
SENATE BILL 5711

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By Senators T. Sheldon, Fairley, Hale and Winsley; by request of Secretary of State

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1 AN ACT Relating to the order of candidates on ballots; amending RCW
2 29.30.025; and repealing RCW 29.30.040.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29.30.025 and 1990 c 59 s 80 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 After the close of business on the last day for candidates to file
7 for office, the filing officer shall, from among those filings made in
8 person and by mail, determine by lot the order in which the names of
9 those candidates will appear on all primary, sample, and absentee
10 ballots. (~~In the case of candidates for city, town, and district
11 office, this procedure shall also determine the order for candidate
12 names on the official primary ballot used at the polling place.~~) The
13 determination shall be done publicly and may be witnessed by the media
14 and by any candidate. If no primary is required for any nonpartisan
15 office under RCW 29.15.150 or 29.21.015, the names shall appear on the
16 general election ballot in the order determined by lot.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** RCW 29.30.040 (Primaries--Rotating names of
2 candidates) and 1990 c 59 s 94, 1977 ex.s. c 361 s 54, & 1965 c 9 s
3 29.30.040 are each repealed.

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