

State of Washington  
& Whatcom County

# Voters' Pamphlet

November 5, 2013 General Election



Your ballot will arrive by October 22

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## Introduction to the 2013 Voters' Pamphlet

Welcome! This pamphlet contains information about two initiatives to the Legislature and five tax advisory votes appearing on your ballot. You will also find several pages designed to assist you with voting and the election process.

This election largely features local races and measures. Voters will determine the outcome of local measures and elect officials to serve on city councils, school boards, fire and port commissions. These are elections that have a significant impact on our local communities and ultimately shape our state.

The cover of this pamphlet highlights our latest exhibit at the State Capitol celebrating Washington innovators who dared to dream big. ***Grand Coulee to Grunge: eight stories that changed the world***, recounts feats in agriculture, business, science, and technology that put the Evergreen State on the world stage.

As Washington expanded in the 1900s, so did our impact on the world. From cities that were built with Northwest timber to the development of a weapon that would end a world war, our state helped shape the 20th century.

Today, people around the world celebrate Washington lives and legacies. From a Starbucks store in Malaysia to a 747 airplane in Antarctica, Washington is everywhere. The fruits of our labor appear on dinner tables across the world and the music of Hendrix and Nirvana is heard on radio stations from Sydney to Stockholm.

Washington's story continues, and as a voter you can determine what happens next by participating in the November 5 General Election. Your vote will help choose the leaders in your community and may shape the next eight stories that will change the world.



*Kim Wyman*

Kim Wyman  
Secretary of State

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### About the cover

The cover features the Secretary of State's latest public exhibit, *Grand Coulee to Grunge: Eight Stories that Changed the World*. Come learn more about the big dreams and big risks that tell the Washington story.

**Free exhibit at the Capitol Building, Fall 2013 - Fall 2014**

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## VOTING IN WASHINGTON STATE

### Qualifications

You must be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen, a resident of Washington State, and not under Department of Corrections supervision for a Washington State felony conviction.

### Register to vote & update your address

The voter registration and address update deadline has passed. Submit your registration or address update to [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov) so you can vote in 2014.

**New voters** may register in person until October 28 at your county elections department.

**Military voters** are exempt from voter registration deadlines.

## CAST YOUR BALLOT

- 1** Your ballot will be mailed to the address you provide in your voter registration.



- 2** Vote your ballot and sign your return envelope...



- 3** ... then return it by mail or to an official ballot drop box by **8 p.m.** on November 5.



### Where is my ballot?

Your ballot will arrive by October 22.

If your ballot is lost or damaged, contact your county elections department listed at the end of this pamphlet.

**VIEW**  
**ELECTION RESULTS**  
[WWW.VOTE.WA.GOV](http://WWW.VOTE.WA.GOV)

or get the mobile app  
 WA State Election Results





## Accessible pamphlets



Audio and plain text voters' pamphlets  
available at [www.vote.wa.gov/accessible](http://www.vote.wa.gov/accessible).

Subscribe to receive a copy on CD  
or USB drive at **(800) 448-4881**.

## Language assistance

### Se habla español

Todos los votantes del estado de Washington tienen acceso al folleto electoral y a los formularios de inscripción en español por internet en **[www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov)**.

Adicionalmente, los votantes de los condados de Yakima, Franklin y Adams recibirán su boleta y folleto electoral de forma bilingüe antes de cada elección.

Si usted o alguien que conoce necesitan asistencia en español llame al **(800) 448-4881**.

### 中國口語

所有華盛頓州的選民都可在網站 **[www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov)** 查看中文選民手冊和選民登記表格。

此外，金郡選民也可登記在每次選舉前自動獲取中文選票和選民手冊。

如果您或您認識的人需要語言協助，請致電 **(800) 448-4881**。

### Việt Nam được nói

Tất cả cử tri ở Tiểu Bang Washington có thể truy cập sách dành cho cử tri và đơn ghi danh cử tri bằng tiếng Việt trực tuyến tại **[www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov)**.

Ngoài ra, cử tri ở Quận King có thể đăng ký để tự động nhận lá phiếu và sách dành cho cử tri bằng tiếng Việt trước mỗi cuộc bầu cử.

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## THE BALLOT MEASURE PROCESS

### The Initiative

Any voter may propose an initiative to create a new state law or change an existing law.

#### Initiatives to the People

are proposed laws submitted directly to voters.

#### Initiatives to the Legislature

are proposed laws submitted to the Legislature.

### The Referendum

Any voter may demand that a law proposed by the Legislature be referred to voters before taking effect.

#### Referendum Bills

are proposed laws the Legislature referred to voters.

#### Referendum Measures

are laws recently passed by the Legislature that voters demand be referred to the ballot.

## LAWS BY THE PEOPLE

Before an **Initiative to the People** or an **Initiative to the Legislature** can appear on the ballot, the sponsor must collect...



**246,372**

**VOTERS'  
SIGNATURES**

8% of all votes in the last  
Governor's race

Before a **Referendum Measure** can appear on the ballot, the sponsor must collect...



**123,186**

**VOTERS'  
SIGNATURES**

4% of all votes in the last  
Governor's race

## Initiatives & Referenda BECOME LAW

with a simple

## MAJORITY VOTE

### WHEN CAN I SIGN?

Voters can sign an **Initiative to the People** petition from January to July.

Voters can sign an **Initiative to the Legislature** petition from March to December.

Voters can sign a **Referendum Measure** petition until 90 days after legislative session ends.

Initiative Measure No.

# 517

## concerns initiative and referendum measures.

This measure would set penalties for interfering with or retaliating against signature-gatherers and petition-signers; require that all measures receiving sufficient signatures appear on the ballot; and extend time for gathering initiative petition signatures.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes

No

The Secretary of State is not responsible for the content of statements or arguments (WAC 434-381-180).

## Explanatory Statement

Written by the Office of the Attorney General

### The Law as it Presently Exists

Under current law, anyone wishing to propose an initiative measure for a statewide vote of the people can file it with the Secretary of State starting ten months before the election at which the voters will consider the measure. Initiative measures petitioning the legislature to enact a proposed measure can be filed with the Secretary of State starting ten months before the legislature's next regular session. After the Secretary of State accepts the initial filing of the measure, initiative supporters may begin collecting petition signatures.

To have an initiative submitted for a statewide vote of the people or to the legislature, the initiative sponsor must submit petitions to the Secretary of State containing the number of valid signatures required by the Washington State Constitution. Washington law provides that petitions must state the initiative measure in full and contain a place for each petitioner to sign and print their name and the address at which they are registered to vote. Petitions must contain a statement affirming that each person signing does so personally as a Washington voter, is providing correct information, has signed only once, and does so truthfully. The law also

requires petitions to contain the signature of the petition circulator, swearing or acknowledging that to the best of his or her knowledge, voters signed the petition freely and without compensation, that to the best of his or her knowledge the information provided by the signors is true and correct, and acknowledging that forging a signature or providing compensation to induce people to sign is illegal. The Secretary of State must reject a signed initiative petition if it does not have the required information, has insufficient signatures, or is filed too late.

In addition to statewide initiatives to the people and initiatives to the legislature, Washington law allows some types of local governments to allow for the filing of local initiatives and to set the requirements for submitting such initiatives.

Under current law, those gathering signatures for petitions and those signing petitions receive the same protection from harassment or assault as anyone else, but no further protection. Washington law provides that a person is guilty of harassment if they threaten to: cause bodily injury to another person, damage another person's property, restrain any person, or do any other act intended to substantially harm the threatened person's physical or mental health or safety. Washington's statutes and common law also prohibit assaulting another person with unlawful force and the intent to inflict bodily harm, regardless of whether bodily harm occurs. Assault also includes an act, done with unlawful force, with the intent of causing another person to fear bodily injury, if the act actually does create reasonable apprehension and imminent fear of bodily injury. The crime of stalking is committed if a person intentionally and repeatedly harasses or repeatedly follows a person with intent to frighten, intimidate, or harass the person, or with knowledge that the person is afraid, intimidated, or harassed. A person is guilty of disorderly conduct if the person uses abusive language and thereby creates a risk of assault, intentionally disrupts any lawful assembly, or obstructs vehicular or pedestrian traffic without lawful authority.

### The Effect of the Proposed Measure, if Approved

This measure would increase the time for gathering petition signatures by up to six months. Proposed initiative measures for a statewide vote of the people could be filed with the Secretary of State starting sixteen months before the election at which the voters would consider the measure. Proposed initiative measures petitioning the legislature to enact a measure could be filed starting sixteen months prior to the legislature's next regular session at which the measure would be considered.

Any statewide initiative to the people or local initiative that received the required number of petition signatures in the required timeframe would have to be submitted to a vote of the people at the next election. Local government officials would be required to submit the initiative to a vote regardless of the subject matter of the initiative measure.

The measure would provide that interfering with signature gathering for a state or local initiative or referendum is illegal. Interfering with a person trying to sign a petition, stalking a person who signs a petition, or stalking or retaliating against a person who gathers petition signatures would constitute the misdemeanor of disorderly conduct. Such conduct would be subject to the civil anti-harassment procedures available under RCW 10.14, and civil penalties. Interfering with petition signing and signature gathering would be defined to include, but not limited to, pushing, shoving, touching, spitting, throwing objects, yelling, screaming, being verbally abusive, or other tumultuous conduct, blocking or intimidating, or maintaining an intimidating presence within twenty-five feet of a petition signer or signature gatherer. Initiative or referendum petition signing and signature gathering would be legally protected on public sidewalks and walkways and all sidewalks and walkways that carry pedestrians, including those in front of entrances and exits to stores, and inside or outside public buildings.

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## Fiscal Impact Statement

Written by the Office of Financial Management  
For more information visit [www.ofm.wa.gov/ballot](http://www.ofm.wa.gov/ballot)

Initiative 517 (I-517) makes changes to the state and local government initiative process. I-517 also provides that interfering with signature gathering for state or local initiatives or referenda is illegal. I-517 has no revenue, expenditure or cost impact on state government. There is no revenue impact on local governments from I-517. However, the expenditure and cost impacts to local governments are indeterminate.

### General Assumptions

- The fiscal estimates contained in this fiscal impact statement are based, in part, on assumptions about the scope and legal effect of the ballot measure should it be enacted by the voters. Such assumptions are not intended to represent legal interpretation or conclusions of law.
- I-517 is effective Dec. 5, 2013.

- The term “next election” is assumed to mean the next general election as provided in RCW 29A.04.043.
- No state or local government revenue impact is assumed if the initiative measure is approved.

### State Expenditure and Cost Assumptions

I-517 would increase the time for gathering initiative petition signatures by up to six months. The Secretary of State will need to reprogram the online filing system to require sponsors to indicate the year for which each initiative filing applies. No state expenditure or costs would be required for this task.

### Local Expenditure and Cost Assumptions

The initiative power is not available to all local governments. Only counties that have adopted a charter form of government have the power of the initiative. The initiative power is also available only to first-class cities, commission cities and code cities (code cities must formally adopt these powers). Based on research by the Municipal Research and Service Center of Washington, an estimated six counties and 59 cities have initiative power.

If I-517 is approved by the voters, counties and cities with initiative power would be required to submit to a vote any initiative, regardless of its subject matter, that obtains the required number of valid voter signatures within the required timeframe. Counties and cities are required to pay for their proportionate share of costs in a general election. The cost to a county or city to certify a local initiative and place it on the ballot in a general election varies significantly. Costs vary by jurisdiction and election based on the number of registered voters in the jurisdiction, the number of measures and offices on the ballot and the methodology used by the county to apportion costs. Based on information provided by counties and cities, an average cost to verify an initiative signature is estimated at \$0.80 per signature and an average general election cost is estimated at \$1 per registered voter. However, there are no data to estimate the quantity or location of additional initiatives that may qualify for local elections if I-517 is approved, and therefore, the expenditure and cost impact on counties and cities is indeterminate.

Local governments may experience increased expenditures and costs related to the provision in I-517 that interfering with signature gathering for state or local initiatives or referenda is illegal. There are no data to estimate the annual number of law enforcement actions that may occur from this portion of the initiative, and therefore, the fiscal impact on counties and cities is indeterminate.

## Argument For Initiative Measure 517

### Opponents of Initiatives too often use Bullying to Prevent Citizens from Signing Initiatives They Support

Voters who want to sign a petition – liberal or conservative – deserve protection from bullying and retaliation. I-517 establishes penalties to discourage such bad behavior. Peaceful discussion is legal under I-517; bullying is not. Pictures, videos, and sworn affidavits here:

[www.YesOn517.com/Safety](http://www.YesOn517.com/Safety)

### I-517 “Protect Your Right To Vote On Initiatives” is about Letting the People Vote on ...

... qualified initiatives. In recent years, 16+ citizen-sponsored initiatives – liberal and conservative – were blocked from a public vote by powerful special interests even though local citizens followed all the rules. I-517 establishes a new state law that prevents interference by special interests, guaranteeing the people’s right to vote. If the initiative qualifies, let the voters decide.

### I-517 Puts the Citizen Back in the Citizen Initiative. Increasingly, Initiatives Sponsored by Big Business, ...

... Big Labor, and the Rich are the only ones qualifying for the ballot. Why? Since 1912, the number of signatures has *skyrocketed* while the timeframe for collecting signatures has stayed *exactly the same*. Almost all other initiative states allow a year or more to collect signatures; I-517 matches the national average. More time means more grassroots groups can compete.

### I-517 Makes Citizen Participation Safer and Guarantees the People’s Right to Vote on Initiatives

*Without* I-517, entrenched politicians and special interests will continue bullying citizens from expressing their free speech rights and blocking voters from exercising their initiative rights. Please vote *yes*. Thank you.

### Rebuttal of Argument Against

Even our opponents agree I-517 protects free speech and encourages more grassroots participation by making the initiative process more affordable. Regarding petitioning, I-517 simply reinforces what the courts have already said: petitioning at places open to the public is guaranteed under the First Amendment. Without I-517, initiative opponents will continue bullying, preventing citizens from expressing themselves and voting on issues they care about. Protect your right to speak out and vote on initiatives – vote *yes*!

### Argument Prepared by

**Shawn Newman**, Washington Director of Initiative and Referendum Institute, attorney; **Erma Turner**, testified in Olympia against bullying of petition-signers; **Nick Sherwood**, numerous red-light camera initiatives blocked from votes; **Stonewall Jackson Bird**, city blocked public vote on his Bellingham initiative; **Eddie Agazarm**, veteran petitioner, initiative organizer, and civic activist; **Paul Jacob**, president of Citizens In Charge, longtime initiative activist.

