
SENATE BILL 5620

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By Senators McCaslin and Madsen; by request of Secretary of State.

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Governmental Operations.

1 AN ACT Relating to election costs; amending RCW 29.13.047; and
2 providing an effective date.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29.13.047 and 1985 c 45 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) Whenever ~~((state officers))~~ federal offices, state-wide
7 offices, legislative offices, or state measures are voted upon at a
8 state primary, special election, or state general election ~~((held in an~~
9 ~~odd-numbered year under RCW 29.13.010))~~, the state of Washington shall
10 assume a prorated share of the costs of that state primary, special
11 election, or state general election.

12 (2) Whenever a primary or vacancy election is held to fill a
13 vacancy in the position of United States senator or United States
14 representative under chapter 29.68 RCW, the state of Washington shall

1 assume a prorated share of the costs of that primary or vacancy
2 election.

3 (3) The county auditor shall apportion the state's share of these
4 expenses when prorating election costs under RCW 29.13.045 and shall
5 file (~~such~~) the appropriate expense claims with the secretary of
6 state.

7 (4) For the state primaries and general elections in 1994, 1996,
8 1998, and 2000 only, the secretary of state shall reimburse counties
9 for the following proportions of that share of the costs of these
10 primaries and elections that the state would otherwise be required to
11 pay under subsection (1) of this section:

12 (a) For 1994, twenty percent;

13 (b) For 1996, forty percent;

14 (c) For 1998, sixty percent; and

15 (d) For 2000, eighty percent.

16 (5) The secretary of state shall include in his or her biennial
17 budget requests sufficient funds to carry out this section.
18 Reimbursements for election costs shall be from appropriations
19 specifically provided by law for that purpose.

20 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act shall take effect January 1,
21 1994.