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1 On page 6, after line 38, insert the following:

2 "<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 29A.36
3 RCW to read as follows:

All provisional ballots and related materials, including the inner security envelope and the outer return envelope, must either:

6 (1) Be printed on colored paper distinctive from regular ballots,
7 absentee ballots, and their related materials; or

8 (2) Be imprinted with a bar code for the purpose of identifying the 9 ballot as a provisional ballot. Poll-site counting machines must be 10 programmed to count only those provisional ballots with a poll-site bar 11 code.

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The bar code must not identify the voter."

13 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal 14 references accordingly.

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18 On page 20, on line 23 of the title amendment, after "29A.84.650;", 19 insert "adding a new section to chapter 29A.36 RCW"

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**EFFECT:** (1) Requires that provisional ballots and related materials be either printed on colored paper distinctive from other ballots, or be imprinted with a bar code for purposes of identifying the ballot as a provisional ballot; (2) Requires that poll-site voting machines be programmed only to count provisional ballots with a poll-site bar code; and (3) Requires that the bar code not identify the voter.

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