

and parole services and any personnel employment therefor, and the cost of providing services necessary for the preparation and presentation of a defense at public expense except costs of defense to be paid by a city pursuant to RCW 3.62.070. The treasurer shall then transfer an amount, equal to the total expenditures, from the justice court suspense fund to the current expense fund. The treasurer shall then, using the percentages established as in RCW 3.62.015 provided remit the appropriate amounts of the remaining balance in the justice court suspense fund to the state general fund and to the appropriate city treasurer(s). The final remaining balance of the justice court suspense fund shall then be remitted as specified by the county commissioners.

Sec. 2. Section 111, chapter 299, Laws of 1961 and RCW 3.62.070 are each amended to read as follows:

Except in traffic cases wherein bail is forfeited to a violations bureau, and except in cases filed in municipal departments established pursuant to chapter 3.46, in every criminal action filed by a city for an ordinance violation the city shall be charged a four dollar filing fee. In such criminal actions the cost of providing services necessary for the preparation and presentation of a defense at public expense are not within the four dollar filing fee and shall be paid by the city. In all other criminal actions, no filing fee shall be assessed or collected: PROVIDED, That in such cases, for the purposes of RCW 3.62.010, four dollars of each fine or penalty shall be deemed filing costs.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This 1973 amendatory act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 11  
[House Bill No. 291]  
COUNTY ASSESSORS--ASSISTANTS, DEPUTIES--PRIVATE  
APPRAISING--PROHIBITED

AN ACT Relating to county assessors; and amending section 36.21.011, chapter 4, Laws of 1963 as last amended by section 2, chapter 85, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 36.21.011.

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

Section 1. Section 36.21.011, chapter 4, Laws of 1963 as last amended by section 2, chapter 85, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 36.21.011 are each amended to read as follows:

Any assessor who deems it necessary to enable him to complete the listing and the valuation of the property of his county within the time prescribed by law, (1) may appoint one or more well qualified persons to act as his assistants or deputies who shall not engage in the private practice of appraising within the county in which he is employed without the written permission of the county assessor filed with the county auditor; and each such assistant or deputy so appointed shall, under the direction of the assessor, after taking the required oath, perform all the duties enjoined upon, vested in or imposed upon assessors, and (2) may contract with any persons, firms or corporations, who are expert appraisers, to assist in the valuation of property.

To assist each assessor in obtaining adequate and well qualified assistants or deputies, the state department of personnel, after consultation with the Washington state association of county assessors, the Washington state association of counties, and the department of revenue, shall establish by July 1, 1967, and shall thereafter maintain, a classification and salary plan for those employees of an assessor who act as appraisers. The plan shall recommend the salary range and employment qualifications for each position encompassed by it, and shall, to the fullest extent practicable, conform to the classification plan, salary schedules and employment qualifications for state employees performing similar appraisal functions.

If an assessor intends to put such plan into effect in his county, he shall inform the department of revenue and the board of county commissioners of this intent in writing. The department of revenue and the board may thereupon each designate a representative, and such representative or representatives as may be designated by the department of revenue or the board, or both, shall form with the assessor a committee. The committee so formed may, by unanimous vote only, determine the required number of certified appraiser positions and their salaries necessary to enable the county assessor to carry out the requirements relating to revaluation of property in chapter 84.41 RCW. The determination of the committee shall be certified to the board of county commissioners. The committee provided for herein may be formed only once in a period of four calendar years.

After such determination, the assessor may provide, in each of his four next succeeding annual budget estimates, for as many positions as are established in such determination. Each board of county commissioners to which such a budget estimate is submitted shall allow sufficient funds for such positions. An employee may be

appointed to a position covered by the plan only if the employee meets the employment qualifications established by the plan.

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CHAPTER 12  
[Senate Bill No. 2268]  
LAND DEVELOPMENT ACT

AN ACT Relating to the regulation of the sale of lands; creating a new chapter in Title 58 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The legislature finds and declares that the sale and offering for sale of land or of interests in associations which provide for the use or occupancy of land touches and affects a great number of the citizens of this state and that full and complete disclosure to prospective purchasers of pertinent information concerning land developments, including any encumbrances or liens which might attach to the land and the physical characteristics of the development as well as the surrounding land, is essential. The legislature further finds and declares that a program of state registration and of publication and delivery to prospective purchasers of a complete and accurate public offering statement is necessary in order to adequately protect both the economic and physical welfare of the citizens of this state. It is the purpose of this chapter to provide for a reasonable program of state registration and regulation of the sale and offering for sale of any interest in significant land developments within or without the state of Washington, so that the prospective purchasers of such interests might be provided with full, complete, and accurate information of all pertinent circumstances affecting their purchase.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. When used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Blanket encumbrance" shall mean a trust deed, mortgage, mechanic's lien, or any other lien or encumbrance, securing or evidencing the payment of money and affecting the land to be developed or affecting more than one lot or parcel of developed land, or an agreement affecting more than one such lot or parcel by which the developer holds said development under option, contract, sale, or trust agreement. The term shall not include taxes and assessments levied by a public authority.