
SENATE BILL 5684

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By Senators Horn, Haugen and Wood

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1 AN ACT Relating to prescribing procedures for decreasing fire
2 protection district commissioners; and adding a new section to chapter
3 52.14 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 52.14 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 In the event a five-member board of commissioners of any fire
8 protection district determines by resolution that it would be in the
9 best interest of the fire district to decrease the number of
10 commissioners from five to three, or in the event the board is
11 presented with a petition signed by ten percent of the registered
12 voters resident within the district who voted in the last general
13 municipal election calling for such a decrease in the number of
14 commissioners of the district, the board shall submit a resolution to
15 the county legislative authority or authorities of the county or
16 counties in which the district is located requesting that an election
17 be held. Upon receipt of the resolution, the legislative authority or
18 authorities of the county or counties shall call a special election to
19 be held within the fire protection district at which election the

1 following proposition shall be submitted to the voters substantially as
2 follows:

3 Shall the board of commissioners of county fire
4 protection district no. . . . be decreased from five members to three
5 members?

6 Yes . . .

7 No . . .

8 If the fire protection district is located in more than a single
9 county, this proposition shall indicate the name of the district.

10 If the proposition receives a majority approval at the election,
11 the board of commissioners of the fire protection district shall be
12 decreased to three members. The two members shall be decreased in
13 accordance with RCW 52.06.085.

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