
HOUSE BILL 1193

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By Representatives Lias, Roberts, Ormsby, Simpson, Goodman, and VanDeWege

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating a program to allow youth to preregister
2 to vote; and adding a new section to chapter 29A.08 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 29A.08 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The secretary of state shall accept applications to register to
7 vote from youth who are at least thirteen years of age and who meet all
8 the requirements to vote, except age. The names of the youth
9 registrants shall not be entered into the voter registration database
10 until thirty days before an election in which they will be eligible to
11 vote. Youth registrants shall receive all voter pamphlets and an
12 advisory ballot for statewide and federal elections.

13 (2) The secretary of state shall adopt rules to implement this
14 program.

15 (3) For the purposes of this section, an "advisory ballot" is a
16 ballot that contains all the statewide and federal races, as well as
17 initiatives, but which will be incapable of being counted.

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