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SENATE BILL 5223

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State of Washington                      64th Legislature                      2015 Regular Session

By Senators Dansel, Benton, Rolfes, Habib, Ranker, Billig, and Keiser

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Operations & State Security.

1            AN ACT Relating to authorizing regular meetings of county  
2 legislative authorities to be held at alternate locations within the  
3 county; and amending RCW 36.32.080.

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

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.32.080 and 1989 c 16 s 1 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7            (1) Except as otherwise provided by this section, the county  
8 legislative authority of each county shall hold regular meetings at  
9 the county seat to transact any business required or permitted by  
10 law.

11            (2) As an alternative option that may be exercised only on an  
12 infrequent and irregular basis, regular meetings may be held at a  
13 location outside of the county seat but within the county if the  
14 county legislative authority determines that holding a meeting at an  
15 alternate location would be in the interest of supporting greater  
16 citizen engagement in local government.

17            (3) The county legislative authority must give notice of any  
18 regular meeting held outside of the county seat. Notice must be given  
19 at least twenty days before the time of the meeting specified in the  
20 notice. At a minimum, notice must be:

21            (a) Posted on the county's web site;

1       (b) Published in a newspaper of general circulation in the  
2 county; and

3       (c) Sent via electronic transmission to any resident of the  
4 county who has chosen to receive the notice required under this  
5 section at an electronic mail address.

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