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## Argument Against Initiative Measure 517

### I-517 violates Washingtonians’ property rights

Courts have ruled that petitioners must respect private property rights when collecting signatures, but I-517 prevents property owners from having control over signature gathering on their property, infringing upon their constitutionally-guaranteed property rights. Under I-517, law enforcement would be directed to vigorously protect petitioners collecting within a twenty-five foot zone. Business owners would not be able to stop aggressive petitioners from blocking and harassing customers who are trying to enter or exit a store. Instead, their property rights would be disregarded.

### I-517 benefits Tim Eyman

Sponsor Tim Eyman is a full-time initiative proponent who makes money off the measures he promotes. Under I-517, it would be easier and cheaper for Eyman to qualify future initiatives to the ballot, meaning he could double his output and increase his profits.

### I-517 would make petitioning more intrusive

I-517 allows out of state petitioners to be active in Washington year-round – both inside and outside public buildings. Petitioners could go inside sports stadiums like Safeco Field or Comcast Arena, public libraries, and even public school events like high school football games to ask Washingtonians to sign stacks of petitions.

### I-517 would increase elections costs

A provision tucked away in I-517 forces cities and counties to put local initiatives on the ballot even if they’re illegal or invalid, wasting taxpayer dollars on unnecessary elections.

Join former Secretaries of State Ralph Munro and Sam Reed in voting *no* on I-517.

### Rebuttal of Argument For

Former Secretary of State Sam Reed said that most complaints received in his office were from citizens and businesses who were being harassed by signature gatherers and that laws already exist to protect signature gatherers’ safety. Local governments should not be forced into costly legal battles when an initiative is found to be unconstitutional. Former Supreme Court Justice Phil Talmadge says I-517 is *unconstitutional* as it takes away private property rights of others. Vote No.

### Argument Prepared by

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Initiative Measure No.

# 522

## concerns labeling of genetically-engineered foods.

This measure would require most raw agricultural commodities, processed foods, and seeds and seed stocks, if produced using genetic engineering, as defined, to be labeled as genetically engineered when offered for retail sale.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes

No

The Secretary of State is not responsible for the content of statements or arguments (WAC 434-381-180).

## Explanatory Statement

Written by the Office of the Attorney General

### The Law as it Presently Exists

In general, federal law regulates the safety and quality of food shipped between states, while Washington law regulates the safety and quality of food produced and sold within the state. Both federal and state law identify and regulate foods that are “misbranded” or “adulterated,” but neither state nor federal law requires any specific labeling of foods produced using genetic engineering.

Under Washington law, the director of the state Department of Agriculture is authorized to condemn, seize, and destroy misbranded or adulterated foods and food items. Washington law defines food and food products as “misbranded” where labeling or packaging is false or misleading, and “adulterated” if they contain some added substance that is poisonous or harmful to health, or if they are contaminated, diseased, putrid, or otherwise unfit as food or injurious to health. State law imposes many specific labeling and packaging requirements and prohibitions for food and food products, but it does not require any specific labeling of genetically engineered foods. No provision of state law treats genetically engineered food as adulterated.

Washington law also authorizes the director of the state Department of Agriculture to stop the sale of mislabeled agricultural seeds, flower seeds, and vegetable seeds sold in Washington, and to condemn and seize the seeds if necessary. Seeds are considered to be misbranded if they are not accurately labeled in compliance with state law, but existing state law does not require that genetically engineered seeds be labeled as genetically engineered.

### The Effect of the Proposed Measure, if Approved

The measure would impose labeling requirements on genetically engineered foods and seeds offered for retail sale in Washington. The measure defines “genetically engineered” to mean changes to genetic material produced through techniques that directly insert DNA or RNA into organisms or that use cell fusion techniques to overcome natural barriers to cell multiplication or recombination.

Beginning July 1, 2015, any food produced using “genetic engineering” that is not labeled as required in the measure would be considered “misbranded.” The measure would require genetically engineered raw agricultural commodities to be labeled conspicuously with the words “genetically engineered,” and genetically engineered packaged processed foods would have to be labeled conspicuously with the words “partially produced with genetic engineering” or “may be partially produced with genetic engineering.” The measure would exempt the following foods from the labeling requirements: alcoholic beverages; certified organic foods; foods not produced using genetic engineering, as certified by an approved independent organization; foods served in restaurants or in food service establishments; “medical food”; and foods consisting of or derived from animals that have themselves not been genetically engineered, regardless of whether the animal has been fed any genetically engineered food; and processed foods produced using genetically engineered processing aids or enzymes. Processed foods containing small amounts of genetically engineered materials would be exempt until July 1, 2019.

Beginning July 1, 2015, the measure also would require that genetically engineered seeds and seed stock be labeled conspicuously with the words “genetically engineered” or “produced with genetic engineering.”

The measure provides that its requirements are to be implemented and enforced by the state Department of Health, instead of the state Department of Agriculture, and would authorize the Department of Health to assess a civil penalty of up to one thousand dollars per day for each violation. The Department of Health, acting

through the Attorney General, could bring an action in superior court to enjoin a person violating the measure. Separately, after giving sixty days notice, any private person could bring an action in superior court to enjoin a person violating the measure, and potentially recover costs and attorney fees for the action.

## Fiscal Impact Statement

Written by the Office of Financial Management  
For more information visit [www.ofm.wa.gov/ballot](http://www.ofm.wa.gov/ballot)

The initiative authorizes the Washington State Department of Health to adopt rules necessary to implement the initiative. Beginning July 1, 2015, the initiative allows the Department of Health, through the Attorney General, to bring an action to enjoin violations of the initiative's requirement that most raw agricultural commodities, processed foods, seeds and seed stocks, if produced using genetic engineering, be labeled as genetically engineered when offered for retail sale. Known state agency implementation costs are estimated at \$3,368,000 over six fiscal years. State and local revenue and costs from enforcement activities are indeterminate.

### General Assumptions

- The fiscal estimates contained in this fiscal impact statement are based, in part, on assumptions about the scope and legal effect of the ballot measure should it be enacted by the voters. Such assumptions are not intended to represent legal interpretation or conclusions of law.
- The initiative is effective Dec. 5, 2013. However, the initiative's labeling requirements begin July 1, 2015.
- Estimates are described using the state's fiscal year (FY) of July 1 through June 30.

### State Revenue Assumptions

The initiative would allow the Department of Health (DOH) to assess a civil penalty against any person violating the requirements of the initiative in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day. Additional state revenue could be generated from filing fees for civil actions filed in county superior courts to enforce the initiative's requirements. As provided in RCW 36.18.025, 46 percent of county superior court filing fees must be remitted to the State Treasurer for deposit in the state general fund and 54 percent of fees remain with the county. There are no data to estimate the annual number of civil actions or civil penalties that may be generated. Therefore, the state revenue impact from the initiative is indeterminate.

### State Expenditure and Cost Assumptions

DOH program development will include expenditures for rule making, inspection and compliance, as well as education and technical assistance to the food industry. The cost of these expenditures over six fiscal years is estimated at \$2,168,000. Beginning July 1, 2015, DOH will contract with a private laboratory for product sampling and testing as required in the initiative. Total cost of this expenditure over six fiscal years is estimated at \$1,200,000. Table 1.1 shows DOH estimated costs by fiscal year.

### Local Revenue, Expenditure and Cost Assumptions

Counties may experience increased revenue, expenditures and costs from civil actions filed in county superior courts to enforce the initiative's requirements. There are no data to estimate the annual number of civil actions that may occur. Therefore, the fiscal impact on counties from the initiative is indeterminate.

Fiscal Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	COSTS
Program Development	\$82,000	\$96,000	\$210,000	\$210,000	\$210,000	\$210,000	\$1,018,000
Rule Development	\$96,000	\$122,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$218,000
Compliance and Enforcement	\$0	\$0	\$239,000	\$231,000	\$231,000	\$231,000	\$932,000
Laboratory Sampling and Testing	\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$1,200,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$178,000</b>	<b>\$218,000</b>	<b>\$749,000</b>	<b>\$741,000</b>	<b>\$741,000</b>	<b>\$741,000</b>	<b>\$3,368,000</b>

## Argument For Initiative Measure 522

### Right to Know

In America, we have a right to know important information about the food we eat and feed our families – such as sugar and sodium levels, whether flavors are natural or artificial, the country of origin, and if fish are wild or farm-raised.

We also should have a right to choose whether we want to buy and eat genetically engineered food. Labels matter. They ensure transparency and preserve the freedom to make our own decisions about the food we eat. I-522 is a step in the right direction.

U.S. companies already label genetically engineered foods for markets in the 64 countries that require labeling, including some of Washington's largest trading partners. Genetically engineered crops, such as wheat, have contaminated conventional crops in the Northwest. Some countries suspended imports from our farmers, putting our economy at risk. Separation and labeling, from the seed level up through the supply chain, helps protect exports to countries that require labeling.

### Broad Support

I-522 was brought to the ballot by more than 350,000 citizens and draws strong support from farmers, fishing families, health care professionals, business owners, Republicans, Democrats, and Independents across our state.

### Labels Let You Decide

Voting *Yes on I-522* is an important step for more information about your food. You should have the freedom to decide what to eat. Your food decisions should be up to you – not corporations, the government, or special interests. Labels let you decide. Vote for the right to know what's in your food.

### Rebuttal of Argument Against

Powerful chemical corporations that genetically engineer food oppose labeling because they care about their profits, not our right to know. The truth: labels ensure transparency. The government has conducted no independent safety tests and the Washington State Nurses Association endorses labeling to trace health issues. Labeling is easy and it gives us the freedom to decide what to buy. Foods are relabeled frequently. Adding words to a label doesn't increase costs. Trust yourself to decide.

### Argument Prepared by

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## Argument Against Initiative Measure 522

I-522 mandates costly, misleading food labeling regulations in Washington that don't exist in any other state.

### I-522 makes no sense.

For decades, agricultural biotechnology has helped improve food crops so they resist disease, require fewer pesticides or are more nutritious. Today, 70-80% of grocery products include ingredients from these foods, and they're deemed safe by the FDA and major scientific and medical organizations. Yet I-522 would require thousands of these products to have special, new labels – only for Washington – while giving special exemptions to thousands of others, even when they contain "genetically engineered" (GE) ingredients.

I-522 requires fruits, vegetables and grain-based products to be labeled, but exempts meat and dairy products from animals fed GE grains. It mandates special labels and signs in supermarkets, but exempts restaurants from providing information about GE ingredients in their foods. Foods from foreign countries would be exempt if manufacturers simply *claim* they're exempt. So I-522 wouldn't even give consumers a reliable way of knowing which foods contain GE ingredients.

### Higher taxpayer costs, more state bureaucracy and lawsuits.

I-522 would require the state to monitor labels on thousands of products in thousands of stores – costing taxpayers millions. It would allow trial lawyers to sue farmers, food producers and grocers over the wording on food labels – encouraging shakedown lawsuits. And, studies show I-522's Washington-only labeling requirements would hurt local farmers and increase an average family's food costs by hundreds of dollars per year.

Washington scientists, farmers and food producers urge *no* on 522.

### Rebuttal of Argument For

Existing food labels already give consumers the option to choose foods without GE ingredients by choosing products labeled "certified organic." I-522's complicated, poorly written regulations would put Washington farmers and food producers at a competitive disadvantage, not protect them. I-522 would not protect our export markets or provide consumers with reliable information about our food. But it would increase grocery prices for Washington families and cost taxpayers millions. Vote *no* on this costly, unnecessary measure.

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## ADVISORY VOTES

### What's an advisory vote?

Advisory votes are non-binding. The results will not change the law.

You are advising the Legislature to repeal or maintain a tax increase.

**Repeal** - you *don't favor* the tax increase.

**Maintain** - you *favor* the tax increase.

### For more information

Call the Legislative hotline at **(800) 562-6000**.

View the complete text of the bill at **[www.vote.wa.gov/completetext](http://www.vote.wa.gov/completetext)**.

View additional cost information at **[www.ofm.wa.gov/ballot](http://www.ofm.wa.gov/ballot)**.

### Where are Advisory Votes 1 and 2?

Advisory Votes 1 and 2 were on the ballot last year. Advisory votes are numbered consecutively. This year, your ballot starts with Advisory Vote 3.



Advisory votes are the result of Initiative 960, approved by voters in 2007.

Advisory Vote

# 3

## Substitute Senate Bill 5444

The legislature eliminated, without a vote of the people, a leasehold excise tax credit for taxpayers who lease publicly-owned property, costing approximately \$2,000,000 in the first ten years, for government spending.

This tax increase should be:

Repealed

Maintained

## Ten-Year Cost Projection

Provided by the Office of Financial Management

Substitute Senate Bill 5444 (SSB 5444)	
Fiscal Year	Leasehold Excise Tax
2014	\$145,000
2015	\$167,000
2016	\$175,000
2017	\$183,000
2018	\$194,000
2019	\$202,000
2020	\$210,000
2021	\$218,000
2022	\$227,000
2023	\$235,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,956,000</b>

## Final Votes Cast by the Legislature

**Senate:** Yeas, 47; Nays, 2; Absent, 0; Excused, 0

**House:** Yeas, 91; Nays, 6; Absent, 0; Excused, 1

See how each legislator voted on SSB 5444 (page 17).

Advisory Vote

# 4

## Senate Bill 5627

The legislature imposed, without a vote of the people, an aircraft excise tax on commuter air carriers in lieu of property tax, costing approximately \$500,000 in its first ten years, for government spending.

This tax increase should be:

- Repealed
- Maintained

## Ten-Year Cost Projection

Provided by the Office of Financial Management

Senate Bill 5627 (SB 5627)	
Fiscal Year	Aircraft Excise Tax
2014	\$35,000
2015	\$35,000
2016	\$38,000
2017	\$38,000
2018	\$41,000
2019	\$41,000
2020	\$44,000
2021	\$44,000
2022	\$47,000
2023	\$47,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$410,000</b>

## Final Votes Cast by the Legislature

**Senate:** Yeas, 41; Nays, 8; Absent, 0; Excused, 0

**House:** Yeas, 71; Nays, 22; Absent, 0; Excused, 5

See how each legislator voted on SB 5627 (page 17).

Advisory Vote

# 5

## Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1846

The legislature extended, without a vote of the people, the insurance premium tax to some insurance for pediatric oral services, costing an amount that cannot currently be estimated, for government spending.

This tax increase should be:

- Repealed
- Maintained

## Ten-Year Cost Projection

Provided by the Office of Financial Management

Section 3(6)(c) of this bill removes the exemption for pediatric oral services offered as essential health benefits outside the Washington Health Benefit Exchange. Since these services have previously been exempted, this will result in additional revenue for the insurance premium tax. However, the amount of taxable activity resulting from pediatric oral health care services benefits cannot be estimated. Consequently, the amount of additional revenue attributed to pediatric oral services offered as essential health benefits outside the Health Benefit Exchange is indeterminate.

