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- 2 **2SSB 5576** S AMD 170 (S2403.1)
- 3 By Senators Haugen and Winsley
- 4 ADOPTED 3/14/95
- 5 On page 4, at the beginning of line 20, strike all material through
- 6 "June" and insert "second Monday in July"
- 7 <u>Effect of amendment:</u> Changes the commencement of the regular candidate
- 8 filing period from the first Monday of June to the second Monday of
- 9 July. The period currently commences on the fourth Monday of July.
- 10 **2SSB 5576** S AMD 171 (S2402.1)
- 11 By Senators Haugen and Winsley
- 12 ADOPTED 3/14/95
- On page 8, beginning on line 6, strike all of section 14 and insert
- 14 the following:
- 15 "Sec. 14. RCW 29.81A.010 and 1984 c 106 s 3 are each amended to
- 16 read as follows:
- 17 At least ninety days before any primary or general election, or at
- 18 least ((forty)) forty-five days before any special election held under
- 19 RCW 29.13.010 or 29.13.020, the legislative authority of any county or
- 20 first-class or code city may adopt an ordinance authorizing the
- 21 publication, in printed or electronic format or both, and distribution
- 22 of a local voters' pamphlet. The pamphlet shall provide information on
- 23 all measures ((within)) that will be on the ballot in that jurisdiction
- 24 and may, if specified in the ordinance, include information on
- 25 candidates ((within)) whose names will be on the ballot in that
- 26 jurisdiction. If both a county and a first-class or code city within
- 27 that county authorize a local voters' pamphlet for the same election,
- 28 the pamphlet shall be produced jointly by the county and the first-
- 29 class or code city. If no agreement can be reached between the county
- 30 and first-class or code city, the county and first-class or code city
- 31 may each produce a pamphlet. Any ordinance adopted authorizing a local
- 32 voters' pamphlet may be for a specific primary, special election, or

- l general election or for any future primaries or elections. The format
- 2 of any local voters' pamphlet shall, whenever applicable, comply with
- 3 the provisions of chapters 29.80 and 29.81 RCW regarding the
- 4 publication of the state candidates' and voters' pamphlets.

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- 5 **Sec. 15.** RCW 29.81A.020 and 1994 c 191 s 1 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
 - (1) Not later than ((ninety days)) May 1st for a primary or general election or ninety days before a special election not scheduled at the same time as a primary or general election, before the publication and distribution of a local voters' pamphlet by a county, the county auditor shall notify each city, town, or special taxing district located ((wholly)) within that county that a pamphlet will be produced.
- 12 13 (2) If a voters' pamphlet is published by the county for a primary 14 or general election, the pamphlet shall be published for the elective 15 offices and ballot measures of the county and for the elective offices and ballot measures of each unit of local government located 16 ((entirely)) within the county which will appear on the ballot at that 17 18 primary or election. However, the offices and measures of a first class or code city shall not be included in the pamphlet if the city 19 publishes and distributes its own voters' pamphlet for the primary or 20 election for its offices and measures. The offices and measures of any 21 22 other town or city are not required to appear in the county's pamphlet 23 if the town or city is obligated by ordinance or charter to publish and 24 distribute a voters' pamphlet for the primary or election for its 25 offices and measures and it does so.

If the required appearance in a county's voters' pamphlet of the 26 27 offices or measures of a unit of local government would create ((undo {undue})) undue financial hardship for the unit of government, the 28 29 legislative authority of the unit may petition the legislative 30 authority of the county to waive this requirement. The legislative authority of the county may provide such a waiver if it does so not 31 later than ((sixty days before the publication of the pamphlet and)) 32 33 June 15th for a primary or general election or sixty days before a special election not occurring at the same time as a primary or general 34 election where a pamphlet will be published if it finds that the 35 36 requirement would create such hardship.

