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(2) Transcripts are important documents to students who will apply for admission to postsecondary institutions of higher education. Transcripts are also important to students who will seek employment upon or prior to graduation from high school. It is recognized that student transcripts may be the only record available to employers in their decision-making processes regarding prospective employees. The superintendent of public instruction shall require school districts to inform annually all high school students that prospective employers may request to see transcripts and that the prospective employee's decision to release transcripts can be an important part of the process of applying for employment.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28A.58 RCW a new section to read as follows:

(1) School districts shall issue diplomas to students signifying graduation from high school upon the students' satisfactory completion of all local and state graduation requirements. Districts shall grant students the option of receiving a final transcript in addition to the regular diploma.

(2) School districts or schools of attendance shall establish policies and procedures to notify senior students of the transcript option and shall direct students to indicate their decisions in a timely manner. School districts shall make appropriate provisions to assure that students who choose to receive a copy of their final transcript shall receive such transcript after graduation.

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CHAPTER 179

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 4489]

CERTIFICATES OF TAX DELINQUENCY—–NOTICE AND SUMMONS TO PERSONS HAVING A SECORDED INTEREST OR LIEN

AN ACT Relating to certificates of tax delinquency; amending section 84.64.030, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 3, chapter 322, Laws of 1981 and RCW 84.64.030; and amending section 84.64.050, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 4, chapter 322, Laws of 1981 and RCW 84.64.050.

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

Sec. 1. Section 84.64.030, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 3, chapter 322, Laws of 1981 and RCW 84.64.030 are each amended to read as follows:

Any time after the expiration of three years from the original date of delinquency of any tax included in a certificate of delinquency, the holder of any certificate of delinquency may give notice and summons to the owner of the property described in such certificate, and any person having a recorded interest in or lien of record upon the property, that he or she will apply to the superior court of the county in which such property is situated for a judgment foreclosing the lien against the property mentioned therein. Such notice and summons shall contain:

(1) The title of the court, the description of the property and the name of the owner thereof, if known, the name of the holder of the certificate, the date thereof, and the amount for which it was issued, the year or years for the delinquent taxes for which it was issued, the amount of all taxes paid for prior or subsequent years, and the rate of interest on said amount.

(2) A direction to the owner summoning him or her to appear within sixty days after service of the notice and summons, exclusive of the day of service, and defend the action or pay the amount due, and when service is made by publication a direction to the owner, summoning him or her to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of the notice and summons, exclusive of the day of said first publication, and defend the action or pay the amount due.

(3) A notice that, in case of failure so to do, judgment will be rendered foreclosing the lien of such taxes and costs against the land and premises named.

The notice and summons shall be subscribed by the holder of the certificate of delinquency, or by someone in his or her behalf, and residing within the state of Washington, and upon whom all process may be served.

A copy of said notice and summons shall be delivered to the county treasurer. Thereafter when any owner of real property or person interested therein seeks to redeem as provided in RCW 84.64.070, the treasurer shall ascertain the amount of costs accrued in foreclosing said certificate and include said costs as a part of the redemption required to be paid. Cost incurred for a title search required by RCW 84.64.050 shall be included.

The notice and summons shall be served in the same manner as a summons in a civil action is served in the superior court.

The county treasurer shall not issue certificates of delinquency upon property owned and occupied as a principal place of residence by a person sixty-two years of age or older.

Sec. 2. Section 84.64.050, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 4, chapter 322, Laws of 1981 and RCW 84.64.050 are each amended to read as follows:

After the expiration of three years from the date of delinquency, when any property remains on the tax rolls for which no certificate of delinquency has been issued, the county treasurer shall proceed to issue certificates of delinquency on said property to the county for all years' taxes, interest, and costs: PROVIDED, That the county treasurer, with the consent of the county legislative authority, may elect to issue a certificate for fewer than all years' taxes, interest, and costs to a minimum of the taxes, interest, and costs for the earliest year.

The change to a three-year grace period shall first be effective on May 1, 1983. Prior to that date, the county treasurer shall send a notice to all taxpayers with taxes delinquent for two years or more, notifying them of the change in the grace period. The treasurer shall file said certificates when completed with the clerk of the court, and the treasurer shall thereupon, with such legal assistance as the county legislative authority shall provide in counties having a population of thirty thousand or more, and with the assistance of the county prosecuting attorney in counties having a population of less than thirty thousand, proceed to foreclose in the name of the county, the tax liens embraced in such certificates, and the same proceedings shall be had as when held by an individual: PROVIDED, That notice and summons must be served or notice given in a manner reasonably calculated to inform the owner or owners, and any person having a recorded interest in or lien of record upon the property, of the foreclosure action. Either (1) personal service upon the owner or owners and any person having a recorded interest in or lien of record upon the property, or (2) publication once in a newspaper of general circulation, which is circulated in the area of the property and mailing of notice by certified mail to the owner or owners and any person having a recorded interest in or lien of record upon the property, or, if a mailing address is unavailable, personal service upon the occupant of the property, if any, is sufficient. In addition to describing the property as the same is described on the tax rolls, the notice must include the local street address, if any. It shall be the duty of the county treasurer to mail a copy of the published summons, within fifteen days after the first publication thereof, to the treasurer of each city or town within which any property involved in a tax foreclosure is situated, but the treasurer's failure to do so shall not affect the jurisdiction of the court nor the priority of any tax sought to be foreclosed. Said certificates of delinquency issued to the county may be issued in one general certificate in book form including all property, and the proceedings to foreclose the liens against said property may be brought in one action and all persons interested in any of the property involved in said proceedings may be made codefendants in said action, and if unknown may be therein named as unknown owners, and the publication of such notice shall be sufficient service thereof on all persons interested in the property described therein, except as provided above. The person or persons whose name or names appear on the treasurer's rolls as the owner or owners of said property shall be considered and treated as the owner or owners of said property for the purpose of this section, and if upon said treasurer's rolls it appears that the owner or owners of said property are unknown, then said property shall be proceeded against, as belonging to an unknown owner or owners, as the case may be, and all persons owning or claiming to own, or having or claiming to have an interest therein, are hereby required to

take notice of said proceedings and of any and all steps thereunder: PRO-VIDED, That, at least thirty days prior to the sale of the property, if such property is shown on the tax rolls under unknown owners or as having an assessed value of three thousand dollars or more, the treasurer shall order or conduct a title search of the property to be sold to determine the legal description of the property to be sold and the record title holder, and if the record title holder or holders differ from the person or persons whose name or names appear on the treasurer's rolls as the owner or owners, the record title holder or holders shall be considered and treated as the owner or owners of said property for the purpose of this section, and shall be entitled to the notice provided for in this section.

The county treasurer shall not issue certificates of delinquency upon property owned and occupied as a principal place of residence by a person sixty-two years of age or older.

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CHAPTER 180

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 4814]

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES ACT-----INITIAL PLAN EXPANDED----LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE TO STUDY GROUP CARE RATES

AN ACT Relating to children and family services; creating new sections; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

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

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. As used in sections 1 through 4 of this act, "department" means the department of social and health services.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. The department shall expand the initial plan developed under section 5, chapter 192, Laws of 1983 to implement the goals and objectives of the children and family services act, chapter 74.14A RCW, to include the following:

(1) An itemization of the cost of the department's initial implementation plan developed under section 5, chapter 192, Laws of 1983, which was provided to the legislature in November, 1983; of all subsections in section 5, chapter 192, Laws of 1983, and of those items listed in subsection (2) of this section.

(2) Such itemization also shall include:

(a) Staffing costs associated with the alternative residential placement process;