## Final Votes Cast by the Legislature

**Senate:** Yeas, 47; Nays, 1; Absent, 0; Excused, 1

**House:** Yeas, 95; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 3

See how each legislator voted on ESHB 1846 (page 17).

## Advisory Vote

## 6

**Second Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1971**

The legislature eliminated, without a vote of the people, a retail sales tax exemption for certain telephone and telecommunications services, costing approximately \$397,000,000 in the first ten years, for government spending.

This tax increase should be:

- Repealed  
 Maintained

**Ten-Year Cost Projection**

Provided by the Office of Financial Management

Second Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1971 (2E2SHB 1971)	
Fiscal Year	Retail Sales Tax
2014	\$36,258,000
2015	\$12,875,000
2016	\$43,470,000
2017	\$43,470,000
2018	\$43,470,000
2019	\$43,470,000
2020	\$43,470,000
2021	\$43,470,000
2022	\$43,470,000
2023	\$43,470,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$396,893,000</b>

**Final Votes Cast by the Legislature**

**House:** Yeas, 77; Nays, 15; Absent, 0; Excused, 5

**Senate:** Yeas, 36; Nays, 11; Absent, 0; Excused, 2

See how each legislator voted on 2E2SHB 1971 (page 17).

## Advisory Vote

## 7

**Engrossed House Bill 2075**

The legislature extended, without a vote of the people, estate tax on certain property transfers and increased rates for estates over \$4,000,000, costing approximately \$478,000,000 in the first ten years, for government spending.

This tax increase should be:

- Repealed  
 Maintained

**Ten-Year Cost Projection**

Provided by the Office of Financial Management

Engrossed House Bill 2075 (EHB 2075)	
Fiscal Year	Estate Tax
2014	\$109,700,000
2015	\$39,300,000
2016	\$39,300,000
2017	\$35,300,000
2018	\$34,400,000
2019	\$40,000,000
2020	\$42,300,000
2021	\$44,300,000
2022	\$46,100,000
2023	\$47,700,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$478,400,000</b>

**Final Votes Cast by the Legislature**

**House:** Yeas, 53; Nays, 33; Absent, 0; Excused, 11

**Senate:** Yeas, 30; Nays, 19; Absent, 0; Excused, 0

See how each legislator voted on EHB 2075 (page 17).

## Final Votes Cast by Each Legislator

### District 1

#### Sen. Rosemary McAuliffe

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 SSB 5444 (AV 3): Yea  
 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

#### Rep. Derek Stanford

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

#### Rep. Luis Moscoso

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

### District 2

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 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

#### Rep. J.T. Wilcox

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

### District 3

#### Sen. Andy Billig

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

#### Rep. Marcus Riccelli

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

#### Rep. Timm Ormsby

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

### District 4

#### Sen. Mike Padden

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

#### Rep. Larry Crouse

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Excused  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

### District 5

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Excused  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

#### Rep. Chad Magendanz

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

### District 6

#### Sen. Michael Baumgartner

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 SSB 5444 (AV 3): Yea  
 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

#### Rep. Kevin Parker

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

#### Rep. Jeff Holy

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

### District 7

#### Sen. John Smith

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

#### Rep. Joel Kretz

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

### District 8

#### Sen. Sharon Brown

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

#### Rep. Brad Klippert

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

#### Rep. Larry Haler

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay



Initiative 960, approved by voters in 2007, requires a list of every Legislator, their party preference, hometown, contact information, and how they voted on each bill resulting in an Advisory Vote.

## District 9

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Joe Schmick**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 10

**Sen. Barbara Bailey**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 11

**Sen. Bob Hasegawa**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 12

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 13

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Nay  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Judy Warnick**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Excused  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 14

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Norm Johnson**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Excused  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Charles Ross**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 15

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 16

**Sen. Mike Hewitt**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Maureen Walsh**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Excused  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Terry Nealey**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Excused  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 17

**Sen. Don Benton**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Monica Stonier**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Paul Harris**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

## District 18

**Sen. Ann Rivers**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Brandon Vick**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Liz Pike**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

## District 19

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Dean Takko**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Excused  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Brian Blake**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 20

**Sen. John Braun**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Richard DeBolt**

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SSB 5444 (AV 3): Excused  
SB 5627 (AV 4): Excused  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Excused  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 21

**Sen. Paul Shin**

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SSB 5444 (AV 3): Yea  
SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Excused  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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SSB 5444 (AV 3): Yea  
SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 22

**Sen. Karen Fraser**

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SSB 5444 (AV 3): Yea  
SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Chris Reykdal**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Sam Hunt**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 23

**Sen. Christine Rolfes**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Sherry Appleton**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Drew Hansen**

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 24

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 25

**Sen. Bruce Dammeier**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Hans Zeiger**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 26

**Sen. Nathan Schlicher**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Jan Angel**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

**Rep. Larry Seaquist**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 27

**Sen. Jeannie Darneille**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Jake Fey**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 28

**Sen. Mike Carrell**

(R, Lakewood)  
 SSB 5444 (AV 3): Yea  
 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Excused  
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**Sen. Steve O'Ban**

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SSB 5444 (AV 3): Yea  
 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea

*Votes as Senator*

2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 29

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Steve Kirby**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 30

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
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 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
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 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 31

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 32

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
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 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea



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District 33

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

District 34

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

District 35

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

District 36

**Sen. Jeanne Kohl-Welles**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

District 37

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Excused  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Excused  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

District 38

**Sen. Nick Harper**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Excused  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

District 39

**Sen. Kirk Pearson**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

District 40

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 41

**Sen. Steve Litzow**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Marcie Maxwell**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 42

**Sen. Doug Ericksen**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 43

**Sen. Ed Murray**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Frank Chopp**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 44

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Excused  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Excused  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

## District 45

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 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SSB 5444 (AV 3): Yea  
 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 46

**Sen. David Frockt**

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 SSB 5444 (AV 3): Yea  
 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

## District 47

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Nay  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Nay  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

## District 48

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

District 49

**Sen. Annette Cleveland**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Sharon Wylie**

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 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

**Rep. Jim Moeller**

(D, Vancouver), (360) 786-7872  
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 SSB 5444 (AV 3): Yea  
 SB 5627 (AV 4): Yea  
 ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea  
 2E2SHB 1971 (AV 6): Yea  
 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea



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Dear Whatcom County Voter:

The importance of voting cannot be overstated, especially in a general election such as this when so many local offices and local issues hang in the balance. This is a time when we can really make a difference. We have no one to blame except ourselves if we sit on the sidelines and let others make the decisions for us.

The Auditor's office produces a Local Voters' Pamphlet for primary and general elections. Our mission is to provide quality information to assist voters including information candidates supply about themselves, information jurisdictions supply asking for your support for a proposed ballot measure, and hopefully a counterpoint from a group that is opposed to the measure. We also provide instructions to help the voters know how to mark and return their ballot. We hope you find the information useful.

We have spent a good part of this year refining operations in the Election Division and streamlining how we do our business. We're looking at new technologies to get more information to you, the voters. A lot of that will be seen on our Auditor's website: [www.whatcomcounty.us/auditor](http://www.whatcomcounty.us/auditor) and on Facebook. We will continue to utilize the print media and radio coverage to keep you in the know. Any suggestions you have will be greatly appreciated. You can email me at [dadelstein@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:dadelstein@co.whatcom.wa.us) or call at 360-715-7474.

Sincerely,

Debbie Adelstein  
Whatcom County Auditor



Participating Jurisdictions:

Whatcom County Council Districts 1, 2, 3, and At-Large; Port of Bellingham Commissioner Districts 1 and 2; City of Bellingham Municipal Court Judge; City of Bellingham Council Wards 2, 4, 6, and At-Large; City of Blaine Wards 1, 2, 3, and At-Large; City of Everson Mayor; City of Everson Council Positions 1, 2, and 3; City of Ferndale Council Positions 5, 6, and 7; City of Lynden Mayor; City of Lynden Council Positions 5, 6, and 7; City of Nooksack Mayor; City of Nooksack Council Positions 1, 2, and 3; City of Sumas Mayor; City of Sumas Council Positions 1, 2, and 4; Bellingham School District 501; Ferndale School District 502; Blaine School District 503; Lynden School District 504; Meridian School District 505; Nooksack Valley School District 506; Mt. Baker School District 507; Concrete School District 11; Whatcom County Fire Protection Districts 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11, 14, 16, 17, 18, 21, Glacier Fire and Rescue, and South Whatcom Fire Authority; Water Districts 2, 7, and 13; Birch Bay Water and Sewer District; Columbia Valley Water District; Glacier Water District 14; Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District; Point Roberts Water District 4; Samish Water District; Cemetery Districts 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11; Point Roberts Park and Recreation District 1; Northwest Park and Recreation District 2; Lynden Regional Park and Recreation District 3; Hospital District 304; Point Roberts Public Hospital District.

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# Sample Ballot

## Whatcom County, Washington

### General Election - November 5, 2013

Not all districts or measures on this sample will appear on your ballot. Only the districts or measures that you're entitled to vote on will appear.

**TO VOTE:** Use blue or black ink to connect the arrow by your choice with a single line. Do **NOT** use a felt tip pen or pencil.

**Example:** 

**HOW TO CHANGE A VOTE:** Draw a line through the incorrect choice. You have the option of making another choice.

**WRITE-IN:** To vote for a person not on the ballot, connect the arrow and write in the name of the person on the line provided.

**If you vote more than once for an office or measure, no votes for that office or measure will be counted.**

#### STATE MEASURES

##### Initiatives to the Legislature

###### Initiative Measure No. 517

Initiative Measure No. 517 concerns initiative and referendum measures. This measure would set penalties for interfering with or retaliating against signature-gatherers and petition-signers; require that all measures receiving sufficient signatures appear on the ballot; and extend time for gathering initiative petition signatures. Should this measure be enacted into law?

- Yes  
 No

###### Initiative Measure No. 522

Initiative Measure No. 522 concerns labeling of genetically-engineered foods. This measure would require most raw agricultural commodities, processed foods, and seeds and seed stocks, if produced using genetic engineering, as defined, to be labeled as genetically engineered when offered for retail sale. Should this measure be enacted into law?

- Yes  
 No

##### Advisory Votes

###### Advisory Vote No. 3

###### Substitute Senate Bill 5444

The legislature eliminated, without a vote of the people, a leasehold excise tax credit for taxpayers who lease publicly-owned property, costing approximately \$2,000,000 in the first ten years, for government spending. This tax increase should be:

- Repealed  
 Maintained

###### Advisory Vote No. 4

###### Senate Bill 5627

The legislature imposed, without a vote of the people, an aircraft excise tax on commuter air carriers in lieu of property tax, costing approximately \$500,000 in its first ten years, for government spending. This tax increase should be:

- Repealed  
 Maintained

###### Advisory Vote No. 5

###### Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1846

The legislature extended, without a vote of the people, the insurance premium tax to some insurance for pediatric oral services, costing an amount that cannot currently be estimated, for government spending. This tax increase should be:

- Repealed  
 Maintained

##### Advisory Vote No. 6

###### Second Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1971

The legislature eliminated, without a vote of the people, a retail sales tax exemption for certain telephone and telecommunications services, costing approximately \$397,000,000 in the first ten years, for government spending. This tax increase should be:

- Repealed  
 Maintained

##### Advisory Vote No. 7

###### Engrossed House Bill 2075

The legislature extended, without a vote of the people, estate tax on certain property transfers and increased rates for estates over \$4,000,000, costing approximately \$478,000,000 in the first ten years, for government spending. This tax increase should be:

- Repealed  
 Maintained

#### WHATCOM COUNTY

##### Council District 1, Position A, Nonpartisan, Vote for One

Barry Buchanan  
Kathy Kershner

##### Council District 2, Position A, Nonpartisan, Vote for One

Ben Elenbaas  
Ken Mann

##### Council District 3, Position A, Nonpartisan, Vote for One

Carl Weimer  
Michelle Luke

##### Council At-Large, Nonpartisan, Vote for One

Bill Knutzen  
Rud Browne

#### PORT OF BELLINGHAM

##### Commissioner District 1, Nonpartisan, Vote for One

Renata B. Kowalczyk  
Dan Robbins

##### Commissioner District 2, Nonpartisan, Vote for One

Ken Bell  
Mike McAuley

**CITY OF BELLINGHAM**

**Municipal Court Judge, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Debra Lev

**Council Ward 2, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Gene Knutson

**Council Ward 4, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Pinky Vargas  
Clayton Petree

**Council Ward 6, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Michael Lilliquist

**Council At-Large, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Roxanne Murphy  
Bob Burr

**CITY OF BLAINE**

**Council Ward 1 Position 1, Nonpartisan 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One**  
Steve Lawrenson

**Council Ward 1 Position 2, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Bonnie Onyon

**Council Ward 2 Position 4, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Charlie Hawkins  
Brian Thomasson

**Council Ward 3 Position 6, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Henry (Paul) Greenough

**Council At-Large Position 7, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
John Liebert  
Harry Robinson

**CITY OF EVERSON**

**Mayor, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
John Perry

**Council Position 1, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
John Hammond

**Council Position 2, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Jennifer Lautenbach

**Council Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Andrew Jewell

**CITY OF FERNDALE**

**Council Position 5, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Robert W. Hakim  
Jon Mutchler

**Council Position 6, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Carol Bersch  
Eric Kelton

**Council Position 7, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Stacy Miller  
Brent W. Goodrich

**CITY OF LYNDEN**

**Mayor, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Scott Korhuis

**Council Position 5, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Rex E. Dudley  
Nick H. Laninga

**Council Position 6, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Tobey Gelder

**Council Position 7, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
David Burns

**CITY OF NOOKSACK**

**Mayor, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
James Ackerman

**Council Position 1, Nonpartisan Short and Full 4 Year Term, Vote for One**  
Fritz Zemler

**Council Position 2, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Daniel Bennett

**Council Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Tom Jones

**CITY OF SUMAS**

**Mayor, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Bob Bromley

**Council Position 1, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Bruce Bosch

**Council Position 2, Nonpartisan Short and Full 4 Year Term, Vote for One**  
Richard Postma

**Council Position 4, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Michael Quinn

**BELLINGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 501**

**Proposition No. 2013-1**  
**General Obligation Bonds - \$160,000,000**

The Board of Directors of Bellingham School District No. 501 adopted Resolution No. 14-13 concerning this proposition for bonds. This proposition would authorize renovations, student safety and other upgrades to designated schools and facilities throughout the district to extend their useful life and construct replacement buildings for Sehome High School, Options/Innovations High School and Happy Valley Elementary School, to issue \$160,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum of 20 years, and to levy excess property taxes annually to repay the bonds, as provided in Resolution No. 14-13. Should this proposition be:  
Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_\_\_

**Director Position 4, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Steven Smith  
John H. Blethen

**Director Position 5, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Scott Stockburger

**FERNDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 502**

**Director District 4, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Lee Anne Riddle

**Director District 5, Nonpartisan Short and Full 4 Year Term, Vote for One**  
Andrew McLaurin

**BLAINE SCHOOL DISTRICT 503**

**Director District 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Susan Holmes

**Director District 5, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Michael M. Dodd

**LYNDEN SCHOOL DISTRICT 504**

**Director Position 2, Nonpartisan, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One**  
Brian L. Johnson

**Director Position 4, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Stephan Jilk

**Director Position 5, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Michael Haveman

**MERIDIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT 505**

**Director District 2, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Karolyn Crabtree

**Director District 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Brian A. Evans

**NOOKSACK VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT 506**

**Director District 1, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Randall Wright

**Director District 2, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Stephen A. Jones

**MT. BAKER SCHOOL DISTRICT 507**

**Director District 1, Nonpartisan Short and Full 4 Year Term, Vote for One**  
Brian Kelly

**Director District 4, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Jim Freeman

**CONCRETE SCHOOL DISTRICT 11**

**Director District 1, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Rae (Crissie) Wilson

**Director District 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Gladys Silrus

**Director District 4 At-Large, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Bill Thompson

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 1**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Gary D. Almy

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 4**

**Proposition No. 2013-1**  
**Emergency Medical Services**  
**Property Tax Levy**

Will Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 4 be authorized to impose a PERMANENT regular property levy of thirty cents (\$.30) or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Mary Beth Neal

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 5**

**Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One**  
Robert Dean  
Stan Riffle

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One**  
Jeff Wilmot  
Craig Carter

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 7**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Michael Murphy

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 8**

**Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Roger Buswell

**Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One**  
Cheryl Sanders

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One**  
Robert Neher

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 11**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Bill Lee

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 14**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
RobRoy M. Graham, Jr.

