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By House State Government & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunt, Williams, Armstrong, and Moeller; by request of Secretary of State)

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1 AN ACT Relating to candidates for elective office; amending RCW
2 29A.20.111, 29A.20.121, 29A.20.151, 29A.20.171, 29A.20.181, 29A.20.191,
3 29A.20.201, 29A.24.131, 29A.24.320, 29A.28.041, 29A.32.031, 29A.36.121,
4 29A.36.191, 29A.40.061, 29A.52.321, 29A.56.320, 29A.80.051, and
5 35.02.086; adding a new section to chapter 29A.24 RCW; recodifying RCW
6 29A.28.011 and 29A.28.021; and repealing RCW 29A.20.131, 29A.20.141,
7 and 29A.20.161.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

9 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29A.20.111 and 2004 c 271 s 188 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 (~~A "convention" for the purposes of this chapter, is an organized~~
12 ~~assemblage of registered voters representing an independent candidate~~
13 ~~or candidates or a new or minor political party, organization, or~~
14 ~~principle.)) As used in this chapter, (~~the term~~) "~~(election)~~
15 ~~jurisdiction~~" (~~shall~~) means the state or any political subdivision or
16 jurisdiction of the state from which partisan officials are elected.
17 (~~This term shall include county commissioner districts or council~~
18 ~~districts for members of a county legislative authority,))
19 "Jurisdiction" includes counties for county officials (~~who are~~~~~~

1 ~~nominated and elected on a county wide basis)), legislative districts~~
2 ~~for members of the legislature, congressional districts for members of~~
3 ~~Congress, and the state for president and vice president, members of~~
4 ~~the United States senate, and state officials who are elected on a~~
5 ~~statewide basis.~~

6 **Sec. 2.** RCW 29A.20.121 and 2006 c 344 s 4 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 (1) Any nomination of a candidate for partisan public office by
9 other than a major political party may be made only(~~(a) In a~~
10 ~~convention held not earlier than the first Saturday in May and not~~
11 ~~later than the second Saturday in May or during any of the seven days~~
12 ~~immediately preceding the first day for filing declarations of~~
13 ~~candidacy as fixed in accordance with RCW 29A.28.041; (b) as provided~~
14 ~~by RCW 29A.60.021; or (c)) by ballot qualifying petition filed no
15 later than the second Monday in May, or as otherwise provided in this
16 section. Minor political party and independent candidates may appear
17 only on the general election ballot.~~

18 (2) Nominations of candidates for president and vice president of
19 the United States other than by a major political party may be made
20 (~~either at a convention conducted under subsection (1) of this~~
21 ~~section, or at a similar convention taking place not earlier than the~~
22 ~~first Saturday in June and not later than the fourth Saturday in July.~~
23 ~~Conventions held during this time period may not nominate candidates~~
24 ~~for any public office other than president and vice president of the~~
25 ~~United States, except as provided in subsection (3) of this section))
26 by ballot qualifying petition filed no later than the first Monday in
27 August.~~

28 (3) If a special filing period for a partisan office is opened
29 under RCW 29A.24.211 or 29A.28.041, candidates of minor political
30 parties and independent candidates may file for office during that
31 special filing period. The names of those candidates may not appear on
32 the general election ballot unless they are nominated by (~~convention~~
33 ~~held)) petition filed no later than (~~five)) seven days after the close
34 of the special filing period (~~and a certificate of nomination is filed~~
35 ~~with the filing officer no later than three days after the convention.~~
36 ~~The requirements of RCW 29A.20.131 do not apply to such a convention)).~~~~~~

1 (4) Ballot qualifying petitions must be filed with the appropriate
2 filing officer as provided in RCW 29A.24.070.

3 (5) A minor political party may (~~hold more than one convention but~~
4 ~~in no case shall any such party~~) not nominate more than one candidate
5 for any one partisan public office or position. (~~For the purpose of~~
6 ~~nominating candidates for the offices of president and vice president,~~
7 ~~United States senator, United States representative, or a statewide~~
8 ~~office, a minor party or independent candidate holding multiple~~
9 ~~conventions may add together the number of signatures of different~~
10 ~~individuals from each convention obtained in support of the candidate~~
11 ~~or candidates in order to obtain the number required by RCW 29A.20.141.~~
12 ~~For all other offices for which nominations are made, signatures of the~~
13 ~~requisite number of registered voters must be obtained at a single~~
14 ~~convention.~~)

