
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4200

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Committee on State Government Operations & Accountability.

1 BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 STATE OF WASHINGTON, IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION ASSEMBLED:

3 THAT, At the next general election to be held in this state the
4 secretary of state shall submit to the qualified voters of the state
5 for their approval and ratification, or rejection, an amendment to
6 Article IV, section 29 of the Constitution of the state of Washington
7 to read as follows:

8 Article IV, section 29. Notwithstanding any provision of this
9 Constitution to the contrary, if, after the last day as provided by law
10 for the withdrawal of declarations of candidacy has expired, only one
11 candidate has filed for any single position of superior court judge in
12 any county containing a population of one hundred thousand or more, no
13 primary or election shall be held as to such position, and a
14 certificate of election shall be issued to such candidate. (~~If, after~~
15 ~~any contested primary for superior court judge in any county, only one~~
16 ~~candidate is entitled to have his name printed on the general election~~
17 ~~ballot for any single position, no election shall be held as to such~~
18 ~~position, and a certificate of election shall be issued to such~~
19 ~~candidate: *Provided*, That in the event that there is filed with the~~

1 ~~county auditor within ten days after the date of the primary, a~~
2 ~~petition indicating that a write in campaign will be conducted for such~~
3 ~~single position and signed by one hundred registered voters qualified~~
4 ~~to vote with respect of the office, then such single position shall be~~
5 ~~subject to the general election.))~~ Provisions for the contingency of
6 the death or disqualification of a sole candidate between the last date
7 for withdrawal and the time when the election would be held but for the
8 provisions of this section, and such other provisions as may be deemed
9 necessary to implement the provisions of this section, may be enacted
10 by the legislature.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause
12 notice of this constitutional amendment to be published at least four
13 times during the four weeks next preceding the election in every legal
14 newspaper in the state.

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