

**SHB 1339** - H AMD 1479

By Representative Low

NOT CONSIDERED 03/12/2026

1 On page 11, after line 28, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** (1) The Washington state association of  
3 county auditors shall submit a report to the legislature detailing the  
4 impacts on a county when a city, town, or special purpose district  
5 switches its elections to even-numbered years under this act. This  
6 report is required only in an election cycle in which at least two  
7 counties have a jurisdiction located in the county that has switched  
8 to even-numbered year elections.

9 (2) The report must analyze:

10 (a) Impacts to county auditor's office staff levels and retainment  
11 in an impacted county;

12 (b) Whether election costs to the county increased or decreased;

13 (c) Any technical problems that occurred as a result of the switch  
14 to even-numbered year elections; and

15 (d) Any necessary changes to hardware or software due to changes  
16 in ballot length as a result of the switch.

17 (3) The report must be sent to the relevant committees of the  
18 legislature, in compliance with RCW 43.01.036, by January 1 following  
19 an even-numbered year election in which at least two counties had a  
20 jurisdiction switch to even-numbered year elections."

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22 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any  
23 internal references accordingly.

EFFECT: Requires the Washington State Association of County  
Auditors to submit a report to the Legislature detailing the impacts  
that local jurisdictions switching to even-numbered year elections  
has on counties.

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