

**SENATE BILL 5348**

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**By** Senators West, Talmadge, Owen, Johnson, Vognild, Erwin, McMullen, Sellar, Saling, McDonald, Nelson, Hayner, Thorsness and Oke.

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1 AN ACT Relating to legislative elections; adding a new section to  
2 chapter 29.18 RCW; and providing an effective date.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 29.18 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 No primary may be held in a legislative district for the position  
7 of state senator or state representative, if, after the last day  
8 allowed for candidates to withdraw, there is no more than one candidate  
9 filed for the position from each major political party. The county  
10 auditor shall, as soon as possible, notify all the candidates so  
11 affected, including independent and minor party candidates filed for  
12 the position, that the office for which they filed will not appear on  
13 the primary ballot. Names of candidates so notified shall be printed  
14 upon the general election ballot in an order determined by lot by the  
15 filing officer.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.**        This act shall take effect July 1, 1992.