

INITIATIVE 958

I, Sam Reed, Secretary of State of the State of Washington and custodian of its seal, hereby certify that, according to the records on file in my office, the attached copy of Initiative Measure No. 958 to the People is a true and correct copy as it was received by this office.

1 AN ACT Relating to safety; and adding a new section to chapter
2 70.01 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.01
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 For the safety of human life and the protection of property,
7 Washington state property owners have a right to protect themselves
8 and their property from the hazards of wind and fire caused by trees
9 and vegetation on their property. Property owners have the right to
10 cut down trees or trim brush on their property without being
11 encumbered or regulated by fees, licenses, permits or fines from any
12 state, county, city, or other governmental entity. These safety
13 protection rights are limited to trees and vegetation located within
14 an individual property owner's property lines, and limited to a
15 distance of one hundred feet from the property owner's home, other
16 buildings on the property, planned building sites, or utility lines
17 located over or under the property.

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