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By Senators Roach, Pflug, Delvin, Pridemore, Stevens, Parlette, Shin,  
and Benton

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Operations & Elections.

1 AN ACT Relating to notifying the secretary of state when a person  
2 summoned for jury service does not meet the qualifications of a juror;  
3 and amending RCW 2.36.072.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 2.36.072 and 1993 c 408 s 9 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 Each court shall establish a means to preliminarily determine by a  
8 written declaration signed under penalty of perjury by the person  
9 summoned, the qualifications set forth in RCW 2.36.070 of each person  
10 summoned for jury duty prior to their appearance at the court to which  
11 they are summoned to serve. Upon receipt by the summoning court of a  
12 written declaration stating that a declarant does not meet the  
13 qualifications set forth in RCW 2.36.070, that declarant shall be  
14 excused from appearing in response to the summons. If a person  
15 summoned to appear for jury duty fails to sign and return a declaration  
16 of his or her qualifications to serve as a juror prior to appearing in  
17 response to a summons and is later determined to be unqualified for one  
18 of the reasons set forth in RCW 2.36.070, that person shall not be  
19 entitled to any compensation as provided in RCW 2.36.150. Information

1 provided to the court for preliminary determination of statutory  
2 qualification for jury duty may only be used for the term such person  
3 is summoned and may not be used for any other purpose, except that the  
4 court, or designee, may report a change of address or nondelivery of  
5 summons of persons summoned for jury duty to the county auditor. The  
6 court shall notify the office of the secretary of state and the  
7 appropriate county election official if a declarant does not meet the  
8 qualifications set forth in RCW 2.36.070 (1) through (3) and (5).

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