

2 SB 6183 - S AMD 397

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
6 following:

7 "Sec. 1. RCW 29.30.085 and 1992 c 181 s 2 are each amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 (1) Except as provided in RCW 29.30.086 and in subsection (2) of  
10 this section, on the ballot at the general election for ((a  
11 ~~nonpartisan~~)) an office for which a primary was held, only the names of  
12 the candidate who received the greatest number of votes and the  
13 candidate who received the next greatest number of votes for that  
14 office shall appear under the title of that office, and the names shall  
15 appear in that order. If a primary was conducted, no candidate's name  
16 may be printed on the subsequent general election ballot unless he or  
17 she receives at least one percent of the total votes cast for that  
18 office at the preceding primary. On the ballot at the general election  
19 for ((~~any other nonpartisan~~)) an office for which no primary was held,  
20 the names of the candidates shall be listed in the order determined  
21 under RCW 29.30.025.

22 (2) On the ballot at the general election for the office of justice  
23 of the supreme court, judge of the court of appeals, judge of the  
24 superior court, or state superintendent of public instruction, if a  
25 candidate in a contested primary receives a majority of all the votes  
26 cast for that office or position, only the name of that candidate may  
27 be printed under the title of the office for that position.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 29.07 RCW  
29 to read as follows:

30 Under no circumstances may an individual be required to affiliate  
31 with, join, adhere to, express faith in, or declare a preference for,  
32 a political party or organization upon registering to vote.

33 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 29.18 RCW  
34 to read as follows:

1 (1) A primary is a critical stage in the public process by which  
2 voters elect candidates to public office. A primary may not be used to  
3 select the nominees of a political party.

4 (2) Whenever candidates for a partisan office are to be elected,  
5 the general election must be preceded by a primary conducted under this  
6 chapter, except as otherwise provided in law. Based upon votes cast at  
7 the primary, either one or two candidates must be certified as  
8 qualified to appear on the general election ballot, under RCW 29.27.050  
9 and 29.30.085.

10 (3) If a candidate expresses a party preference on his or her  
11 declaration of candidacy, then the preference will be listed for the  
12 candidate on the primary and general election ballots. Each candidate  
13 who does not express a preference for a political party will be listed  
14 as an independent candidate on the primary and general election  
15 ballots. Party preferences will be listed for the information of  
16 voters only, and may not be used for any purpose relating to the  
17 conduct, canvassing, or certification of the primary, and may in no way  
18 limit the options available to voters in deciding for whom to cast a  
19 vote.

20 **Sec. 4.** RCW 29.01.090 and 1977 ex.s. c 329 s 9 are each amended to  
21 read as follows:

22 "Major political party" means a political party of which at least  
23 one (~~(nominee for president, vice president, United States senator, or~~  
24 ~~a statewide office received at least five percent of the total vote~~  
25 ~~cast at the last preceding state general election in an even-numbered~~  
26 ~~year:— PROVIDED, That any political party qualifying as a major~~  
27 ~~political party under the previous subsection (2) or subsection (3) of~~  
28 ~~this section prior to its 1977 amendment shall retain such status until~~  
29 ~~after the next state general election following June 30, 1977))~~  
30 candidate for an office voted upon statewide who expressed a preference  
31 for that party on his or her declaration of candidacy received at least  
32 five percent of the total vote cast at the last preceding primary  
33 election or general election occurring in a year in which the governor  
34 is elected.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 29.01 RCW  
36 to read as follows:

37 "Partisan office" means the following offices:

- 1 (1) United States senator and United States representative;  
2 (2) All state offices except (a) judicial offices and (b) the  
3 office of superintendent of public instruction;  
4 (3) All county offices except (a) judicial offices and (b) those  
5 offices where a county home rule charter provides otherwise.

6 **Sec. 6.** RCW 29.01.130 and 1965 c 9 s 29.01.130 are each amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 "Primary" or "primary election" means a statutory procedure (~~for~~  
9 ~~nominating candidates to public office at the polls~~) held before a  
10 general election by which each voter is permitted to cast a vote for  
11 his or her preferred candidate for each office appearing on the ballot,  
12 without any limitation based on party preference or affiliation, of  
13 either the voter or the candidate, with the result of qualifying not  
14 more than two candidates for each office to appear on the general  
15 election ballot.

16 **Sec. 7.** RCW 29.04.180 and 1999 c 157 s 1 are each amended to read  
17 as follows:

18 (1) Any person who desires to be a write-in candidate and have such  
19 votes counted at a primary or election may(~~(, if the jurisdiction of~~  
20 ~~the office sought is entirely within one county,)~~) file a declaration  
21 of candidacy (~~with the county auditor not later than the day before~~  
22 ~~the primary or election. If the jurisdiction of the office sought~~  
23 ~~encompasses more than one county the declaration of candidacy shall be~~  
24 ~~filed~~) similar to the form in RCW 29.15.010 with the (~~secretary of~~  
25 ~~state~~) same officer as provided in RCW 29.15.030 not later than the  
26 day before the primary or election. Declarations of candidacy for  
27 write-in candidates must be accompanied by a filing fee in the same  
28 manner as required of other candidates filing for the office as  
29 provided in RCW 29.15.050.

30 (2) Votes cast for write-in candidates who have filed such  
31 declarations of candidacy (~~(and write-in votes for persons appointed by~~  
32 ~~political parties pursuant to RCW 29.18.160)~~) need only specify the  
33 name of the candidate in the appropriate location on the ballot in  
34 order to be counted. Write-in votes cast for any other candidate, in  
35 order to be counted, must designate the office sought and position  
36 number (~~(or political party)~~), if applicable. In order for write-in  
37 votes to be valid in jurisdictions employing optical-scan mark sense

1 ballot systems the voter must complete the proper mark next to the  
2 write-in line for that office.

3 (3) No person may file as a write-in candidate where:

4 ~~((1))~~ (a) At a general election, the person attempting to file  
5 either filed as a write-in candidate for the same office at the  
6 preceding primary or the person's name appeared on the ballot for the  
7 same office at the preceding primary;

8 ~~((2))~~ (b) The person attempting to file as a write-in candidate  
9 has already filed a valid write-in declaration for that primary or  
10 election, unless one or the other of the two filings is for the office  
11 of precinct committeeperson;

12 ~~((3))~~ (c) The name of the person attempting to file already  
13 appears on the ballot as a candidate for another office, unless one of  
14 the two offices for which he or she is a candidate is precinct  
15 committeeperson.

16 (4) The declaration of candidacy shall be similar to that required  
17 by RCW 29.15.010. No write-in candidate filing under RCW 29.04.180 may  
18 be included in any voter's pamphlet produced under chapter ~~((29-80))~~  
19 29.81 RCW unless that candidate qualifies to have his or her name  
20 printed on the general election ballot. The legislative authority of  
21 any jurisdiction producing a local voter's pamphlet under chapter  
22 29.81A RCW may provide, by ordinance, for the inclusion of write-in  
23 candidates in such pamphlets.

24 **Sec. 8.** RCW 29.04.190 and 1988 c 181 s 2 are each amended to read  
25 as follows:

26 The secretary of state or county auditor who received a write-in  
27 declaration for a district encompassing more than one county shall  
28 notify each county auditor of any declarations filed with the secretary  
29 under RCW 29.04.180 for offices appearing on the ballot in that county.  
30 The county auditor shall ensure that those persons charged with  
31 counting the ballots for a primary or election are notified of all  
32 valid write-in candidates before the tabulation of those ballots.

33 **Sec. 9.** RCW 29.13.070 and 1977 ex.s. c 361 s 29 are each amended  
34 to read as follows:

35 ~~((Nominating))~~ Primaries for general elections to be held in  
36 November shall be held at the regular polling places in each precinct  
37 on the third Tuesday of the preceding September or on the seventh

1 Tuesday immediately preceding such general election, whichever occurs  
2 first.

3 **Sec. 10.** RCW 29.15.010 and 1990 c 59 s 82 are each amended to read  
4 as follows:

5 A ~~((candidate))~~ person who desires to have his or her name printed  
6 on the ballot as a candidate for ~~((election to))~~ an office where  
7 ownership of property is not a prerequisite to vote, other than  
8 president of the United States~~((,))~~ or vice president of the United  
9 States, ~~((or an office for which ownership of property is a~~  
10 ~~prerequisite to voting))~~ shall complete and file a declaration and  
11 affidavit of candidacy for the office. The secretary of state shall  
12 adopt, by rule, a ~~((declaration of candidacy))~~ separate form for  
13 candidates for the office of precinct committee officer and a  
14 ~~((separate))~~ standard form for candidates for all other offices filing  
15 under this chapter. Included on the standard form ~~((shall))~~ must be:

16 (1) A place for the candidate to declare that he or she is a  
17 registered voter within the jurisdiction of the office for which he or  
18 she is filing, and the address at which he or she is registered;

19 (2) A place for the candidate to indicate the position for which he  
20 or she is filing;

21 (3) For partisan offices only, a place for the candidate to  
22 indicate ~~((a party designation, if applicable))~~ which major or minor  
23 political party, if any, or independent status, the candidate regards  
24 as best approximating his or her personal preference. A candidate may  
25 only list one party preference or may list independent;

26 (4) A place for the candidate to indicate the amount of the filing  
27 fee accompanying the declaration and affidavit of candidacy or for the  
28 candidate to indicate that he or she is filing a ~~((nominating))~~  
29 petition of candidacy in lieu of the filing fee under RCW 29.15.050;

30 (5) A place for the candidate to sign the declaration and affidavit  
31 of candidacy, stating that the information provided on the form is true  
32 and swearing or affirming that he or she will support the Constitution  
33 and laws of the United States and the Constitution and laws of the  
34 state of Washington~~((,~~

35 ~~The secretary of state may require))~~; and

36 (6) Any other information ~~((on the form he or she))~~ that the  
37 secretary of state deems appropriate to facilitate the filing process.