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 16**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Brian Knutzen

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 17**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Michael Burnett

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 18**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Tari Caswell

**WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 21**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Roger Hawley  
Dean Berkeley

**GLACIER FIRE AND RESCUE**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Steve Siekkinen

**SOUTH WHATCOM FIRE AUTHORITY**

**Commissioner District 5, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Jim Peeples  
Ron Swanson

**WATER DISTRICT 2**

**Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan 4 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One**  
Jon "Pete" Rittmueller

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Maxine A. Visser

**WATER DISTRICT 7**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Mark Lann

**WATER DISTRICT 13**

**Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Richard Whitson

**BIRCH BAY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Patrick Alesse

**COLUMBIA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Victoria Anderson

**GLACIER WATER DISTRICT 14**

**Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One**  
Connie Cook

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
James Evangelista

**LAKE WHATCOM WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT**

**Commissioner District 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Deborah Lambert

**POINT ROBERTS WATER DISTRICT 4**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Bill Meursing

**SAMISH WATER DISTRICT**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Herb Barker

**CEMETERY DISTRICT 1**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One**  
Vickie Rainey

**CEMETERY DISTRICT 3**

**Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan 4 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One**  
Floy Markham

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Gary Gehling

**CEMETERY DISTRICT 4**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
David J. Kratzig

**CEMETERY DISTRICT 5**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Melvin Kuipers

**CEMETERY DISTRICT 6**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One**  
Catherine Flaherty

**CEMETERY DISTRICT 7**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
James Paul Larsen

**CEMETERY DISTRICT 8**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Pauline deHaan

**CEMETERY DISTRICT 9**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Lonnie L. Davenport

**CEMETERY DISTRICT 10**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Glenn G. Boodey

**CEMETERY DISTRICT 11**

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Donald Harvey

**POINT ROBERTS PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT 1**

**Proposition No. 2013-1**  
**Community Center Capital Improvements**  
**General Obligation Bonds - \$250,000**

The Board of Commissioners of Point Roberts Park and Recreation District No. 1 passed Resolution #13-02 concerning the District's community center. This proposition authorizes the District to replace the roof and HVAC systems of the community center, improve drainage on the site, and make other capital improvements to maintain and improve the safety and structural soundness of the center; to issue for these purposes \$250,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum 10 years; and to levy property taxes annually, in addition to regular tax levies, to repay the bonds, as provided in Resolution #13-02.

Should this proposition be:  
Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_\_\_

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Mary Edgley

**Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan, Short and Full 4 Year Term, Vote for One**  
Douglas Shier

**NORTHWEST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT 2**

**Proposition No. 2013-1**  
**Authorizing Regular Property Tax Levy**

The Board of Commissioners of Northwest Park and Recreation District No.2 adopted Resolution No. 2013-01 concerning a proposition to assess a regular property tax levy for a four (4) year period (2014-17) of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation to fund staffing, operations, maintenance, and capital improvements to improve recreation and leisure time activities and opportunities for people of all ages in the greater Blaine-Birch Bay area. Shall the proposition be:

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_\_\_

**Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Joseph Maier  
Sheli Moore

**Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Katy Montfort  
James L. Rankin, Jr.

**LYNDEN REGIONAL PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT 3**

**Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Kevin Burke

**Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Terry DeValois

**Commissioner Position 5, Nonpartisan 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One**  
Brandon Van Soest  
Hank Roorda

**HOSPITAL DISTRICT 304**

**Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One**  
Andrew C. Hunter

**Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Gary L. Kent

**Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan 4 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One**  
Jeri Kaufman

**Commissioner Position 5, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Robert Stanley

**POINT ROBERTS PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT**

**Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan, Vote for One**  
Dick Williams

## Whatcom County – Council District 1, Position A, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Barry Buchanan

**Elected Experience:** Bellingham City Council

**Other Professional Experience:** Owner, Buchanan Consulting, a management and workforce development consulting firm; Vice President, Bianchi Group; General Manager Doyle Training Co; Supervisor Heath Tecna Aerospace; Lead Engineer, Lockheed Missiles and Space

Co.; US Navy veteran.

**Education:** Graduate Bellingham High School; US Navy Advanced Electronics; Ohlone and San Jose City College, Computer Science.

**Community Service:** Co-Founder Bellingham High School Alumni Band; President Lettered Streets Neighborhood Association; Board Member WHAT-COMM 911 Administrative Board (Whatcom County's emergency dispatch system), Board Member, Bellingham/Whatcom Chamber of Commerce; Board Member, Northwest Economic Council; Board Member, Whatcom County Council of Governments; Board Member, Downtown Bellingham Partnership.

**Statement:** Barry Buchanan is a fourth generation Whatcom County native and a Navy Veteran. His priorities are simple: Keep the great quality of life that we've had here since his great-grandparents moved here over a century ago. This means

preserving our farmlands and our agricultural tradition by responsibly managing growth. Barry understands we need to continue our progress protecting and restoring Lake Whatcom and ensure our voices are heard concerning the Gateway Pacific Coal Terminal.

We need a smart plan to provide the energy and jobs of the future. That includes responsible siting for wind power and other sources to employ people locally while increasing energy independence.

Most importantly, Barry knows Whatcom County government needs to be responsible with our tax dollars. It's your money and it needs to be spent efficiently. Barry has the experience we need from his service as a Bellingham City Councilmember, a member of the Whatcom 911 Administrative Board and as the owner of a small business. Barry and his wife Judy have been married for over forty years. Let's keep Whatcom County the best place in America to live. Vote Barry Buchanan for Whatcom County Council.

Proudly endorsed by Whatcom Democrats and Washington Conservation Voters.

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### Kathy Kershner

**Elected Experience:** Whatcom County Council 2009 - present. Serves as Chair of the Council, Flood Control District Board of Supervisors, and Board of Health.

**Other Professional Experience:** U.S. Navy Lieutenant, retired, 22 years service. Owner/founder of Advocations, a firm that evaluates

State-funded programs that enable adults with developmental disabilities to lead safe, fulfilling, independent lives in our communities. Previous partner in a \$22 million human services agency providing a wide spectrum of support to individuals and families of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities.

**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Family Resources, University of Hawaii.

**Community Service:** Serves on the Northwest Regional Council and the North Sound Mental Health Advisory Board.

**Statement:** Hello Whatcom County! Working together, we have made significant progress on many important community issues including building a new jail that will better serve our citizens, applying for transfer of roughly 8800 acres to the county for the

creation of a new park that will provide tremendous opportunities for recreation, and we've made it through the 2008 economic crisis and are on solid financial ground with growing reserves in the bank and very little debt.

Looking forward, I want to continue to work hard to ensure Whatcom County remains a healthy and vibrant place to live, work, and raise our families. We get there by ensuring that we implement policies that help us create and protect a healthy environment, produce a healthy economy, and support healthy people and families in our communities.

We have many important decisions to make in the near future. I have a proven track record of working with everyone in our community to find the best solutions to complex and controversial issues and I'm not afraid of making the tough decisions. It has been a privilege to serve as your representative on the County Council and I would be honored to receive your vote.

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## Whatcom County – Council District 2, Position A, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Ben Elenbaas

**Elected Experience:** Appointed to the Whatcom County Planning Commission 2012

**Other Professional Experience:** Owner of Farmer Ben's family farm. Past President of North Cascade Meats, a farmers cooperative. Employed in the operations department at Bp Cherry Point Refinery since 2001. 10 year member of CP Emergency Response Team.

**Education:** Graduate Lynden High School. Studied at Huxley College of the Environment at Western Washington University. Advanced Exterior Firefighter training, Texas A&M University.

**Community Service:** Volunteer with children's 4-H club. Little league football coach. Active with my children's cub scout pack.

**Statement:** "Farmer" Ben Elenbaas has a vision for Whatcom County. A fifth generation county resident, a farmer with deep roots in the local food and sustainability movement, a County Planning Commissioner, a BP Cherry Point employee and, a husband and father of three, Ben understands the importance of balance in decision making. "Too often discussions are presented

as "either/or" propositions," he says. "My experiences show me, almost daily, the solutions that might be possible when we all talk and cooperate to resolve issues that have tended to divide the community. We've lost the concept of balance in the public discussion. I want to restore the idea that people with a diversity of opinion can work together productively for the common good. Thriving cities and thriving rural areas are both important. Healthy economies are necessary for healthy environments. As an advocate for the food security locally grown products provide for us, the sustainability and jobs that our agricultural community provides, and the need to work on attracting and keeping companies providing family wage jobs, I've seen people with vastly differing views work together to achieve greatness for their community. I want to work to enable that kind of community building."

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### Ken Mann

**Elected Experience:** Whatcom County Councilmember, 2010 - 2014. Planning Commission, 2004 - 2009.

**Other Professional Experience:** Co-owner of our local family business that renovates old commercial and residential buildings. 2001 - 2004, Civil engineering consultant on "green"

sustainable design and construction projects throughout the Northwest. 1990s, Wall Street equities trader, analyzed and controlled millions in trading positions. KGMI Radio talk show host.

**Education:** Carnegie Mellon University, BS, Civil Engineering, 2001; Tulane University, BA, Political Science, 1992

**Community Service:** Board Member - Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services, Transportation Authority, Opportunity Council. Volunteer/Member/Donor - Friendly Visitors, Humane Society, Sustainable Connections, Whatcom Business Alliance, WMBC, Conservation Northwest.

**Statement:** I love serving on the Whatcom County Council. It is a great privilege to represent the many talented, dedicated citizens working to improve our community. I will continue to bring my business experience, my dedication as an environmentalist, and my skills as an engineer to County government. I will listen.

My mission is to be responsible to our shared principles and values; responsible with our limited tax dollars; responsible for the environment and our natural resources; responsible to businesses, to the less-fortunate, to our children, and to their future. Endorsed by the Whatcom County Democrats, Washington Conservation Voters, and more.

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## Whatcom County – Council District 3, Position A, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Carl Weimer

**Elected Experience:** Eight years on the Whatcom County Council serving as Chairman for two years. Chairman, Whatcom County Health Board & Whatcom County Flood Control Board. Joint Lake Whatcom Policy Group.

**Other Professional Experience:** U.S. Department of Transportation Technical Safety Committee; Governor appointed Committee on Pipeline Safety; Executive Director, Pipeline Safety Trust & RE Sources & The RE Stores; General Manager, Vangard Northwest

**Education:** B.S., Natural Resources and Teaching Certificate, University of Michigan; A.A.S., Industrial Electronics Technology, Peninsula College

**Community Service:** Developmental Disabilities & Mental Health Advisory Boards; Economic Development Investment Board; Solid Waste Advisory Committee; Portage Bay & Drayton Harbor Shellfish Committees; Northwest Clean Air Agency Board

**Statement:** For the past eight years I have worked hard to implement the plans that the citizens of Whatcom County have volunteered their time to develop. We need to continue to focus

on preserving farmland, cleaning up Lake Whatcom, making improvements to our criminal justice system, better management of our community's growth, caring for those less fortunate, and doing all we can to create good local jobs.

The next County Council majority will make many critical decisions that will shape the future of our community for years to come. Some of those decisions include: Coming to a fact-based decision on coal export facility at Cherry Point; Drafting a plan to restore Lake Whatcom as required by the permit recently released by the Department of Ecology; Approving the plan for building a new jail that is the right size so as not to drain resources unnecessarily from other critical prevention programs; Moving forward with smart, strategic growth management planning to protect our farmland, water resources, and rural character.

I believe I have the education and experience critical to making rational decisions on such complex problems. I hope you think so too, and will vote for me in November.

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### Michelle Luke

**Elected Experience:** Elected Planning Commission Vice Chair 2010, elected Chair 2011, 2012, 2013.

**Other Professional Experience:** Owned and operated hair salon for eight years. In 1984, I began working in the home furnishings industry with my husband Steve. Together, we built our

business from the ground up and now represent Northwest dealerships from Alaska to southern Washington to create product marketing and support their business success. We work with teams internationally, and in North America.

**Education:** Graduated from trade school in 1974. Attended State courses on local planning.

**Community Service:** Community activist including the Lummi Island sub-area and shoreline plans. I have worked locally to implement Plain Language.

**Statement:** As a longtime Whatcom County resident and grandmother I understand the need to protect our environment while enhancing our economy.

As your Planning Commissioner, I have worked hard to make positive change in local government for regular people. Clarifying and simplifying issues so they can be made understandable

and workable in the real world has been my primary goal. As an experienced business owner, I understand the features and benefits for local government to be "customer centered" and will work to connect citizens with their County government.

Three guiding principles serve me as Chair of the Planning Commission and will continue to guide my actions as Council Representative if you honor me with your vote.

