## SENATE BILL 5132

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By Senators Wagoner, Salomon, Dhingra, Gildon, and Harris

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to requisites of notice in small claims actions;
- 2 and amending RCW 12.40.060.

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- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 12.40.060 and 1984 c 258 s 63 are each amended to read as follows:
  - The notice of claim directed to the defendant shall contain: (1) The name and address of the plaintiff; (2) a brief and concise statement of the nature and amount of the claim; (3) a statement directing and requiring defendant to appear personally in the small claims department at a time certain, which shall not be less than five days from the date of service of the notice; and (4) a statement advising the defendant that in case of his or her failure to appear, judgment ((will)) may be given against defendant for the amount of the claim.

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