

HB 1049 - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Local Government, Land Use & Tribal Affairs

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 **"Sec. 1.** RCW 36.32.0552 and 1990 c 252 s 3 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 If the ballot proposition receives majority voter approval, the
6 size of the board of county commissioners shall be increased to five
7 members as provided in this section.

8 The two newly created positions shall be filled at elections to
9 be held in the next year. The county shall, as provided in this
10 section, be divided into five commissioner districts, so that each
11 district shall comprise as nearly as possible one-fifth of the
12 population of the county. No two members of the existing board of
13 county commissioners may, at the time of the designation of such
14 districts, permanently reside in one of the five districts. The
15 division of the county into five districts shall be accomplished as
16 follows:

17 (1) The board of county commissioners shall, by the ((~~second~~
18 ~~Monday of March~~)) 90th day prior to the first day of the filing
19 period described in RCW 29A.24.050 of the year following the
20 election, adopt a resolution creating the districts;

21 (2) If by the ((~~second Tuesday of March~~)) 89th day prior to the
22 first day of the filing period described in RCW 29A.24.050 of the
23 year following the election the board of county commissioners has
24 failed to create the districts, the prosecuting attorney of the
25 county shall petition the superior court of the county to appoint a
26 referee to designate the five commissioner districts. The referee
27 shall designate such districts by no later than ((~~June 1st~~)) the 60th
28 day prior to the first day of the filing period described in RCW
29 29A.24.050 of the year following the election. The two commissioner
30 districts within which no existing member of the board of county
31 commissioners permanently resides shall be designated as districts
32 four and five."

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1 On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "commissioners;" strike the
2 remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 36.32.0552."

EFFECT: Changes "filing week" to "filing period described in RCW 29A.24.050".

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