15 **Sec. 3.** RCW 29A.20.151 and 2004 c 271 s 112 are each amended to
16 read as follows:

17 A (~~nominating~~) ballot qualifying petition submitted under this
18 chapter shall (~~clearly identify the name of the minor party or~~
19 ~~independent candidate convention as it appears on the certificate of~~
20 ~~nomination as required by RCW 29A.20.161(3).~~ The petition shall also
21 contain a statement that the person signing the petition is a
22 registered voter of the state of Washington and shall have a space for
23 the voter to sign his or her name and to print his or her name and
24 address)) include:

- 25 (1) The name and residential address of the candidate;
- 26 (2) The name of the minor political party or the fact that the
27 candidate is independent if not affiliated with a political party;
- 28 (3) The year and office for which the candidate is nominated;
- 29 (4) A statement that each person signing the petition is a
30 registered voter of the state of Washington and the jurisdiction of the
31 office;
- 32 (5) A space for each voter to sign his or her name and print his or
33 her name and address;
- 34 (6)(a) Valid signatures of at least one thousand registered voters
35 of the jurisdiction of the office if the nomination is for president
36 and vice president of the United States, United States senator, or
37 statewide office;

1 (b) Valid signatures of at least two hundred fifty registered
2 voters of the jurisdiction of the office if the nomination is for
3 United States representative; or

4 (c) Valid signatures of at least one hundred registered voters of
5 the jurisdiction of the office if the nomination is for any other
6 partisan office; and

7 (7) If the nomination is for president and vice president of the
8 United States, a sworn statement from both nominees consenting to the
9 nomination.

10 No person may sign more than one (~~nominating~~) ballot qualifying
11 petition under this chapter for an office for an election.

12 **Sec. 4.** RCW 29A.20.171 and 2004 c 271 s 155 are each amended to
13 read as follows:

14 (1) If two or more (~~valid certificates of nomination~~) ballot
15 qualifying petitions are filed purporting to nominate different
16 candidates for the same position using the same party name, the filing
17 officer must give effect to both certificates. If conflicting claims
18 to the party name are not resolved either by mutual agreement or by a
19 judicial determination of the right to the name, the candidates must be
20 treated as independent candidates. Disputes over the right to the name
21 must not be permitted to delay the printing of either ballots or a
22 voters' pamphlet. Other candidates nominated by the same
23 (~~conventions~~) political party may continue to use the partisan
24 affiliation unless a court of competent jurisdiction directs otherwise.

25 (2) A person affected may petition the superior court of the county
26 in which the filing officer is located for a judicial determination of
27 the right to the name of a minor political party, either before or
28 after documents are filed with the filing officer. The court shall
29 resolve the conflict between competing claims to the use of the same
30 party name according to the following principles: (a) The prior
31 established public use of the name during previous elections by a party
32 composed of or led by the same individuals or individuals in documented
33 succession; (b) prior established public use of the name earlier in the
34 same election cycle; (c) the nomination of a more complete slate of
35 candidates for a number of offices or in a number of different regions
36 of the state; (d) documented affiliation with a national or statewide
37 party organization with an established use of the name; (e) the first

1 date of filing of a (~~certificate of nomination~~) ballot qualifying
2 petition; and (f) such other indicia of an established right to use of
3 the name as the court may deem relevant. If more than one filing
4 officer is involved, and one of them is the secretary of state, the
5 petition must be filed in the superior court for Thurston county. Upon
6 resolving the conflict between competing claims, the court may also
7 address any ballot designation for the candidate who does not prevail.

8 **Sec. 5.** RCW 29A.20.181 and 2004 c 271 s 156 are each amended to
9 read as follows:

10 ((A)) Minor political party or independent (~~candidate convention~~
11 ~~nominating~~) candidates for the offices of president and vice president
12 of the United States, or their designees, shall, not later than ten
13 days after the (~~adjournment of the convention~~) filing of ballot
14 qualifying petitions, submit a list of presidential electors to the
15 office of the secretary of state. The list shall contain the names and
16 the mailing addresses of the persons selected (~~and shall be verified~~
17 ~~by the presiding officer of the convention~~).

