FINAL BILL REPORT HB 2106

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning primaries for county offices.

Sponsors: Representatives Hawkins, Bergquist, Condotta, Fitzgibbon, Manweller, Pollet, S. Hunt, Wylie, Haler and Appleton.

House Committee on Government Operations & Elections Senate Committee on Governmental Operations

Background:

In Washington's qualifying primary, generally the names of all candidates that file for office will appear on the primary ballot. If no more than two candidates have filed for a nonpartisan office, no primary is held. A primary must be held for all partisan offices, regardless of the number of candidates who file for a single office.

Summary:

If there is an unexpired term for a single partisan county office, and only one candidate has filed for the position in the primary as of the last day allowed for candidates to withdraw, no primary may be held.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 86 10 Senate 48 1 Effective: June 12, 2014

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