

# COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

## ORDINANCE NO. 80-25

An Ordinance Assessing an Eight Dollar (\$8.00) Fee on Marriage Licenses to be Used for Helping to Pay for the Expenses of Family Court Pursuant to RCW 26.12 and Creating a New Chapter in the Snohomish County Code, Chapter 4.42

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature, pursuant to Chapter 124, Laws of 1980, passed an amendment to RCW 26.12, authorizing county legislative authorities to impose a fee in excess of that prescribed in RCW 36.18.010 for the issuance of marriage licenses and that that fee shall not exceed eight dollars (\$8.00); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 36.18.010, the current fee for marriage licenses is eight dollars (\$8.00); and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County Council to assess the full amount of the discretionary fee allowed by RCW 26.12, as set forth above; and

WHEREAS, the monies raised by the discretionary fee will be used to help meet the costs of family court associated with the duties and responsibilities as set forth in RCW 26.12; and

WHEREAS, the effective date of the amendment to RCW 26.12 is June 12, 1980; and

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WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Snohomish County

Council to assess the full amount of the discretionary fee

to be collected pursuant to the issuance of a marriage

license, said fee being eight dollars (\$8.00);

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

A new chapter, SCC 4.42, <u>Family Court Fund</u> is added to the Snohomish County Code as follows:

#### Chapter 4.42

#### FAMILY COURT FUND

#### Sections:

4.42.010 Purpose.

4.42.020 Authority.

4.42.030 Fee.

4.42.040 Fund.

4.42.050 Fees to be Collected by Auditor.

4.42.060 Severability.

4.42.070 Effective date.

4.42.010 Purpose. It is the purpose of this ordinance to create and establish a family court fund for the use of and by family court to facilitate the carrying out of its duties pursuant to RCW 26.12.

4.42.020 Authority. Pursuant to Chapter 124 of the Laws of 1980, Washington State Legislature, the Washington State Legislature has granted to county legislative authorities the authority to establish a fee to be collected pursuant to the issuance of a marriage license to help provide funds for the maintenance and operation of family court.

4.42.030 Fee. Pursuant to Chapter 124, Laws of 1980, Washington State Legislature, county legislative authorities are granted the authority to assess a fee of up to but not to exceed eight dollars (\$8.00) to be collected in addition to the normal marriage license fee upon issuance of marriage

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licenses. The fee to be collected in Snohomish County, over and above the marriage license fee as set forth in RCW 36.18.010, is hereby established to be eight dollars (\$8.00) per marriage license.

4.42.040 Fund. A separate fund is hereby established to be maintained pursuant to rules and regulations covering all other county funds. Said funds to be used as provided in RCW 26.12., Chapter 124, Laws of 1980.

4.42.050 Fees to be Collected by Auditor. The fees as set forth in this chapter shall be collected by the Snohomish County Auditor, or whoever is designated to collect marriage license fees by the county legislative authority, pursuant to the issuance of marriage licenses. This fee shall be remitted into a special fund established for family court purposes as set forth herein. The marriage license fee itself shall continue to be remitted into the general fund.

4.42.060 Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

4.42.070 Effective date. This ordinance shall be effective 10 days after approval by the county executive.

PASSED this 2nd day of July , 1980.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

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ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

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FILE NO.

#### MEMO

TO: ELLIE SNYDER Clerk of Council

FROM:

BOB TERWILLIGER

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

DATE:

October 1, 1980

RE:

RESOLUTION No. 79-335, Ordinance 80-25

When resolution No. 79-335 was passed creating the code provision for the levying of an excise tax on lodging the code provision was numbered SCC 4.40.

When Ordinance No. 80-25 was passed erecting the Family Court Fund, it was designed SCC 4.40 as well.

Please reflect on Ordinance No. 80-25 a change in code designation to SCC 4.42 and so notify Book Publishing as well. I believe this change can be made by noting on a work session agenda and having the council approve the renumbering by resolution.

cc: Snohomish County Treasurer Snohomish County Superior Court Snohomish County Auditor