

HB 2675 - H AMD 965

By Representative Taylor

1 On page 25, after line 3, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 27. A new section is added to chapter 29A.60 RCW
3 to read as follows:

4 In the case of an irrigation district election under chapter 87.03
5 RCW, as soon as the polls are closed, the county auditor or auditor's
6 designee shall open the ballot box and commence counting the votes. The
7 ballot box shall not be removed from the room from where the irrigation
8 election is held until all irrigation district ballots have been
9 counted. The counting of the ballots shall be public. The ballots shall
10 be taken out, one by one, by the county auditor or the auditor's
11 designee, who shall open them and read aloud the: (1) names of each
12 person contained on the ballot; (2) the office for which every such
13 person is voted for; and (3) if listed, the vote cast for each irrigation
14 issue listed on the ballot. Each county auditor or the auditor's designee
15 shall write down each: (1) office to be filled; (2) the name of each
16 person that was voted for each office; and (3) the vote cast for each
17 irrigation issue listed on the ballot. Each county auditor or the
18 auditor's designee shall keep the number of votes by tallies as they
19 are read aloud. The counting of votes must continue without adjournment
20 until all ballots have been counted.

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22 NEW SECTION. Sec. 28. A new section is added to chapter 87.03 RCW
23 to read as follows:

24 The tallying of votes for an irrigation district election shall be
25 conducted pursuant to section 27 of this act."

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1 Renumber the remaining section consecutively and correct internal
2 references accordingly. Correct the title.

EFFECT: Requires that as soon as the polls are closed, the county auditor or the auditor's designee must open the ballot box and individually count the irrigation district votes. Requires: (1) the counting of the votes to be public; (2) the ballots to be read aloud; and (3) the results to be tallied by the county auditor or his or her designee.

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