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SENATE BILL 5604

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to requirements for filing an initiative or 2 referendum; and amending RCW 29.79.010.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29.79.010 and 1982 c 116 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 If any legal voter of the state, either individually or on behalf

of an organization, desires to petition the legislature to enact a

- 8 proposed measure, or submit a proposed initiative measure to the
- 9 people, or order that a referendum of all or part of any act, bill, or
- 10 law, passed by the legislature be submitted to the people, he or she
- 11 shall file with the secretary of state a typewritten copy of the
- 12 measure proposed, or the act or part of such act on which a referendum
- 13 is desired, accompanied by an affidavit that the proposer is a legal
- 14 voter and ((a filing fee prescribed under RCW 43.07.120, as now or
- 15 <u>hereafter amended</u>)) <u>deposit of either a fee of one hundred dollars or</u>
- 16 <u>signatures of one hundred registered voters</u>. If the fee is deposited,
- 17 <u>it is fully refundable upon either:</u>

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18 (1) The filing of an affidavit from a printer affirming that

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- 1 sufficient petitions have been printed and delivered to the petitioner
- 2 to permit the filing of the number of signatures required by Article
- 3 <u>II, section 1 of the state Constitution; or</u>
- 4 (2) The filing of the required number of signatures.

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