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## HOUSE BILL 1040

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the order of candidates on ballots; amending RCW
- 2 29.30.025; and repealing RCW 29.30.040.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29.30.025 and 1990 c 59 s 80 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 After the close of business on the last day for candidates to file
- 7 for office, the filing officer shall, from among those filings made in
- 8 person and by mail, determine by lot the order in which the names of
- 9 those candidates will appear on all primary, sample, and absentee
- 10 ballots. ((In the case of candidates for city, town, and district
- 11 office, this procedure shall also determine the order for candidate
- 12 names on the official primary ballot used at the polling place.)) The
- 13 determination shall be done publicly and may be witnessed by the media
- 14 and by any candidate. If no primary is required for any nonpartisan
- 15 office under RCW 29.15.150 or 29.21.015, the names shall appear on the
- 16 general election ballot in the order determined by lot.

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** RCW 29.30.040 and 1990 c 59 s 94, 1977 ex.s.
- 2 c 361 s 54, & 1965 c 9 s 29.30.040 are each repealed.

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