

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Olympia Washington

Bill Analysis

Bill No. HB 2307

Authorizing Braille voter instructions
Brief title

Hearing Date: 1/15/98

Reps. Cairnes/Fisher/Robertson
Sponsor

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BACKGROUND:

The Secretary of State may make rules providing for election forms and procedures. County auditors are responsible for preparing ballots and voting instructions. County auditors are required to provide large-type voting instructions at polling places.

SUMMARY:

The Secretary of State shall make rules to provide for ballots and voting instructions in Braille. The rules may provide for pilot testing of Braille ballots and instructions before the availability of Braille materials becomes mandatory. Voter registration cards and applications for absentee ballots must include a space for requesting ballots and instructions in Braille.

FISCAL NOTE: Not requested.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bills passed.