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1 On page 5, after line 36, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 29A.36
3 RCW to read as follows:

4 All provisional ballots and related materials, including the inner
5 security envelope and the outer return envelope, must either:

6 (1) Be printed on colored paper distinctive from regular ballots,
7 absentee ballots, and their related materials; or

8 (2) Be imprinted with a bar code for the purpose of identifying the
9 ballot as a provisional ballot. Poll-site counting machines must be
10 programmed to count only those provisional ballots with a poll-site bar
11 code.

12 The bar code must not identify the voter."

13 Renumber the sections following consecutively and correct internal
14 references accordingly.

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15 In line 4 of the title, after "29A.84.650;" insert "adding a new
16 section to chapter 29A.36 RCW;"

EFFECT: (1) Requires that provisional ballots and related

materials be either printed on colored paper distinctive from other ballots, or be imprinted with a bar code for purposes of identifying the ballot as a provisional ballot;

(2) Requires that poll-site voting machines be programmed only to count provisional ballots with a poll-site bar code; and

(3) Requires that the bar code not identify the voter.

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