
SENATE BILL 5156

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By Senators Keiser, Warnick, Angel, and Conway

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1 AN ACT Relating to the disclosure of information regarding
2 elevators and other conveyances in certain real estate transactions;
3 and amending RCW 64.06.020.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 64.06.020 and 2012 c 132 s 2 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) In a transaction for the sale of improved residential real
8 property, the seller shall, unless the buyer has expressly waived the
9 right to receive the disclosure statement under RCW 64.06.010, or
10 unless the transfer is otherwise exempt under RCW 64.06.010, deliver
11 to the buyer a completed seller disclosure statement in the following
12 format and that contains, at a minimum, the following information:

13 INSTRUCTIONS TO THE SELLER

14 Please complete the following form. Do not leave any spaces blank. If
15 the question clearly does not apply to the property write "NA." If
16 the answer is "yes" to any * items, please explain on attached
17 sheets. Please refer to the line number(s) of the question(s) when
18 you provide your explanation(s). For your protection you must date
19 and sign each page of this disclosure statement and each attachment.
20 Delivery of the disclosure statement must occur not later than five

1 business days, unless otherwise agreed, after mutual acceptance of a
2 written contract to purchase between a buyer and a seller.

3 NOTICE TO THE BUYER

4 THE FOLLOWING DISCLOSURES ARE MADE BY SELLER ABOUT THE CONDITION OF
5 THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT.
6 ("THE PROPERTY"), OR AS LEGALLY DESCRIBED ON ATTACHED EXHIBIT A.

7 SELLER MAKES THE FOLLOWING DISCLOSURES OF EXISTING MATERIAL FACTS OR
8 MATERIAL DEFECTS TO BUYER BASED ON SELLER'S ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE
9 PROPERTY AT THE TIME SELLER COMPLETES THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT.
10 UNLESS YOU AND SELLER OTHERWISE AGREE IN WRITING, YOU HAVE THREE
11 BUSINESS DAYS FROM THE DAY SELLER OR SELLER'S AGENT DELIVERS THIS
12 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TO YOU TO RESCIND THE AGREEMENT BY DELIVERING A
13 SEPARATELY SIGNED WRITTEN STATEMENT OF RESCISSION TO SELLER OR
14 SELLER'S AGENT. IF THE SELLER DOES NOT GIVE YOU A COMPLETED
15 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT, THEN YOU MAY WAIVE THE RIGHT TO RESCIND PRIOR
16 TO OR AFTER THE TIME YOU ENTER INTO A SALE AGREEMENT.

17 THE FOLLOWING ARE DISCLOSURES MADE BY SELLER AND ARE NOT THE
18 REPRESENTATIONS OF ANY REAL ESTATE LICENSEE OR OTHER PARTY. THIS
19 INFORMATION IS FOR DISCLOSURE ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE A PART
20 OF ANY WRITTEN AGREEMENT BETWEEN BUYER AND SELLER.

21 FOR A MORE COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION OF THE SPECIFIC CONDITION OF
22 THIS PROPERTY YOU ARE ADVISED TO OBTAIN AND PAY FOR THE SERVICES OF
23 QUALIFIED EXPERTS TO INSPECT THE PROPERTY, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, WITHOUT
24 LIMITATION, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, PLUMBERS,
25 ELECTRICIANS, ROOFERS, BUILDING INSPECTORS, ON-SITE WASTEWATER
26 TREATMENT INSPECTORS, OR STRUCTURAL PEST INSPECTORS. THE PROSPECTIVE
27 BUYER AND SELLER MAY WISH TO OBTAIN PROFESSIONAL ADVICE OR
28 INSPECTIONS OF THE PROPERTY OR TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATE PROVISIONS IN A
29 CONTRACT BETWEEN THEM WITH RESPECT TO ANY ADVICE, INSPECTION, DEFECTS
30 OR WARRANTIES.

31 Seller is/ is not occupying the property.

32 I. SELLER'S DISCLOSURES:

33 *If you answer "Yes" to a question with an asterisk (*), please explain your
34 answer and attach documents, if available and not otherwise publicly recorded. If
35 necessary, use an attached sheet.

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(1) The source of water for the property is:

Private or publicly owned water system

Private well serving only the subject property

* Other water system

Yes No Don't know *If shared, are there any written agreements?

Yes No Don't know *(2) Is there an easement (recorded or unrecorded) for access to and/or maintenance of the water source?

Yes No Don't know *(3) Are there any problems or repairs needed?

Yes No Don't know (4) During your ownership, has the source provided an adequate year-round supply of potable water? If no, please explain.

Yes No Don't know *(5) Are there any water treatment systems for the property? If yes, are they Leased Owned

Yes No Don't know *(6) Are there any water rights for the property associated with its domestic water supply, such as a water right permit, certificate, or claim?

Yes No Don't know (a) If yes, has the water right permit, certificate, or claim been assigned, transferred, or changed?

