
HOUSE BILL 2608

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By Representative Patterson

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1 AN ACT Relating to vacancies in office; and amending RCW 42.12.010.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.12.010 and 1994 c 223 s 2 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 Every elective office shall become vacant on the happening of any
6 of the following events:

7 (1) The death of the incumbent;

8 (2) His or her resignation. A vacancy caused by resignation shall
9 be deemed to occur upon the effective date of the resignation;

10 (3) His or her removal;

11 (4) Except as provided in RCW 3.46.067 and 3.50.057, his or her
12 ceasing to be a legally registered voter of the district, county, city,
13 town, or other municipal or quasi municipal corporation from which he
14 or she shall have been elected or appointed, including where applicable
15 the council district, commissioner district, or ward from which he or
16 she shall have been elected or appointed, except that a vacancy does
17 not occur if, as the result of redrawing the boundaries of legislative
18 districts, council districts, commissioner districts, or wards, an

1 elected official no longer resides in the district or ward from which
2 he or she was elected or appointed;

3 (5) His or her conviction of a felony, or of a crime involving
4 moral turpitude, or of any offense involving a violation of his or her
5 official oath;

6 (6) His or her refusal or neglect to take his or her oath of
7 office, or to give or renew his or her official bond, or to deposit
8 such oath or bond within the time prescribed by law;

9 (7) The decision of a competent tribunal declaring void his or her
10 election or appointment; or

11 (8) Whenever a judgment shall be obtained against that incumbent
12 for breach of the condition of his or her official bond.

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