1       **Sec. 11.** RCW 29.15.025 and 1999 c 298 s 9 are each amended to read  
2 as follows:

3       (1) A person filing a declaration and affidavit of candidacy for an  
4 office shall, at the time of filing, be a registered voter and possess  
5 the qualifications specified by law for persons who may be elected to  
6 the office.

7       (2) The name of a candidate for an office shall not appear on a  
8 ballot for that office unless, except as provided in RCW 3.46.067 and  
9 3.50.057, the candidate is, at the time the candidate's declaration and  
10 affidavit of candidacy is filed, properly registered to vote in the  
11 geographic area represented by the office. For the purposes of this  
12 section, each geographic area in which registered voters may cast  
13 ballots for an office is represented by that office. If a person  
14 elected to an office must be (~~nominated~~) qualified from a district or  
15 similar division of the geographic area represented by the office, the  
16 name of a candidate for the office shall not appear on a primary ballot  
17 for that office unless the candidate is, at the time the candidate's  
18 declaration and affidavit of candidacy is filed, properly registered to  
19 vote in that district or division. The officer with whom declarations  
20 and affidavits of candidacy must be filed under this title shall review  
21 each such declaration filed regarding compliance with this subsection.

22       (3) This section does not apply to the office of a member of the  
23 United States congress.

24       **Sec. 12.** RCW 29.15.040 and 1987 c 110 s 2 are each amended to read  
25 as follows:

26       Any candidate may mail his or her declaration of candidacy for an  
27 office to the filing officer. Such declarations of candidacy shall be  
28 processed by the filing officer in the following manner:

29       (1) Any declaration received by the filing officer by mail before  
30 the tenth business day immediately preceding the first day for  
31 candidates to file for office shall be returned to the candidate  
32 submitting it, together with a notification that the declaration of  
33 candidacy was received too early to be processed. The candidate shall  
34 then be permitted to resubmit his or her declaration of candidacy  
35 during the filing period.

36       (2) Any properly executed declaration of candidacy received by mail  
37 on or after the tenth business day immediately preceding the first day  
38 for candidates to file for office and before the close of business on

1 the last day of the filing period shall be included with filings made  
2 in person during the filing period. In primaries for partisan offices  
3 and judicial (~~(elections)~~) offices the filing officer shall determine  
4 by lot the order in which the names of those candidates shall appear  
5 upon sample and absentee primary ballots.

6 (3) Any declaration of candidacy received by the filing officer  
7 after the close of business on the last day for candidates to file for  
8 office shall be rejected and returned to the candidate attempting to  
9 file it.

10 **Sec. 13.** RCW 29.15.050 and 1999 c 298 s 10 are each amended to  
11 read as follows:

12 (1) A filing fee of one dollar shall accompany each declaration of  
13 candidacy for precinct committee officer; a filing fee of ten dollars  
14 shall accompany the declaration of candidacy for any office with a  
15 fixed annual salary of one thousand dollars or less; a filing fee equal  
16 to one percent of the annual salary of the office at the time of filing  
17 shall accompany the declaration of candidacy for any office with a  
18 fixed annual salary of more than one thousand dollars per annum. No  
19 filing fee need accompany a declaration of candidacy for any office for  
20 which compensation is on a per diem or per meeting attended basis.

21 (2) A candidate who lacks sufficient assets or income at the time  
22 of filing to pay the filing fee required by this section shall submit  
23 a petition of candidacy with his or her declaration of candidacy (~~(a~~  
24 ~~nominating petition)~~). The petition shall contain not less than a  
25 number of signatures of registered voters equal to the number of  
26 dollars of the filing fee. The signatures shall be of voters  
27 registered to vote within the jurisdiction of the office for which the  
28 candidate is filing.

29 (3) When the candidacy is for:

30 (~~(1)~~) (a) A legislative or judicial office that includes  
31 territory from more than one county, the fee shall be paid to the  
32 secretary of state for equal division between the treasuries of the  
33 counties comprising the district.

34 (~~(2)~~) (b) A city or town office, the fee shall be paid to the  
35 county auditor who shall transmit it to the city or town clerk for  
36 deposit in the city or town treasury.

1           **Sec. 14.** RCW 29.15.060 and 1984 c 142 s 5 are each amended to read  
2 as follows:

3           The (~~nominating~~) petition of candidacy authorized by RCW  
4 29.15.050 shall be printed on sheets of uniform color and size, shall  
5 contain no more than twenty numbered lines, and shall be in  
6 substantially the following form:

7                               "WARNING

8           Any person who signs this petition with any other than his or  
9 her true name, or who knowingly (1) signs more than one  
10 petition for any single candidate, (2) signs the petition when  
11 he or she is not a legal voter, or (3) makes any false  
12 statement may be subject to fine, or imprisonment, or both.

13           We, the undersigned registered voters of (~~the state of~~  
14 ~~Washington or the political subdivision for which the petition of~~  
15 ~~candidacy is made~~) the state of Washington, hereby petition that  
16 the name of    (candidate's name)    be printed on the official primary  
17 ballot for the office of    (insert name of office)   .

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28	†	†	†	†	†	†
29	2" †	" †	" †	" †	" †	" †
30	†	†	†	†	†	†
32	†	†	†	†	†	†
33	3" †	" †	" †	" †	" †	" †
34	†	†	†	†	†	†
	etc."					

36           **Sec. 15.** RCW 29.15.070 and 1984 c 142 s 6 are each amended to read  
37 as follows:

38           (~~Nominating~~) (1) Petitions of candidacy may be rejected for the  
39 following reasons:

- 40           (~~(1)~~) (a) The petition is not in the proper form;  
41           (~~(2)~~) (b) The petition clearly bears insufficient signatures;  
42           (~~(3)~~) (c) The petition is not accompanied by a declaration of  
43 candidacy;



1       (~~(4)~~) (d) The time within which the petition and the declaration  
2 of candidacy could have been filed has expired.

3       (2) If the petition is accepted, the officer with whom it is filed  
4 shall canvass the signatures contained on it and shall reject the  
5 signatures of those persons who are not registered voters (~~and the~~  
6 ~~signatures of those persons who are not registered to vote~~) within the  
7 jurisdiction of the office for which the (~~nominating~~) petition of  
8 candidacy is filed. He or she shall additionally reject any signature  
9 that appears on the (~~nominating~~) petitions of candidacy of two or  
10 more candidates for the same office (~~and shall also reject, each time~~  
11 ~~it appears, the name of any person who signs the same petition more~~  
12 ~~than once~~). If the filing officer finds that the same voter has  
13 signed the same petition more than once, he or she shall reject all but  
14 the first valid signature.

15       (3) If the officer with whom the petition is filed refuses to  
16 accept the petition or refuses to certify the petition as bearing  
17 sufficient valid signatures, the person filing the petition may appeal  
18 that action to the superior court. The application for judicial review  
19 shall take precedence over other cases and matters and shall be  
20 speedily heard and determined.

21       **Sec. 16.** RCW 29.15.080 and 1984 c 142 s 8 are each amended to read  
22 as follows:

23       The following apply to persons signing (~~nominating~~) petitions of  
24 candidacy prescribed by RCW 29.15.060:

25       (1) A person who signs a petition with any other than his or her  
26 name (~~shall be~~) is guilty of a misdemeanor.

27       (2) A person (~~shall be~~) is guilty of a misdemeanor if the person  
28 knowingly: Signs more than one petition for any single candidacy of  
29 any single candidate; signs the petition when he or she is not a legal  
30 voter; or makes a false statement as to his or her residence.

31       **Sec. 17.** RCW 29.15.150 and 1973 c 4 s 3 are each amended to read  
32 as follows:

33       Whenever it shall be necessary to hold a special election in an  
34 odd-numbered year to fill an unexpired term of any office which is  
35 scheduled to be voted upon for a full term in an even-numbered year, no  
36 (~~September~~) primary election shall be held in the odd-numbered year

1 if, after the last day allowed for candidates to withdraw, (~~either of~~  
2 ~~the following circumstances exist:~~

3 ~~(1) No more than one candidate of each qualified political party~~  
4 ~~has filed a declaration of candidacy for the same partisan office to be~~  
5 ~~filled; or~~

6 ~~(2))~~ no more than two candidates have filed a declaration of  
7 candidacy for a single (~~nonpartisan~~) office to be filled.

8 In (~~either~~) this event, the officer with whom the declarations of  
9 candidacy were filed shall immediately notify all candidates concerned  
10 and the names of the candidates that would have been printed upon the  
11 (~~September~~) primary ballot, but for the provisions of this section,  
12 shall be printed as (~~nominees~~) candidates for the positions sought  
13 upon the (~~November~~) general election ballot.

14 **Sec. 18.** RCW 29.15.160 and 1975-'76 2nd ex.s. c 120 s 9 are each  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 A void in candidacy for (~~a nonpartisan~~) an office occurs when an  
17 election for such office, except for the short term, has been scheduled  
18 and no valid declaration of candidacy has been filed for the position  
19 or all persons filing such valid declarations of candidacy have died or  
20 been disqualified.

