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1 AN ACT Relating to length of candidates' statements; and amending
2 RCW 29A.32.121.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29A.32.121 and 2004 c 271 s 168 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The maximum number of words for statements submitted by
7 candidates is as follows: State representative, one hundred words;
8 state senator, judge of the superior court, judge of the court of
9 appeals, justice of the supreme court, and all state offices voted upon
10 throughout the state, except that of governor, two hundred words;
11 president and vice president, United States senator, United States
12 representative, and governor, three hundred words. Candidates'
13 statements that appear on the web site of the secretary of state or on
14 the web sites of county auditors may contain up to one thousand words.

15 (2) Arguments written by committees under RCW 29A.32.060 may not
16 exceed two hundred fifty words in length.

17 (3) Rebuttal arguments written by committees may not exceed
18 seventy-five words in length.

1 (4) The secretary of state shall allocate space in the pamphlet
2 based on the number of candidates or nominees for each office.

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