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1 AN ACT Relating to requiring initiative and referendum signature
2 gatherers to wear identification that indicates whether they are paid
3 workers or are volunteers; and adding a new section to chapter 29A.72
4 RCW.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 29A.72 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) Any person circulating initiative or referendum petitions in
9 order to get signatures on the petitions must wear an identification
10 tag that prominently displays the following information:

11 (a) If the person is paid for circulating the petitions, the person
12 must identify that he or she is a paid signature gatherer and identify
13 who is paying the person for work as a signature gatherer; or

14 (b) If the person is not paid for circulating the petitions, the
15 person must identify that he or she is a volunteer signature gatherer.

16 (2) For the purposes of this section, a person is considered a paid
17 signature gatherer if he or she receives a salary or other

1 remuneration, including an honorarium or gift, for work circulating
2 initiative or referendum petitions for signatures.

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