21 **Sec. 19.** RCW 29.15.170 and 2001 c 46 s 1 are each amended to read  
22 as follows:

23 Filings for (~~a nonpartisan~~) an office shall be reopened for a  
24 period of three normal business days, such three day period to be fixed  
25 by the election officer with whom such declarations of candidacy are  
26 filed and notice thereof given by notifying press, radio, and  
27 television in the county or counties involved, and by such other means  
28 as may now or hereafter be provided by law whenever before the sixth  
29 Tuesday prior to a primary:

30 (1) A void in candidacy occurs;

31 (2) A vacancy occurs in (~~any nonpartisan~~) an office leaving an  
32 unexpired term to be filled by an election for which filings have not  
33 been held; or

34 (3) A (~~nominee~~) candidate for judge of the superior court  
35 entitled to a certificate of election pursuant to Article 4, section  
36 29, Amendment 41 of the state Constitution, dies or is disqualified.

1 Candidacies validly filed within said three-day period shall appear  
2 on the ballot as if made during the earlier filing period.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 20.** A new section is added to chapter 29.15 RCW  
4 to read as follows:

5 If the death or disqualification of a candidate for a partisan or  
6 nonpartisan office does not give rise to the opening of a new filing  
7 period under RCW 29.15.170 and if no appointment is made under RCW  
8 29.18.160, then the following will occur:

9 (1) If the candidate dies or becomes disqualified after filing a  
10 declaration of candidacy but before the close of the filing period,  
11 then the declaration of candidacy is void and his or her name will not  
12 appear on the ballot.

13 (2)(a) If the candidate dies or becomes disqualified after the  
14 close of the filing period but before the day of the primary, then his  
15 or her name will appear on the primary ballot and all otherwise valid  
16 votes for that candidate will be tabulated. The candidate's name will  
17 not appear on the general election ballot even if he or she otherwise  
18 would have qualified to do so, but no other candidate will advance or  
19 be substituted in place of that candidate.

20 (b) If the candidate was the only candidate to qualify to advance  
21 to the general election, then the general election for that office  
22 lapses, and the office will be regarded as vacant as of the time the  
23 newly elected official would have otherwise taken office.

24 (3) If the candidate dies or becomes disqualified on or after the  
25 day of the primary, and he or she would have otherwise qualified to  
26 appear on the general election ballot, then his or her name will appear  
27 on the general election ballot and all otherwise valid votes for that  
28 candidate will be tabulated. If the candidate received a number of  
29 votes sufficient to be elected to office, but for his or her death or  
30 disqualification, then the office will be regarded as vacant as of the  
31 time the newly elected official would have otherwise taken office.

32 **Sec. 21.** RCW 29.15.190 and 1975-'76 2nd ex.s. c 120 s 12 are each  
33 amended to read as follows:

34 A scheduled election (~~(shall be lapsed)~~) lapses, the office is  
35 deemed stricken from the ballot, no purported write-in votes may be  
36 counted, and no candidate may be certified as elected, when:

1 (1) In an election for judge of the supreme court ~~((or))~~,  
2 superintendent of public instruction, or a partisan office, a void in  
3 candidacy occurs on or after the fourth Tuesday prior to a primary,  
4 public filings and the primary being an indispensable phase of the  
5 election process for such offices;

6 (2) Except as otherwise specified in RCW 29.15.180, ~~((as now or  
7 hereafter amended, a nominee))~~ a candidate for judge of the superior  
8 court entitled to a certificate of election pursuant to Article 4,  
9 section 29, Amendment 41 of the state Constitution dies or is  
10 disqualified on or after the fourth Tuesday prior to a primary;

11 (3) In other elections for nonpartisan office a void in candidacy  
12 occurs or a vacancy occurs involving an unexpired term to be filled on  
13 or after the fourth Tuesday prior to an election.

14 **Sec. 22.** RCW 29.15.210 and 1972 ex.s. c 61 s 5 are each amended to  
15 read as follows:

16 The election officer with whom declarations of candidacy are filed  
17 shall give notice of a void in candidacy for ~~((a nonpartisan))~~ an  
18 office~~((r))~~ by notifying press, radio, and television in the county or  
19 counties involved and by such other means as may now or hereafter be  
20 provided by law. The notice shall state the office, and the time and  
21 place for filing declarations of candidacy.

22 **Sec. 23.** RCW 29.15.220 and 1972 ex.s. c 61 s 6 are each amended to  
23 read as follows:

24 Filings to fill a void in candidacy for ~~((nonpartisan))~~ an office  
25 shall be made in the same manner and with the same official as required  
26 during the regular filing period for such office~~((:—PROVIDED, That  
27 nominating signature))~~. Petitions ~~((which may be))~~ of candidacy that  
28 are required of candidates filing ~~((for certain district offices))~~  
29 during the normal filing period shall not be required of candidates  
30 filing during the special three day filing period.

31 **Sec. 24.** RCW 29.18.010 and 1990 c 59 s 78 are each amended to read  
32 as follows:

33 Candidates for ~~((the following offices shall be nominated at))~~  
34 partisan offices will appear on the ballot at primaries held ~~((pursuant  
35 to the provisions of))~~ under this chapter~~((:~~

36 ~~((1) Congressional offices;~~

1       ~~(2) All state offices except (a) judicial offices and (b) the~~  
2 ~~office of superintendent of public instruction;~~

3       ~~(3) All county offices except (a) judicial offices and (b) those~~  
4 ~~offices where a county home rule charter provides otherwise)).~~

5       **Sec. 25.** RCW 29.18.160 and 2001 c 46 s 4 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7       A vacancy caused by the death or disqualification of any candidate  
8 ~~((or nominee of))~~ for a partisan office who is affiliated with a major  
9 or minor political party that would result in no candidate affiliated  
10 with that party being on the primary ballot for a partisan office, may  
11 be filled at any time up to and including the day ~~((prior to the~~  
12 ~~election))~~ before the primary for that position. For ~~((state))~~  
13 ~~partisan offices ((in any political subdivision voted on solely by~~  
14 ~~electors))~~ of a county or the state legislature voted on solely by  
15 voters all or part of a single county, an individual ~~((shall))~~ may be  
16 appointed to fill ~~((such))~~ a vacancy by the county central committee in  
17 the case of a major political party or by the state central committee  
18 or comparable governing body in the case of a minor political party.  
19 For other partisan offices, including federal or statewide offices, an  
20 individual ~~((shall))~~ may be appointed to fill ~~((such))~~ the vacancy by  
21 the state central committee or comparable governing body of the  
22 appropriate political party.

23       ~~((Should such))~~ If the vacancy occurs and the appointment is made  
24 no later than the sixth Tuesday ~~((prior to the state))~~ before the  
25 primary ~~((or general election))~~ concerned and the ballots have been  
26 printed, ~~((it shall be mandatory that))~~ they must be corrected by the  
27 appropriate election officers. In making ~~((such))~~ the correction, it  
28 ~~((shall))~~ is not ~~((be))~~ necessary to reprint complete ballots if any  
29 other less expensive technique can be used and the resulting correction  
30 is reasonably clear.

31       ~~((Should such))~~ If the vacancy occurs after the sixth Tuesday  
32 ~~((prior to said state))~~ before the primary ~~((or general election))~~ and  
33 time does not exist in which to correct ballots (including absentee  
34 ballots), either in total or in part, then the votes cast or recorded  
35 at the primary for the person who has died or become disqualified  
36 ~~((shall))~~ must be counted for the person who has been named to fill  
37 ~~((such))~~ the vacancy.

1           When the secretary of state is the person with whom the appointment  
2 by the major or minor political party is filed, ~~((he))~~ the secretary of  
3 state shall, in certifying candidates ~~((or nominations))~~ to the various  
4 county officers insert the name of the person appointed to fill a  
5 vacancy.

6           ~~((In the event that))~~ If the secretary of state has already sent  
7 forth ~~((his))~~ a certificate when the appointment to fill a vacancy is  
8 filed with ~~((him, he))~~ that office, the secretary of state shall  
9 forthwith certify to the county auditors of the proper counties the  
10 name and place of residence of the person appointed to fill a vacancy,  
11 the office for which ~~((he))~~ the person is a candidate ~~((or nominee))~~,  
12 the party ~~((he represents))~~ with which that person is affiliated, and  
13 all other pertinent facts pertaining to the vacancy.

14           **Sec. 26.** RCW 29.27.020 and 1990 c 59 s 8 are each amended to read  
15 as follows:

16           On or before the day following the last day allowed for ~~((political~~  
17 ~~parties to fill vacancies in the ticket as provided by RCW 29.18.150))~~  
18 candidates to withdraw under RCW 29.15.120, the secretary of state  
19 shall certify to each county auditor a list of the candidates who have  
20 filed declarations of candidacy in his or her office for the primary.  
21 For each office, the certificate shall include the name of each  
22 candidate, his or her address, and his or her party designation, if  
23 any.

24           **Sec. 27.** RCW 29.27.050 and 1990 c 59 s 9 are each amended to read  
25 as follows:

26           No later than the day following the certification of the returns of  
27 any primary, the secretary of state shall certify to the appropriate  
28 county auditors, the names of all persons ~~((nominated))~~ qualified to  
29 appear on the general election ballot as candidates for offices, the  
30 returns of which have been canvassed by the secretary of state.