18 **Sec. 6.** RCW 29A.20.191 and 2004 c 271 s 157 are each amended to
19 read as follows:

20 Upon the receipt of the (~~certificate of nomination~~) ballot
21 qualifying petitions, the officer with whom it is filed shall check the
22 (~~certificate~~) petitions and canvass the signatures (~~on the~~
23 ~~accompanying nominating petitions~~) to determine if the requirements of
24 RCW (~~29A.20.141~~) 29A.20.151 have been met. Once the determination
25 has been made, the filing officer shall notify the (~~presiding officer~~
26 ~~of the convention and any other persons requesting the notification,~~)
27 candidate of his or her decision regarding the sufficiency of the
28 (~~certificate or the nominating~~) ballot qualifying petitions. Any
29 appeal regarding the filing officer's determination must be filed with
30 the superior court of the county in which the (~~certificate or~~)
31 petitions were filed not later than five days from the date the
32 determination is made, and shall be heard and finally disposed of by
33 the court within five days of the filing. (~~Nominating~~) Ballot
34 qualifying petitions shall not be available for public inspection or
35 copying.

1 **Sec. 7.** RCW 29A.20.201 and 2004 c 271 s 113 are each amended to
2 read as follows:

3 Not later than the Friday immediately preceding the first day for
4 candidates to file, the secretary of state shall notify the county
5 auditors of the names and designations of all minor party and
6 independent candidates who have filed valid (~~convention certificates~~
7 ~~and nominating~~) ballot qualifying petitions with that office. Except
8 for the offices of president and vice president, persons nominated
9 under this chapter shall file declarations of candidacy as provided by
10 RCW 29A.24.031 and 29A.24.070. The name of a nominated candidate
11 (~~nominated at a convention~~) shall not be printed upon the general
12 election ballot unless he or she pays one half of the fee required by
13 law to be paid by candidates for the same office to be nominated at a
14 primary.

15 **Sec. 8.** RCW 29A.24.131 and 2004 c 271 s 115 are each amended to
16 read as follows:

17 A candidate may withdraw his or her declaration of candidacy at any
18 time before the close of business on the Thursday following the last
19 day for candidates to file under RCW 29A.24.050 by filing, with the
20 officer with whom the declaration of candidacy was filed, a signed
21 request that his or her name not be printed on the ballot. There shall
22 be no withdrawal period for declarations of candidacy filed during
23 special filing periods held under this title. (~~The filing officer may~~
24 ~~permit the withdrawal of a filing for the office of precinct committee~~
25 ~~officer at the request of the candidate at any time if no absentee~~
26 ~~ballots have been issued for that office and the ballots for that~~
27 ~~precinct have not been printed.)) The filing officer may permit the
28 withdrawal of a filing for any elected office of a city, town, or
29 special district at the request of the candidate at any time before a
30 primary if the primary ballots for that city, town, or special district
31 have not been ordered. No filing fee may be refunded to any candidate
32 who withdraws under this section. Notice of the deadline for
33 withdrawal of candidacy and that the filing fee is not refundable shall
34 be given to each candidate at the time he or she files.~~

35 **Sec. 9.** RCW 29A.24.320 and 2003 c 111 s 623 are each amended to
36 read as follows:

1 The secretary of state shall notify each county auditor of any
2 declarations filed with the secretary under RCW ((29A.24.310))
3 29A.24.311 for offices appearing on the ballot in that county. The
4 county auditor shall ensure that those persons charged with counting
5 the ballots for a primary or election are notified of all valid write-
6 in candidates before the tabulation of those ballots.

7 **Sec. 10.** RCW 29A.28.041 and 2006 c 344 s 12 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 (1) Whenever a vacancy occurs in the United States house of
10 representatives or the United States senate from this state, the
11 governor shall order a special election to fill the vacancy. Minor
12 political party candidates and independent candidates may be nominated
13 through the ((~~convention~~)) petition procedures provided in chapter
14 29A.20 RCW.

15 (2) Within ten days of such vacancy occurring, he or she shall
16 issue a writ of election fixing a date for the special vacancy election
17 not less than ninety days after the issuance of the writ, fixing a date
18 for the primary for nominating major political party candidates for the
19 special vacancy election not less than thirty days before the day fixed
20 for holding the special vacancy election, fixing the dates for the
21 special filing period, and designating the term or part of the term for
22 which the vacancy exists. If the vacancy is in the office of United
23 States representative, the writ of election shall specify the
24 congressional district that is vacant.

