

SB 5561 - H AMD TO H AMD (5561 AMH GREE KERR 085) **674**
By Representative Chandler

1 On page 6, after line 33 of the amendment, insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** RCW 29A.60.190 and 2005 c 243 s 16 are
4 each amended to read as follows:

5 (1) Except as provided by subsection (3) of this section,
6 (~~fifteen~~) thirty days after a primary or special election and
7 (~~twenty-one~~) thirty-five days after a general election, the
8 county canvassing board shall complete the canvass and certify the
9 results. Each absentee ballot that was returned before the closing
10 of the polls on the date of the primary or election for which it
11 was issued, and each absentee ballot bearing a postmark on or
12 before the date of the primary or election and received on or
13 before the date on which the primary or election is certified, must
14 be included in the canvass report.

15 (2) At the request of a caucus of the state legislature, the
16 county auditor shall transmit copies of all unofficial returns of
17 state and legislative primaries or elections prepared by or for the
18 county canvassing board to either the secretary of the senate or
19 the chief clerk of the house of representatives.

20 (3) On or before the (~~thirtieth~~) thirty-fifth day after an
21 election conducted under the instant runoff voting method for the
22 pilot project authorized by RCW 29A.53.020, the canvassing board
23 shall complete the canvass and certify the results.

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** RCW 29A.60.190 and 2005 c 243 s 17 are
25 each amended to read as follows:

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10 the chief clerk of the house of representatives.

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12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** Section 5 of this act expires July 1,
13 2013."

14 Renumber remaining sections accordingly.

EFFECT: Moves the date for certification of an election from
fifteen days after primary or special election to thirty days
and from twenty-one days after a general election to thirty-
five days.