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1 AN ACT Relating to a primary voters' pamphlet; amending RCW
2 29.80.040 and 29.80.060; adding new sections to chapter 29.80 RCW; and
3 repealing RCW 29.80.050 and 29.80.080.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 29.80 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 As soon as possible before each state primary at which nominees for
8 federal or state offices are to be elected, the secretary of state
9 shall publish and mail to each individual place of residence of the
10 state a candidates' pamphlet containing photographs and campaign
11 statements of candidates who desire to be included in the pamphlet,
12 together with a campaign mailing address and telephone number submitted
13 by the candidate at the candidate's option. In odd-numbered years the
14 secretary of state shall not publish a candidates' pamphlet unless a
15 special election is to be held to fill a vacancy in a federal or state
16 office.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 29.80 RCW
18 to read as follows:

1 At a time prescribed by the secretary of state, each candidate for
2 nomination for a federal or state office may file with the secretary of
3 state a written statement and photograph in accordance with RCW
4 29.80.020.

5 **Sec. 3.** RCW 29.80.040 and 1984 c 54 s 3 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 The nominees' statements, photographs, and the addresses and
8 telephone numbers submitted by them as set forth in RCW 29.80.010
9 (~~and~~), 29.80.020, or section 2 of this act shall be published by the
10 secretary of state as a candidates' pamphlet, the printing of which
11 shall be completed as soon as possible before the state primary or
12 general election concerned. The overall dimensions of the pamphlet
13 shall be determined by the secretary of state as those which in the
14 secretary's judgment best serve the voters, and whenever possible the
15 candidates' pamphlet shall be combined with the voters' pamphlet as a
16 single publication.

17 **Sec. 4.** RCW 29.80.060 and 1965 c 9 s 29.80.060 are each amended to
18 read as follows:

19 Whenever practical, the secretary of state shall cause the
20 pamphlets to be printed so that no candidate's picture or statement
21 shall be included in the copy of the pamphlet going to any county where
22 such candidate is not to be voted for.

23 The (~~candidates' photographs and statements~~) offices shall appear
24 in the pamphlet in the same sequence as (~~the positions sought~~) those
25 offices appear on the state primary or general election ballot.

26 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** The following acts or parts of acts are each
27 repealed:

28 (1) RCW 29.80.050 and 1971 ex.s. c 145 s 3 & 1965 c 9 s 29.80.050;
29 and

30 (2) RCW 29.80.080 and 1981 c 243 s 1.

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