

CHAPTER 249.

[ S. B. 224. ]

FAMILY DESERTION AND NONSUPPORT.

AN ACT relating to family desertion or nonsupport; amending section 1, chapter 28, Laws of 1913 as last amended by section 1, chapter 255, Laws of 1953 and RCW 26.20.030.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 28, Laws of 1913 as last amended by section 1, chapter 255, Laws of 1953 and RCW 26.20.030 are each amended to read as follows: Amendment.

(1) Every person who:

(a) Has a child dependent upon him or her for care, education or support and deserts such child in any manner whatever with intent to abandon it; or Desertion or failure to provide necessities for wife, child, or ward deemed crime.

(b) Wilfully omits, without lawful excuse, to furnish necessary food, clothing, shelter, or medical attendance for his or her child or children or ward or wards; or

(c) Has sufficient ability to provide for his wife's support or is able to earn the means for his wife's support and wilfully abandons and leaves her in a destitute condition; or who refuses or neglects to provide his wife with necessary food, clothing, shelter, or medical attendance, unless by her misconduct he is justified in abandoning her, shall be guilty of the crime of family desertion or nonsupport. Crime.

(2) When children are involved under the age of sixteen years, such act shall be a felony and punished by imprisonment in the state penitentiary for not more than twenty years or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year or by fine of not more than one thousand dollars or by both fine and imprisonment. Felony.  
Penalty.

(3) When there is no child under sixteen years, such act shall be a gross misdemeanor and shall be Gross misdemeanor.

Penalty. punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year or by fine of not more than one thousand dollars, or by both fine and imprisonment.

Passed the Senate February 26, 1955.

Passed the House March 8, 1955.

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CHAPTER 250.

[ S. B. 320. ]

LIENS—INTERNAL REVENUE TAXES.

AN ACT relating to liens for internal revenue taxes, and amending section 4, chapter 15, Laws of 1925, and RCW 60.68.040.

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

Amendment. SECTION 1. Section 4, chapter 15, Laws of 1925, and RCW 60.68.040 are each amended to read as follows:

Auditors fees. The auditor shall receive one dollar for filing and indexing each notice of lien, and fifty cents for each certificate of discharge.

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