
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1209

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By House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Sheldon and P. Johnson).

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1 AN ACT Relating to elections; adding a new section to chapter 29.18
2 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 29.04 RCW; adding new sections to
3 chapter 29.15 RCW; and recodifying RCW 29.18.--- and 29.04.---

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 29.18 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) A person filing a declaration and affidavit of candidacy for an
8 office shall, at the time of filing, possess the qualifications
9 specified by law for persons who may be elected to the office.

10 (2) The name of a candidate for an office shall not appear on a
11 ballot for that office unless the candidate is, at the time the
12 candidate's declaration and affidavit of candidacy is filed, properly
13 registered to vote in the geographic area represented by the office.
14 For the purposes of this section, each geographic area in which
15 registered voters may cast ballots for an office is represented by that

1 office. If a person elected to an office must be nominated from a
2 district or similar division of the geographic area represented by the
3 office, the name of a candidate for the office shall not appear on a
4 primary ballot for that office unless the candidate is, at the time the
5 candidate's declaration and affidavit of candidacy is filed, properly
6 registered to vote in that district or division. The officer with whom
7 declarations and affidavits of candidacy must be filed under this title
8 shall review each such declaration filed regarding compliance with this
9 subsection.

10 (3) This section does not apply to the office of a member of the
11 United States congress.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 29.04 RCW
13 to read as follows:

14 (1) The legislative authority of each county and each city, town,
15 and special purpose district which lies entirely within the county
16 shall provide the county auditor accurate information describing its
17 geographical boundaries and the boundaries of its director, council, or
18 commissioner districts and shall ensure that the information provided
19 to the auditor is kept current.

20 (2) A city, town, or special purpose district that lies in more
21 than one county shall provide the secretary of state accurate
22 information describing its geographical boundaries and the boundaries
23 of its director, council, or commissioner districts and shall ensure
24 that the information provided to the secretary is kept current. The
25 secretary of state shall promptly transmit to each county in which a
26 city, town, or special purpose district is located information
27 regarding the boundaries of that jurisdiction which is provided to the
28 secretary.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Sections 1 and 2 of this act are each
2 recodified as sections in chapter 29.15 RCW on July 1, 1992.