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Sponsor(s): Representatives Moeller, Jarrett, Lovick, Fromhold, Veloria, Kessler, Pettigrew, Miloscia, McDermott, Dunshee, Upthegrove, DeBolt, Wallace, Wood, Sullivan, Schual-Berke, Kagi and Nixon

Brief Description: Authorizing instant runoff voting.

HB 1390 - DIGEST

<u>(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)</u>

Declares that "instant runoff voting" means a system of voting whereby voters may rank three or more candidates for the same office in order of preference, so that voters may indicate a first choice, a second choice, and so on for as many of the candidates for the office as they wish, up to the maximum number of choices allowed.

Provides that, in general, instant runoff counting proceeds in the following manner: First by counting all votes. If a candidate receives a majority of votes he or she is elected. If no candidate receives a majority on the first or any subsequent stage then the last place candidate at each stage is eliminated. The next choices on ballots for an eliminated candidate become votes for the candidates indicated in those choices, and this process continues until all but one candidate has been eliminated.

Repeals RCW 29.30.085.