

SB 5079 - DIGEST

Declares that, under Article III, section 4 of the Constitution of the state of Washington, the legislature is vested with the power to contest an election and it has the power to decide a contested election. As such, for the reasons set forth in section 1 of this act, the legislature hereby contests the November 2, 2004, gubernatorial general election.

Provides that, by the power vested in the legislature by the Constitution of the state of Washington, the legislature declares the results of the gubernatorial election of November 2, 2004, to be null and void. It directs that an entirely new, special runoff election be conducted to decide the next governor of Washington. This gubernatorial runoff election shall be held on the date of George Washington's birthday, Tuesday, February 22, 2005.