Everybody matters: The job of a County Council person is to be everybody's representative. Respect your tax dollars: You work hard to keep your house in order and you deserve the same of your County government. I will keep your hard work in mind concerning County spending. Active Representation: Just as I have demonstrated in business and on the Planning Commission I will roll up my sleeves and help craft policies that do what they are intended to do and nothing more.

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## Whatcom County – Council At-Large, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Bill Knutzen

**Elected Experience:** Currently serving as Whatcom County Council Member, At-Large position, elected 2009. School Board, Ebenezer Christian School, 2001-2005

**Other Professional Experience:** Owner, Communication 2000, provider of computer and cellular repair and service. Agent for S&V

Insurance Services. 16 years with Edaleen Dairy milking cows and delivering milk.

**Education:** Lynden High School, Skagit and Whatcom Community Colleges, and school of hard knocks.

**Community Service:** Computers for Kids in our Community, Project Homeless Connect, feeding homeless people with Church on the Street, Chambers of Commerce, Bellingham, Lynden, Anacortes, Ferndale and Skagit County. Foster care parent for three years.

**Statement:** As a fourth-generation Whatcom County resident, nothing is more important to me than our community and its future. As your County Councilmember, I have been a leader on fiscal restraint, sustainable environmental progress, and protecting farming.

I pushed to recognize commercial agriculture as a County policy priority. I developed a Forestry Advisory Committee and serve on several committees including, Public Health, Flood Advisory, Sheriff's Advisory, Planning and Development and Natural Resources.

The County Council needs to understand the struggles of regular people and I offer the experience of a hard-working father and businessman and a strong dose of common sense. I humbly ask for your vote.

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### Rud Browne

**Elected Experience:** Appointed: Whatcom County Ethics Commission, Bellingham Public Development Authority, Lake Whatcom Watershed Advisory Board

**Other Professional Experience:** Former mechanic, commercial fisherman, successful entrepreneur/founder of a green computer

business (Ryzex) which created 360 jobs; honored with several environmental and "Best Work Place" awards; recognized as Whatcom County's Business person of the year (2004) and one of Ernst & Young's Entrepreneurs of the year (2007)

**Education:** Studied Engineering, Mechanics & Marketing. Private Pilot

**Community Service:** Brigid Collins Child Abuse & Family Support Center, US Coast Guard Auxiliary Aircrew, Rotary, Whatcom Community Foundation, WWU CEME Board, Bellingham City Club, St. Paul's Academy, Whatcom Alliance for Healthcare Access

**Statement:** For our children to stay and raise their families in Whatcom County, they need good family wage jobs. I have personally created over 100 private sector 21st Century jobs (Ryzex) here in Whatcom – and helped other businesses reduce waste and increase profits. There are lots more local jobs that can be

created using our recreational riches, our high tech potential, our great farming community and our entrepreneurial spirit. However, for this to happen we have to do better at blending business and environmental priorities, something I have a strong reputation of handling fairly. I'm a businessman with a proven history of protecting our environment and creating family wage jobs at the same time. My experience will help in the critical debate regarding the Coal train decision.

I also have a low tolerance for unnecessary government bureaucracy. Having worked with governments around the world, I'll apply my entrepreneur's approach to streamlining processes that haven't kept up with the times. I'm a product of the American dream: I started with nothing but an idea and built it into a very successful business and a fortunate life. With your vote, I will help make Whatcom the place our kids deserve.

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## Port of Bellingham – Commissioner District 1, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Renata B. Kowalczyk

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** VP, JP Morgan Chase: Streamlined processes/technologies, developed/executed operational improvements. Six Sigma VP, Pershing LLC: Operational efficiency/management. VP, Merrill Lynch: Created new policies/procedures, and

new organization within company. Coworking LLC: Developed coworking business. Founder, RenataBK: Strategic planning for downtown; train businesses in project management, accountability, efficiency, communication, local sources of funding.

**Education:** Baruch College - CUNY, BBA (Economics & Accounting), 1997. Columbia University Business School, MBA, 2004. Project Management Institute Certification, 2001.

**Community Service:** Volunteer work serving local organizations, including: Whatcom Community College, Northwest Agriculture Business Center, Kulshan Community Land Trust, Whatcom Investing Network. Account Director, Taproot Foundation. Creator, Economic Empowerment Initiative Partnership.

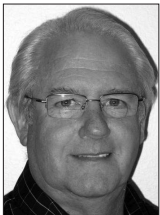
**Statement:** As Port Commissioner, I will work hard nurturing businesses large and small. I have a long career in finance, with a record of developing strategic partnerships. I am a champion for open government, a strong economy, and healthy community.

Having grown up in Poland, I have committed to a life in the United States building healthy and thriving communities. I believe our Port can be responsive to our County by working to achieve economic and environmental goals.

The Port can expand opportunities for businesses while supporting family wage jobs. I am committed to *putting the Port to work for you*.

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### Dan Robbins

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Past President, Vice President, Director, Owner or Shareholder of Cost Cutter Toys, The Children's Co., Inc., Interlube Sales, The Hama Hama Company and Past Director of the Bank of Washington and the Whatcom Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

**Education:** Bellingham High School 1962, US Army 1965-1971, Graduate Western Washington University 1968 BA Industrial Technology. 45 years in Business Management, Ownership in seven businesses, Director for nine companies.

**Community Service:** Counselor and Chapter Chairman of S.C.O.R.E. Bellingham Chapter 591, Washington State Health Commission Small Business Advisory Committee, Whatcom County "Blue Ribbon Panel", Bellingham Central Lions Club, Northwest Business Club and Assistance League of Bellingham.

**Statement:** Dan Robbins is a life-long resident of Whatcom County and married to Kathy Robbins, a retired school teacher. They have four children and eight grandchildren.

Robbins wants to maximize Port property to create an area that will attract business, tourists and provide a quality waterfront for families to enjoy and be proud of. Done properly, this will create revenues that will continue to allow us to help pay for quality parks, law enforcement and our medic and fire systems.

Dan wants to keep job retention and creation at the forefront of the Ports priorities. He will apply his prudent management and effective business practices to the Port.

Robbins volunteers for many organizations including SCORE (Service Core of Retired Executives). SCORE serves as counselors to America's small businesses. He mentors over 90 businesses a year. Robbins is a member of the Bellingham Central Lions Club, the Bellingham Angel Group, and the Northwest Business Club.

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## Port of Bellingham – Commissioner District 2, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Ken Bell

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Owner of Best Recycling, Inc. Owned and operated recycling facilities in Bellingham, Charleston West Virginia and New Westminster Canada Ken also owned Panhandle Recycling in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Ken also owns MassThermal LLC. specializing in hazardous spill clean up.

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**Education:** Wasson High School graduate 1976.

Ken has a BA in Biology from Colorado State University.

**Community Service:** Whatcom County Planning Commission 2011 to present. President of the Silver Beach Neighborhood Association. Member of Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Committee Served as a member of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. Bellingham Christian School Finance committee and served on the board of Northlake Community Church.

**Statement:** Ken brings a unique perspective to this office, as a successful businessman, he understands what is involved running day to day operations. He understands the importance of making policy and giving clear direction.

Ken's business has been responsible for importing and exporting Hazardous waste, solid waste, recyclable materials and valuable

commodities from Adak Alaska, Kangerluusaq Greenland, Antarctica, Vancouver B.C., and Southern California. He is a primary user of Ports.

With proper direction he believes that the Port of Bellingham can be a source of not just good paying jobs but great paying jobs.

Ken is involved in cleaning up properties in the most isolated areas of the Yukon territory and in Antarctica as well as here in the US. He has been involved in hazardous waste clean up activities including capping landfills, thermal treatment and waste removal operations.

He believes that the process needs to consider more than just quick fixes and lowest cost options. There are opportunity costs and long term ramifications that need to be factored into every clean up. He also understands the importance of a good working relationship with regulators.

He has been married to his wife Dee Dee for 20 years and has two daughters.

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### Mike McAuley

**Elected Experience:** Port of Bellingham Commissioner - four years, Port of Bellingham Commission President - one year, Whatcom Council of Gov'ts board member, NW Econ. Council Board member, Puget Sound Partnership Representative for the Washington Public Ports Assoc.

**Other Professional Experience:** Small business owner, current owner of McAuley Builders, U.S. Marine Corps, Gulf War Veteran, nationally ranked mountain bike racer

**Education:** Graduate Centralia High School - Lewis County, BS in Urban Ecology, MS in Geography with land use policy focus, Graduate thesis on Growth Management in Whatcom County.

**Community Service:** Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Commission, Community Boating Center Board of Directors, NW Recreation Board of Directors, life-long Washington resident.

**Statement:** Commissioner McAuley works tirelessly to realign the Port with its core mission, providing transportation infrastructure and regional business support. Through careful management of your publicly owned properties, the port supports dozens of local companies employing thousands. McAuley brought critical thinking to waterfront planning and successfully advocated for more industrial land at the shipping terminal and zoning changes for marine trades. He also championed money saving upgrades and environmentally sound improvements. He stood strong in the face of a challenging change of executive directors and he knows "you" own the port. You won't find a more approachable, hard-working commissioner anywhere.

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## City of Bellingham – Municipal Court Judge, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Debra Lev

**Elected Experience:** Bellingham Municipal Court Judge/City of Bellingham; Elected Municipal Court Judge, 2002-2005; 2006-2009; 2010 to present.

**Other Professional Experience:** Private attorney; Appointed Court Commissioner of Bellingham Municipal Court; Judge Pro Tempore

for the cities of Bellingham, Blaine, Sumas, Everson, Nooksack, and Whatcom County; Assigned Counsel (City of Bellingham); Deputy District Attorney (PA); Associate Editor (MI)

**Education:** Juris Doctor, Cum Laude, Stetson University College of Law; BA University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

**Community Service:** School Volunteer – Bellingham School District; Outreach programs providing court education to students; Volunteer Lawyer Program/Street Law

**Statement:** It has been my privilege to serve as Bellingham's Municipal Court Judge for the past 11 years. With 21 years of judicial experience, and working alongside our dedicated court staff, during my three terms Bellingham Municipal Court implemented many innovative programs meeting the growing needs of our community.

In 2004, I established Whatcom County's first Domestic Violence Court. It has proven to be very successful. Other successful programs have included community outreach opportunities with local elementary and middle school students and volunteer courtesy calls reminding citizens of their court dates to avoid penalties for missing court.

Thank You.

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## City of Bellingham – Council Ward 2, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Gene Knutson

**Elected Experience:** Elected to Bellingham City Council 1993, Re Elected 1997, 2001, 2005, 2009. Council President 1995, 1999, 2006, 2010. Finance Chair 1995, 1999, 2006, 2008, 2009. Fire Pension Board 1995, 1999, 2006, 2008, 2009. Police Pension Board 1995, 1999, 2006, 2010.

**Other Professional Experience:** Current occupation, Bellingham Cold Storage 38 years.

**Education:** Bellingham High School, Whatcom Community College

**Community Service:** Exalted Ruler Elks Club #194, 1986-89, Bellingham Central Lions Club, Member of Assumption Catholic Church, AWC Leadership Award 1997

**Statement:** It has been my honor to serve on the Bellingham City Council for the last 20 years. Bellingham is filled with wonderful people to work with from the council members, to the city employees, and most of all the citizens of Bellingham. Together we have made Bellingham the greatest city in the world. I have lived the Bellingham dream all of my life and I want that for the people of Bellingham. I want to thank the citizens of Bellingham for all of their support over the years. It has been my honor to work for you. I ask for your support.

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## City of Bellingham – Council Ward 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Pinky Vargas

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Energy Efficiency Outreach Manager at Puget Sound Energy (PSE). Serves on Greenways Advisory Committee and the Center for New Media board. Member of Sustainable Connections, National Women's Political Caucus, Whatcom and

Ferndale Chambers of Commerce, Whatcom Business Alliance, Northwest Business Club, and Bellingham City Club.

**Education:** Pursuing Degree in Political Science at Whatcom Community College

**Community Service:** Locally known advocate for the environment and community, Habitat for Humanity, Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association volunteer, production leader and consultant for Ignition Northwest Arts Council, Leadership Whatcom Alumni, community organizing and canvassing for Obama for America, personal mentor educator of women's health and development

**Statement:** Pinky Vargas will bring her global perspective and proven track record of local leadership to protecting Lake Whatcom's water quality, ensuring progress of our waterfront development, and supporting our local businesses to thrive. Pinky is motivated by her sense of responsibility to our community, our environment, and each other. Pinky's experience managing complex projects and work in Energy Efficiency will ensure Bellingham is on a sustainable path towards economic prosperity. Pinky's commitment to energy and action has earned her endorsements from: Mayor Kelli Linville, City Council Members Snapp, Lehman, Knutson, and Fleetwood, Whatcom Democrats, and Washington Conservation Voters, and more.

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## City of Bellingham – Council Ward 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term (Cont.)



### Clayton Petree

**Elected Experience:** I have not yet served on Council.

**Other Professional Experience:** I have work experience in bicycle research, design, production, and quality control. In addition, I have assembly line supervision, CNC programming, part inventory scheduling, human resource

functions (hiring, termination, payroll, labor union relations), lift truck operator, certification instructor. My business provides research, business and grant writing, community consulting, and political relations.

**Education:** I earned my Bachelor of Science at Western Washington University and have completed classes on planning with the Urban Land Institute and Law Seminars International.

**Community Service:** I worked to re-establish the Whatcom Falls Neighborhood Association and spend time maintaining the Galbraith trail system.

**Statement:** I am running for the Ward 4 Bellingham City Council seat because I want to ensure that current and future generations have access to clean water, fresh air, and a good job.

Lake Whatcom will always be on my priority list. Runoff has been a problem for too long and I will focus on projects proven to reduce pollution into the lake.

Local business provides the jobs and revenue for Bellingham to be successful. When business does well here, it lifts us all economically. We need to attract companies that will put Bellingham to work. The waterfront redevelopment is our chance to create a beautiful job space with abundant public waterfront access. Good planning will provide more customers in the downtown area and help strengthen our business core. I understand the importance of balancing infill with the preservation of neighborhood character.

I work locally as a freelance journalist and community consultant, writing on a diverse set of topics from business and grant applications to biomass cogeneration and small scale farming. I have also worked as a bicycle designer, product manager, and manufacturing plant manager. My wife Jana owns and operates her own business in the downtown Bellingham area.

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## City of Bellingham – Council Ward 6, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Michael Lilliquist

**Elected Experience:** Bellingham City Council

**Other Professional Experience:** Neuropsychometrist; behavioral neuroscience researcher; college instructor

**Education:** B.A. History and B.S. Psychology from University of Washington; Ph.D. in Behavioral Neuroscience from University of Texas at

Austin; Advanced Paralegal Certificate from Edmonds Community College; Certificate of Municipal Leadership, AWC.