25 (3) If the vacancy occurs less than six months before a state
26 general election and before the second Friday following the close of
27 the filing period for that general election, the special primary((~~τ~~))
28 and special vacancy election((~~τ~~ and minor party and independent
29 candidate nominating conventions)) must be held in concert with the
30 state primary and state general election in that year.

31 (4) If the vacancy occurs on or after the first day for filing
32 under RCW 29A.24.050 and on or before the second Friday following the
33 close of the filing period, a special filing period of three normal
34 business days shall be fixed by the governor and notice thereof given
35 to all media, including press, radio, and television within the area in
36 which the vacancy election is to be held, to the end that, insofar as
37 possible, all interested persons will be aware of such filing period.

1 The last day of the filing period shall not be later than the sixth
2 Tuesday before the primary at which major political party candidates
3 are to be nominated. The names of major political party candidates who
4 have filed valid declarations of candidacy during this three-day period
5 shall appear on the approaching primary ballot. (~~The requirements of~~
6 ~~RCW 29A.20.131 do not apply to a minor political party or independent~~
7 ~~candidate convention held under this subsection.~~)

8 (5) If the vacancy occurs later than the second Friday following
9 the close of the filing period, a special primary(~~(7)~~) and special
10 vacancy election(~~(7, and the minor party and independent candidate~~
11 ~~conventions)~~) to fill the position shall be held after the next state
12 general election but, in any event, no later than the ninetieth day
13 following the November election.

14 **Sec. 11.** RCW 29A.32.031 and 2008 c 1 s 12 (Initiative Measure No.
15 960) are each amended to read as follows:

16 The voters' pamphlet must contain:

17 (1) Information about each measure for an advisory vote of the
18 people and each ballot measure initiated by or referred to the voters
19 for their approval or rejection as required by RCW 29A.32.070;

20 (2) In even-numbered years, statements, if submitted, advocating
21 the candidacies of nominees for the office of president and vice
22 president of the United States, United States senator, United States
23 representative, governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state,
24 state treasurer, state auditor, attorney general, commissioner of
25 public lands, superintendent of public instruction, insurance
26 commissioner, state senator, state representative, justice of the
27 supreme court, judge of the court of appeals, or judge of the superior
28 court. Candidates may also submit a campaign mailing address and
29 telephone number and a photograph not more than five years old and of
30 a size and quality that the secretary of state determines to be
31 suitable for reproduction in the voters' pamphlet;

32 (3) In odd-numbered years, if any office voted upon statewide
33 appears on the ballot due to a vacancy, then statements and photographs
34 for candidates for any vacant office listed in subsection (2) of this
35 section must appear;

36 (4) In even-numbered years, a section explaining how voters may
37 participate in the election campaign process; the address and telephone

1 number of the public disclosure commission established under RCW
2 42.17.350; and a summary of the disclosure requirements that apply when
3 contributions are made to candidates and political committees;

4 (5) In even-numbered years the name, address, and telephone number
5 of each political party with nominees listed in the pamphlet, if filed
6 with the secretary of state (~~by the state committee of a major
7 political party or the presiding officer of the convention of a minor
8 political party~~));

9 (6) In each odd-numbered year immediately before a year in which a
10 president of the United States is to be nominated and elected,
11 information explaining the precinct caucus and convention process used
12 by each major political party to elect delegates to its national
13 presidential candidate nominating convention. The pamphlet must also
14 provide a description of the statutory procedures by which minor
15 political parties are formed and the statutory methods used by the
16 parties to nominate candidates for president;

17 (7) An application form for an absentee ballot;

18 (8) A brief statement explaining the deletion and addition of
19 language for proposed measures under RCW 29A.32.080;

20 (9) Any additional information pertaining to elections as may be
21 required by law or in the judgment of the secretary of state is deemed
22 informative to the voters.

23 **Sec. 12.** RCW 29A.36.121 and 2004 c 271 s 129 are each amended to
24 read as follows:

25 (1)(a) The positions or offices on a primary consolidated ballot
26 shall be arranged in substantially the following order: United States
27 senator; United States representative; governor; lieutenant governor;
28 secretary of state; state treasurer; state auditor; attorney general;
29 commissioner of public lands; superintendent of public instruction;
30 insurance commissioner; state senator; state representative; county
31 officers; justices of the supreme court; judges of the court of
32 appeals; judges of the superior court; and judges of the district
33 court. For all other jurisdictions on the primary consolidated ballot,
34 the offices in each jurisdiction shall be grouped together and be in
35 the order of the position numbers assigned to those offices, if any.

