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By Senator Ericksen

**OUT OF ORDER 03/12/2019**

On page 2, after line 15, insert the following:

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  A new section is added to chapter 29A.24 RCW to read as follows:

(1) By sixty-three days before the primary election, all candidates for United States senate and United States house of representatives shall:

(a) Publicly release a copy of their federal income tax returns, as defined in 26 U.S.C. Sec. 6103(b)(1), for at least the five most recent taxable years for which a return has been filed with the internal revenue service; or

(b)(i) File with the secretary of state their federal income tax returns as described in (a) of this subsection; and

(ii) Provide written consent to the secretary of state, in a manner to be prescribed by the secretary of state by rule, for the public disclosure of such returns pursuant to this section.

(2) The secretary of state shall make federal income tax returns filed or released under this section publicly available on the secretary of state's web site within seven days of receipt or release. The secretary of state may make additional schedules or forms filed under this section publicly available upon request. Prior to making any federal income tax returns public, the secretary of state shall redact such information contained in the returns as deemed needed in consultation with the director of the department of revenue.

(3) Candidates who do not comply with the requirements of subsection (1) of this section may not appear on the primary or general election ballot.

Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

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On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "of", strike the remainder of the title and insert "candidates for federal office prior to appearing on the ballot; adding a new section to chapter 29A.56 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 29A.24 RCW."

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|  | EFFECT:  Requires candidates for the United States Senate and the United States House of Representatives to publicly release a copy of their federal income tax returns for the previous five years before appearing on the ballot. |

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