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3 By Senator Morton

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5 On page 3, after line 23, insert the following:

6 "Sec. 6. RCW 29.62.090 and 1990 c 262 s 1 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 (1) Immediately after the official results of a state primary or
9 general election in a county are ascertained, the county auditor or
10 other election officer shall make an abstract of the number of
11 registered voters in each precinct and of all the votes cast in the
12 county at such state primary or general election for and against state
13 measures and for each candidate for federal, state, and legislative
14 office or for any other office which the secretary of state is required
15 by law to canvass. The abstract shall be entered on blanks furnished
16 by the secretary of state or on compatible computer printouts approved
17 by the secretary of state, and transmitted to the secretary of state no
18 later than the next business day following the certification by the
19 county canvassing board.

20 (2) After each general election (~~in an even numbered year~~), the
21 county auditor or other election officer shall provide to the secretary
22 of state a report of the number of absentee ballots cast in each
23 precinct for and against state measures and for each candidate for
24 federal, state, and legislative office or for any other office which
25 the secretary of state is required by law to canvass. The report may
26 be included in the abstract required by this section or may be
27 transmitted to the secretary of state separately, but in no event later
28 than March 31 of the year following the election. Absentee ballot
29 results may be incorporated into votes cast at the polls for each
30 precinct or may be reported separately on a precinct-by-precinct basis.

31 (3) If absentee ballot results are not incorporated into votes cast
32 at the polls, the county auditor or other election official may
33 aggregate results from more than one precinct if the auditor, pursuant
34 to rules adopted by the secretary of state, finds that reporting a
35 single precinct's absentee ballot results would jeopardize the secrecy

1 of a person's ballot. To the extent practicable, precincts for which
2 absentee results are aggregated shall be contiguous."

3 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal
4 references accordingly.

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7 On page 1, on line 1 of the title, after "RCW 29.62.020", insert
8 "and 29.62.090"

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EFFECT: Requires county auditors to report absentee ballot results
for each precinct after every general election.