
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1169

State of Washington

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By House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunt, Haigh, Tom, McDermott, Romero and Wallace)

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1 AN ACT Relating to initiative and referendum petitions; and adding
2 a new section to chapter 29.79 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 29.79 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Any person soliciting or procuring signatures for an initiative
7 or referendum petition governed by this chapter must disclose whether
8 he or she is receiving compensation or other consideration for
9 soliciting or procuring such signatures by wearing a visible button or
10 sticker on the front of the body above the waist that accurately states
11 "Paid" or "Volunteer" in print large enough to occupy at least two
12 inches in width.

13 (2) Prior to soliciting or procuring the signature of a voter on an
14 initiative or referendum petition, the person soliciting or procuring
15 signatures must:

16 (a) Accurately describe to the voter the impact that the initiative
17 or referendum will have on the law of this state;

18 (b) Give the voter a copy of the seventy-five word summary of the

1 measure formulated by the attorney general pursuant to RCW 29.79.040;
2 and

3 (c) Ask the voter if he or she is registered to vote in Washington,
4 and if he or she has already signed a petition for the same initiative
5 or referendum. A voter is not required to display identification prior
6 to signing an initiative or referendum petition.

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