37 (3) If a city, town, or district is located within more than one 38 county, the respective county auditors may enter into an interlocal

- agreement to permit the distribution of each county's local voters'
 pamphlet into those parts of the city, town, or district located
 outside of that county.
- 4 (4) If a first-class or code city authorizes the production and distribution of a local voters' pamphlet, the city clerk of that city shall notify any special taxing district located ((wholly)) within that city that a pamphlet will be produced. Notification shall be provided in the manner required or provided for in subsection (1) of this section.
- 10 (5) A unit of local government located within a county and the 11 county may enter into an interlocal agreement for the publication of a 12 voters' pamphlet for offices or measures not required by subsection (2) 13 of this section to appear in a county's pamphlet.
- 14 **Sec. 16.** RCW 29.81A.040 and 1984 c 106 s 6 are each amended to 15 read as follows:
- The local voters' pamphlet shall include but not be limited to the following:
- (1) Appearing on the cover, the words "official local voters' 19 pamphlet," the name of the jurisdiction producing the pamphlet, the 20 jurisdictions that have measures or candidates in the pamphlet, and the 21 date of the election or primary;
- (2) Information on how a person may register to vote and obtain an absentee ballot;
- (3) The ((text)) ballot title of each measure accompanied by an 24 25 explanatory statement prepared by the prosecuting attorney for any county measure or by the attorney for the jurisdiction submitting the 26 measure if other than a county measure. The explanatory statement 27 shall not intentionally be an argument likely to create prejudice 28 29 either for, or against, the measure. All explanatory statements for city, town, or district measures ((not approved by the attorney for the 30 jurisdiction submitting the measure)) shall be reviewed and approved by 31 32 the county prosecuting attorney ((or city attorney, when applicable,)) 33 before inclusion in the pamphlet. The full text of the measure may be 34 either included in the pamphlet or made available upon request at the
- discretion of the jurisdiction publishing the pamphlet;
- 36 (4) The arguments for and against each measure submitted by 37 committees selected pursuant to RCW 29.81A.080.

1 **Sec. 17.** RCW 29.81A.080 and 1994 c 191 s 2 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

3 For each measure from a unit of local government that is included 4 in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of that jurisdiction shall, not later than forty-five days before the 5 publication of the pamphlet, formally appoint a committee to prepare 6 arguments advocating voters' approval of the measure and shall formally 8 appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' rejection 9 of the measure. The authority shall appoint persons known to favor the 10 measure to serve on the committee advocating approval and shall, whenever possible, appoint persons known to oppose the measure to serve 11 on the committee advocating rejection. Each committee shall have not 12 13 more than three members, however, a committee may seek the advice of any person or persons. If the legislative authority of a unit of local 14 15 government fails to make such appointments by the prescribed deadline, the county auditor shall whenever possible make the appointments. 16 county auditor shall notify press, radio, and television in the county 17 of the need to make such appointments." 18

- 19 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any 20 internal references accordingly.
- 21 <u>2SSB 5576</u> S AMD 171 (S2402.1) 22 By Senators Haugen and Winsley
- 23 ADOPTED 3/14/95
- On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "29.81A.010," insert "29.81A.020, 29.81A.040, 29.81A.080,"
- 26 Effect of amendment: Incorporates the local voters' pamphlet legislation (SSB 5071) into the bill. Avoids inconsistent double 27 amendments and includes a variety of technical modifications of the 28 local voter pamphlet statutes: Synchronizes notification dates when a 29 pamphlet will be published; enables the publisher to include all races 30 31 and measures which will appear on the ballot; allows summaries of ballot measures to be printed rather than the full text when the full 32 33 text is made available on request.
- 34 <u>2SSB 5576</u> S AMD 216 (S2612.3) 35 By Senators Drew and Smith

