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- 3 By Senator Smith, L.
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- 5 On page 28, after line 13, insert the following:
- 6 "VOTERS' AND CANDIDATES' PAMPHLET
- 7 **Sec. 301.** RCW 43.07.310 and 1992 c 163 s 2 are each amended to 8 read as follows:
- 9 VOTERS' PAMPHLET--ELECTRONIC. The secretary of state, through the
- 10 division of elections, is responsible for the following duties, as
- 11 prescribed by Title 29 RCW:
- 12 (1) The filing, verification of signatures, and certification of
- 13 state initiative, referendum, and recall petitions;
- 14 (2)(a) The production and distribution of a state voters' and
- 15 candidates' pamphlet for the state primary and general election;
- 16 (b) In addition to the written pamphlet, the secretary of state may
- 17 produce the state voters' and candidates' pamphlet in electronic
- 18 format. If the secretary of state produces the pamphlet in video
- 19 format, closed captioning shall be used;
- 20 (3) The examination, testing, and certification of voting
- 21 equipment, voting devices, and vote-tallying systems;
- 22 (4) The administration, canvassing, and certification of the
- 23 presidential primary, state primaries, and state general elections;
- 24 (5) The administration of motor voter and other voter registration
- 25 and voter outreach programs;
- 26 (6) The training, testing, and certification of state and local
- 27 elections personnel as established in RCW 29.60.030;
- 28 (7) The training of state and local party observers required by RCW
- 29 29.60.040;
- 30 (8) The conduct of postelection reviews as established in RCW
- 31 29.60.070; and
- 32 (9) Other duties that may be prescribed by the legislature.
- 33 **Sec. 302.** RCW 29.80.010 and 1987 c 295 s 17 are each amended to
- 34 read as follows:
- 35 CANDIDATES' PAMPHLET. As soon as possible before each state
- 36 general election at which federal or state officials are to be elected,

the secretary of state shall publish and mail to each individual place 1 of residence of the state a candidates' pamphlet containing photographs 2 and campaign statements of eligible nominees who desire to participate 3 4 therein, together with a campaign mailing address and telephone number 5 submitted by the nominee at the nominee's option, and in even-numbered years containing a description of the office of precinct committee 6 7 officer and its duties, in order that voters will understand that the 8 office is a state office and will be found on the ballot of the 9 forthcoming general election. A candidates' pamphlet shall be prepared by the secretary of state prior to each state primary. Within the 10 funds available for this purpose, the secretary of state shall 11 distribute the primary pamphlet as widely as resources allow. The 12 secretary of state shall consider electronic publication, placement in 13 public libraries, and other cost-effective methods of distribution to 14 the extent that funds do not permit mailing to each residence in the 15 16 state. In odd-numbered years no candidates' pamphlet may be published 17 unless an election is to be held to fill a vacancy in one or more of the following state-wide elective offices: United States senator, 18 19 governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state treasurer, 20 state auditor, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, commissioner of public lands, insurance commissioner, or justice of the 21 22 supreme court.

23 **Sec. 303.** RCW 29.80.020 and 1984 c 54 s 2 are each amended to read 24 as follows:

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS. At a time to be determined by the secretary 25 of state((, but in any event not later than forty-five days)) before 26 the applicable state primary and general election, each nominee for the 27 office of United States senator, United States representative, 28 29 governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state treasurer, state auditor, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, 30 commissioner of public lands, insurance commissioner, state senator, 31 32 state representative, justice of the supreme court, judge of the court of appeals, or judge of the superior court may file with the secretary 33 34 state a written statement advocating his or her candidacy accompanied by the campaign mailing address and telephone number 35 36 submitted by the nominee at the nominee's option, and a photograph not 37 more than five years old and of a size and quality that the secretary 38 of state determines to be suitable for reproduction in the voters'

- 1 pamphlet. The maximum number of words for the statements shall be
- 2 determined according to the offices sought as follows: State
- 3 representative, one hundred words; state senator, judge of the superior
- 4 court, judge of the court of appeals, justice of the supreme court, and
- 5 all state offices voted upon throughout the state, except that of
- 6 governor, two hundred words; United States senator, United States
- 7 representative, and governor, three hundred words. No such statement
- 8 or photograph may be printed in the candidates' pamphlet for any person
- 9 who is the sole nominee for any nonpartisan or judicial office.
- 10 **Sec. 304.** RCW 29.81.010 and 1984 c 54 s 4 are each amended to read
- 11 as follows:
- 12 IDENTIFICATION OF ADVOCATES. The voters' pamphlet shall contain as
- 13 to each state measure to be voted upon, the following in the order set
- 14 forth in this section:
- 15 (1) Upon the top portion of the first two opposing pages relating
- 16 to the measure and not exceeding one-third of the total printing area
- 17 shall appear:
- 18 (a) The legal identification of the measure by serial designation
- 19 and number;
- 20 (b) The official ballot title of the measure;
- 21 (c) A brief statement explaining the law as it presently exists;
- 22 (d) A brief statement explaining the effect of the proposed measure
- 23 should it be approved into law;
- (e) The total number of votes cast for and against the measure in
- 25 both the state senate and house of representatives if the measure has
- 26 been passed by the legislature;
- 27 (f) A heavy double ruled line across both pages to clearly set
- 28 apart the above items from the remaining text.
- 29 (2) Upon the lower portion of the left page of the two facing pages
- 30 shall appear an argument advocating the voters' approval of the measure
- 31 together with any rebuttal statement of the opposing argument as
- 32 provided in RCW 29.81.030, 29.81.040, or 29.81.050.
- 33 (3) Upon the lower portion of the right hand page of the two facing
- 34 pages shall appear an argument advocating the voters' rejection of the
- 35 measure together with any rebuttal statement of the opposing argument
- 36 as provided in RCW 29.81.030, 29.81.040, or 29.81.050.
- 37 (4) Following each argument or rebuttal statement each member of
- 38 the committee advocating for or against a measure shall be listed in