* (b) If yes, has all or any portion of the water right not been used for five or more successive years?

Yes No Don't know *(7) Are there any defects in the operation of the water system (e.g. pipes, tank, pump, etc.)?

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B. Irrigation Water

Yes No Don't know (1) Are there any irrigation water rights for the property, such as a water right permit, certificate, or claim?

Yes No Don't know *(a) If yes, has all or any portion of the water right not been used for five or more successive years?

Yes No Don't know *(b) If so, is the certificate available? (If yes, please attach a copy.)

Yes No Don't know *(c) If so, has the water right permit, certificate, or claim been assigned, transferred, or changed?

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 Yes No Don't know *(2) Does the property receive irrigation water from a ditch company, irrigation district, or other entity? If so, please identify the entity that supplies water to the property:
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C. Outdoor Sprinkler System

Yes No Don't know (1) Is there an outdoor sprinkler system for the property?

Yes No Don't know *(2) If yes, are there any defects in the system?

Yes No Don't know *(3) If yes, is the sprinkler system connected to irrigation water?

3. SEWER/ON-SITE SEWAGE SYSTEM

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A. The property is served by:
 Public sewer system,
 On-site sewage system (including
pipes, tanks, drainfields, and all other
component parts)
 Other disposal system, please
describe:

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Yes No Don't know B. If public sewer system service is
available to the property, is the house
connected to the sewer main? If no,
please explain.

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Yes No Don't know *C. Is the property subject to any
sewage system fees or charges in
addition to those covered in your
regularly billed sewer or on-site
sewage system maintenance service?

D. If the property is connected to an
on-site sewage system:

Yes No Don't know *(1) Was a permit issued for its
construction, and was it approved
by the local health department or
district following its
construction?

(2) When was it last pumped?

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Yes No Don't know *(3) Are there any defects in the
operation of the on-site sewage
system?

Don't know (4) When was it last inspected?

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By whom:

Don't know (5) For how many bedrooms was
the on-site sewage system
approved?

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Yes No Don't know E. Are all plumbing fixtures, including laundry drain, connected to the sewer/on-site sewage system? If no, please explain:

Yes No Don't know *F. Have there been any changes or repairs to the on-site sewage system?

Yes No Don't know G. Is the on-site sewage system, including the drainfield, located entirely within the boundaries of the property? If no, please explain.
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Yes No Don't know *H. Does the on-site sewage system require monitoring and maintenance services more frequently than once a year?
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NOTICE: IF THIS RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IS BEING COMPLETED FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION WHICH HAS NEVER BEEN OCCUPIED, THE SELLER IS NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE QUESTIONS LISTED IN ITEM 4. STRUCTURAL OR ITEM 5. SYSTEMS AND FIXTURES

4. STRUCTURAL

Yes No Don't know *A. Has the roof leaked within the last five years?

Yes No Don't know *B. Has the basement flooded or leaked?

Yes No Don't know *C. Have there been any conversions, additions, or remodeling?

Yes No Don't know *(1) If yes, were all building permits obtained?

Yes No Don't know *(2) If yes, were all final inspections obtained?

Yes No Don't know D. Do you know the age of the house? If yes, year of original construction:
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Yes No Don't know *E. Has there been any settling, slippage, or sliding of the property or its improvements?

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Yes No Don't know *F. Are there any defects with the following: (If yes, please check applicable items and explain.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Foundations | <input type="checkbox"/> Decks | <input type="checkbox"/> Exterior Walls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chimneys | <input type="checkbox"/> Interior Walls | <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Alarm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Doors | <input type="checkbox"/> Windows | <input type="checkbox"/> Patio |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ceilings | <input type="checkbox"/> Slab Floors | <input type="checkbox"/> Driveways |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pools | <input type="checkbox"/> Hot Tub | <input type="checkbox"/> Sauna |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sidewalks | <input type="checkbox"/> Outbuildings | <input type="checkbox"/> Fireplaces |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Garage Floors | <input type="checkbox"/> Walkways | <input type="checkbox"/> Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input type="checkbox"/> Woodstoves | |

Yes No Don't know *G. Was a structural pest or "whole house" inspection done? If yes, when and by whom was the inspection completed?

Yes No Don't know H. During your ownership, has the property had any wood destroying organism or pest infestation?

Yes No Don't know I. Is the attic insulated?

Yes No Don't know J. Is the basement insulated?

5. SYSTEMS AND FIXTURES

*A. If any of the following systems or fixtures are included with the transfer, are there any defects? If yes, please explain.

Yes No Don't know Electrical system, including wiring, switches, outlets, and service

Yes No Don't know Plumbing system, including pipes, faucets, fixtures, and toilets

Yes No Don't know Hot water tank

Yes No Don't know Garbage disposal

Yes No Don't know Appliances

Yes No Don't know Sump pump

Yes No Don't know Heating and cooling systems

G. If a residential elevator, incline elevator, stairway chair lift, or wheelchair lift is included with the transfer:

Yes No Don't know (1) Does it have any defects? If yes, please explain.

