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By Representatives Nixon and McMahan

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1 AN ACT Relating to making blank petitions available in electronic  
2 form; and amending RCW 29.79.080.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29.79.080 and 1982 c 116 s 8 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 The person proposing the measure shall print blank petitions upon  
7 single sheets of paper of good writing quality (including but not  
8 limited to newsprint) not less than eleven inches in width and not less  
9 than fourteen inches in length. Each petition at the time of  
10 circulating, signing, and filing with the secretary of state shall  
11 consist of not more than one sheet with numbered lines for not more  
12 than twenty signatures, with the prescribed warning and title, shall be  
13 in the form required by RCW 29.79.090, 29.79.100, or 29.79.110, as now  
14 or hereafter amended, and shall have a full, true, and correct copy of  
15 the proposed measure referred to therein printed on the reverse side of  
16 the petition.

17 Nothing in this section prohibits the person proposing the measure  
18 from making the blank petition available in electronic form to persons  
19 intending to print and circulate petitions, as long as the electronic

1 form is secured so that the blank petition may not be altered by a  
2 person of ordinary skill before printing. The secretary of state may  
3 make the electronic form of the blank petition available for download  
4 from the secretary of state's web site.

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