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By Representative Walsh

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- On page 1, beginning on line 20, after "(2)" strike all material 1 2 through "(5))" on page 2, line 21 and insert "(a) Once the right to ³ vote has been ((provisionally)) restored, the sentencing court may 4 revoke the ((provisional)) restoration of voting rights if the 5 sentencing court determines that a person has willfully failed to 6 comply with the terms of his or her order to pay legal financial 7 obligations. (b) If the ((person has failed to make three payments in a 9 twelve-month period and the county clerk or restitution recipient 10 requests, the prosecutor shall seek revocation of the provisional 11 restoration of voting rights from the court. 12 (c) To the extent practicable, the prosecutor and county clerk 13 shall inform a restitution recipient of the recipient's right to ask 14 for the revocation of the provisional restoration of voting rights. 15 (3) If the)) court revokes the ((provisional)) restoration of 16 voting rights, the revocation shall remain in effect until, upon 17 motion by the person whose ((provisional)) voting rights have been 18 revoked, the person shows that he or she has made a good faith 19 effort to pay ((as defined in RCW 10.82.090)) and the court orders 20 that the person's voting rights be restored. As used in this 21 subsection, "good faith effort" means that the person has either (i) 22 paid the principal amount in full; or (ii) made at least 15 payments 23 within an 18-month period, excluding any payments mandatorily
- (((4))) (c) The county clerk shall enter into a database

24 deducted by the department of corrections.

- 26 maintained by the administrator for the courts the names of all
- 27 persons whose ((provisional)) voting rights have been revoked, and

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1 update the database for any person whose voting rights have
 2 subsequently been restored pursuant to (((6))) (b) of this
 3 ((<del>section</del>)) subsection.
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       ((+5))) (3)"
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       Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any
7 internal references accordingly.
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      On page 2, at the beginning of line 24, strike "subsection((s))
  (1) ((and (3)))" and insert "subsections (1) and (((3)))) (2)"
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      On page 3, line 28, after "conviction," strike "and"
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       On page 3, line 29, after "conviction" insert ", and I am not
15 disqualified from voting due to a court order revoking my voting
16 rights for failure to comply with the terms for payment of legal
17 financial obligations"
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        On page 5, line 36, after "voting;" strike "and"
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        On page 5, beginning on line 37, after "(e)" strike all
22 material through "(f) The" on page 6, line 3 and insert "The
23 ((provisional)) restored right to vote may be revoked if the
24 defendant fails to comply with all the terms of his or her legal
25 financial obligations or an agreement for the payment of legal
26 financial obligations; and
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        (f) ((<del>The</del>"
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                Restores provisions in current law, except for
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EFFECT: Restores provisions in current law, except for references to "provisional" voting rights, authorizing the court to revoke the restoration of a person's voting rights when it finds that the person willfully failed to comply with a court order to pay legal financial obligations (LFO), until that person shows a good faith effort to pay.

Defines what constitutes a "good faith effort" to pay LFOs.

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Restores the requirement under current law that the Secretary of State compare the list of registered voters to a list of persons who are not eligible to vote due to the person's failure to pay LFOs, but specifies that the comparison must be between the list of registered voters and the database maintained by the administrator for the courts.

Modifies the voter registration oath to require the registrant to declare that he or she is not disqualified from voting due to a court order revoking his or her voting rights for failure to pay LFOs.

Restores current law, except for references to the "provisional" right to vote, that requires the statement of acknowledgment signed by defendants at sentencing to include notice that a person's restored right to vote may be revoked for failure to pay LFOs.

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