

**RCW 59.18.400 Forcible entry or detainer or unlawful detainer actions—Writ of restitution—Answer of defendant.** On or before the day fixed for his appearance the defendant may appear and answer. The defendant in his answer may assert any legal or equitable defense or set-off arising out of the tenancy. If the complaint alleges that the tenancy should be terminated because the defendant tenant, subtenant, sublessee, or resident engaged in drug-related activity, or allowed any other person to engage in drug-related activity at the rental premises with his or her knowledge or consent, no set-off shall be allowed as a defense to the complaint. [1988 c 150 § 4; 1973 1st ex.s. c 207 § 41.]

**Legislative findings—Severability—1988 c 150:** See notes following RCW 59.18.130.