
SENATE BILL 5410

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By Senators Benton, Swecker, Roach and Kline

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1 AN ACT Relating to ensuring that members of homeowners'
2 associations may display political yard signs on their properties; and
3 adding a new section to chapter 64.38 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 64.38 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The governing documents may not prohibit the outdoor display of
8 political yard signs by an owner or resident on the owner's or
9 resident's property for a period of ninety days before any primary or
10 election. The governing documents may include reasonable rules and
11 regulations regarding the placement and manner of display of political
12 yard signs.

13 (2) For purposes of this section, "political yard sign" means any
14 outdoor sign with dimensions no greater than eight feet by four feet
15 that contains a message supporting or opposing a candidate or ballot
16 measure that will be on a primary or election ballot within ninety
17 days.

18 (3) This section applies retroactively to any governing documents

1 in effect on the effective date of this section. Any provision in a
2 governing document in effect on the effective date of this section that
3 is inconsistent with this section is void and unenforceable.

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