

**HB 1507 - H AMD 50**

By Representative Bergquist

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 29A.60.235 and 2011 c 10 s 62 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 (1) The county auditor shall prepare(~~(, make publicly available~~  
6 ~~at the auditor's office or on the auditor's web site, and submit)~~)  
7 at the time of certification an election reconciliation report that  
8 discloses the following information:

- 9 ((+1)) (a) The number of registered voters;
- 10 ((+2)) (b) The number of ballots issued;
- 11 ((+3)) (c) The number of ballots received;
- 12 ((+4)) (d) The number of ballots counted;
- 13 ((+5)) (e) The number of ballots rejected;
- 14 ((+6)) (f) The number of provisional ballots issued;
- 15 ((+7)) (g) The number of provisional ballots received;
- 16 ((+8)) (h) The number of provisional ballots counted;
- 17 ((+9)) (i) The number of provisional ballots rejected;
- 18 ((+10)) (j) The number of federal write-in ballots received;
- 19 ((+11)) (k) The number of federal write-in ballots counted;
- 20 ((+12)) (l) The number of federal write-in ballots rejected;
- 21 ((+13)) (m) The number of overseas and service ballots issued  
22 by mail, email, web site link, or facsimile;
- 23 ((+14)) (n) The number of overseas and service ballots received  
24 by mail, email, or facsimile;
- 25 ((+15)) (o) The number of overseas and service ballots counted  
26 by mail, email, or facsimile;

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1        ~~((16))~~ (p) The number of overseas and service ballots rejected  
2 by mail, email, or facsimile;

3        ~~((17))~~ (q) The number of non-overseas and non-service ballots  
4 sent by email, web site link, or facsimile;

5        (r) The number of non-overseas and non-service ballots received  
6 by email or facsimile,

7        (s) The number of non-overseas and non-service ballots that were  
8 rejected for:

9        (i) Failing to send an original or hard copy of the ballot by  
10 the certification deadline; or

11        (ii) Any other reason, including the reason for rejection;

12        (t) The number of voters credited with voting; and

13        ~~((18))~~ (u) Any other information the auditor or secretary of  
14 state deems necessary to reconcile the number of ballots counted  
15 with the number of voters credited with voting.

16        (2) The county auditor must make the report available to the  
17 public at the auditor's office and must publish the report on the  
18 auditor's web site at the time of certification. The county auditor  
19 must submit the report to the secretary of state at the time of  
20 certification in any form determined by the secretary of state.

21        (3)(a) The secretary of state must collect the reconciliation  
22 reports from each county auditor and prepare a statewide  
23 reconciliation report for each state primary and general election.  
24 The report may be produced in a form determined by the secretary  
25 that includes the information as described in this subsection (3).  
26 The report must be prepared and published on the secretary of  
27 state's web site within two months after the last county's election  
28 results have been certified.

29        (b) The state report must include a comparison among counties on  
30 rates of votes received, counted, and rejected, including  
31 provisional, write-in, overseas ballots, and ballots transmitted  
32 electronically. The comparison information may be in the form of  
33 rankings, percentages, or other relevant quantifiable data that can  
34 be used to measure performance and trends.

1       (c) The state report must also include an analysis of the data  
2 that can be used to develop a better understanding of election  
3 administration and policy. The analysis must combine data, as  
4 available, over multiple years to provide broader comparisons and  
5 trends regarding voter registration and turnout and ballot counting.  
6 The analysis must incorporate national election statistics to the  
7 extent such information is available."

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EFFECT: Requires each county reconciliation report to include information regarding the processing of ballots transmitted electronically, including by email, web link, or facsimile. Requires the state reconciliation report to include comparisons among counties on electronically processed ballots.

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