
SENATE BILL 5043

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By Senators Nelson, Bailey, Vognild and Amondson; by request of Secretary of State.

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1 AN ACT Relating to facsimile filing of election documents; and
2 adding new sections to chapter 29.04 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 29.04 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 The secretary of state or a county auditor shall accept and file in
7 his or her office electronic facsimile transmissions of the following
8 documents:

9 (1) Declarations and affidavits of candidacy;

10 (2) County canvass reports;

11 (3) Candidates' pamphlet statements;

12 (4) Arguments for and against ballot measures that will appear in
13 a voters' pamphlet;

14 (5) Requests for recounts;

1 (6) Certification of candidates and measures by the secretary of
2 state;

3 (7) Direction by the secretary of state for the conduct of a
4 mandatory recount;

5 (8) Requests for absentee ballots;

6 (9) Any other document authorized by rule adopted by the secretary
7 of state under section 2 of this act.

8 The acceptance by the secretary of state or the county auditor is
9 conditional upon the facsimile document being filed in a timely manner,
10 being legible, and otherwise satisfying the requirements of state law
11 or rules with respect to form. The secretary of state may provide by
12 rule that the filing of any of the above documents must be followed
13 within a specified period of time by the original document or the
14 facsimile filing is invalid.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 29.04 RCW
16 to read as follows:

17 The secretary of state shall adopt rules to implement section 1 of
18 this act.