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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Horn, H. Myers, Edmondson and Springer)

Brief Description: Making laws relating to local government office vacancies more uniform.

**HB 2278-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Revises local government election provisions to establish a uniform method of filling vacancies.

Specifies the use of wards, council districts, and commissioner districts.

Revises election provisions for ferry districts and port districts.

Repeals existing election provisions.

VETO MESSAGE ON HB 2278-S

April 1, 1994

To the Honorable Speaker and Members,

The House of Representatives of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to sections 14, 15, 18, 20, and 37, Substitute House Bill No. 2278 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to local government election practices;"

Sections 14, 15, and 18 amend sections of the RCW that are repealed in sections 89(8), 89(20), and 89(34) respectively of Substitute House Bill No. 2244. The substance of the amendatory language in these three sections is included in other sections of Substitute House Bill No. 2244. Section 20 amends a section of the RCW that is also repealed in section 89(37) of Substitute House Bill No. 2244. The substance of the amendatory language in this section is included in current law. Section 37 amends RCW 35A.14.060, which is repealed by section 92(10) of Substitute House Bill No. 2278. The substance of this amendatory language is included elsewhere in Substitute House Bill No. 2278. By vetoing these sections, duplication and confusion will be avoided in these statutes.

With the exception of sections 14, 15, 18, 20, and 37, Substitute House Bill No. 2278 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Lowry  
Governor