31           **Sec. 28.** RCW 29.27.080 and 1999 c 4 s 1 are each amended to read  
32 as follows:

33           (1) Except as provided in RCW 29.81A.060, notice for any state,  
34 county, district, or municipal election, whether special or general,  
35 shall be given by at least one publication not more than ten nor less  
36 than three days prior to the election by the county auditor or the

1 officer conducting the election as the case may be, in one or more  
2 newspapers of general circulation within the county. ((Said)) The  
3 legal notice shall contain the title of each office under the proper  
4 party ((designation)) preference, the names and addresses of all  
5 ((officers)) candidates who have been ((nominated)) qualified to appear  
6 on the ballot for an office to be voted upon at that election, together  
7 with the ballot titles of all measures, the hours during which the  
8 polls will be open, and that the election will be held in the regular  
9 polling places in each precinct, giving the address of each polling  
10 place: PROVIDED, That the names of all candidates for nonpartisan  
11 offices shall be published separately with designation of the offices  
12 for which they are candidates but without party designation. This  
13 shall be the only notice required for a state, county, district, or  
14 municipal general or special election and shall supersede the  
15 provisions of any and all other statutes, whether general or special in  
16 nature, having different requirements for the giving of notice of any  
17 general or special elections.

18 (2) All school district elections held on February 5, 1980, at  
19 which the number and proportion of persons required by law voted to  
20 authorize bonds or tax levies, are hereby validated regardless of any  
21 failure to publish notice of such election. No action challenging the  
22 validity of any such election may be brought later than April 15, 1980,  
23 or thirty days from June 12, 1980, whichever is later. Notice of  
24 provisions of this subsection shall be published within five days after  
25 February 28, 1980, in a newspaper of general circulation within each  
26 county where a school district election was held on February 5, 1980,  
27 and where notice of such election was not published as provided in  
28 subsection (1) of this section.

29 (3) All school district elections held on May 19, 1998, at which  
30 the number and proportion of persons required by law voted to authorize  
31 bonds or tax levies, are hereby validated regardless of any failure to  
32 publish notice of such election. No action challenging the validity of  
33 any such election may be brought later than thirty days after January  
34 29, 1999. Notice of provisions of this subsection shall be published  
35 within five days after January 29, 1999, in a newspaper of general  
36 circulation within each county where a school district election was  
37 held on May 19, 1998, and where notice of such election was not  
38 published as provided in subsection (1) of this section.

1       **Sec. 29.** RCW 29.27.090 and 1965 c 9 s 29.27.090 are each amended  
2 to read as follows:

3       The secretary of state(~~(, county)~~) and the auditor of each  
4 county(~~(, and clerks of the several municipal corporations)~~) shall  
5 preserve ((all certificates of nomination)) documentation indicating  
6 which candidates have qualified to appear on a general election ballot  
7 filed in their respective offices for six months. All certificates  
8 shall be open to public inspection under proper regulations made by the  
9 officer with whom they are filed.

10       **Sec. 30.** RCW 29.30.005 and 1990 c 59 s 93 are each amended to read  
11 as follows:

12       Except for the candidates for the positions of president and vice  
13 president or for a partisan or nonpartisan office for which no primary  
14 is required, the names of all candidates who have (~~(filed for~~  
15 ~~nomination under chapter 29.18 RCW and those independent candidates and~~  
16 ~~candidates of minor political parties who have been nominated under~~  
17 ~~chapter 29.24 RCW shall)) satisfied all requirements of law will appear  
18 on the appropriate ballot at the primary throughout the jurisdiction  
19 ((in which they are to be nominated)) of the office for which they are  
20 a candidate.~~

21       **Sec. 31.** RCW 29.30.020 and 2001 c 30 s 5 are each amended to read  
22 as follows:

23       (1) The positions or offices on a primary ballot shall be arranged  
24 in substantially the following order: United States senator; United  
25 States representative; governor; lieutenant governor; secretary of  
26 state; state treasurer; state auditor; attorney general; commissioner  
27 of public lands; superintendent of public instruction; insurance  
28 commissioner; state senator; state representative; county officers;  
29 justices of the supreme court; judges of the court of appeals; judges  
30 of the superior court; and judges of the district court. For all other  
31 jurisdictions on the primary ballot, the offices in each jurisdiction  
32 shall be grouped together and be in the order of the position numbers  
33 assigned to those offices, if any.

34       (2) The order of the positions or offices on an election ballot  
35 shall be substantially the same as on a primary ballot except that the  
36 offices of president and vice-president of the United States shall  
37 precede all other offices on a presidential election ballot. State



1 ballot issues shall be placed before all offices on an election ballot.  
2 The positions on a ballot to be assigned to ballot measures regarding  
3 local units of government shall be established by the secretary of  
4 state by rule.

5 (3) The political party or independent candidacy of each candidate  
6 for partisan office shall be indicated next to the name of the  
7 candidate on the primary and election ballot. ~~((A candidate shall file  
8 a written notice with the filing officer within three business days  
9 after the close of the filing period designating the political party to  
10 be indicated next to the candidate's name on the ballot if either: (a)  
11 The candidate has been nominated by two or more minor political parties  
12 or independent conventions; or (b) the candidate has both filed a  
13 declaration of candidacy declaring an affiliation with a major  
14 political party and been nominated by a minor political party or  
15 independent convention. If no written notice is filed the filing  
16 officer shall give effect to the party designation shown upon the first  
17 document filed. A candidate may be deemed nominated by a minor party  
18 or independent convention only if all documentation required by chapter  
19 29.24 RCW has been timely filed.))~~

20 **Sec. 32.** RCW 29.30.101 and 1999 c 298 s 11 are each amended to  
21 read as follows:

22 The names of the persons certified ~~((as nominees))~~ by the secretary  
23 of state or the county canvassing board as having qualified to appear  
24 on the general election ballot shall be printed on the ballot at the  
25 ensuing election.

26 No name of any candidate ~~((whose nomination at a primary is  
27 required by law shall))~~ for an office for which a primary is conducted  
28 may be placed upon the ballot at a general or special election unless  
29 it appears upon the certificate of either (1) the secretary of state,  
30 or (2) the county canvassing board, or (3) ~~((a minor party convention  
31 or))~~ the state or county central committee of a major political party  
32 to fill a vacancy on its ticket under RCW 29.18.160.

33 Excluding the office of precinct committee officer or a temporary  
34 elected position such as a charter review board member or freeholder,  
35 a candidate's name shall not appear more than once upon a ballot for a  
36 position regularly ~~((nominated))~~ qualified or elected at the same  
37 election.

1       **Sec. 33.** 2001 c ... (SB 5275) s 17 is amended to read as follows:

2       In an odd-numbered year, the county auditor may conduct a primary  
3 or a special election by mail ballot concurrently with the primary:

4       (1) For an office or ballot measure of a special purpose district  
5 that is entirely within the county;

6       (2) For an office or ballot measure of a special purpose district  
7 that lies in the county and one or more other counties if the auditor  
8 first secures the concurrence of the county auditors of those other  
9 counties to conduct the primary in this manner district-wide; and

10       (3) For a ballot measure or nonpartisan office of a county, city,  
11 or town if the auditor first secures the concurrence of the legislative  
12 authority of the county, city, or town involved.

13       The county auditor shall notify an election jurisdiction for which  
14 a primary is to be held that the primary will be conducted by mail  
15 ballot.

16       A primary in an odd-numbered year may not be conducted by mail  
17 ballot in a precinct with two hundred or more active registered voters  
18 if a partisan office or state office or state ballot measure is to be  
19 voted upon at that primary in the precinct.

20       To the extent they are not inconsistent with other provisions of  
21 law, the laws governing the conduct of mail ballot special elections  
22 apply to (~~nonpartisan~~) primaries for nonpartisan offices conducted by  
23 mail ballot.

24       **Sec. 34.** RCW 29.42.010 and 1977 ex.s. c 329 s 16 are each amended  
25 to read as follows:

26       Each political party organization (~~shall have the power to~~) may:

27       (1) Make its own rules and regulations;

28       (2) Call conventions;

29       (3) Elect delegates to conventions, state and national;

30       (4) Fill vacancies on the ticket under RCW 29.18.160;

31       (5) Provide for the nomination of presidential electors; and

32       (6) Perform all functions inherent in such an organization(~~+~~  
33 ~~PROVIDED, That only major political parties shall have the power to~~  
34 ~~designate candidates to appear on the state primary election ballot as~~  
35 ~~provided in RCW 29.18.150 as now or hereafter amended)).~~

36       **Sec. 35.** RCW 29.42.020 and 1987 c 295 s 11 are each amended to  
37 read as follows:

1 The state committee of each major political party shall consist of  
2 one committeeman and one committeewoman from each county elected by the  
3 county committee at its organization meeting. It shall have a chair  
4 and vice-chair who must be of opposite sexes. This committee shall  
5 meet during January of each odd-numbered year for the purpose of  
6 organization at a time and place designated by a sufficient notice to  
7 all the newly elected state committeemen and committeewomen by the  
8 authorized officers of the retiring committee. For the purpose of this  
9 section a notice mailed at least one week prior to the date of the  
10 meeting shall constitute sufficient notice. At its organizational  
11 meeting it shall elect its chair and vice-chair, and such officers as  
12 its bylaws may provide, and adopt bylaws, rules and regulations. It  
13 shall have power to:

14 (1) Call conventions at such time and place and under such  
15 circumstances and for such purposes as the call to convention shall  
16 designate. The manner, number and procedure for selection of state  
17 convention delegates shall be subject to the committee's rules and  
18 regulations duly adopted;

19 (2) Provide for the election of delegates to national conventions;

20 (3) Fill vacancies on the ticket for any federal or state office to  
21 be voted on by the (~~electors~~) voters of more than one county under  
22 RCW 29.18.160;

23 (4) Provide for the nomination of presidential electors; and

24 (5) Perform all functions inherent in such an organization.

25 Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, the committee shall  
26 not set rules which shall govern the conduct of the actual proceedings  
27 at a party state convention.

