

**HB 1738-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Protects the fairness of elections for the supreme court.

Ensures that our highest courts continue to be unbiased and insulated from special interests.

Introduces a voluntary pilot project to provide an alternative source of financing candidates for the Washington supreme court who demonstrate public support and voluntarily accept strict fundraising and spending limits.

Establishes a three-dollar judicial integrity surcharge.

Creates the judicial election reform act fund.

Prohibits the public disclosure commission from offering the public financing program until one million dollars is in the judicial election reform act fund.

Prescribes penalties.