the attorney's employees, both of whom are not serving for a fee;
- court appointed to serve the court's process; or
- not receiving a fee or wage for serving process.

Summary: A person does not need to be a resident or register as a process server if the person is a licensed private investigator.

Votes on Final Passage:

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| Senate | 49 | 0 |
| House | 86 | 12 |

Effective: June 12, 2014

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