28 **Sec. 36.** RCW 29.42.050 and 1991 c 363 s 34 are each amended to  
29 read as follows:

30 The statutory requirements for filing as a candidate at the  
31 primaries shall apply to candidates for precinct committee officer  
32 except that the filing period for this office alone shall be extended  
33 to and include the second Friday immediately following the last day for  
34 (~~political parties to fill vacancies in the ticket as provided by RCW~~  
35 ~~29.18.150~~) the filing of declarations of candidacy under RCW  
36 29.15.020, and the office shall not be voted upon at the primaries, but  
37 the names of all candidates must appear under the proper party and  
38 office designations on the ballot for the general November election for

1 each even-numbered year and the one receiving the highest number of  
2 votes shall be declared elected: PROVIDED, That to be declared  
3 elected, a candidate must receive at least ten percent of the number of  
4 votes cast for the candidate of the candidate's party receiving the  
5 greatest number of votes in the precinct. Any person elected to the  
6 office of precinct committee officer who has not filed a declaration of  
7 candidacy shall pay the fee of one dollar to the county auditor for a  
8 certificate of election. The term of office of precinct committee  
9 officer shall be for two years, commencing upon completion of the  
10 official canvass of votes by the county canvassing board of election  
11 returns. Should any vacancy occur in this office by reason of death,  
12 resignation, or disqualification of the incumbent, or because of  
13 failure to elect, the respective county chair of the county central  
14 committee shall be empowered to fill such vacancy by appointment:  
15 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That in legislative districts having a majority of  
16 its precincts in a county with a population of one million or more,  
17 such appointment shall be made only upon the recommendation of the  
18 legislative district chair: PROVIDED, That the person so appointed  
19 shall have the same qualifications as candidates when filing for  
20 election to such office for such precinct: PROVIDED FURTHER, That when  
21 a vacancy in the office of precinct committee officer exists because of  
22 failure to elect at a state general election, such vacancy shall not be  
23 filled until after the organization meeting of the county central  
24 committee and the new county chair selected as provided by RCW  
25 29.42.030.

26 **Sec. 37.** RCW 29.62.010 and 1990 c 59 s 62 are each amended to read  
27 as follows:

28 Every canvassing board or officer responsible for canvassing and  
29 certifying the returns of any primary or election shall:

30 (1) Adopt administrative rules to facilitate and govern the  
31 canvassing process in that jurisdiction;

32 (2) For each primary and election, prepare and sign a statement of  
33 the returns for each office, candidate, and issue voted on in that  
34 jurisdiction;

35 (3) If, at a (~~partisan~~) primary, two or more candidates (~~of the~~  
36 ~~same party~~) receive the greatest or second greatest, and identical,  
37 number of votes for an office or position, resolve the tie vote by  
38 lot(=

1       ~~(4) If, at a nonpartisan or judicial primary, two or more~~  
2 ~~candidates receive the second greatest, and identical, number of votes~~  
3 ~~for that office or position, resolve the tie vote by lot)).~~

4       **Sec. 38.** RCW 29.62.180 and 1999 c 157 s 3 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6       (1) For any office at any election or primary, any voter may write  
7 in on the ballot the name of any person for an office who has filed as  
8 a write-in candidate for the office in the manner provided by RCW  
9 29.04.180 and such vote shall be counted the same as if the name had  
10 been printed on the ballot and marked by the voter. No write-in vote  
11 made for any person who has not filed a declaration of candidacy  
12 pursuant to RCW 29.04.180 is valid if that person filed for the same  
13 office, either as a regular candidate or a write-in candidate, at the  
14 preceding primary, except that nothing in this section invalidates a  
15 vote for the sole reason that the vote was cast as a write-in for a  
16 candidate whose name appears on the same ballot for the same office.  
17 Any abbreviation used to designate office, position, or political party  
18 shall be accepted if the canvassing board can determine, to their  
19 satisfaction, the voter's intent.

20       (2) The number of write-in votes cast for each office must be  
21 recorded and reported with the canvass for the election.

22       (3) Write-in votes cast for an individual candidate for an office  
23 need not be tallied if the total number of write-in votes cast for the  
24 office is not greater than the number of votes cast for ((the)) a  
25 candidate apparently ((nominated)) qualified to appear on the general  
26 election ballot or elected, and the write-in votes could not have  
27 altered the outcome of the primary or election. In the case of write-  
28 in votes for statewide office or for any office whose jurisdiction  
29 encompasses more than one county, write-in votes for an individual  
30 candidate must be tallied whenever the county auditor is notified by  
31 either the office of the secretary of state or another auditor in a  
32 multicounty jurisdiction that it appears that the write-in votes could  
33 alter the outcome of the primary or election.

34       (4) In the case of statewide offices or jurisdictions that  
35 encompass more than one county, if the total number of write-in votes  
36 cast for an office within a county is greater than the number of votes  
37 cast for a candidate apparently ((nominated)) qualified to appear on  
38 the general election ballot or elected in a primary or election, the

1 auditor shall tally all write-in votes for individual candidates for  
2 that office and notify the office of the secretary of state and the  
3 auditors of the other counties within the jurisdiction, that the write-  
4 in votes for individual candidates should be tallied.

5 **Sec. 39.** RCW 29.64.010 and 2001 c 225 s 3 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 (1) An officer of a political party or any person for whom votes  
8 were cast in a primary who was not declared (~~nominated~~) qualified to  
9 appear on the general election ballot may file a written application  
10 for a recount of the votes or a portion of the votes cast at that  
11 primary for all persons for whom votes were cast for (~~nomination to~~)  
12 that office.

13 (2) An officer of a political party or any person for whom votes  
14 were cast at any election may file a written application for a recount  
15 of the votes or a portion of the votes cast at that election for all  
16 candidates for election to that office.

17 (3) Any group of five or more registered voters may file a written  
18 application for a recount of the votes or a portion of the votes cast  
19 upon any question or issue. They shall designate one of the members of  
20 the group as chairman and shall indicate the voting residence of each  
21 member of the group.

22 (4) An application for a recount of the votes cast for an office or  
23 on a ballot measure must be filed with the officer with whom filings  
24 are made for the jurisdiction.

25 (5) An application for a recount must specify whether the recount  
26 will be done manually or by the vote tally system. A recount done by  
27 the vote tally system must use programming that recounts and reports  
28 only the office or ballot measure in question. The county shall also  
29 provide for a test of the logic and accuracy of that program.

30 (6) An application for a recount shall be filed within three  
31 business days after the county canvassing board or secretary of state  
32 has declared the official results of the primary or election for the  
33 office or issue for which the recount is requested.

34 (7) This chapter applies to the recounting of votes cast by paper  
35 ballots and to the recounting of votes recorded on ballots counted by  
36 a vote tally system.

1       **Sec. 40.** RCW 29.64.015 and 2001 c 225 s 4 are each amended to read  
2 as follows:

3       (1) If the official canvass of all of the returns for any office at  
4 any primary or election reveals that the difference in the number of  
5 votes cast for a candidate apparently (~~nominated~~) qualified to appear  
6 on the general election ballot or elected to any office and the number  
7 of votes cast for the closest apparently defeated opponent is less than  
8 two thousand votes and also less than one-half of one percent of the  
9 total number of votes cast for both candidates, the county canvassing  
10 board shall conduct a recount of all votes cast on that position.

11       (a) Whenever such a difference occurs in the number of votes cast  
12 for candidates for a position the declaration of candidacy for which  
13 was filed with the secretary of state, the secretary of state shall,  
14 within three business days of the day that the returns of the primary  
15 or election are first certified by the canvassing boards of those  
16 counties, direct those boards to recount all votes cast on the  
17 position.

18       (b) If the difference in the number of votes cast for the apparent  
19 winner and the closest apparently defeated opponent is less than one  
20 hundred fifty votes and also less than one-fourth of one percent of the  
21 total number of votes cast for both candidates, the votes shall be  
22 recounted manually or as provided in subsection (3) of this section.

23       (2) A mandatory recount shall be conducted in the manner provided  
24 by RCW 29.64.020, 29.64.030, and 29.64.040. No cost of a mandatory  
25 recount may be charged to any candidate.

26       (3) The apparent winner and closest apparently defeated opponent  
27 for an office for which a manual recount is required under subsection  
28 (1)(b) of this section may select an alternative method of conducting  
29 the recount. To select such an alternative, the two candidates shall  
30 agree to the alternative in a signed, written statement filed with the  
31 election official for the office. The recount shall be conducted using  
32 the alternative method if: It is suited to the balloting system that  
33 was used for casting the votes for the office; it involves the use of  
34 a vote tallying system that is approved for use in this state by the  
35 secretary of state; and the vote tallying system is readily available  
36 in each county required to conduct the recount. If more than one  
37 balloting system was used in casting votes for the office, an  
38 alternative to a manual recount may be selected for each system.

1       **Sec. 41.** RCW 29.64.030 and 2001 c 225 s 6 are each amended to read  
2 as follows:

3       (1) At the time and place established for a recount, the canvassing  
4 board or its duly authorized representatives, in the presence of all  
5 witnesses who may be in attendance, shall open the sealed containers  
6 containing the ballots to be recounted, and shall recount the votes for  
7 the offices or issues for which the recount has been ordered. Ballots  
8 shall be handled only by the members of the canvassing board or their  
9 duly authorized representatives.

10       Witnesses shall be permitted to observe the ballots and the process  
11 of tabulating the votes, but they shall not be permitted to handle the  
12 ballots. The canvassing board shall not permit the tabulation of votes  
13 for any ((~~nomination~~)) qualification, election, or issue other than the  
14 ones for which a recount was applied for or required.

