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By Senators Honeyford, Dammeier, Braun, Tom, Fain, Angel, Bailey, Becker, and Hill

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1 AN ACT Relating to withdrawal of candidacy; and amending RCW  
2 29A.24.131.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29A.24.131 and 2011 c 349 s 8 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) A candidate may withdraw his or her declaration of candidacy  
7 at any time before the close of business on the Monday following the  
8 last day for candidates to file under RCW 29A.24.050 by filing, with  
9 the officer with whom the declaration of candidacy was filed, a signed  
10 request that his or her name not be printed on the ballot. There shall  
11 be no withdrawal period for declarations of candidacy filed during  
12 special filing periods held under this title. No filing fee may be  
13 refunded to any candidate who withdraws under this section. Notice of  
14 the deadline for withdrawal of candidacy and that the filing fee is not  
15 refundable shall be given to each candidate at the time he or she  
16 files.

17 (2) If an incumbent officeholder who has filed for reelection  
18 pursuant to RCW 29A.24.050 later withdraws his or her candidacy  
19 pursuant to this section, the last day for filing declarations of

1 candidacy for that office must be extended by an additional seventy-two  
2 hours beyond the close of business on the Monday following the last day  
3 for candidates to withdraw described in subsection (1) of this section.

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