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**SENATE BILL 5621**

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**State of Washington**

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**By** Senators Warnick, Padden, Holy, Wagoner, and Wilson, L.

1 AN ACT Relating to increasing the jurisdictional amount for small  
2 claims courts; and amending RCW 12.40.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 12.40.010 and 2008 c 227 s 2 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 In every district court there shall be created and organized by  
7 the court a department to be known as the "small claims department of  
8 the district court." The small claims department shall have  
9 jurisdiction, but not exclusive, in cases for the recovery of money  
10 only if the amount claimed does not exceed (~~five~~) ten thousand  
11 dollars.

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