15       (2) At any time before the ballots from all of the precincts listed  
16 in the application for the recount have been recounted, the applicant  
17 may file with the board a written request to stop the recount.

18       (3) The recount may be observed by persons representing the  
19 candidates affected by the recount or the persons representing both  
20 sides of an issue that is being recounted. The observers may not make  
21 a record of the names, addresses, or other information on the ballots,  
22 poll books, or applications for absentee ballots unless authorized by  
23 the superior court. The secretary of state or county auditor may limit  
24 the number of observers to not less than two on each side if, in his or  
25 her opinion, a greater number would cause undue delay or disruption of  
26 the recount process.

27       **Sec. 42.** RCW 29.64.040 and 2001 c 225 s 8 are each amended to read  
28 as follows:

29       Upon completion of the canvass of a recount, the canvassing board  
30 shall prepare and certify an amended abstract showing the votes cast in  
31 each precinct for which the recount was conducted. Copies of the  
32 amended abstracts must be transmitted to the same officers who received  
33 the abstract on which the recount was based.

34       If the ((~~nomination, election,~~)) office or issue for which the  
35 recount was conducted was submitted only to the voters of a county, the  
36 canvassing board shall file the amended abstract with the original  
37 results of that election or primary.



1 If the ((~~nomination, election,~~)) office or issue for which a  
2 recount was conducted was submitted to the voters of more than one  
3 county, the secretary of state shall canvass the amended abstracts and  
4 shall file an amended abstract with the original results of that  
5 election. An amended abstract certified under this section supersedes  
6 any prior abstract of the results for the same offices or issues at the  
7 same primary or election.

8 **Sec. 43.** RCW 29.64.060 and 2001 c 225 s 10 are each amended to  
9 read as follows:

10 The canvassing board shall determine the expenses for conducting a  
11 recount of votes.

12 The cost of the recount shall be deducted from the amount deposited  
13 by the applicant for the recount at the time of filing the request for  
14 the recount, and the balance shall be returned to the applicant. If  
15 the costs of the recount exceed the deposit, the applicant shall pay  
16 the difference. No charges may be deducted by the canvassing board  
17 from the deposit for a recount if the recount changes the result of the  
18 ((~~nomination~~)) primary or election for the office or issue for which  
19 the recount was ordered.

20 **Sec. 44.** RCW 29.68.080 and 1990 c 59 s 105 are each amended to  
21 read as follows:

22 (1) Whenever a vacancy occurs in the office of United States  
23 representative or United States senator from this state or any  
24 congressional district of this state, the governor shall order a  
25 special election to fill the vacancy.

26 (2) Within ten days of such vacancy occurring, he or she shall  
27 issue a writ of election fixing a date for the special vacancy election  
28 not less than ninety days after the issuance of the writ, fixing a date  
29 for the primary for ((~~nominating~~)) qualifying candidates for the  
30 special vacancy election not less than thirty days before the day fixed  
31 for holding the special vacancy election, fixing the dates for the  
32 special filing period, and designating the term or part of the term for  
33 which the vacancy exists. If the vacancy is in the office of United  
34 States representative, the writ of election shall specify the  
35 congressional district that is vacant.

36 (3) If the vacancy occurs less than six months before a state  
37 general election and before the second Friday following the close of

1 the filing period for that general election, the special primary and  
2 special vacancy elections shall be held in concert with the state  
3 primary and state general election in that year.

4 (4) If the vacancy occurs on or after the first day for filing  
5 under RCW 29.15.020 and on or before the second Friday following the  
6 close of the filing period, a special filing period of three normal  
7 business days shall be fixed by the governor and notice thereof given  
8 to all media, including press, radio, and television within the area in  
9 which the vacancy election is to be held, to the end that, insofar as  
10 possible, all interested persons will be aware of such filing period.  
11 The last day of the filing period shall not be later than the third  
12 Tuesday before the primary ((at which candidates are to be nominated)).  
13 The names of candidates who have filed valid declarations of candidacy  
14 during this three-day period shall appear on the approaching primary  
15 ballot.

16 (5) If the vacancy occurs later than the second Friday following  
17 the close of the filing period, a special primary and special vacancy  
18 election to fill the position shall be held after the next state  
19 general election but, in any event, no later than the ninetieth day  
20 following the November election.

21 (6) As used in this chapter, "county" means, in the case of a  
22 vacancy in the office of United States senator, any or all of the  
23 counties in the state and, in the case of a vacancy in the office of  
24 United States representative, only those counties wholly or partly  
25 within the congressional district in which the vacancy has occurred.

26 **Sec. 45.** RCW 29.68.130 and 1985 c 45 s 7 are each amended to read  
27 as follows:

28 The general election laws and laws relating to ((partisan))  
29 primaries ((shall)) for partisan offices apply to the special primaries  
30 and vacancy elections provided for in RCW 29.68.080 through 29.68.120  
31 to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the provisions of  
32 these sections. Statutory time deadlines relating to availability of  
33 absentee ballots, certification, canvassing, and related procedures  
34 that cannot be met in a timely fashion may be modified for the purposes  
35 of a specific primary or vacancy election under this chapter by the  
36 secretary of state through emergency rules adopted under RCW 29.04.080.

1       **Sec. 46.** RCW 29.71.020 and 1990 c 59 s 69 are each amended to read  
2 as follows:

3       In the year in which a presidential election is held, each major  
4 political party and each minor political party or independent candidate  
5 convention (~~((held under chapter 29.24 RCW))~~) that nominates candidates  
6 for president and vice president of the United States shall nominate  
7 presidential electors for this state. The party or convention shall  
8 file with the secretary of state a certificate signed by the presiding  
9 officer of the convention at which the presidential electors were  
10 chosen, listing the names and addresses of the presidential electors.  
11 Each presidential elector shall execute and file with the secretary of  
12 state a pledge that, as an elector, he or she will vote for the  
13 candidates nominated by that party. The names of presidential electors  
14 shall not appear on the ballots. The votes cast for candidates for  
15 president and vice president of each political party shall be counted  
16 for the candidates for presidential electors of that political party.

17       **Sec. 47.** RCW 29.81.220 and 1999 c 260 s 2 are each amended to read  
18 as follows:

19       The voters' pamphlet must contain:

20       (1) Information about each ballot measure initiated by or referred  
21 to the voters for their approval or rejection as required by RCW  
22 29.81.250;

23       (2) In even-numbered years, statements, if submitted, advocating  
24 the candidacies of (~~((nominees))~~) candidates qualified to appear on the  
25 ballot for the office of president and vice president of the United  
26 States, United States senator, United States representative, governor,  
27 lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state treasurer, state  
28 auditor, attorney general, commissioner of public lands, superintendent  
29 of public instruction, insurance commissioner, state senator, state  
30 representative, justice of the supreme court, judge of the court of  
31 appeals, or judge of the superior court. Candidates may also submit a  
32 campaign mailing address and telephone number and a photograph not more  
33 than five years old and of a size and quality that the secretary of  
34 state determines to be suitable for reproduction in the voters'  
35 pamphlet;

36       (3) In odd-numbered years, if any office voted upon statewide  
37 appears on the ballot due to a vacancy, then statements and photographs

1 for candidates for any vacant office listed in subsection (2) of this  
2 section must appear;

3 (4) In even-numbered years, a section explaining how voters may  
4 participate in the election campaign process; the address and telephone  
5 number of the public disclosure commission established under RCW  
6 42.17.350; and a summary of the disclosure requirements that apply when  
7 contributions are made to candidates and political committees;

8 (5) In even-numbered years the name, address, and telephone number  
9 of each political party (~~with nominees listed in the pamphlet, if~~  
10 ~~filed with the secretary of state by the state committee of a major~~  
11 ~~political party or the presiding officer of the convention of a minor~~  
12 ~~political party~~) for which a candidate appearing on the ballot has  
13 expressed a preference on his or her declaration of candidacy, if the  
14 party has provided that information to the secretary of state;

15 (6) In each odd-numbered year immediately before a year in which a  
16 president of the United States is to be nominated and elected,  
17 information explaining the precinct caucus and convention process used  
18 by each major political party to elect delegates to its national  
19 presidential candidate nominating convention. The pamphlet must also  
20 provide a description of the statutory procedures by which minor  
21 political parties are formed and the statutory methods used by the  
22 parties to nominate candidates for president;

23 (7) In even-numbered years, a description of the office of precinct  
24 committee officer and its duties;

25 (8) An application form for an absentee ballot;

26 (9) A brief statement explaining the deletion and addition of  
27 language for proposed measures under RCW 29.81.260; and

28 (10) Any additional information pertaining to elections as may be  
29 required by law or in the judgment of the secretary of state is deemed  
30 informative to the voters.

31 **Sec. 48.** RCW 29.85.100 and 1991 c 81 s 8 are each amended to read  
32 as follows:

33 Every person who:

34 (1) Knowingly and falsely issues a certificate of (~~(nomination or)~~)  
35 election or a certificate stating which candidates for office have  
36 qualified to appear on the general election ballot; or

37 (2) (~~Knowingly provides false information on a certificate which~~  
38 ~~must be filed with an elections officer under chapter 29.24 RCW; or~~

1       ~~(3))~~) Knowingly provides false information on his or her  
2 declaration of candidacy or petition of (~~(nomination)~~) candidacy; or  
3       (~~(4))~~) (3) Conceals or fraudulently defaces or destroys a  
4 (~~(certificate which has been filed with an elections officer under~~  
5 ~~chapter 29.24 RCW or a~~) declaration of candidacy or petition of  
6 (~~(nomination which)~~) candidacy that has been filed with an elections  
7 officer, or any part of such a certificate, declaration, or petition,  
8 is guilty of a class C felony punishable under RCW 9A.20.021.