36 ADOPTED 3/14/95

- On page 10, beginning on line 19, after "preceding the" strike all
- 2 material through "in" on line 20, and insert "((expiration of a state
- 3 legislator's term in)) last day for certification of the election
- 4 results for a state legislator's election to"
- 5 On page 10, beginning on line 27, after "permitted." strike all
- 6 material through "office." on line 30
- 7 On page 10, after line 35, insert the following:
- 8 "Sec. 19. RCW 42.17.160 and 1982 c 147 s 12 are each amended to
- 9 read as follows:
- 10 REGISTRATION AND REPORTING. The following persons and activities
- 11 shall be exempt from registration and reporting under RCW 42.17.150,
- 12 42.17.170, and 42.17.200:
- 13 (1) Persons who limit their lobbying activities to appearing before
- 14 public sessions of committees of the legislature, or public hearings of
- 15 state agencies;
- 16 (2) Activities by lobbyists or other persons whose participation
- 17 has been solicited by an agency under RCW 34.05.310(2);
- 18 (3) News or feature reporting activities and editorial comment by
- 19 working members of the press, radio, or television and the publication
- 20 or dissemination thereof by a newspaper, book publisher, regularly
- 21 published periodical, radio station, or television station;
- (((3))) <u>(4)</u> Persons who lobby without compensation or other
- 23 consideration for acting as a lobbyist: PROVIDED, Such person makes no
- 24 expenditure for or on behalf of any member of the legislature or
- 25 elected official or public officer or employee of the state of
- 26 Washington in connection with such lobbying. The exemption contained
- 27 in this subsection is intended to permit and encourage citizens of this
- 28 state to lobby any legislator, public official, or state agency without
- 29 incurring any registration or reporting obligation provided they do not
- 30 exceed the limits stated above. Any person exempt under this
- 31 subsection $((\frac{3}{1}))$ $\underline{(4)}$ may at his <u>or her</u> option register and report
- 32 under this chapter;
- (((4))) (5) Persons who restrict their lobbying activities to no
- 34 more than four days or parts thereof during any three-month period and
- 35 whose total expenditures during such three-month period for or on
- 36 behalf of any one or more members of the legislature or state elected

- 1 officials or public officers or employees of the state of Washington in
- 2 connection with such lobbying do not exceed twenty-five (([dollars]))
- 3 <u>dollars</u>: PROVIDED, That the commission shall promulgate regulations to
- 4 require disclosure by persons exempt under this subsection or their
- 5 employers or entities which sponsor or coordinate the lobbying
- 6 activities of such persons if it determines that such regulations are
- 7 necessary to prevent frustration of the purposes of this chapter. Any
- 8 person exempt under this subsection $((\frac{4}{1}))$ (5) may at his or her
- 9 option register and report under this chapter;
- 10 $\left(\left(\frac{(5)}{5}\right)\right)$ (6) The governor;
- 11 $((\frac{6}{}))$ The lieutenant governor;
- 12 $((\frac{7}{}))$ (8) Except as provided by RCW 42.17.190(1), members of the
- 13 legislature;
- 14 $\left(\left(\frac{8}{8}\right)\right)$ Except as provided by RCW 42.17.190(1), persons
- 15 employed by the legislature for the purpose of aiding in the
- 16 preparation or enactment of legislation or the performance of
- 17 legislative duties;
- 18 $((\frac{9}{}))$ (10) Elected officials, and officers and employees of any
- 19 agency reporting under RCW 42.17.190(4) as now or hereafter amended.
- 20 **Sec. 20.** RCW 42.17.170 and 1991 sp.s. c 18 s 2 are each amended to
- 21 read as follows:
- 22 MONTHLY PERIODIC REPORT. (1) Any lobbyist registered under RCW
- 23 42.17.150 and any person who lobbies shall file with the commission
- 24 periodic reports of his or her activities signed by the lobbyist. The
- 25 reports shall be made in the form and manner prescribed by the
- 26 commission. They shall be due monthly and shall be filed within
- 27 fifteen days after the last day of the calendar month covered by the
- 28 report.
- 29 (2) Each such monthly periodic report shall contain:
- 30 (a) The totals of all expenditures for lobbying activities made or
- 31 incurred by such lobbyist or on behalf of such lobbyist by the
- 32 lobbyist's employer during the period covered by the report. Such
- 33 totals for lobbying activities shall be segregated according to
- 34 financial category, including compensation; food and refreshments;
- 35 living accommodations; advertising; travel; contributions; and other
- 36 expenses or services. Each individual expenditure of more than twenty-
- 37 five dollars for entertainment shall be identified by date, place,
- 38 amount, and the names of all persons in the group partaking in or of

