SENATE BILL 6244

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1 AN ACT Relating to election costs; and amending RCW 29.13.047.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29.13.047 and 1985 c 45 s 2 are each amended to read 4 as follows:

5 (1) Whenever state officers or measures are voted upon at a state 6 primary or general election held ((in an odd-numbered year)) under RCW 7 29.13.010, the state of Washington shall assume a prorated share of the 8 costs of that state primary or general election.

9 (2) Whenever a primary or vacancy election is held to fill a 10 vacancy in the position of United States senator or United States 11 representative under chapter 29.68 RCW, the state of Washington shall 12 assume a prorated share of the costs of that primary or vacancy 13 election.

(3) The county auditor shall apportion the state's share of these
expenses when prorating election costs under RCW 29.13.045 and shall
file such expense claims with the secretary of state.

17 (4) The secretary of state shall include in his or her biennial18 budget requests sufficient funds to carry out this section.

- 1 Reimbursements for election costs shall be from appropriations
- 2 specifically provided by law for that purpose.

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