9       **Sec. 49.** RCW 42.17.020 and 1995 c 397 s 1 are each amended to read  
10 as follows:

11       (1) "Agency" includes all state agencies and all local agencies.  
12 "State agency" includes every state office, department, division,  
13 bureau, board, commission, or other state agency. "Local agency"  
14 includes every county, city, town, municipal corporation, quasi-  
15 municipal corporation, or special purpose district, or any office,  
16 department, division, bureau, board, commission, or agency thereof, or  
17 other local public agency.

18       (2) "Authorized committee" means the political committee authorized  
19 by a candidate, or by the public official against whom recall charges  
20 have been filed, to accept contributions or make expenditures on behalf  
21 of the candidate or public official.

22       (3) "Ballot proposition" means any "measure" as defined by RCW  
23 29.01.110, or any initiative, recall, or referendum proposition  
24 proposed to be submitted to the voters of the state or any municipal  
25 corporation, political subdivision, or other voting constituency from  
26 and after the time when the proposition has been initially filed with  
27 the appropriate election officer of that constituency prior to its  
28 circulation for signatures.

29       (4) "Benefit" means a commercial, proprietary, financial, economic,  
30 or monetary advantage, or the avoidance of a commercial, proprietary,  
31 financial, economic, or monetary disadvantage.

32       (5) "Bona fide political party" means:

33       (a) (~~(An organization that has filed a valid certificate of~~  
34 ~~nomination with the secretary of state under chapter 29.24 RCW;~~

35       ~~(b))~~) The governing body of the state organization of a major  
36 political party, as defined in RCW 29.01.090, that is the body  
37 authorized by the charter or bylaws of the party to exercise authority  
38 on behalf of the state party; (~~(or~~

1        ~~(e))~~ (b) The county central committee or legislative district  
2 committee of a major political party. There may be only one  
3 legislative district committee for each party in each legislative  
4 district; or

5        (c) The governing body of the state organization of a minor  
6 political party, the name of which appears on a candidates's  
7 declaration of candidacy filed pursuant to RCW 29.15.010.

8        (6) "Depository" means a bank designated by a candidate or  
9 political committee pursuant to RCW 42.17.050.

10       (7) "Treasurer" and "deputy treasurer" mean the individuals  
11 appointed by a candidate or political committee, pursuant to RCW  
12 42.17.050, to perform the duties specified in that section.

13       (8) "Candidate" means any individual who seeks (~~(nomination))~~  
14 qualification for election or election to public office. An individual  
15 seeks (~~(nomination))~~ qualification or election when he or she first:

16        (a) Receives contributions or makes expenditures or reserves space  
17 or facilities with intent to promote his or her candidacy for office;

18        (b) Announces publicly or files for office;

19        (c) Purchases commercial advertising space or broadcast time to  
20 promote his or her candidacy; or

21        (d) Gives his or her consent to another person to take on behalf of  
22 the individual any of the actions in (a) or (c) of this subsection.

23       (9) "Caucus political committee" means a political committee  
24 organized and maintained by the members of a major political party in  
25 the state senate or state house of representatives.

26       (10) "Commercial advertiser" means any person who sells the service  
27 of communicating messages or producing printed material for broadcast  
28 or distribution to the general public or segments of the general public  
29 whether through the use of newspapers, magazines, television and radio  
30 stations, billboard companies, direct mail advertising companies,  
31 printing companies, or otherwise.

32       (11) "Commission" means the agency established under RCW 42.17.350.

33       (12) "Compensation" unless the context requires a narrower meaning,  
34 includes payment in any form for real or personal property or services  
35 of any kind: PROVIDED, That for the purpose of compliance with RCW  
36 42.17.241, the term "compensation" shall not include per diem  
37 allowances or other payments made by a governmental entity to reimburse  
38 a public official for expenses incurred while the official is engaged  
39 in the official business of the governmental entity.

1 (13) "Continuing political committee" means a political committee  
2 that is an organization of continuing existence not established in  
3 anticipation of any particular election campaign.

4 (14)(a) "Contribution" includes:

5 (i) A loan, gift, deposit, subscription, forgiveness of  
6 indebtedness, donation, advance, pledge, payment, transfer of funds  
7 between political committees, or anything of value, including personal  
8 and professional services for less than full consideration;

9 (ii) An expenditure made by a person in cooperation, consultation,  
10 or concert with, or at the request or suggestion of, a candidate, a  
11 political committee, or their agents;

12 (iii) The financing by a person of the dissemination, distribution,  
13 or republication, in whole or in part, of broadcast, written, graphic,  
14 or other form of political advertising prepared by a candidate, a  
15 political committee, or its authorized agent;

16 (iv) Sums paid for tickets to fund-raising events such as dinners  
17 and parties, except for the actual cost of the consumables furnished at  
18 the event.

19 (b) "Contribution" does not include:

20 (i) Standard interest on money deposited in a political committee's  
21 account;

22 (ii) Ordinary home hospitality;

23 (iii) A contribution received by a candidate or political committee  
24 that is returned to the contributor within five business days of the  
25 date on which it is received by the candidate or political committee;

26 (iv) A news item, feature, commentary, or editorial in a regularly  
27 scheduled news medium that is of primary interest to the general  
28 public, that is in a news medium controlled by a person whose business  
29 is that news medium, and that is not controlled by a candidate or a  
30 political committee;

31 (v) An internal political communication primarily limited to the  
32 members of or contributors to a political party organization or  
33 political committee, or to the officers, management staff, or  
34 stockholders of a corporation or similar enterprise, or to the members  
35 of a labor organization or other membership organization;

36 (vi) The rendering of personal services of the sort commonly  
37 performed by volunteer campaign workers, or incidental expenses  
38 personally incurred by volunteer campaign workers not in excess of  
39 fifty dollars personally paid for by the worker. "Volunteer services,"

1 for the purposes of this section, means services or labor for which the  
2 individual is not compensated by any person;

3 (vii) Messages in the form of reader boards, banners, or yard or  
4 window signs displayed on a person's own property or property occupied  
5 by a person. However, a facility used for such political advertising  
6 for which a rental charge is normally made must be reported as an in-  
7 kind contribution and counts towards any applicable contribution limit  
8 of the person providing the facility;

9 (viii) Legal or accounting services rendered to or on behalf of:

10 (A) A political party or caucus political committee if the person  
11 paying for the services is the regular employer of the person rendering  
12 such services; or

13 (B) A candidate or an authorized committee if the person paying for  
14 the services is the regular employer of the individual rendering the  
15 services and if the services are solely for the purpose of ensuring  
16 compliance with state election or public disclosure laws.

17 (c) Contributions other than money or its equivalent are deemed to  
18 have a monetary value equivalent to the fair market value of the  
19 contribution. Services or property or rights furnished at less than  
20 their fair market value for the purpose of assisting any candidate or  
21 political committee are deemed a contribution. Such a contribution  
22 must be reported as an in-kind contribution at its fair market value  
23 and counts towards any applicable contribution limit of the provider.

24 (15) "Elected official" means any person elected at a general or  
25 special election to any public office, and any person appointed to fill  
26 a vacancy in any such office.

27 (16) "Election" includes any primary, general, or special election  
28 for public office and any election in which a ballot proposition is  
29 submitted to the voters: PROVIDED, That an election in which the  
30 qualifications for voting include other than those requirements set  
31 forth in Article VI, section 1 (Amendment 63) of the Constitution of  
32 the state of Washington shall not be considered an election for  
33 purposes of this chapter.

34 (17) "Election campaign" means any campaign in support of or in  
35 opposition to a candidate for election to public office and any  
36 campaign in support of, or in opposition to, a ballot proposition.

37 (18) "Election cycle" means the period beginning on the first day  
38 of December after the date of the last previous general election for  
39 the office that the candidate seeks and ending on November 30th after



1 the next election for the office. In the case of a special election to  
2 fill a vacancy in an office, "election cycle" means the period  
3 beginning on the day the vacancy occurs and ending on November 30th  
4 after the special election.

5 (19) "Expenditure" includes a payment, contribution, subscription,  
6 distribution, loan, advance, deposit, or gift of money or anything of  
7 value, and includes a contract, promise, or agreement, whether or not  
8 legally enforceable, to make an expenditure. The term "expenditure"  
9 also includes a promise to pay, a payment, or a transfer of anything of  
10 value in exchange for goods, services, property, facilities, or  
11 anything of value for the purpose of assisting, benefiting, or honoring  
12 any public official or candidate, or assisting in furthering or  
13 opposing any election campaign. For the purposes of this chapter,  
14 agreements to make expenditures, contracts, and promises to pay may be  
15 reported as estimated obligations until actual payment is made. The  
16 term "expenditure" shall not include the partial or complete repayment  
17 by a candidate or political committee of the principal of a loan, the  
18 receipt of which loan has been properly reported.

19 (20) "Final report" means the report described as a final report in  
20 RCW 42.17.080(2).

21 (21) "General election" for purposes of the limitation under RCW  
22 42.17.640 means the election that results in the election of a person  
23 to a state office. It does not include a primary.

24 (22) "Gift," is as defined in RCW 42.52.010.

25 (23) "Immediate family" includes the spouse, dependent children,  
26 and other dependent relatives, if living in the household. For the  
27 purposes of RCW 42.17.640 through 42.17.790, "immediate family" means  
28 an individual's spouse, and child, stepchild, grandchild, parent,  
29 stepparent, grandparent, brother, half brother, sister, or half sister  
30 of the individual and the spouse of any such person and a child,  
31 stepchild, grandchild, parent, stepparent, grandparent, brother, half  
32 brother, sister, or half sister of the individual's spouse and the  
33 spouse of any such person.