**Community Service:** Current service includes board of Downtown Bellingham Partnership, board of Sustainable Connections, board of Bellingham/Whatcom Tourism, and Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services of Whatcom County. Past service includes member of Lake Whatcom Watershed Advisory Board, Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Commission, Futurewise Whatcom steering committee, Board of Trustees Bellingham Unitarian Fellowship, Larrabee Elementary Site Council, and School Superintendent's Parents Advisory Council.

**Statement:** Bellingham is a great city, and I feel fortunate to be able to work on your behalf to help keep it that way.

In my first term serving the people of Bellingham, I have taken a leading role protecting and building Bellingham's future: secur-

ing reliable funding to actually restore the water quality in Lake Watcom (not just slowing the rate of decline); increasing investment in roads and utilities to avoid the problems (and costs) of neglect; protecting neighborhoods; and championing economic prosperity citywide through the first-ever economic development chapter of the city's comprehensive plan.

My leadership style is pro-active, approachable, and focused on workable solutions. I have taken the initiative on small issues, like outdated parking rules, public recycling bins, and city policies on neighborhood traffic calming and safety. At the same time, I have not shied away from big issues that resist easy answers – such as the proposed coal terminal. While the coal project will significantly impact Bellingham, especially our Waterfront redevelopment, the decision lies in the hands of the County Council. I ask all Bellingham voters to not only support my re-election, but also support County Council candidates who will protect Whatcom's future.

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## City of Bellingham – Council At-Large, Nonpartisan 2-Year Term



### Roxanne Murphy

**Elected Experience:** I'm working to earn this seat on Bellingham City Council.

**Other Professional Experience:** Eighth Generation Member of the Nooksack Indian Tribe and Assistant Administrator with the Nooksack Tribal Government. Award-winning Community Relations Specialist, City of Tacoma, Economic

Development Department. Community Outreach Specialist, Woodland Park Zoo. Communications Representative, Weyerhaeuser Company.

**Education:** Bachelor's Degree in Communications, Central Washington University. Master's Degree in Public Administration, The Evergreen State College.

**Community Service:** Advocating for and supporting Bellingham's small, locally-owned businesses. Improving neighborhood safety on G Street. Promoting cycling as a member of the Mount Baker Bicycle Club and a competitor in local races. Reducing my own carbon footprint.

**Statement:** I'm running for City Council because I believe in Bellingham and I'm committed to preserving and improving the quality of life in this place we call home.

I thank everyone who helped me earn 51 percent of the vote in the three-way Primary Election and I'm asking for your vote in the Nov. 5 General Election.

Throughout my career, I've worked to connect citizens with their government and I'll bring that passion and experience to the job of protecting Lake Whatcom, redeveloping our waterfront and downtown, supporting Bellingham's businesses, and keeping streets safe.

As an avid outdoor enthusiast, I'll also support the tremendous recreational opportunities here.

I've been endorsed by the Bellingham Herald, Whatcom County Democrats, Washington Conservation Voters, Northwest Washington Central Labor Council, Bellingham/Whatcom County Firefighters, Whatcom County Association of Realtors, Teamsters Local 231, United Food and Commercial Workers Local 21, Bellingham Mayor Kelli Linville and six Bellingham City Councilmembers.

Every week, I work to increase the livelihood and well-being of my fellow Nooksack tribal members. Now, I'm seeking your support so I can use all of these experiences to improve the quality of life in Bellingham for *you* and every single person in *your* tribe!

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### Bob Burr

**Elected Experience:** President, CCS, International. Several elected offices in Democratic Party before it compromised its values, Currently elected Treasurer of, and endorsed by, the Green Party of Whatcom County.

**Other Professional Experience:** VP in charge of Research and Development for large East-

Coast Fortune 500 Company before retiring to Bellingham in 1995.

Owner of Bellingham-based, national research and consulting business from 1996 to 2007.

**Education:** Psychology Undergraduate studies/degree at UC Berkeley; Graduate at Claremont Graduate University.

**Community Service:** Police Selection Board--City of Los Angeles. Numerous activist/leadership roles in environmental/human rights/civic/peace/justice/LGBT/women's and government/political reform organizations.

**Statement:** I am not a party-controlled, wishy-washy, double speak, contribution-subservient, values-deprived politician. I am the No Coal, No Bull candidate for City Council. I will vociferously fight coal transport/coal export and the Cherry Point terminal, introducing crystal clear resolutions and legislation that

will force other Council members to take a stand. When 10,000+ Bellingham voters sign a Community Bill of Rights initiative and the City sues, blocking your very right to vote, that is simply unacceptable. It is disrespectful. And, so I run against the machine.

Because of what I will sponsor, a vote for Bob Burr is a vote for the following: a coal-free Bellingham; a working, living wage waterfront rather than a waterfront for the wealthy; a reservoir (Lake Whatcom) that is actually protected; partial public financing of City elections; a City friendlier to deal with; a surveillance-drone free Bellingham; a rental-housing inspection program; a city which listens better to you including those in the large student population; and a City that speaks out on important issues. I want your vote, but not your money. No contributions accepted. Vote for Respect. Vote for Change. Vote for Bob Burr!

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### City of Blaine – Council Ward 1 Position 1, Nonpartisan 2-Year Unexpired Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Steve Lawrenson

No statement submitted.

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### City of Blaine – Council Ward 1 Position 2, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term

No Photo  
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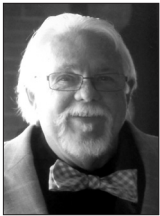
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No statement submitted.

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### City of Blaine – Council Ward 2 Position 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



#### Charlie Hawkins

**Elected Experience:** 2 terms on Blaine City Council.

**Other Professional Experience:** 35 years fishing in Puget Sound and Alaska on gillnetters, purse seiners, fish tenders and crab boats, operated a local cafe and I now work as a bus driver for Blaine School District.

**Education:** In 1964 I graduated from Blaine HS and attended Skagit Valley College and WWU.

**Community Service:** As a life long Blaine resident I have volunteered at Good Samaritan Society - Stafholt, and Blaine Giving Tree. I have been a member of the Drayton Harbor Shellfish Board and worked with the Port of Bellingham Advisory Board, Stormwater Committee, and the Blaine Park Board.

**Statement:** The responsibility of the Blaine City Council members is to represent the people in their Ward, and the city as whole.

As a Council member I will continue to make decisions in the best interest of the city of Blaine. I will strive to bring economic stability. I will focus on the issues that matter most. I will make it my goal to preserve our small town integrity while preparing us for the future.

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#### Brian Thomasson

**Elected Experience:** This is my first time running for public office.

**Other Professional Experience:** I have worked in the real estate industry for the last three years; first as a property manager, and currently as a real estate broker/consultant with Keller Williams Realty.

**Education:** Graduated from Western Washington University in 2008 with a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting and Sociology and with a minor in Business Administration.

**Community Service:** I have been involved with and served at Hillcrest Chapel for the last nine years volunteering different capacities. Other volunteer activities have included Project Homeless Connect, visiting senior centers and manual labor for community projects.

**Statement:** I am thrilled to have this opportunity to represent you, my Blaine community, on City Council. I want to be a

listening ear, to hear what your goals and desires are for our beautiful city. Blaine is a gateway and for the most part, people are passing through without much thought. There is so much potential to take Blaine from the city that people drive by, to a city that people want to stop in and stay for a while. I am eager to get us excited about potential developments for our town and am looking forward to partnering and strategizing with the council and you, the community, to see these goals come to fruition. Two of my strongest assets are my keen sense of entrepreneurship and business dynamics. I want to use these strengths to explore how we can work together to grow and strengthen the small business community of Blaine. I am confident that we can come together and make Blaine and its citizens better than it is today. I look forward to serving you as your next Blaine City Council representative.

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### City of Blaine – Council Ward 3 Position 6, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term

No Photo  
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#### Henry (Paul) Greenough

**Elected Experience:** Blaine City Council, 2009--2112

**Other Professional Experience:** US Foreign Service Officer (Retired)

**Education:** MA, PhD Indiana University; BA DePauw University

**Community Service:** Whatcom County Transit Authority Board of Directors; Blaine Planning Commission

**Statement:** Blaine is blessed with its coastal location and rich natural endowment. How to use this endowment wisely is the most important question facing us today. Fortunately Blaine continues to attract a diverse and dynamic group of people who work together, formally and informally, to make Blaine a better place to live.

I am committed to finding equitable and sustainable ways of enabling the people of Blaine to solve our problems locally. My goal is to create a better community for our grandchildren, one they will thank us for two generations from now.

I believe in tempering optimism about our future with financial caution and prudence. This approach means that Blaine has weathered the recent national downturn successfully, and is now well-positioned to participate in the economic recovery.

Please join me in searching for solutions that benefit all the people of Blaine, today and tomorrow, fairly.

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### City of Blaine – Council At-Large Position 7, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term

No Photo  
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### City of Everson – Mayor, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term

No Photo  
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#### John Perry

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### City of Everson – Council Position 1, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term

No Photo  
Submitted

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### City of Everson – Council Position 2, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term

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### City of Everson – Council Position 3, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Andrew Jewell

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### City of Ferndale – Council Position 5, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



#### Robert W. Hakim

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** I currently work in film production.

**Education:** I am a self-taught man.

**Community Service:** During my 13 years living in Ferndale I have worked on many community-based projects.

**Statement:** My desire is to bring able, far seeing principled conduct of public affairs with me into the Ferndale City Council and to be a voice for the ones in our community who don't

have one. To bring diversity into the council chambers from a minority council member who would work with what we already have by digging deeper into each agenda item and guaranteeing a continued working relationship with the Lummi Nation. Council member Jon Mutchler and I are comparable on many of the same issues, such as the gas tax and the Lummi proposal. When elected I would challenge our able city council members to search for uncharted avenues to raise city revenues instead of imposing higher fees and taxes.

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#### Jon Mutchler

**Elected Experience:** City Council, serving on Finance/Administration, Planning/Land Use, and Public Health/Neighborhood Services committees; council liaison to Ferndale Planning Commission, Ferndale Downtown Association, and Community Service Cooperative.

**Other Professional Experience:** Pastor, Ferndale Alliance Church (25 years); professional pianist and teacher (35 years); driver-trainer, Holland American Westours; faculty, Blaine Jazz Festival; Ferndale Chamber of Commerce.

**Education:** Master of Divinity, Regent College, Vancouver, B.C.; Bachelor of Music, Western Washington University; Associate of Science degree, Olympic College, Bremerton, WA.

**Community Service:** Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic board; Ferndale Schools levy committee (1989); volunteer builder for Whatcom-Skagit Housing ("self-help" homes); Whatcom County Old Settlers Association.

**Statement:** I have served with integrity, honesty, and thoughtfulness with a simple goal in mind: that my seven children will look back and say, "Dad, you and Ferndale got it right and strengthened our city's future when you made those tough

choices." My priority and style have been to be accessible and available to all citizens and communicate clearly city challenges. I supported all efforts for transparency and initiated new ones.

I put our city's bright future first in my decisions even when it disappointed friends and colleagues or challenged ideologies. In disagreement I've not succumbed to being disagreeable. I do my homework and balance the immediate need with a long-term vision.

Ferndale is on the right course: one of fiscal discipline and responsibility, while still maintaining quality essential services. We're moving forward with needed improvements like upgraded roads, better infrastructure, a modern police station, and (thanks to you) a new library.

We're a safe, healthy, smart-growth small city that's "coming of age" wisely by planning ahead for anticipated development at I-5. Economic progress will come, but not at the sacrifice of our quality of life and small town values. Thank you for your trust and confidence.

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## City of Ferndale – Council Position 6, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Carol Bersch

**Elected Experience:** first time candidate

**Other Professional Experience:** owner of Carol's Cake Designs, a custom design retail bakery. Certified in many areas of the sugar arts. Prior to living in WA worked for 18 years at the University of Alabama in budgets, financial accounting and payroll. Established the

Women's Center on campus in 1992.

**Education:** attended the University of Texas - El Paso, The University of New Mexico and The University of Alabama.

**Community Service:** faculty advisor for Omicron Delta Kappa, senior honor society, faculty advisor for Sigma Kappa sorority, the University Honors Program. I donate many cakes to local charities, organizations, fundraising events and benefits each month.

**Statement:** I am running for Ferndale City Council position #6. I firmly believe the citizens of Ferndale deserve leadership that has the community's best interest foremost in their minds. If elected, I will be one who will always make decisions in the best

interests of the city, our citizens and our future. I have a strong economic mindset for development while maintaining a *gate keepers* attitude about taxpayers dollars. I am an advocate for the sustainability of small business and helping those businesses thrive as they bring revenue and jobs into the community. I really want to see downtown Ferndale grow into a fun family oriented community.

Since opening my shop Carol's Cake Designs located on 2016 Main Street I have become very involved with the Ferndale Community. I was Ferndale Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year for 2012. I am now on their Board of Directors. I am also a member of the Ferndale Kiwanis Club and also serve as a Board Member.

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### Eric Kelton

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** I am currently the Vice President of the Bellingham Men's Softball Association and I also volunteer on the Pacific Highlands Homeowners Association Board

**Statement:** I was born and raised in Ferndale and am a 2000 graduate of Ferndale High School. I am currently the Vice President of the Bellingham Men's Softball Association and I also volunteer on the Pacific Highlands Homeowners Association Board. After high school and during high school, I worked at Cedars Restaurant. I have also worked for a seafood processing company in Alaska, where I loaded product for international and domestic markets. I am currently employed by Ershigs Inc. As

a young man raising a family in Ferndale, I want to both serve my community and ensure my children have a wonderful place to call home when they're ready to start their own families. As a city council member, I will work to improve the quality of life for everyone in Ferndale by focusing on parks and living-wage jobs for families. I will also focus on the economic growth of Ferndale by working with the Chamber of Commerce and other business organizations to bring more retail companies to Ferndale. I would also like to work on improving downtown traffic flow, and finding ways to improve Ferndale without having to ask the community to raise taxes.

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## City of Ferndale – Council Position 7, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Stacy Miller

**Elected Experience:** Community Boards

**Other Professional Experience:** Stanwood WA Migrant Headstart/ECEAP Teacher; Skagit County Community Action Housing Director; Employment Security Veterans and WorkFirst Program Manager; Whatcom Domestic Violence Commission Program Manager

**Education:** Central Arizona College

**Community Service:** Pride Foundation, FCCB Mission and Justice Board, Former Chair Kulshan Community Land Trust, Washington State Coalition to End Homelessness

**Statement:** I moved to Ferndale 12 years ago from Skagit County, where I worked for 12 years for Skagit County Community Action (SCCAA). In my last position with SCCAA, I managed 5 programs and maintained a budget of approximately 1.4 million dollars. I am currently working for the Whatcom Domestic

Violence Commission. I work closely with the Ferndale School District, Lummi Victims of Crime, Ferndale Police Department, and County service providers on a dating violence prevention program for Ferndale schools.

