
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2623

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By House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representative Anderson)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the clarification of definitions regarding
2 elections; and amending RCW 29.01.090 and 29.01.180.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29.01.090 and 1977 ex.s. c 329 s 9 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 "Major political party" means a political party of which at least
7 one nominee for the office of president((τ)) or vice president((τ)) of
8 the United States or of United States senator((τ)) or for a state-wide
9 office received at least five percent of the total vote cast at the
10 last preceding state general election conducted in an even-numbered
11 year(~~(:— PROVIDED, That any political party qualifying as a major~~
12 ~~political party under the previous subsection (2) or subsection (3) of~~
13 ~~this section prior to its 1977 amendment shall retain such status until~~
14 ~~after the next state general election following June 30, 1977)) for the~~
15 office.

16 **Sec. 2.** RCW 29.01.180 and 1975-'76 2nd ex.s. c 120 s 14 are each
17 amended to read as follows:

1 "Short term" ((means)) for a partisan or nonpartisan office refers
2 to the brief period of time starting upon the completion of the
3 certification of ((election)) returns of an election to fill a full
4 term for the office and ending with the start of the full term ((on the
5 second Tuesday of the next January immediately following the election
6 and is applicable only when)) for the office. A short term for an
7 office exists if a vacancy exists in the office on the date the
8 election is held or if the office concerned is ((being)) held on the
9 date of the election by an appointee to fill a vacancy ((which occurred
10 after the last election, at which such office could have been voted
11 upon for an unexpired term, prior to the election for such office for
12 the subsequent full term)) in the office. A short term does not exist
13 for the office of school district director.

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