34 (24) "Independent expenditure" means an expenditure that has each  
35 of the following elements:

36 (a) It is made in support of or in opposition to a candidate for  
37 office by a person who is not (i) a candidate for that office, (ii) an  
38 authorized committee of that candidate for that office, (iii) a person  
39 who has received the candidate's encouragement or approval to make the

1 expenditure, if the expenditure pays in whole or in part for political  
2 advertising supporting that candidate or promoting the defeat of any  
3 other candidate or candidates for that office, or (iv) a person with  
4 whom the candidate has collaborated for the purpose of making the  
5 expenditure, if the expenditure pays in whole or in part for political  
6 advertising supporting that candidate or promoting the defeat of any  
7 other candidate or candidates for that office;

8 (b) The expenditure pays in whole or in part for political  
9 advertising that either specifically names the candidate supported or  
10 opposed, or clearly and beyond any doubt identifies the candidate  
11 without using the candidate's name; and

12 (c) The expenditure, alone or in conjunction with another  
13 expenditure or other expenditures of the same person in support of or  
14 opposition to that candidate, has a value of five hundred dollars or  
15 more. A series of expenditures, each of which is under five hundred  
16 dollars, constitutes one independent expenditure if their cumulative  
17 value is five hundred dollars or more.

18 (25)(a) "Intermediary" means an individual who transmits a  
19 contribution to a candidate or committee from another person unless the  
20 contribution is from the individual's employer, immediate family as  
21 defined for purposes of RCW 42.17.640 through 42.17.790, or an  
22 association to which the individual belongs.

23 (b) A treasurer or a candidate is not an intermediary for purposes  
24 of the committee that the treasurer or candidate serves.

25 (c) A professional fund-raiser is not an intermediary if the fund-  
26 raiser is compensated for fund-raising services at the usual and  
27 customary rate.

28 (d) A volunteer hosting a fund-raising event at the individual's  
29 home is not an intermediary for purposes of that event.

30 (26) "Legislation" means bills, resolutions, motions, amendments,  
31 nominations, and other matters pending or proposed in either house of  
32 the state legislature, and includes any other matter that may be the  
33 subject of action by either house or any committee of the legislature  
34 and all bills and resolutions that, having passed both houses, are  
35 pending approval by the governor.

36 (27) "Lobby" and "lobbying" each mean attempting to influence the  
37 passage or defeat of any legislation by the legislature of the state of  
38 Washington, or the adoption or rejection of any rule, standard, rate,  
39 or other legislative enactment of any state agency under the state

1 Administrative Procedure Act, chapter 34.05 RCW. Neither "lobby" nor  
2 "lobbying" includes an association's or other organization's act of  
3 communicating with the members of that association or organization.

4 (28) "Lobbyist" includes any person who lobbies either in his or  
5 her own or another's behalf.

6 (29) "Lobbyist's employer" means the person or persons by whom a  
7 lobbyist is employed and all persons by whom he or she is compensated  
8 for acting as a lobbyist.

9 (30) "Person" includes an individual, partnership, joint venture,  
10 public or private corporation, association, federal, state, or local  
11 governmental entity or agency however constituted, candidate,  
12 committee, political committee, political party, executive committee  
13 thereof, or any other organization or group of persons, however  
14 organized.

15 (31) "Person in interest" means the person who is the subject of a  
16 record or any representative designated by that person, except that if  
17 that person is under a legal disability, the term "person in interest"  
18 means and includes the parent or duly appointed legal representative.

19 (32) "Political advertising" includes any advertising displays,  
20 newspaper ads, billboards, signs, brochures, articles, tabloids,  
21 flyers, letters, radio or television presentations, or other means of  
22 mass communication, used for the purpose of appealing, directly or  
23 indirectly, for votes or for financial or other support in any election  
24 campaign.

25 (33) "Political committee" means any person (except a candidate or  
26 an individual dealing with his or her own funds or property) having the  
27 expectation of receiving contributions or making expenditures in  
28 support of, or opposition to, any candidate or any ballot proposition.

29 (34) "Primary" for purposes of the limitation under RCW 42.17.640  
30 means the procedure for ((nominating a candidate to state office under  
31 chapter 29.18 or 29.21 RCW or any other primary for an election that  
32 uses, in large measure, the procedures established in chapter 29.18 or  
33 29.21)) qualifying candidates to the general election ballot under  
34 Title 29 RCW.

35 (35) "Public office" means any federal, state, county, city, town,  
36 school district, port district, special district, or other state  
37 political subdivision elective office.

38 (36) "Public record" includes any writing containing information  
39 relating to the conduct of government or the performance of any

1 governmental or proprietary function prepared, owned, used, or retained  
2 by any state or local agency regardless of physical form or  
3 characteristics. For the office of the secretary of the senate and the  
4 office of the chief clerk of the house of representatives, public  
5 records means legislative records as defined in RCW 40.14.100 and also  
6 means the following: All budget and financial records; personnel  
7 leave, travel, and payroll records; records of legislative sessions;  
8 reports submitted to the legislature; and any other record designated  
9 a public record by any official action of the senate or the house of  
10 representatives.

11 (37) "Recall campaign" means the period of time beginning on the  
12 date of the filing of recall charges under RCW 29.82.015 and ending  
13 thirty days after the recall election.

14 (38) "State legislative office" means the office of a member of the  
15 state house of representatives or the office of a member of the state  
16 senate.

17 (39) "State office" means state legislative office or the office of  
18 governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general,  
19 commissioner of public lands, insurance commissioner, superintendent of  
20 public instruction, state auditor, or state treasurer.

21 (40) "State official" means a person who holds a state office.

22 (41) "Surplus funds" mean, in the case of a political committee or  
23 candidate, the balance of contributions that remain in the possession  
24 or control of that committee or candidate subsequent to the election  
25 for which the contributions were received, and that are in excess of  
26 the amount necessary to pay remaining debts incurred by the committee  
27 or candidate prior to that election. In the case of a continuing  
28 political committee, "surplus funds" mean those contributions remaining  
29 in the possession or control of the committee that are in excess of the  
30 amount necessary to pay all remaining debts when it makes its final  
31 report under RCW 42.17.065.

32 (42) "Writing" means handwriting, typewriting, printing,  
33 photostating, photographing, and every other means of recording any  
34 form of communication or representation, including, but not limited to,  
35 letters, words, pictures, sounds, or symbols, or combination thereof,  
36 and all papers, maps, magnetic or paper tapes, photographic films and  
37 prints, motion picture, film and video recordings, magnetic or punched  
38 cards, discs, drums, diskettes, sound recordings, and other documents

1 including existing data compilations from which information may be  
2 obtained or translated.

3 As used in this chapter, the singular (~~shall~~) takes the plural  
4 and any gender, the other, as the context requires.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 50.** The following acts or parts of acts are  
6 each repealed:

7 (1) RCW 29.01.160 (September primary) and 1965 c 9 s 29.01.160;

8 (2) RCW 29.15.200 (Lapse of election when no filing for single  
9 positions--Effect) and 1994 c 223 s 8 & 1975-'76 2nd ex.s. c 120 s 13;

10 (3) RCW 29.18.150 (Vacancies on major party ticket caused by no  
11 filing--How filled) and 1990 c 59 s 102, 1977 ex.s. c 329 s 12, & 1965  
12 c 9 s 29.18.150; and

13 (4) RCW 29.30.095 (Partisan candidates qualified for general  
14 election) and 1990 c 59 s 96.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 51.** The following acts or parts of acts are  
16 each repealed:

17 (1) RCW 29.24.010 (Definitions--"Convention" and "election  
18 jurisdiction") and 1977 ex.s. c 329 s 1 & 1965 c 9 s 29.24.010;

19 (2) RCW 29.24.020 (Nomination by convention or write-in--Date for  
20 convention--Multiple conventions by single party) and 2001 c 30 s 2,  
21 1989 c 215 s 2, 1977 ex.s. c 329 s 2, & 1965 c 9 s 29.24.020;

22 (3) RCW 29.24.025 (Notice of convention) and 1989 c 215 s 1;

23 (4) RCW 29.24.030 (Requirements for validity of convention) and  
24 1989 c 215 s 3, 1977 ex.s. c 329 s 3, & 1965 c 9 s 29.24.030;

25 (5) RCW 29.24.035 (Nominating petition--Name--Registered voters)  
26 and 2001 c 64 s 1, 2001 c 30 s 3, & 1989 c 215 s 5;

27 (6) RCW 29.24.040 (Certificate of nomination--Requisites) and 1989  
28 c 215 s 4, 1977 ex.s. c 329 s 4, & 1965 c 9 s 29.24.040;

29 (7) RCW 29.24.060 (Certificate of nomination--Checking signatures--  
30 Appeal of determination) and 1989 c 215 s 7, 1977 ex.s. c 329 s 6, &  
31 1965 c 9 s 29.24.060;

32 (8) RCW 29.24.070 (Declarations of candidacy required, exceptions--  
33 Payment of fees) and 1990 c 59 s 103, 1989 c 215 s 8, 1977 ex.s. c 329  
34 s 7, & 1965 c 9 s 29.24.070; and

35 (9) RCW 29.24.--- and 2001 c 30 s 4.



- 1 29.24.025, 29.24.030, 29.24.035, 29.24.040, 29.24.060, 29.24.070, and
- 2 29.24.---; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency."

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