- bold face capital letters by name and address to the end that the 1
- public shall be fully apprised of the advocate's identity. 2
- following each argument or rebuttal statement, the secretary of state 3
- shall list, at the option of the committee that submitted the argument 4
- 5 or statement, a telephone number that citizens may call in order to
- obtain information on the ballot measure. 6
- 7 (5) At the conclusion of the pamphlet the full text of each of the
- 8 measures shall appear. The text of the proposed constitutional
- 9 amendments shall be set forth in the form provided for in RCW
- 10 29.81.080.
- 11 Sec. 305. RCW 29.80.040 and 1984 c 54 s 3 are each amended to read
- 12 as follows:
- PRINTING. The nominees' statements, photographs, and the addresses 13
- 14 and telephone numbers submitted by them as set forth in RCW 29.80.010
- 15 and 29.80.020 shall be published by the secretary of state as a
- 16 candidates' pamphlet, the printing of which shall be completed as soon
- 17 as possible before the state primary or general election concerned.
- 18 The overall dimensions of the pamphlet shall be determined by the
- 19 secretary of state as those which in the secretary's judgment best
- 20 serve the voters, and whenever possible the candidates' pamphlet shall
- 21 be combined with the voters' pamphlet as a single publication.
- 22 Sec. 306. RCW 29.80.090 and 1984 c 54 s 7 are each amended to read
- 23 as follows:

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- 24 PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION SERVICES. In addition to other
- contents included in the candidates' pamphlet, the secretary of state 25
- shall prepare and include a section containing (1) a brief explanation 26
- 27 of how voters may participate in the election campaign process; (2) the
- 28 name, address, and telephone number of each political party that has

one or more nominees listed in the candidates' pamphlet, but this

- information shall be included in the candidates' pamphlet only if and 30
- 31 as filed with the secretary of state by the state committee of a major
- political party or the presiding officer of the convention of a minor 32 political party; (3) the address and telephone number of the public
- disclosure commission established under RCW 42.17.350 and a description 34
- 35 of the services available through the public disclosure commission; (4)
- a summary of the disclosure requirements that apply when contributions 36
- 37 are made to candidates and political committees; and (5) an explanation

- 1 of the federal income tax credits and deductions that are available to
- 2 persons who make such contributions. Whenever the candidates' pamphlet
- 3 is combined with the voters' pamphlet, the section shall be placed at
- 4 or near the beginning of the combined publication.
- 5 **Sec. 307.** RCW 29.81A.010 and 1984 c 106 s 3 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
- 7 At least ninety days before any primary or general election, or at
- 8 least forty days before any special election held under RCW 29.13.010
- 9 or 29.13.020, the legislative authority of any county or first-class or
- 10 code city may adopt an ordinance authorizing the publication, in
- 11 printed or electronic format or both, and distribution of a local
- 12 voters' pamphlet. The pamphlet shall provide information on all
- 13 measures within that jurisdiction and may, if specified in the
- 14 ordinance, include information on candidates within that jurisdiction.
- 15 If both a county and a first-class or code city within that county
- 16 authorize a local voters' pamphlet for the same election, the pamphlet
- 17 shall be produced jointly by the county and the first-class or code
- 18 city. If no agreement can be reached between the county and first-
- 19 class or code city, the county and first-class or code city may each
- 20 produce a pamphlet. Any ordinance adopted authorizing a local voters'
- 21 pamphlet may be for a specific primary, special election, or general
- 22 election or for any future primaries or elections. The format of any
- 23 local voters' pamphlet shall, whenever applicable, comply with the
- 24 provisions of chapters 29.80 and 29.81 RCW regarding the publication of
- 25 the state candidates' and voters' pamphlets.
- 26 PART IV"
- 27 Renumber remaining sections and correct internal references
- 28 accordingly.
- 29 **SSB 6111** S AMD
- 30 By Senator Smith, L.
- On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "RCW" insert "29.80.010,
- 32 29.80.020, 29.80.040, 29.80.090, 29.81A.010, 43.07.310,"