For more than 15 years, I worked closely with County commissioners, city councils, and state representatives on issues regarding affordable housing, early childhood education, and Veterans employment. I am comfortable working with elected officials and their constituents to solve local problems. As a Council person, I will work to bring living wage jobs to Ferndale. The thing I am most proud of, in my career, has been my ability to bring everyone to the table for a common goal, working through the challenges and getting the group to a consensus that is a win for everyone. I believe it is essential for us all to work together to solve our problems.

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### Brent W. Goodrich

**Elected Experience:** Ferndale City Council four years.

**Other Professional Experience:** Maintenance Director at Spring Creek Retirement & Assisted Living. Two years Ferndale Planning Commission. Current Council liaison and past president of the Ferndale Economic Development commission. Master Instructor United States Coast Guard Auxiliary.

**Education:** Geography major specializing in aerial photography and remote sensing at California Polytechnic University, Pomona, California.

**Community Service:** Community service has been important to Brent. He has served as a volunteer fire fighter, citizen patrol officer, vessel examiner, urban search and rescue team member, and president Ferndale Community Coordinating Association. He is currently a member of the Ferndale Heritage Society.

**Statement:** When Brent was elected to the council four years ago the city was facing the effects of the economic slowdown. Tough decisions had and still have to be made. One of those

decision was to go ahead with the construction of a new police station. Brent supported that decision. Today we have seen the completion of the police station, the start of construction for a new library, and the improvements to Main Street.

With approximately 80% of Ferndale's potential sales tax revenue leaving the city, Brent has been a strong advocate for businesses large and small. He has also been an advocate for our contractors and has presented ways to make building in Ferndale more attractive. Ferndale needs retail development and Brent will make sure it is done right. While serving on the Planning Commission Brent worked on the retail design standards currently adopted by the city and the updating of the commercial/retail zones.

Ferndale is changing into a community unto itself. This growth presents challenges and if done correctly, Ferndale can and will be a model for other cities to pattern themselves after.

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## City of Lynden – Mayor, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Scott Korthuis

**Elected Experience:** Mayor, Lynden WA (2010-present)

**Other Professional Experience:** Manager, Oxbo International Corporation (Lynden, 1988-present); Process Engineer, Georgia-Pacific (Bellingham, 1982-1988)

**Education:** University of Washington, BS Chemical Engineering, BS Mechanical Engineering (1982); Professional Engineer (1989)

**Community Service:** Currently serving as Board Member for Jansen Art Center and WTA; Advisory Board Member for Bellingham Technical College; former Board Member for Providence Christian College (CA), Lynden Christian Schools and two local churches.

**Statement:** Exciting things are on the horizon for Lynden. I'm looking forward to the completion and start-up of our water treatment plant -- the largest public project in our history. I believe my experience and leadership will also be valuable during the transition of our new City Administrator. Having worked hard to build consensus and alliances, I hope additional civic improvements will also be achieved during my tenure as Mayor. Optimistic for progress and eager to serve my fellow citizens for another four years, I would be honored by your continued vote of confidence.

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## City of Lynden – Council Position 5, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Rex E. Dudley

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Career Army Officer. Retired in 1999; District Executive, Boy Scouts of America; Shop Manager, Bellingham Technical College; CEO, Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Northwest Washington

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts Degree, The Colorado College; Command and General Staff College

**Community Service:** Scoutmaster, Boy Scouts of America; Big Brother with Big Brothers Big Sisters of America; Rotary Club of Bellingham; Board Member, Lighthouse Mission

**Statement:** Lynden is a wonderful place to live. My wife and I have resided here for 14 years while raising our two children. We appreciate the family values of our city. As a City Council member I plan to support Mayor Korhuis with his emphasis on bringing an anchor retail store to the Guide Meridian, rejuvenating the downtown area through private investment, smart residential growth, and infrastructure maintenance.

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### Nick H. Laninga

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted.

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted.

**Education:** No information submitted.

**Community Service:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** I would like to thank the citizens of Lynden for their past support and would consider it a privilege to continue to represent them on the Lynden City Council Position 5.

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## City of Lynden – Council Position 6, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Tobey Gelder

**Elected Experience:** 2013 marks my 7th year as a Member of the Lynden City Council

**Other Professional Experience:** Licensed Insurance Agent: Washington State for 25 years. Small Business Owner: 15 years

**Education:** Western Washington University - BA, Associate in Risk Management (ARM) -

Insurance Institute of America

**Community Service:** Chairman: Lynden Chamber of Commerce, Lynden Planning Commission, Rotary (Paul Harris Fellow), Peace Corps Volunteer (Somalia)

**Statement:** It has been my privilege to serve the Citizens of Lynden as their City Council Representative, Position 6, since 2007. I will continue to work hard to bring your voice to the deliberations of the Council. My particular interest areas are Finance, Public Works, and the expansion of Lynden's trail system. Balancing the needs of the City with current revenue involves difficult choices and constant attention. Your view on City issues and your Vote would be appreciated.

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## City of Lynden – Council Position 7, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



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**City of Nooksack – Mayor, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

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No statement submitted.

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**City of Nooksack – Council Position 1, Nonpartisan Short and Full 4-Year Term**

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**City of Nooksack – Council Position 2, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Daniel Bennett**

No statement submitted.

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**City of Nooksack – Council Position 3, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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No Photo  
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**Tom Jones**

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**City of Sumas – Mayor, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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**City of Sumas – Council Position 1, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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No Photo  
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**Bruce Bosch**

No statement submitted.

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No information submitted.

**City of Sumas – Council Position 2, Nonpartisan Short and Full 4-Year Term**

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**City of Sumas – Council Position 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Michael Quinn**

No statement submitted.

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## Bellingham School District 501 - Director Position 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Steven Smith

**Elected Experience:** Bellingham School District, Director, 4 years

**Other Professional Experience:** Twenty years as an accounting instructor - 14 years at WWU. Twenty-seven years of accounting and finance experience.

**Education:** BBA Accounting, Iowa State University; M.S. Accounting, Oklahoma State University; Ph.D. Accounting, Arizona State University

**Community Service:** Bellingham Public Schools Foundation, ex officio

**Statement:** Our schools should be places that our children are safe to explore new ideas, inspired to reach their highest potential, and provide a multi-faceted education. Each child should have an education that enhances their unique strengths, which means that the curriculum should provide a solid foundation and yet be flexible enough to meet individual student needs. Arts and music education help students develop creative thinking.

Self-confidence and a strong work ethic provide students with *structural integrity*, so that when failures occur students are able to learn from them and carry on. Working together - educators, parents, and community - we can provide a quality education to all students. If you reelect me as your school board member, I will continue to seek your counsel, listen to your concerns, approach issues with an open mind, and work to make Bellingham's schools centers for academic excellence for all children.

My core beliefs for public education: A strong foundation in reading, writing, and math is imperative; Students must learn strategies to solve complex problems; Sometimes, learning requires a strong work ethic, perseverance and uninterrupted concentration; Quality teachers, staff and administrators are the most important asset of the school district.

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### John H. Blethen

**Elected Experience:** Chaired Bellingham food co-operative, President Fairhaven Neighbors, three time board chair both Parks Board and the Greenways Committee

**Other professional experience:** Owner new Whatcom Interiors, Building Industry Association; Co-chair of the Larrabee PTA

**Education:** BA Antioch College, MED in industrial Arts WWU.

**Community Service:** Helped plan the original Bellingham Food Co-op, Served on Mayors Advisory; the original greenways Committee. Co- chaired the last Greenways levy. Six years Parks Committee, 14 years Greenways Committee . Ten years Waterfront Visioning Committee; Bay Foundation; Waterfront Advisory Committee. Served PTA at Larrabee School. Built community gardens and trails: active in the Farmer's market and a Resources" Environmental Hero" .

**Statement:** Building community has been much of my adult life focus and I have worked hard saving open space as legacy

for the future. But I know, and you know, the most important resource that we have is our kids. I am running for school board because I am concerned that the cost of education is rising, but student learning is not. We are looking at substantial new taxes to build facilities which will not reduce class size, the best tool for improving learning. While we need new school facilities, this need not happen at the expense of walk able community schools. We need to get school planning on the same page as neighborhood planning. It is also troubling to see our best principals moved to new administrative jobs at the expense of smaller class size and effective school leadership. . Our schools are focused on educating for college bound kids at the expense of kids who need other skills. Clearly, it is a time to look for innovative ways to educate our kids for a changing world. I pledge that I will participate actively in clear and transparent processes to lead our schools forward.

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## Bellingham School District 501 - Director Position 5, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term



### Scott Stockburger

**Elected Experience:** It has been an honor to serve for the past four years as your representative on the Bellingham School Board.

**Other Professional Experience:** I serve as a physician at St. Joseph Hospital, providing hospital services for Family Care Network. Previously, I have had my own clinic as a solo family doctor, and I have worked at Sea Mar Community Health Center.

**Education:** M.D. University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences.

**Community Service:** I am active in the Episcopal Church in Whatcom County, and I occasionally serve as a parent volunteer in my children's schools.

**Statement:** As the only parent of Bellingham School District students serving on the School Board, I offer a unique perspective to my fellow directors and the superintendent.

And although we represent all residents of our district, I have a calling to speak up for those who are traditionally under-represented.

If reelected to the Bellingham School Board, I pledge that I will listen to the voters, and listen to our children; and I will do my best to represent all of you, all of the time.

Thank you for your support and your vote.

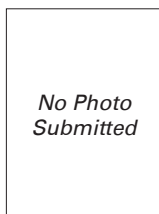
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**Ferndale School District 502 - Director District 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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**Lee Anne Riddle**

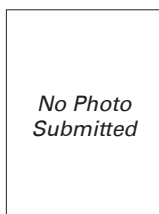
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**Ferndale School District 502 - Director District 5, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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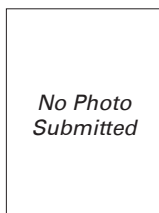
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**Blaine School District 503 - Director District 3, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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**Susan Holmes**

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**Blaine School District 503 - Director District 5, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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**Michael M. Dodd**

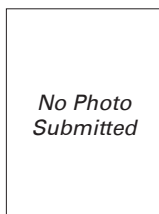
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**Lynden School District 504 - Director Position 2, Nonpartisan 2-Year Unexpired Term**

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**Brian L. Johnson**

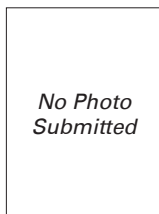
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**Lynden School District 504 - Director Position 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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**Stephan Jilk**

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**Lynden School District 504 - Director Position 5, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

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**Meridian School District 505 - Director District 2, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Karolyn Crabtree**

No statement submitted.

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**Meridian School District 505 - Director District 3, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Brian A. Evans**

No statement submitted.

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**Nooksack Valley School District 506 - Director District 1, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

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No statement submitted.

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**Nooksack Valley School District 506 - Director District 2, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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No Photo  
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**Stephen A. Jones**

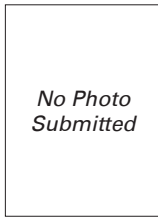
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**Mt. Baker School District 507 - Director District 1, Nonpartisan Short and Full 4-Year Term**

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**Brian Kelly**

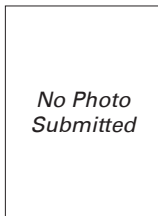
No statement submitted.

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**Mt. Baker School District 507 - Director District 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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**Jim Freeman**

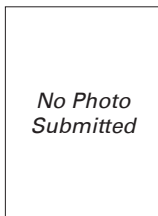
No statement submitted.

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freemanjames@msn.com

**Concrete School District 11 - Director District 1, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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**Rae (Crissie) Wilson**

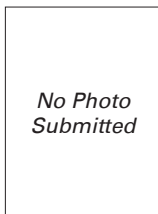
No statement submitted.

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jctmwilson@gmail.com

**Concrete School District 11 - Director District 3, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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**Gladys Silrus**

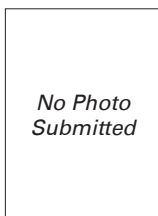
No statement submitted.

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**Concrete School District 11 - Director District 4 At-Large, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

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**Bill Thompson**

No statement submitted.

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### Whatcom County Fire Protection District 1 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Gary D. Almy

No statement submitted.

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### Whatcom County Fire Protection District 4 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term



#### Mary Beth Neal

**Elected Experience:** Current Whatcom County Fire District 4 Commissioner.

**Other Professional Experience:** 11 years reporting for the Lynden Tribune. During that time, I became very familiar with Whatcom County's fire agencies and Emergency Medical Services. The past 10 years I have worked as an insur-

ance provider with Aflac.

**Education:** Graduate of Seattle Christian High School; Graduate of Western Washington University, journalism degree.

**Community Service:** Former board member of Support Officer Community Crisis Care and The Lighthouse Mission.

**Statement:** It has been an honor to serve the residents of Fire District 4 the past six years as one of three elected fire commissioners. I am excited about many of the changes the district has seen since I took office, including our contract for services with

North Whatcom Fire and Rescue Services. In the past decade, the district has grown from an all volunteer department to a combination of part-time paid and full-time career firefighter/EMTs. The Britton Loop headquarters station is now staffed around-the-clock with career firefighters responding to 911 emergency medical calls as well as fires.

Many citizens are unaware of the chain of response set off by a call to 911. They simply trust that their taxes are being well managed to provide them with prompt, effective service if the day comes they have to dial those three digits. I take that trust seriously. However, I believe it is important that citizens be kept informed. I will strive to maintain a well-managed, well-coordinated emergency response team that our citizens and responders can count on today and into the future.

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### Whatcom County Fire Protection District 5 - Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan 2-Year Unexpired Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Robert Dean

No statement submitted.

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thisdadmatters@hotmail.com

No Photo  
Submitted

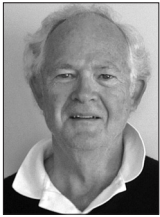
#### Stan Riffle

No statement submitted.

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riffle@pointroberts.net

**Whatcom County Fire Protection District 5 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Short and Full 6-Year Term**



**Jeff Wilmot**

**Elected Experience:** Currently serving Point Roberts as a Fire Commissioner since March of 2013 to fulfill the unexpired term of a commissioner who resigned.

**Other Professional Experience:** Retired Publisher and Tourism Professional. Owner and founder of Media HI; founded The Dallas

Observer, worked as an advertising executive, and was Marketing Director and management executive with Douglas Elliman Real Estate in New York.

