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- 5 On page 1, line 13, after "election" insert : PROVIDED FURTHER,
- 6 That nothing contained in this section shall prohibit a school district
- 7 from preparing information in a good faith attempt to comply with this
- 8 section and without actual malice"
- 9 On page 1, after line 13, insert the following:
- 10 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 42.17 RCW
- 11 to read as follows:
- 12 All information used for school district elections shall be
- 13 complete and accurate: PROVIDED, That nothing shall prevent
- 14 information being used if it is prepared in a good faith attempt to
- 15 comply with this section and without actual malice."
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- On page 1, on line 1 of the title, after "maintenance" strike "and"
- 20 and after "RCW 28A.320.090", insert "; and adding a new section to
- 21 chapter 42.17 RCW"

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EFFECT OF AMENDMENTS to SB 5789: Places the duty on the school district to prepare information in good faith and without actual malice. (The actual malice standard is the same standard used to prohibit false- advertising in political campaigns.)

Requires all information from any source in a school district elections to be complete and accurate as long as it is prepared in a good faith attempt to comply with the requirements and without actual malice.