

SB 5964 - S AMD 527

By Senator Fain

1 On page 2, after line 23, strike all of section 3, and insert the
2 following:

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4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 42.56 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Each local elected official and statewide elected official,
7 and each person appointed to fill a vacancy in a local or statewide
8 office, must complete a training course regarding the provisions of
9 this chapter, and also chapter 40.14 RCW for records retention.

10 (2) Officials required to complete training under this section may
11 complete their training before assuming office but must:

12 (a) Complete training no later than ninety days after the date the
13 official either:

14 (i) Takes the oath of office, if the official is required to take
15 an oath of office to assume his or her duties as a public official; or

16 (ii) Otherwise assumes his or her duties as a public official; and

17 (b) Complete refresher training at intervals of no more than four
18 years for as long as he or she holds the office.

19 (3) Training must be consistent with the attorney general's model
20 rules for compliance with the public records act.

21 (4) Training may be completed remotely with technology including
22 but not limited to internet-based training.

EFFECT: Clarifies that the public records act and records
retention training requirements apply to local and statewide elected
officials.

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