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1 AN ACT Relating to filing for office; and amending RCW 29.15.030.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29.15.030 and 1998 c 22 s 1 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 Declarations of candidacy shall be filed ~~((with the following~~
6 ~~filing officers))~~ as follows:

7 (1) ~~((The secretary of state for))~~ Declarations of candidacy for
8 state-wide offices, the United States senate, ((and)) the United States
9 house of representatives((+

10 ~~(2) The secretary of state for declarations of candidacy for))~~, the
11 state legislature, the court of appeals, and the superior court when
12 voters from a district comprising more than one county vote upon the
13 candidates((+

14 ~~(3) The county auditor for all other offices. For any nonpartisan~~
15 ~~office, other than judicial offices and school director in joint~~
16 ~~districts, where voters from a district comprising more than one county~~
17 ~~vote upon the candidates, a declaration of candidacy shall))~~ must be
18 filed with the secretary of state or the county auditor of the county
19 in which the candidate resides.

1 (2) Declarations of candidacy for all county offices and for all
2 other offices of a local government that is either coextensive with a
3 county or located completely within a county must be filed with the
4 county auditor of that county.

5 (3) Declarations of candidacy for any other office of a local
6 government that is located in more than one county, other than a school
7 director of a joint school district, must be filed with the county
8 auditor of the county in which a majority of the registered voters of
9 the district reside. ~~((For school directors in joint school districts,~~
10 ~~the declaration of candidacy shall))~~

11 (4) Declarations of candidacy for school director of a joint school
12 district must be filed with the county auditor of the county designated
13 by the state board of education as the county to which the joint school
14 district is considered as belonging under RCW 28A.315.380.

15 Each official with whom declarations of candidacy are filed under
16 this section, within one business day following the closing of the
17 applicable filing period, shall forward to the public disclosure
18 commission a copy of each declaration of candidacy filed in his office
19 during such filing period or a list containing the name of each
20 candidate who files such a declaration in his office during such filing
21 period together with a precise identification of the position sought by
22 each such candidate and the date on which each such declaration was
23 filed. Such official, within three days following his receipt of any
24 letter withdrawing a person's name as a candidate, shall also forward
25 a copy of such withdrawal letter to the public disclosure commission.

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