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1 On page 24, after line 9, insert the following:

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- 3 "Sec. 15. RCW 29A.84.220 and 2003 c 111 s 2110 are each amended 4 to read as follows:
- 5 Every person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor, who:
- 6 (1) For any consideration, compensation, gratuity, reward, or 7 thing of value or promise thereof, signs or declines to sign any 8 recall petition; or
- 9 (2) Advertises in any newspaper, magazine or other periodical 10 publication, or in any book, pamphlet, circular, or letter, or by 11 means of any sign, signboard, bill, poster, handbill, or card, or in 12 any manner whatsoever, that he or she will either for or without 13 compensation or consideration circulate, solicit, procure, or obtain 14 signatures upon, or influence or induce or attempt to influence or 15 induce persons to sign or not to sign any recall petition or vote for 16 or against any recall; or
- 17 (3) For pay or any consideration, compensation, gratuity, reward, 18 or thing of value or promise thereof, circulates, or solicits, 19 procures, or obtains or attempts to procure or obtain signatures upon 20 any recall petition; or
- 21 (4) Pays or offers or promises to pay, or gives or offers or 22 promises to give any consideration, compensation, gratuity, reward, or 23 thing of value to any person to induce him or her to sign or not to 24 sign, or to circulate or solicit, procure, or attempt to procure or 25 obtain signatures upon any recall petition, or to vote for or against 26 any recall; or

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- 1 (5) By any other corrupt means or practice or by threats or 2 intimidation interferes with or attempts to interfere with the right 3 of any legal voter to sign or not to sign any recall petition or to
- 4 vote for or against any recall; ((or))
- 5 (6) Knowingly provide false or misleading information to any state
- 6 or local governmental agency about the individuals, groups,
- 7 organizations, or businesses, engaged in signature gathering for
- 8 initiative, referenda, or recall petitions;
- 9 (7) By any other corrupt means or practice or by threats or
- 10 intimidation interferes with or attempts to interfere with the
- 11 operations of any individual, group, organization, or business,
- 12 engaged in signature gathering for initiative, referenda, or recall
- 13 petitions; or
- 14 (8) Receives, accepts, handles, distributes, pays out, or gives
- 15 away, directly or indirectly, any money, consideration, compensation,
- 16 gratuity, reward, or thing of value contributed by or received from
- 17 any person, firm, association, or corporation whose residence or
- 18 principal office is, or the majority of whose stockholders are
- 19 nonresidents of the state of Washington, for any service, work, or
- 20 assistance of any kind done or rendered for the purpose of aiding in
- 21 procuring signatures upon any recall petition or the adoption or
- 22 rejection of any recall."
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- 24 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
- 25 internal references accordingly.
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- On page 1, line 3 of the title, after " 29A.72 RCW; ", insert
- 31 " amending RCW 29A.84.220;"

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<u>EFFECT:</u> Makes it a crime to interfere with the operations of persons, organizations, or businesses engaged in signature

gathering. Makes it a crime to provide false information about persons, organizations, or business engaged in signature gathering.

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