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1 AN ACT Relating to ballots; and adding a new section to chapter
2 29.30 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 29.30 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 The secretary of state shall adopt rules providing for the
7 preparation of voting instructions and ballots, including absentee
8 ballots and mail ballots, in braille and for the distribution of these
9 instructions and ballots at the request of the voter. The rules may
10 provide for pilot projects to test the use of instructions and ballots
11 in braille before the preparation of those materials in braille becomes
12 mandatory.

13 Voter registration cards and applications for an absentee ballot or
14 ongoing absentee status must include space where an applicant may
15 request that voting instructions and ballots provided to the voter be
16 in braille.

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