

tax credit program. The fee shall be established by the commissioner by rule. However, if federal funding is provided to finance such services, the commissioner shall revise or eliminate this fee based on the amount of federal funding received. Fees received for processing shall be deposited in a special account in the unemployment compensation administration fund.

NEW SECTION, Sec. 3. If any part of this act shall be found to be in conflict with federal requirements which are a prescribed condition to the allocation of federal funds to the state, such conflicting part of this act is hereby declared to be inoperative solely to the extent of such conflict, and such finding or determination shall not affect the operation of the remainder of this act. The rules under this act shall meet federal requirements which are a necessary condition to the receipt of federal funds by the state.

NEW SECTION, Sec. 4. 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.

NEW SECTION, Sec. 5. There is appropriated from the unemployment compensation administration fund to the employment security department for the biennium ending June 30, 1989, the sum of one million seven hundred six thousand eighty-nine dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for administration by the state of the targeted jobs tax credit program.

NEW SECTION, Sec. 6. This 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 March 1, 1988.

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CHAPTER 85

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 5943]

SMALL CLAIMS COURT JURISDICTIONAL AMOUNT INCREASED—APPEALS REVISED—MODEL BROCHURE TO BE DISTRIBUTED

AN ACT Relating to the small claims department of the district court; amending RCW 12.40.010 and 12.40.120; and adding a new section to chapter 12.40 RCW.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 187, Laws of 1919 as last amended by section 57, chapter 258, Laws of 1984 and RCW 12.40.010 are each amended to read as follows:

In every district court there shall be created and organized by the court a department to be known as the "small claims department of the district court". The small claims department shall have jurisdiction, but not exclusive, in cases for the recovery of money only if the amount claimed does not exceed ~~((one))~~ two thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. Section 4, chapter 83, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. as amended by section 69, chapter 258, Laws of 1984 and RCW 12.40.120 are each amended to read as follows:

No appeal shall be permitted from a judgment of the small claims department of the district court where the amount claimed was less than one hundred dollars ~~((nor))~~. No appeal shall ((any appeal)) be permitted by a party who requested the exercise of jurisdiction by the small claims department where the amount claimed was less than one thousand dollars.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 12.40 RCW to read as follows:

The administrator for the courts and the magistrates association shall prepare a model small claims informational brochure and distribute the model brochure to all small claims departments in the state. This brochure may be modified as necessary by each small claims department and shall be made available to all parties in any small claims action.

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CHAPTER 86

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 6143]

REAL ESTATE CONTRACT FORFEITURE ACT—TECHNICAL REVISIONS

AN ACT Relating to technical revisions to the real estate contract forfeiture act; amending RCW 61.30.010, 61.30.020, 61.30.030, 61.30.040, 61.30.050, 61.30.060, 61.30.070, 61.30.080, 61.30.090, 61.30.100, 61.30.110, 61.30.120, 61.30.130, 61.30.140, and 61.30.150; and creating a new section.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 237, Laws of 1985 and RCW 61.30.010 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Contract" or "real estate contract" means any written agreement for the sale of real property in which legal title to the property is retained by the seller as security for payment of the purchase price. "Contract" or "real estate contract" does not include earnest money agreements and options to purchase.