Yes No Don't know (2) Was a permit obtained at installation?

Yes No Don't know (3) Did it pass inspection at installation?

Yes No Don't know (4) If alterations were made, did it pass inspection(s) after these alterations?

6. HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION/COMMON INTERESTS

Yes No Don't know A. Is there a Homeowners' Association? Name of Association and contact information for an officer, director, employee, or other authorized agent, if any, who may provide the association's financial statements, minutes, bylaws, fining policy, and other information that is not publicly available:
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Yes No Don't know B. Are there regular periodic assessments:
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Yes No Don't know *C. Are there any pending special assessments?

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Yes No Don't know *H. Are there transmission poles or other electrical utility equipment installed, maintained, or buried on the property that do not provide utility service to the structures on the property?

Yes No Don't know *I. Has the property been used as a legal or illegal dumping site?

Yes No Don't know *J. Has the property been used as an illegal drug manufacturing site?

Yes No Don't know *K. Are there any radio towers in the area that cause interference with cellular telephone reception?

8. MANUFACTURED AND MOBILE HOMES

If the property includes a manufactured or mobile home,

Yes No Don't know *A. Did you make any alterations to the home? If yes, please describe the alterations:

Yes No Don't know *B. Did any previous owner make any alterations to the home?

Yes No Don't know *C. If alterations were made, were permits or variances for these alterations obtained?

9. FULL DISCLOSURE BY SELLERS

A. Other conditions or defects:

Yes No Don't know *Are there any other existing material defects affecting the property that a prospective buyer should know about?

B. Verification:

The foregoing answers and attached explanations (if any) are complete and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and I/we have received a copy hereof. I/we authorize all of my/our real estate licensees, if any, to deliver a copy of this disclosure statement to other real estate licensees and all prospective buyers of the property.

DATE SELLER SELLER

NOTICE TO THE BUYER

INFORMATION REGARDING REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. THIS NOTICE IS INTENDED ONLY TO INFORM YOU OF WHERE TO OBTAIN THIS INFORMATION AND IS NOT AN INDICATION OF THE PRESENCE OF REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS.

II. BUYER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

- A. Buyer hereby acknowledges that: Buyer has a duty to pay diligent attention to any material defects that are known to Buyer or can be known to Buyer by utilizing diligent attention and observation.
- B. The disclosures set forth in this statement and in any amendments to this statement are made only by the Seller and not by any real estate licensee or other party.
- C. Buyer acknowledges that, pursuant to RCW 64.06.050(2), real estate licensees are not liable for inaccurate information provided by Seller, except to the extent that real estate licensees know of such inaccurate information.
- D. This information is for disclosure only and is not intended to be a part of the written agreement between the Buyer and Seller.
- E. Buyer (which term includes all persons signing the "Buyer's acceptance" portion of this disclosure statement below) has received a copy of this Disclosure Statement (including attachments, if any) bearing Seller's signature.

DISCLOSURES CONTAINED IN THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT ARE PROVIDED BY SELLER BASED ON SELLER'S ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE PROPERTY AT THE TIME

1 SELLER COMPLETES THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT. UNLESS BUYER AND SELLER
2 OTHERWISE AGREE IN WRITING, BUYER SHALL HAVE THREE BUSINESS DAYS FROM
3 THE DAY SELLER OR SELLER'S AGENT DELIVERS THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
4 TO RESCIND THE AGREEMENT BY DELIVERING A SEPARATELY SIGNED WRITTEN
5 STATEMENT OF RESCISSION TO SELLER OR SELLER'S AGENT. YOU MAY WAIVE
6 THE RIGHT TO RESCIND PRIOR TO OR AFTER THE TIME YOU ENTER INTO A SALE
7 AGREEMENT.

8 BUYER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF A COPY OF THIS DISCLOSURE
9 STATEMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE DISCLOSURES MADE HEREIN ARE THOSE
10 OF THE SELLER ONLY, AND NOT OF ANY REAL ESTATE LICENSEE OR OTHER
11 PARTY.

12 DATE BUYER BUYER.

13 (2) If the disclosure statement is being completed for new
14 construction which has never been occupied, the disclosure statement
15 is not required to contain and the seller is not required to complete
16 the questions listed in item 4. Structural or item 5. Systems and
17 Fixtures.

18 (3) The seller disclosure statement shall be for disclosure only,
19 and shall not be considered part of any written agreement between the
20 buyer and seller of residential property. The seller disclosure
21 statement shall be only a disclosure made by the seller, and not any
22 real estate licensee involved in the transaction, and shall not be
23 construed as a warranty of any kind by the seller or any real estate
24 licensee involved in the transaction.

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