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SENATE BILL 5046

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By Senators Roach, Stevens and T. Sheldon

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to crimes by election officials; adding new 2 sections to chapter 29.85 RCW; and prescribing penalties.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 29.85 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) A county auditor is guilty of lying about an election in the first degree if the auditor in an official capacity makes a materially false statement that he or she knows to be false concerning the conduct of an election in the auditor's county.
- 10 (2) Lying about an election in the first degree is a class C felony 11 punishable under chapter 9A.20 RCW.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 29.85 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) A person who is the immediate subordinate of the county auditor for election functions is guilty of lying about an election in the second degree if the person in an official capacity makes a materially false statement that he or she knows to be false concerning the conduct of an election in the auditor's county.

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- 1 (2) Lying about an election in the second degree is a gross 2 misdemeanor punishable under chapter 9A.20 RCW.
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