

ESB 5856 - H AMD TO SGOV COMM AMD (H-3391.1/24) **1230**

By Representative Cheney

1 On page 8, after line 32 of the striking amendment, insert the
2 following:

3 "Sec. 7. RCW 29A.08.630 and 2023 c 466 s 25 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1)(a) The county auditor shall return an inactive voter to
6 active voter status if, prior to the passage of two federal general
7 elections, the voter:

8 ~~((a))~~ (i) Notifies the auditor of a change of address;

9 ~~((b))~~ (ii) Responds to a confirmation notice with information
10 that he or she continues to reside at the registration address; or

11 ~~((c))~~ (iii) Votes or attempts to vote in a primary, special
12 election, or general election.

13 (b) The county auditor must verify the identity of the person
14 providing a notification or response under this subsection to ensure
15 they are the inactive voter prior to returning the voter to active
16 status.

17 (2) If the inactive voter fails to provide a notice or take an
18 action as described in subsection (1) of this section, the auditor
19 shall cancel the person's voter registration.

20 (3) The county auditor must cancel an inactive voter registration
21 when receiving information indicating that the inactive voter has
22 moved out of state or died."

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EFFECT: Requires the county auditor to verify the identity of
an inactive voter providing a notification or response to restore
their active voter status in order to ensure that the person is the
voter.

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