SENATE BILL 5133

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By Senators McCaslin and Roach.

Read first time January 22, 1991. Referred to Committee on Governmental Operations.

- AN ACT Relating to boundary review boards; amending RCW 36.93.051
- 2 and 36.93.061; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 36.93.051 and 1989 c 84 s 17 are each amended to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 The boundary review board in class AA counties shall consist of
- 7 eleven members ((chosen as follows:
- 8 (1) Three persons shall be appointed by the governor;
- 9 (2) Three persons shall be appointed by the county appointing
- 10 authority;
- 11 (3) Three persons shall be appointed by the mayors of the cities
- 12 and towns located within the county; and
- 13 (4) Two persons shall be appointed by the board from nominees of
- 14 special districts in the county.

The governor shall designate one initial appointee to serve a term of two years, and two initial appointees to serve terms of four years, if the appointments are made in an odd-numbered year, or one initial appointee to serve a term of one year, and two initial appointees to serve terms of three years, if the appointments are made in an even-numbered year, with the length of the term being calculated from the first day of February in the year the appointment was made.

- The county appointing authority shall designate one of its initial appointees to serve a term of two years, and two of its initial appointees to serve terms of four years, if the appointments are made in an odd-numbered year, or one of its initial appointees to serve a term of one year, and two of its initial appointees to serve terms of three years, if the appointments are made in an even-numbered year, with the length of the term being calculated from the first day of February in the year the appointment was made.
 - The mayors making the initial city and town appointments shall designate two of their initial appointees to serve terms of two years, and one of their initial appointees to serve a term of four years, if the appointments are made in an odd-numbered year, or two of their initial appointees to serve terms of one year, and one of their initial appointees to serve a term of three years, if the appointments are made in an even-numbered year, with the length of the term being calculated from the first day of February in the year the appointment was made.
 - The board shall make two initial appointments from the nominees of special districts, with one appointee serving a term of four years and one initial appointee serving a term of two years, if the appointments are made in an odd-numbered year, or one initial appointee serving a term of three years and one initial appointee serving a term of one year if the appointments are made in an even-numbered year, with the

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- 1 length of the term being calculated from the first day of March in the
- 2 year in which the appointment is made.
- 3 After the initial appointments, all appointees shall serve four-
- 4 year terms)) elected without a primary election to four-year terms and
- 5 shall take office as specified in RCW 29.04.170. The election shall be
- 6 nonpartisan and county-wide. In the November 1991 election, the
- 7 candidates with the six highest vote totals shall be elected to four-
- 8 year terms and the candidates with the five next highest vote totals
- 9 shall be elected to two-year terms. Thereafter, the candidates with
- 10 the highest vote totals, equal to the number of positions for which the
- 11 terms are expiring, shall be elected.
- 12 No ((appointee)) candidate may be an official or employee of the
- 13 county or a governmental unit in the county, or a consultant or advisor
- 14 on a contractual or regular retained basis of the county, any
- 15 governmental unit in the county, or any agency or association thereof.
- 16 **Sec. 2.** RCW 36.93.061 and 1989 c 84 s 18 are each amended to read
- 17 as follows:
- 18 The boundary review board in all counties other than class AA
- 19 counties shall consist of five members ((chosen as follows:
- 20 (1) Two persons shall be appointed by the governor;
- 21 (2) One person shall be appointed by the county appointing
- 22 authority;
- 23 (3) One person shall be appointed by the mayors of the cities and
- 24 towns located within the county; and
- 25 (4) One person shall be appointed by the board from nominees of
- 26 special districts in the county.
- 27 The governor shall designate one initial appointee to serve a term
- 28 of two years, and one initial appointee to serve a term of four years,
- 29 if the appointments are made in an odd-numbered year, or one initial

- 1 appointee to serve a term of one year, and one initial appointee to
- 2 serve a term of three years, if the appointments are made in an even-
- 3 numbered year, with the length of a term being calculated from the
- 4 first day of February in the year that the appointment was made.
- 5 The initial appointee of the county appointing authority shall
- 6 serve a term of two years, if the appointment is made in an odd-
- 7 numbered year, or a term of one year, if the appointment is made in an
- 8 even-numbered year. The initial appointee by the mayors shall serve a
- 9 term of four years, if the appointment is made in an odd-numbered year,
- 10 or a term of three years, if the appointment is made in an even-
- 11 numbered year. The length of the term shall be calculated from the
- 12 first day in February in the year the appointment was made.
- The board shall make one initial appointment from the nominees of
- 14 special districts to serve a term of two years if the appointment is
- 15 made in an odd-numbered year, or a term of one year if the appointment
- 16 is made in an even-numbered year, with the length of the term being
- 17 calculated from the first day of March in the year in which the
- 18 appointment is made.
- 19 After the initial appointments, all appointees shall serve four-
- 20 year terms)) elected without a primary election to four-year terms and
- 21 shall take office as specified in RCW 29.04.170. The election shall be
- 22 nonpartisan and county-wide. In the November 1991 election, the
- 23 candidates with the three highest vote totals shall be elected to four-
- 24 year terms and the candidates with the two next highest vote totals
- 25 shall be elected to two-year terms. Thereafter, the candidates with
- 26 the highest vote totals, equal to the number of positions for which the
- 27 terms are expiring, shall be elected.
- No ((appointee)) candidate may be an official or employee of the
- 29 county or a governmental unit in the county, or a consultant or advisor

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- 1 on a contractual or regular retained basis of the county, any
- 2 governmental unit in the county, or any agency or association thereof.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate
- 4 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 5 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
- 6 effect immediately.