

mortgagor, borrower, or purchaser has failed to provide required insurance in accordance with the terms of the loan or credit document.

(5) Nothing contained in this section shall apply to credit life or credit disability insurance.

Sec. 2. Section 6, chapter 219, Laws of 1961 as amended by section 1, chapter 82, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 48.34.060 are each amended to read as follows:

The initial amount of credit life insurance under a group policy shall at no time exceed the amount owed by the debtor which is repayable in installments to the creditor, or ~~((twelve))~~ twenty-five thousand ~~((five hundred))~~ dollars, whichever is less. Nor shall the amount repayable under the contract of indebtedness extend over a period in excess of ~~((seven))~~ ten years, except that in case of long term agricultural real estate mortgages or agricultural short term crop production loans, the amount of insurance on the life of the debtor shall at no time exceed the amount owed by him to the creditor or ~~((twenty-five))~~ fifty thousand dollars, whichever is less.

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Passed the Senate March 7, 1977.

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CHAPTER 62

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2106]

LIEN FOR INTERNAL REVENUE TAXES—AUDITOR'S FEES—PAYMENT

AN ACT Relating to liens; and amending section 4, chapter 15, Laws of 1925 as amended by section 1, chapter 250, Laws of 1955 and RCW 60.68.040.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 4, chapter 15, Laws of 1925 as amended by section 1, chapter 250, Laws of 1955 and RCW 60.68.040 are each amended to read as follows:

The auditor shall receive ~~((one))~~ five dollars for filing and indexing each notice of lien, and ~~((fifty cents))~~ three dollars for each certificate of discharge.

The provisions of RCW 36.18.060 requiring advance payment of fees before performance of services shall not apply to the fees and services under this chapter.

Passed the Senate February 1, 1977.

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CHAPTER 63

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2110]

SUPERIOR COURT LITIGANTS' FUNDS—INVESTMENT INCOME—NOTICE

AN ACT Relating to counties; and amending section 36.48.090, chapter 4, Laws of 1963 as amended by section 8, chapter 126, Laws of 1973 and RCW 36.48.090.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 36.48.090, chapter 4, Laws of 1963 as amended by section 8, chapter 126, Laws of 1973 and RCW 36.48.090 are each amended to read as follows:

Whenever any person has in his custody as clerk of the superior court any funds held in trust for any litigant or for any purpose, they shall be deposited in a separate fund designated "clerk's trust fund," and shall not be commingled with any public funds, and in case any interest is paid upon any such "clerk's trust fund" so deposited, it shall be paid to the beneficiary of such trust upon the termination thereof. However, the clerk may invest the funds in any of the investments authorized by RCW 36.29.020. The clerk shall place the income from such investments in the county current expense fund to be used by the county for general county purposes unless (1) the funds being held in trust in a particular matter are two thousand dollars or more, and (2) a litigant in the matter has filed a written request that such investment be made of the funds being held in trust and the income be paid to the beneficiary. In such an event, any income from such investment shall be paid to the beneficiary of such trust upon the termination thereof: PROVIDED, That five percent of the income shall be deducted by the clerk as an investment service fee and placed in the county current expense fund to be used by the county for general county purposes.

Litigants who have appeared in matters where funds being held in trust are two thousand dollars or more shall be entitled to written notice of the provisions of this section from the clerk, if they have made no written request as stated in this section within thirty days of receipt of the funds by the clerk, and if such litigants have not previously received such notice.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1977.

Passed the House March 4, 1977.

Approved by the Governor March 25, 1977.

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CHAPTER 64

[Senate Bill No. 2123]

FIRE COMMISSIONERS—OFFICE VACANCY—FILLING

AN ACT Relating to fire protection district commissioners; and amending section 26, chapter 34, Laws of 1939 as last amended by section 1, chapter 17, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 52.12.050.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 26, chapter 34, Laws of 1939 as last amended by section 1, chapter 17, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 52.12.050 are each amended to read as follows:

In case of vacancy occurring in the office of fire commissioner, such vacancy shall, within thirty days, be filled by appointment of a resident elector of the district by ~~((the county legislative authority))~~ a vote of the remaining fire commissioners and the person appointed shall serve until his successor has been elected or appointed and has qualified. If there should be at the same time such number of vacancies that there are not in office a majority of the full number of commissioners fixed by law, the county legislative authority shall within thirty days of such