- 1 such entertainment including any portion thereof attributable to the
- 2 lobbyist's participation therein, ((without)) and shall include amounts
- 3 <u>actually expended on each person where calculable, or</u> allocating any
- 4 portion of ((such)) the expenditure to individual participants.
- 5 ((However, if the expenditure for a single hosted reception is more
- 6 than one hundred dollars per person partaking therein, the report shall
- 7 specify the per person amount, which shall be determined by dividing
- 8 the total amount of the expenditure by the total number of persons
- 9 partaking in the reception.))
- Notwithstanding the foregoing, lobbyists are not required to report the following:
- 12 (i) Unreimbursed personal living and travel expenses not incurred 13 directly for lobbying;
- 14 (ii) Any expenses incurred for his or her own living 15 accommodations;
- 16 (iii) Any expenses incurred for his or her own travel to and from 17 hearings of the legislature;
- (iv) Any expenses incurred for telephone, and any office expenses,
- 19 including rent and salaries and wages paid for staff and secretarial
- 20 assistance.
- 21 (b) In the case of a lobbyist employed by more than one employer,
- 22 the proportionate amount of such expenditures in each category incurred
- 23 on behalf of each of his employers.
- 24 (c) An itemized listing of each such expenditure, whether
- 25 contributed by the lobbyist personally or delivered or transmitted by
- 26 the lobbyist, in the nature of a contribution of money or of tangible
- 27 or intangible personal property to any candidate, elected official, or
- 28 officer or employee of any agency, or any political committee
- 29 supporting or opposing any ballot proposition, or for or on behalf of
- 30 any candidate, elected official, or officer or employee of any agency,
- 31 or any political committee supporting or opposing any ballot
- 32 proposition. All contributions made to, or for the benefit of, any
- 33 candidate, elected official, or officer or employee of any agency, or
- 34 any political committee supporting or opposing any ballot proposition
- 35 shall be identified by date, amount, and the name of the candidate,
- 36 elected official, or officer or employee of any agency, or any
- 37 political committee supporting or opposing any ballot proposition
- 38 receiving, or to be benefited by each such contribution.
- 39 (d) The subject matter of proposed legislation or other legislative

- activity or rule-making under chapter 34.05 RCW, the state Administrative Procedure Act, and the state agency considering the same, which the lobbyist has been engaged in supporting or opposing during the reporting period, unless exempt under RCW 42.17.160(2).
 - (e) Such other information relevant to lobbying activities as the commission shall by rule prescribe. Information supporting such activities as are required to be reported is subject to audit by the commission.

- (f) ((A listing of each gift, as defined in RCW 42.17.020, made to a state elected official or executive state officer or to a member of the immediate family of such an official or officer. Such a gift shall be separately identified by the date it was given, the approximate value of the gift, and the name of the recipient. However, for a hosted reception where the average per person amount is reported under (a) of this subsection, the approximate value for the gift of partaking in the event is such average per person amount. The commission shall adopt forms to be used for reporting the giving of gifts under this subsection (2)(f). The forms shall be designed to permit a lobbyist to report on a separate form for each recipient the reportable gifts given to that recipient during the reporting period or, alternatively, to report on one form all reportable gifts given by the lobbyist during the reporting period)) A listing of each payment for an item specified in RCW 42.52.150(5) in excess of fifty dollars made to a state elected official, state officer, or state employee. Each item shall be identified by recipient, date, and approximate value of the item.
 - (g) The total expenditures made during the reporting period by the lobbyist for lobbying purposes, whether through or on behalf of a lobbyist or otherwise. As used in this subsection, "expenditures" includes amounts paid or incurred during the reporting period for (i) political advertising as defined in RCW 42.17.020; and (ii) public relations, telemarketing, polling, or similar activities if such activities, directly or indirectly, are intended, designed, or calculated to influence legislation or the adoption or rejection of a rule, standard, or rate by an agency under the administrative procedure act. The report shall specify the amount, the person to whom the amount was paid, and a brief description of the activity.
 - (3) If a state elected official or a member of such an official's immediate family is identified by a lobbyist in such a report as having received from the lobbyist ((a gift, as defined in RCW 42.17.020)) an

- 1 <u>item specified in RCW 42.52.150(5)</u>, the lobbyist shall transmit to the
- 2 official a copy of the completed form used to identify the ((gift))
- 3 <u>item</u> in the report at the same time the report is filed with the
- 4 commission.
- 5 (4) The commission may adopt rules to vary the content of lobbyist
- 6 reports to address specific circumstances, consistent with this
- 7 section."
- 8 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively.
- 9 **2SSB 5576** S AMD 216 (S2612.3)
- 10 By Senators Drew and Smith
- 11 ADOPTED 3/14/95
- On page 1, line 4 of the title, after "29.80.090," strike "and
- 13 42.17.132" and insert "42.17.132, 42.17.160, and 42.17.170"

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