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- On page 8, after line 19 of the amendment, insert the following:
- 2 "Sec. 5. RCW 29A.36.111 and 2004 c 271 s 128 are each amended to read as follows:
- 4 Every ballot for a single combination of issues, offices, and 5 candidates shall be uniform within a precinct and shall identify the 6 type of primary or election, the county, and the date of the primary or 7 election, and the ballot or voting device shall contain instructions on 8 the proper method of recording a vote, including write-in votes and abstentions. Each position, together with the names of the candidates 9 for that office and an opportunity for the voter to indicate abstention 10 from voting on that office, shall be clearly separated from other 11 12 offices or positions in the same jurisdiction. The offices in each 13 jurisdiction shall be clearly separated from each other. 14 ballot or ballot card may be marked in any way that would permit the 15 identification of the person who voted that ballot."
- Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

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On page 22, line 10 of the title amendment, after "29A.04.611," insert "29A.36.111,"

 ${\tt EFFECT:}$ Requires that ballots contain an opportunity for a voter to indicate abstention from voting on each office.

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