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Sponsor(s): Senators Keiser, Deccio, Spanel, Kline, Berkey, Eide and Kohl-Welles

Brief Description: Prohibiting signature gathering by sex offenders.

SB 6159 - DIGEST

Provides that any person with a duty to register as a sex offender under RCW 9A.44.130 is prohibited from gathering signatures for any initiative or referendum measure.

Declares that petitions circulated by a person with a duty to register as a sex offender under RCW 9A.44.130 shall not be counted when determining whether the initiative measure contains sufficient signatures.

Provides that a valid signatory may recover statutory damages of two hundred dollars and actual damages from the entity or person employing a sex offender with a duty to register under RCW 9A.44.130 as a paid or volunteer signature gatherer.