36 (b)(i) The positions or offices on a primary party ballot must be
37 arranged in substantially the following order: United States senator;

1 United States representative; governor; lieutenant governor; secretary
2 of state; state treasurer; state auditor; attorney general;
3 commissioner of public lands; insurance commissioner; state senator;
4 state representative; and partisan county officers. For all other
5 jurisdictions on the primary party ballot, the offices in each
6 jurisdiction must be grouped together and be in the order of the
7 position numbers assigned to those offices, if any.

8 (ii) The positions or offices on a primary nonpartisan ballot must
9 be arranged in substantially the following order: Superintendent of
10 public instruction; justices of the supreme court; judges of the court
11 of appeals; judges of the superior court; and judges of the district
12 court. For all other jurisdictions on the primary nonpartisan ballot,
13 the offices in each jurisdiction must be grouped together and be in the
14 order of the position numbers assigned to those offices, if any.

15 (2) The order of the positions or offices on an election ballot
16 shall be substantially the same as on a primary consolidated ballot
17 except that state ballot issues must be placed before all offices. The
18 offices of president and vice president of the United States shall
19 precede all other offices on a presidential election ballot. The
20 positions on a ballot to be assigned to ballot measures regarding local
21 units of government shall be established by the secretary of state by
22 rule.

23 (3) The political party or independent candidacy of each candidate
24 for partisan office shall be indicated (~~((next to the name of the~~
25 ~~candidate))~~) on the primary and election ballot. A candidate shall file
26 a written notice with the filing officer within three business days
27 after the close of the filing period designating the political party to
28 be indicated next to the candidate's name on the ballot if either: (a)
29 The candidate has been nominated by two or more minor political
30 (~~((parties))~~) party or independent (~~((conventions))~~) candidacy petitions;
31 or (b) the candidate has both filed a declaration of candidacy
32 declaring an affiliation with a major political party and been
33 nominated by a minor political party or independent (~~((convention))~~)
34 candidacy petition. If no written notice is filed the filing officer
35 shall give effect to the party designation shown upon the first
36 document filed. A minor political party or independent candidate may
37 be deemed nominated (~~((by a minor party or independent convention))~~) only

1 if all documentation required by chapter 29A.20 RCW has been timely
2 filed.

3 **Sec. 13.** RCW 29A.36.191 and 2004 c 271 s 133 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 The name of a candidate for a partisan office for which a primary
6 was conducted shall not be printed on the ballot for that office at the
7 subsequent general election unless, at the preceding primary, the
8 candidate receives ~~((a number of votes equal to at least one percent of
9 the total number of votes cast for all candidates for that office
10 and))~~:

11 (1) A plurality of the votes cast ((by voters affiliated with that
12 party)) for candidates for ((that)) the same office ((affiliated with
13 that)) of the same party; and

14 (2) At least:

15 (a) One thousand votes if the nomination is for United States
16 senate or a statewide office;

17 (b) Two hundred fifty votes if the nomination is for United States
18 house of representatives; or

19 (c) One hundred votes if the nomination is for any other partisan
20 office.

21 **Sec. 14.** RCW 29A.40.061 and 2004 c 271 s 134 are each amended to
22 read as follows:

23 (1) The county auditor shall issue an absentee ballot for the
24 primary or election for which it was requested, or for the next
25 occurring primary or election when ongoing absentee status has been
26 requested if the information contained in a request for an absentee
27 ballot or ongoing absentee status received by the county auditor is
28 complete and correct and the applicant is qualified to vote under
29 federal or state law. Otherwise, the county auditor shall notify the
30 applicant of the reason or reasons why the request cannot be accepted.
31 Whenever ~~((two or more candidates have))~~ a candidate has filed for the
32 position of precinct committee officer ~~((for the same party in the same
33 precinct, the contest for))~~, that position must be presented to
34 absentee voters from that precinct by either including the contest on
35 the regular absentee ballot or a separate absentee ballot. The ballot

1 must provide space designated for writing in the name of additional
2 candidates.

3 (2) A registered voter may obtain a replacement ballot if the
4 ballot is destroyed, spoiled, lost, or not received by the voter. The
5 voter may obtain the ballot by telephone request, by mail,
6 electronically, or in person. The county auditor shall keep a record
7 of each replacement ballot provided under this subsection.

