
SENATE BILL 5635

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By Senator Benton

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1 AN ACT Relating to allowing county chairs to vote at political
2 party state committee meetings; and amending RCW 29.42.020.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29.42.020 and 1987 c 295 s 11 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The state committee of each major political party shall consist of
7 one committeeman (~~((and))~~), one committeewoman, and the chairman from
8 each county elected by the county committee at its organization
9 meeting. It shall have a chair and vice-chair who must be of opposite
10 sexes. This committee shall meet during January of each odd-numbered
11 year for the purpose of organization at a time and place designated by
12 a sufficient notice to all the newly elected state committeemen
13 (~~((and))~~), committeewomen, and chairmen by the authorized officers of the
14 retiring committee. For the purpose of this section a notice mailed at
15 least one week prior to the date of the meeting shall constitute
16 sufficient notice. At its organizational meeting it shall elect its
17 chair and vice-chair, and such officers as its bylaws may provide, and
18 adopt bylaws, rules and regulations. It shall have power to:

1 (1) Call conventions at such time and place and under such
2 circumstances and for such purposes as the call to convention shall
3 designate. The manner, number and procedure for selection of state
4 convention delegates shall be subject to the committee's rules and
5 regulations duly adopted;

6 (2) Provide for the election of delegates to national conventions;

7 (3) Fill vacancies on the ticket for any federal or state office to
8 be voted on by the electors of more than one county;

9 (4) Provide for the nomination of presidential electors; and

10 (5) Perform all functions inherent in such an organization.

11 Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, the committee shall
12 not set rules which shall govern the conduct of the actual proceedings
13 at a party state convention.

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