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- 5 On page 70, after line 27 of the amendment, insert the following:
- 6 "Sec. 82. RCW 29.45.050 and 1973 c 102 s 2 are each amended to 7 read as follows:
- 8 There shall be but one set of election officers <u>at any one time</u> in 9 each precinct except as provided in this section.
- In every precinct using paper ballots having two hundred or more registered voters there shall be appointed, and in every precinct
- 12 having less than two hundred registered voters there may be appointed,
- 13 at a state primary or state general election, two or more sets of
- 14 precinct election officers as provided in RCW 29.04.020 and 29.45.010.
- 15 The officer in charge of the election may appoint one or more counting
- 16 boards at his discretion, when he decides that because of a long or
- 17 complicated ballot or because of the number of expected voters, there
- 18 is need of additional counting board or boards to improve the speed and
- 19 accuracy of the count.
- In making such appointments, one or more sets of precinct election
- 21 officers shall be designated as the counting board or boards, the first
- $\,$  22  $\,$  of which shall consist of an inspector, two judges, and a clerk and the
- 23 second set, if activated, shall consist of two judges and two clerks.
- 24 The duties of the counting board or boards shall be the count of
- 25 ballots cast and the return of the election records and supplies to the
- 26 officer having jurisdiction of the election.
- One set of precinct election officers shall be designated as the
- 28 receiving board which shall have all other powers and duties imposed by
- 29 law for such elections. Nothing in this section prevents the county
- 30 auditor from appointing relief or replacement precinct election
- 31 officers at any time during election day. Relief or replacement
- 32 precinct election officers must be of the same political party as the
- 33 officer they are relieving or replacing."
- Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
- 35 internal references accordingly.

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