

2 **SHB 1291** - S AMD to S SLG COMM AMD (S2422.1) - 405
3 By Senator Benton

4 NOT ADOPTED 4/15/99

5 On page 8, after line 3, insert the following:

6 "Sec. 11. RCW 29.30.025 and 1990 c 59 s 80 are each amended to
7 read as follows:

8 After the close of business on the last day for candidates to
9 ~~((file for office)) withdraw, the ((filing officer)) county auditor of~~
10 ~~each county shall((, from among those filings made in person and by~~
11 ~~mail,)) determine by lot the single order in which the names of~~
12 ~~((those)) candidates will appear on all ((sample and absentee)) ballots~~
13 ~~for any partisan or nonpartisan office that will be voted upon by~~
14 ~~voters in the county at the primary. ((In the case of candidates for~~
15 ~~city, town, and district office, this procedure shall also determine~~
16 ~~the order for candidate names on the official primary ballot used at~~
17 ~~the polling place. The determination shall be done publicly and may be~~
18 ~~witnessed by the media and by any candidate.)) After the primary, or~~
19 ~~if no primary is required for any nonpartisan office under RCW~~
20 ~~29.15.150 or 29.21.015, the county auditor of each county shall~~
21 ~~determine by lot the single order in which the names ((shall)) of~~
22 ~~nominees or candidates will appear on all ballots for any partisan or~~
23 ~~nonpartisan office that will be voted upon by the voters in that county~~
24 ~~at the general election ((ballot in the order determined by lot)).~~

25 A determination by lot under this section must be done publicly and
26 may be witnessed by the media and by any candidate or nominee for the
27 office, or a representative of the candidate or nominee.

28 **Sec. 12.** RCW 29.30.081 and 1990 c 59 s 13 are each amended to read
29 as follows:

30 (1) On the top of each ballot there shall be printed instructions
31 directing the voters how to mark the ballot, including write-in votes.
32 After the instructions and before the offices shall be placed the
33 questions of adopting constitutional amendments or any other state
34 measure authorized by law to be submitted to the voters at that
35 election.

1 (2) (~~The candidate or candidates of the major political party~~
2 ~~which received the highest number of votes from the electors of this~~
3 ~~state for the office of president of the United States at the last~~
4 ~~presidential election shall appear first following the appropriate~~
5 ~~office heading, the candidate or candidates of the other major~~
6 ~~political parties shall follow according to the votes cast for their~~
7 ~~nominees for president at the last presidential election, and~~
8 ~~independent candidates and the candidate or candidates of all other~~
9 ~~parties shall follow in the order of their qualification with the~~
10 ~~secretary of state.~~

11 (3)) The names of candidates for president and vice-president for
12 each political party shall be grouped together with a single response
13 position for a voter to indicate his or her choice.

14 (~~(4))~~ (3) All paper ballots and ballot cards shall be
15 sequentially numbered in such a way to permit removal of such numbers
16 without leaving any identifying marks on the ballot."

17 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal references
18 accordingly.

19 On page 12, after line 18, insert the following:

20 "**Sec. 21.** RCW 29.80.060 and 1965 c 9 s 29.80.060 are each amended
21 to read as follows:

22 Whenever practical, the secretary of state shall cause the
23 pamphlets to be printed so that no candidate's picture or statement
24 shall be included in the copy of the pamphlet going to any county where
25 such candidate is not to be voted for.

26 (~~The candidates' photographs and statements shall appear in the~~
27 ~~pamphlet in the same sequence as the positions sought appear on the~~
28 ~~state general election ballot.)) The secretary of state shall determine
29 by lot the single order in which the names of nominees or candidates
30 will appear for federal and state offices in the state candidates'
31 pamphlet."~~

32 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal references
33 accordingly.

1 On page 12, line 21, after "(1)", insert the following:
2 "RCW 29.30.040 and 1990 c 59 s 94, 1977 ex.s. c 361 s 54, & 1965 c 9 s
3 29.30.040;
4 (2)"

Renumber the sections and subsections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

On page 12, on line 31 of the title amendment, after "29.15.050,", insert "29.30.025, 29.30.081"

On page 12, on line 32 of the title amendment, after "29.57.160", strike "and 29.62.090" and insert "29.62.090, and 29.80.060"

On page 12, line 33 of the title amendment, after "repealing", insert "29.30.040,"

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EFFECT: The county auditor shall determine by lot the single order in which the names of candidates will appear on all ballots for any partisan or nonpartisan office that will be voted upon by voters in the county. The secretary of state will do the same for candidates for state office.