



Date: May 1, 2009

To: Recording Customers

From: Kim Wyman, Thurston County Auditor *Kim Wyman*

RE: Fee increase on recorded documents

This is a notice of a fee increase that is scheduled to go into effect on July 26, 2009. Please read the information carefully to determine how the fee increase will affect you. Do not hesitate to call the number referenced below if you have any questions.

During the 2009 legislative session House Bill 2331 (HB 2331) passed which increases recording fees by \$20.00. On July 26, 2009, the fee for recording a document in Washington State will increase to **\$62.00 for the first page and \$1.00 for each additional page per document for most documents (see exceptions below).**

**Substitutions or Appointments of Trustee of previously recorded Deeds of Trust and Assignments of Deeds of Trust** are exempt from the \$20.00 surcharge. **The recording fee for these documents will be \$14.00 for the first page and \$1.00 for each additional page per document.**

**Divorce records and Death Certificates** are exempt from the \$20.00 surcharge. **The fees for these documents will be \$32.00 for the first page and \$1.00 for each additional page per document.**

**Employment Security Liens and Releases** are not exempt from the \$20.00 surcharge. **The fee to record Employment Security Liens and Releases will be \$59.00 for the first page and \$1.00 for each additional page per document.**

**Deeds of Trust** will be **\$63.00 for the first page and \$1.00 for each additional page per document.**

**Multiple titled documents** will also be charged increased fees for each title. The first title will increase to \$62.00 for the first page (unless it meets one of the above exceptions) and \$1.00 for each additional page; additional titles will be \$62.00 per title (unless they meet one of the above exceptions).

Thank you for working with us on this fee increase. Please call our office if you have any questions related to this bill. You may contact Terra Howell, Recording and Licensing Manager at (360) 754-4661.

