

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Passed the Senate February 3, 1984.

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CHAPTER 14

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3132]

MORTGAGES—FAILURE OF MORTGAGEE TO ACKNOWLEDGE SATISFACTION—DAMAGES AND REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEE TO MORTGAGOR

AN ACT Relating to mortgages; and amending section 2, page 117, Laws of 1886 and RCW 61.16.030.

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

Sec. 1. Section 2, page 117, Laws of 1886 and RCW 61.16.030 are each amended to read as follows:

If the mortgagee (~~shall~~) fails (~~so to do~~) to acknowledge satisfaction of the mortgage as provided in RCW 61.16.020 sixty days from the date of such request or demand, he shall forfeit and pay to the mortgagor (~~the sum of twenty-five dollars~~) damages and a reasonable attorneys' fee, to be recovered in any court having competent jurisdiction, and said court, when convinced that said mortgage has been fully satisfied, shall issue an order in writing, directing the auditor to cancel said mortgage, and the auditor shall immediately record the order and cancel the mortgage as directed by the court, upon the margin of the page upon which the mortgage is recorded, making reference thereupon to the order of the court and to the page where the order is recorded.

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CHAPTER 15

[Senate Bill No. 4341]

SPECIAL DISTRICT EMPLOYEE GROUP INSURANCE—MINIMUM NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES—REQUIREMENT REMOVED

AN ACT Relating to special district employee group insurance; and amending section 8, chapter 245, Laws of 1941 as amended by section 1, chapter 233, Laws of 1959 and RCW 54.04.050.