

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. County auditors shall, as feasible, solicit and use the assistance of disabled voters in reviewing sites and recommending inexpensive remedies to improve accessibility.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Accessible polling places shall be provided as soon as feasible and the goal shall be to provide such places prior to the 1980 general election.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. Sections 1 through 5 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 29 RCW.

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CHAPTER 65

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2106]

PERSONAL EXEMPTIONS—ELIGIBLE PERSONS—PROPERTY

AN ACT Relating to personal exemptions; and amending section 253, page 178, Laws of 1854 as last amended by section 13, chapter 154, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 6.16.020.

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

Section 1. Section 253, page 178, Laws of 1854 as last amended by section 13, chapter 154, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 6.16.020 are each amended to read as follows:

The following personal property shall be exempt from execution and attachment, except as hereinafter specially provided:

(1) All wearing apparel of every person and family, but not to exceed five hundred dollars in value in furs, jewelry, and personal ornaments for any person.

(2) All private libraries not to exceed five hundred dollars in value, and all family pictures and keepsakes.

(3) To each (~~householder~~) person or family, (a) (~~his~~) the person's or family's household goods, appliances, furniture and home and yard equipment, not to exceed one thousand dollars in value;

(b) provisions and fuel for the comfortable maintenance of such (~~household and~~) person or family for three months; and

(c) other property not to exceed four hundred dollars in value, of which not more than one hundred dollars in value may consist of cash, bank accounts, savings and loan accounts, stocks, bonds, or other securities.

(4) To (~~(a)~~) any person or family (~~(not a householder, other property not to exceed two hundred dollars in value, of which not more than one hundred dollars in value may consist of cash, bank accounts, savings and loan accounts, stocks, bonds, or other securities)~~), one motor vehicle which

is used for personal transportation, not to exceed seven hundred and fifty dollars in value.

(5) To a farmer, farm trucks, farm stock, farm tools, farm equipment, supplies and seed, not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars in value.

(6) To a physician, surgeon, attorney, clergyman, or other professional ~~((man, his))~~ person, the person's library, office furniture, office equipment and supplies, not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars in value.

(7) To any other person, the tools and instruments and materials used to carry on his or her trade for the support of himself or herself or family, not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars in value.

The property referred to in the foregoing subsection (3) shall be selected by ~~((the husband or wife if present, and in case neither husband nor wife nor other person entitled to the exemption shall be))~~ any adult member of the family on behalf of the family or the person, if present, and in case no adult member of the family or person is present to make the selection, then the sheriff or the director of public safety shall make a selection equal in value to the applicable exemptions above described and he shall return the same as exempt by inventory. Any selection made as above provided shall be prima facie evidence (a) that the property so selected is exempt from execution and attachment, and (b) that the property so selected is not in excess of the values specified for the exemptions. Except as above provided, the exempt property shall be selected by the person claiming the exemption. No person shall be entitled to more than one exemption under the provisions of the foregoing subsections (5), (6) and (7).

For purposes of this section "value" shall mean the reasonable market value of the article or item at the time of its selection, and shall be of the debtor's interest therein, exclusive of all liens and encumbrances thereon.

Wages, salary, or other compensation regularly paid for personal services rendered by the person claiming the exemption may not be claimed as exempt under the foregoing provisions, but the same may be claimed as exempt in any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding to the same extent as allowed under the statutes relating to garnishments.

No property shall be exempt under this section from an execution issued upon a judgment for all or any part of the purchase price thereof, or for any tax levied upon such property.

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