
HOUSE BILL 1396

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1 AN ACT Relating to court clerks; and amending RCW 2.32.050,
2 26.09.231, and 36.23.110.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 2.32.050 and 2011 c 336 s 45 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 The clerk of the supreme court, each clerk of the court of
7 appeals, and each clerk of a superior court, has power to take and
8 certify the proof and acknowledgment of a conveyance of real
9 property, or any other written instrument authorized or required to
10 be proved or acknowledged, and to administer oaths in every case when
11 authorized by law; and it is the duty of the clerk of the supreme
12 court, each clerk of the court of appeals, and of each county clerk
13 for each of the courts for which he or she is clerk:

14 (1) To keep the seal of the court and affix it in all cases where
15 he or she is required by law;

16 (2) To record the proceedings of the court;

17 (3) To keep the records, files, and other books and papers
18 appertaining to the court;

19 (4) To file all papers delivered to him or her for that purpose
20 in any action or proceeding in the court as directed by court rule or
21 statute;

1 (5) To attend the court of which he or she is clerk, to
2 administer oaths, and receive the verdict of a jury in any action or
3 proceeding therein, in the presence and under the direction of the
4 court;

5 (6) To keep the (~~journal~~) minutes of the proceedings of the
6 court, and, under the direction of the court, to enter its orders,
7 judgments, and decrees;

8 (7) To authenticate by certificate or transcript, as may be
9 required, the records, files, or proceedings of the court, or any
10 other paper appertaining thereto and filed with him or her;

11 (8) To exercise the powers and perform the duties conferred and
12 imposed upon him or her elsewhere by statute;

13 (9) (~~In the performance of his or her duties to conform to the~~
14 ~~direction of the court;~~) To support the court in the performance of
15 the courts' statutory duties;

16 (10) To publish notice of the procedures for inspection of the
17 public records of the court.

18 **Sec. 2.** RCW 26.09.231 and 2007 c 496 s 701 are each amended to
19 read as follows:

20 The parties to dissolution matters shall file with the clerk of
21 the court the residential time summary report. The summary report
22 shall be on the form developed by the administrative office of the
23 courts in consultation with the department of social and health
24 services division of child support. The parties must complete the
25 form and file the form with the court order. (~~The clerk of the court~~
26 ~~must forward the form to the division of child support on at least a~~
27 ~~monthly basis.~~)

28 **Sec. 3.** RCW 36.23.110 and 2003 c 379 s 20 are each amended to
29 read as follows:

30 The Washington association of county officials, in consultation
31 with county clerks, shall determine a funding formula for allocation
32 of moneys to counties for purposes of collecting legal financial
33 obligations, and report this formula to the legislature and the
34 administrative office of the courts by September 1, 2003. (~~The~~
35 ~~Washington association of county officials shall report on the~~
36 ~~amounts of legal financial obligations collected by the county clerks~~

1 ~~to the appropriate committees of the legislature no later than~~
2 ~~December 1, 2004, and annually thereafter.))~~

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