8 (3) A copy of the state voters' pamphlet must be sent to registered
9 voters temporarily outside the state, out-of-state voters, overseas
10 voters, and service voters along with the absentee ballot if such a
11 pamphlet has been prepared for the primary or election and is available
12 to the county auditor at the time of mailing. The county auditor shall
13 mail all absentee ballots and related material to voters outside the
14 territorial limits of the United States and the District of Columbia
15 under 39 U.S.C. 3406.

16 **Sec. 15.** RCW 29A.52.321 and 2004 c 271 s 146 are each amended to
17 read as follows:

18 No later than the day following the certification of the returns of
19 any primary, the secretary of state shall certify to the appropriate
20 county auditors the names of all persons nominated for offices at a
21 primary, or ~~((at))~~ by an independent candidate or minor party
22 ~~((convention))~~ petition.

23 **Sec. 16.** RCW 29A.56.320 and 2003 c 111 s 1425 are each amended to
24 read as follows:

25 In the year in which a presidential election is held, each major or
26 minor political party that nominates candidates for president and vice
27 president of the United States and each ~~((minor political party or))~~
28 independent candidate ~~((convention held under chapter 29A.20 RCW that~~
29 ~~nominates candidates))~~ nominated for president and vice president of
30 the United States shall nominate presidential electors for this state.
31 The party or ~~((convention))~~ independent candidate shall file with the
32 secretary of state a certificate ~~((signed by the presiding officer of~~
33 ~~the convention at which the presidential electors were chosen,))~~
34 listing the names and addresses of the presidential electors. Each
35 presidential elector shall execute and file with the secretary of state
36 a pledge that, as an elector, he or she will vote for the candidates

1 nominated by that party. The names of presidential electors shall not
2 appear on the ballots. The votes cast for candidates for president and
3 vice president of each political party shall be counted for the
4 candidates for presidential electors of that political party.

5 **Sec. 17.** RCW 29A.80.051 and 2004 c 271 s 149 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 In an even-numbered year, the statutory requirements for filing as
8 a candidate at the primaries apply to candidates for precinct committee
9 officer. The office must be voted upon at the ~~((primaries, and))~~
10 primary. The names of all candidates must appear under the proper
11 party and office designations on the ballot ~~((for the primary for each~~
12 ~~even-numbered year))~~, and the one receiving the highest number of votes
13 will be declared elected. ~~((However, to be declared elected, a~~
14 ~~candidate must receive at least ten percent of the number of votes cast~~
15 ~~for the candidate of the candidate's party receiving the greatest~~
16 ~~number of votes in the precinct.))~~ The term of office of precinct
17 committee officer is two years, commencing the first day of December
18 following the primary.

19 **Sec. 18.** RCW 35.02.086 and 2006 c 344 s 20 are each amended to
20 read as follows:

21 Each candidate for a city or town elective position shall file a
22 declaration of candidacy with the county auditor of the county in which
23 all or the major portion of the city or town is located not more than
24 forty-five nor less than thirty days prior to the primary election at
25 which the initial elected officials are nominated~~((, according to RCW~~
26 ~~29A.24.050))~~. The elective positions shall be as provided in law for
27 the type of city or town and form or plan of government specified in
28 the petition to incorporate, and for the population of the city or town
29 as determined by the county legislative authority or boundary review
30 board where applicable. Any candidate may withdraw his or her
31 declaration ~~((according to RCW 29A.24.131))~~ at any time within five
32 days after the last day allowed for filing declarations of candidacy.
33 All names of candidates to be voted upon shall be printed upon the
34 ballot alphabetically in groups under the designation of the respective
35 titles of offices for which they are candidates. Names of candidates
36 printed upon the ballot need not be rotated.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 19.** RCW 29A.28.011 and 29A.28.021 are each
2 recodified as sections in chapter 29A.24 RCW.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 20.** The following acts or parts of acts are
4 each repealed:

5 (1) RCW 29A.20.131 (Convention--Notice) and 2004 c 271 s 189;

6 (2) RCW 29A.20.141 (Convention--Requirements for validity) and 2004
7 c 271 s 111; and

8 (3) RCW 29A.20.161 (Certificate of nomination--Requisites) and 2004
9 c 271 s 154.

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