
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5645

State of Washington 65th Legislature 2017 Regular Session
By Senate State Government (originally sponsored by Senator
Honeyford)

READ FIRST TIME 02/17/17.

1 AN ACT Relating to withdrawal of candidacy; and amending RCW
2 29A.24.131.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29A.24.131 and 2011 c 349 s 8 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) A candidate may withdraw his or her declaration of candidacy
7 at any time before the close of business on the Monday following the
8 last day for candidates to file under RCW 29A.24.050 by filing, with
9 the officer with whom the declaration of candidacy was filed, a
10 signed request that his or her name not be printed on the ballot.
11 There shall be no withdrawal period for declarations of candidacy
12 filed during special filing periods held under this title. No filing
13 fee may be refunded to any candidate who withdraws under this
14 section. Notice of the deadline for withdrawal of candidacy and that
15 the filing fee is not refundable shall be given to each candidate at
16 the time he or she files.

17 (2) If an incumbent officeholder who has filed for reelection
18 pursuant to RCW 29A.24.050 later withdraws his or her candidacy
19 pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, declarations of candidacy
20 may be filed for that office until seventy-two hours after the close

1 of business on the Monday following the last day for candidates to
2 withdraw described in subsection (1) of this section.

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