**Education:** BA Degree; Vassar College 1975

**Community Service:** Executive Committee member; Hawai'i

Chapter of the American Red Cross serving on the Board of Commissioners; Point Roberts Fire District 5 Member, Committee to Build Asphalt Green, New York Board, Boundary View Homeowners Association, Point Roberts, WA

**Statement:** Commissioner Wilmot believes that integrity, ethics, transparency and good stewardship are the keys to insuring our Fire District delivers the maximum benefit to the community of Point Roberts. "There is no room for arrogance or complacency as we address policies, operations and budget management. I look forward to continuing the effort to restore trust between the District and our community."

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**Craig Carter**

No statement submitted.

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pooroldcarter@gmail.com

**Whatcom County Fire Protection District 7 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**



**Michael Murphy**

**Elected Experience:** I have been a fire commissioner for District 7 for the past 17 years and volunteer for the past 27 years.

**Other Professional Experience:** For the past 24 years I have worked for the Ferndale School District as the Director of Facilities as well as the Director of Transportation for most of this time.

**Education:** I have an ATA in business administration and throughout the years I have taken numerous classes to enhance my skills.

**Community Service:** Volunteer fire fighter for WCFD #7; Sheriff's Advisory Committee; VP for Whatcom County Fire Commissioner's Association; Treasurer for the Whatcom County Fire Commissioner's Association; Member of the 911 Board

**Statement:** I am a life long resident of Whatcom County where I have enjoyed being involved in serving my community as your commissioner.

In the past 18 years, WCFD #7 has come to be recognized as a leader in EMS and a first class fire district. I am proud to be a part of this and am looking forward to once again serving you.

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### Whatcom County Fire Protection District 8 - Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Roger Buswell

No statement submitted.

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### Whatcom County Fire Protection District 8 - Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Short and Full 6-Year Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Cheryl Sanders

No statement submitted.

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cheryl.sanders059@gmail.com

### Whatcom County Fire Protection District 8 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 2-Year Unexpired Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Robert Neher

No statement submitted.

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robneher@yahoo.com

### Whatcom County Fire Protection District 11 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Bill Lee

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted.

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted.

**Education:** No information submitted.

**Community Service:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** Two of the most important infrastructure systems on Lummi Island are the Lummi Island Ferry and Whatcom Fire District NO. 11. The ferry is a highly visible part

of islander's lives and has been of wide concern to all islanders in last few years. Perhaps less obvious to community members is the Fire District, however, when the services it provides are needed there is nothing more important. Lummi Island has an outstanding Fire District and I am running for the Commissioner 3 Position to assist in assuring District 11's continued excellence.

**For More Information:**

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wmelee1@earthlink.net

### Whatcom County Fire Protection District 14 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term



#### RobRoy M. Graham, Jr.

**Elected Experience:** Served as Commissioner for the past four years

**Other Professional Experience:** Have operated my own business since 1977.

**Education:** Graduate of WWU in 1976 with a bachelors degree in Biology.

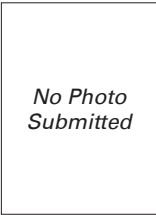
**Community Service:** Have been a member of Welcome Fire Dept. since April, 1987

**Statement:** I have spent the past four years learning what is involved in keeping a fire district operational. I have some ideas I would like to see incorporated into District policy to help make firefighters and EMS responders jobs safer and at the same time provide the best service possible to the community members we serve. I look forward to this opportunity to accomplish these goals.

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graham@nas.com

**Whatcom County Fire Protection District 16 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**



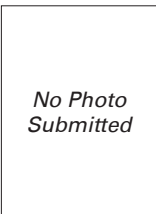
**Brian Knutzen**

No statement submitted.

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LFKnutzen@aol.com

**Whatcom County Fire Protection District 17 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**



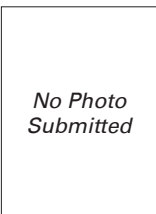
**Michael Burnett**

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

**Whatcom County Fire Protection District 18 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**



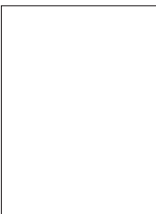
**Tari Caswell**

No statement submitted.

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taricaswell@frontier.com

**Whatcom County Fire Protection District 21 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**



**Roger Hawley**

No statement submitted.

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Hawleyfarms@frontier.com

**Whatcom County Fire Protection District 21 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**



**Dean Berkeley**

**Elected Experience:** Dean has served as past Vice President of the Sedro Woolley Fire Department Association. Dean has been elected as a past President and Treasurer of his HOA in Dakota Creek Community.

**Other Professional Experience:** Dean is a pilot, and is the owner of West Coast Engineer-

ing Group Inc.

**Education:** Graduate of BCIT in the industrial power transmission industry and a graduate of Business at Kwantlen College. Fire Fighter 1 training and is Washington State hazmat certified.

**Community Service:** Volunteer fire fighter for over 10 years. Dean raised funds for the Burned Children Recovery Foundation. Dean donated \$7000.00 in lighting poles to the Sedro Woolley Skate Park.

**Statement:** My goal is to bring back a strong community involvement with the volunteer fire service. My first priorities are to muster new and old volunteers in the NWFR community and then review their needs and make sure they are met. In these tough economic times, volunteers are crucial to our success as a community. A strong healthy fire service is a strong healthy community. I am asking you to let me be your voice, as I have the ability, the energy and the desire to revitalize the community spirit to attract more volunteer fire fighters, which we need so much.

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## Glacier Fire and Rescue - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

No Photo  
Submitted

### Steve Siekkinen

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

## South Whatcom Fire Authority - Commissioner District 5, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term



### Jim Peeples

**Elected Experience:** 1st Time Candidate

**Other Professional Experience:** Retired-SWFA Division Chief-Special Rescue, Retired-WCFD#2/SWFA Volunteer Firefighter-EMT-Paramedic-Rescue Instructor 27 years, Retired-Bellingham Fire Fighter 20 years, Past-Senior EMT Instructor, Current-Rescue Instruc-

tor, Past- Private Ambulance Company Manager-Shift Supervisor-Paramedic. 40 years of experience in Emergency Services.

**Education:** AS in Emergency Medical Technology - Paramedic from Chemeketa Community College, Salem OR 1982. Various Emergency Services Continuing Education through Wash State Dept of Health and Fire Service 1976-2013.

**Community Service:** Whatcom Co Search & Rescue, Bellingham Mountain Rescue, Fire Fighters for Fun, Ski-to-Sea Safety Teams and WCFD#2/SWFA Community Events.

**Statement:** As a lifelong resident of our community, it would be an honor to represent my fellow residents of SWFA as their fire commissioner. As a fellow taxpayer, I will work towards maintaining and continually improving our services in a frugal manner during these financially challenging times. I support equal representation of all community members and promote continually improving transparency of all aspects of SWFA. The department has changed from volunteer to a combination volunteer-career organization. With this growth and increases in demand for services, we are continually looking into cost effective, efficient and alternate ways to provide quality service.

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www.facebook.com/PeeplesForSWFACommissioner



### Ron Swanson

**Elected Experience:** Have served the people of WCFD 2 and SWFA for 45 years. Firefighter/emt; fire chief for 14 yrs.; fire commissioner for 20 yrs.

**Other Professional Experience:** currently working as a pharmacist. serving the people of whatcom co. for over 50 years

**Education:** degree in pharmacy from WSU

**Community Service:** my community service primarily centered around my fire dept. work

**Statement:** My commitment to the fire service has been a priority in my life. I would like to continue serving as a commissioner to work with our board and to provide the best fire/ems services possible.

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(360) 733-5576

commish2112@msn.com

**Water District 2 - Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan 4-Year Unexpired Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Jon "Pete" Rittmueller**

No statement submitted.

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rittmueller@eesconsulting.com

**Water District 2 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Maxine A. Visser**

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

**Water District 7 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Mark Lann**

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

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redbarn5kids@msn.com

**Water District 13 - Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Richard Whitson**

No statement submitted.

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rawdew55@comcast.net

**Birch Bay Water and Sewer District - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Patrick Alesse**

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

### Columbia Valley Water District - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term



#### Victoria Anderson

**Elected Experience:** 2 years as current Commissioner

**Other Professional Experience:** Faculty mathematics instructor at WWU

**Education:** BS, Mathematics; MS, mathematics

**Community Service:** AmeriCorps volunteer, Search and Rescue volunteer

**Statement:** In 2007 my husband and I found a home in the Kendall community and have begun to raise our family here. Thanks to the hard work of the community, the area has morphed into a place we are proud to live.

For the past two years, I have been your Water Commissioner. Although we had a slow start with the change of two Board members, in a very short time we have been able to work

together and complete many of the necessary and overdue projects. Among those are the District's comprehensive plan, emergency plan, and a plan to decrease District leaks, among others.

I have also been elected Auditing Officer and Board Secretary and have been working together with the District Office Manager to become more transparent as a District. Our goal is that anyone should be able to come into the District and know that, at a minimum, two sets of eyes have overlooked all financial paperwork in the office.

It has been my pleasure serving you as Water Commissioner and I would be proud to continue serving the community.

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### Glacier Water District 14 - Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan 2-Year Unexpired Term

No Photo Submitted

#### Connie Cook

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

### Glacier Water District 14 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

No Photo Submitted

#### James Evangelista

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

### Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District - Commissioner District 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

No Photo Submitted

#### Deborah Lambert

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

### Point Roberts Water District 4 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

No Photo Submitted

#### Bill Meursing

No statement submitted.

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**Samish Water District - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Herb Barker**

No statement submitted.

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barkers.chipping@gmail.com

**Cemetery District 1 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Short and Full 6-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Vickie Rainey**

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

**Cemetery District 3 - Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan 4-Year Unexpired Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Floy Markham**

No statement submitted.

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floyrhea@gmail.com

**Cemetery District 3 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Gary Gehling**

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

**Cemetery District 4 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**David J. Kratzig**

No statement submitted.

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djkratzig@gmail.com

**Cemetery District 5 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term**

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Melvin Kuipers**

No statement submitted.

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### Cemetery District 6 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Short and Full 6-Year Term

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No Photo  
Submitted

#### Catherine Flaherty

No statement submitted.

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### Cemetery District 7 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

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No Photo  
Submitted

#### James Paul Larsen

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

### Cemetery District 8 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

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No Photo  
Submitted

#### Pauline deHaan

No statement submitted.

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pauline@pointroberts.net

### Cemetery District 9 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

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No Photo  
Submitted

#### Lonnie L. Davenport

No statement submitted.

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lonzo45@aol.com

### Cemetery District 10 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

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No Photo  
Submitted

#### Glenn G. Boodey

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

### Cemetery District 11 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

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Submitted

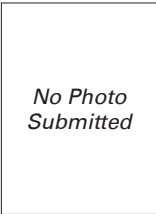
#### Donald Harvey

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

No information submitted.

**Point Roberts Park and Recreation District 1 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**



**Mary Edgley**

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

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medgley@gmail.com

**Point Roberts Park and Recreation District 1 - Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan Short and Full 4-Year Term**



**Douglas Shier**

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted.

**Other Professional Experience:** Owner of local septic pumping business and also a general contractor.

**Education:** No information submitted.

**Community Service:** No information submitted.

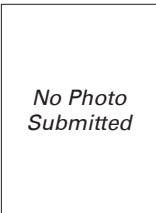
One of my goals as commissioner is to encourage residents young and old to get active and use the local Baker field for various sports and activities. I can also use my skills as a carpenter to assist and advise in regards to maintenance projects.

**For More Information:**

(360) 945-0366  
dshier@dccnet.com

**Statement:** I have been a resident of Point Roberts for 15 years and enjoy the sense of community that living in a small town gives me.

**Northwest Park and Recreation District 2 - Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**

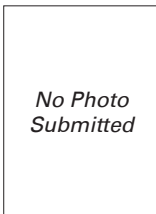


**Joseph Maier**

No statement submitted.

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joseph.maier@gmail.com



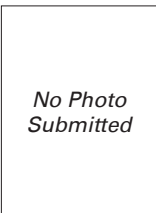
**Sheli Moore**

No statement submitted.

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shelimoore@live.com

**Northwest Park and Recreation District 2 - Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term**



**Katy Montfort**

No statement submitted.

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k.montfort@comcast.net

### Northwest Park and Recreation District 2 - Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term (Cont.)



#### James L. Rankin, Jr.

**Elected Experience:** None.

**Other Professional Experience:** US Navy for three and one-half years as Intelligence Officer; Stationed in Taiwan and Japan; Admitted to practice law by State Bars in California and New York; Practiced law in New York City for one year; Deputy County Attorney in Santa Cruz,

California for three years; Private Law Practice in Santa Cruz, California for thirty-two years; Hearing Officer for County of Santa Cruz for four years

**Education:** Graduate Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, NH; Graduate with Honors of Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

June 1958; Graduate Naval Officers Candidate School at Newport, RI; Commissioned Ensign Oct. 21, 1958; Graduate Boalt School of Law

**Community Service:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** I support using available funds to maintain and improve our public parks. I also support making the Blaine-Birch Bay area as attractive as possible as a resting place for migrating waterfowl.

**For More Information:**

*stellamaris727@gmail.com*

### Lynden Regional Park and Recreation District 3 - Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Kevin Burke

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

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*forburke@gmail.com*

### Lynden Regional Park and Recreation District 3 - Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Terry DeValois

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

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### Lynden Regional Park and Recreation District 3 - Commissioner Position 5, Nonpartisan 2-Year Unexpired Term

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Brandon Van Soest

No statement submitted.

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*brandonvansoest@hotmail.com*

No Photo  
Submitted

#### Hank Roorda

No statement submitted.

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### Hospital District 304 - Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan 2-Year Unexpired Term

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Andrew C. Hunter**

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

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Wjams1@gmail.com

### Hospital District 304 - Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Gary L. Kent**

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

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gksprint@gmail.com

### Hospital District 304 - Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan 4-Year Unexpired Term

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Jeri Kaufman**

No statement submitted.

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jerik2@comcast.net

### Hospital District 304 - Commissioner Position 5, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Robert Stanley**

No statement submitted.

**For More Information:**

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### Point Roberts Public Hospital District - Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan 6-Year Term

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No Photo  
Submitted

**Dick Williams**

No statement submitted.

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**Bellingham School District 501  
Proposition No. 2013-1  
General Obligation Bonds - \$160,000,000**

The Board of Directors of Bellingham School District No. 501 adopted Resolution No. 14-13 concerning this proposition for bonds. This proposition would authorize renovations, student safety and other upgrades to designated schools and facilities throughout the district to extend their useful life and construct replacement buildings for Sehome High School, Options/Innovations High School and Happy Valley Elementary School, to issue \$160,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum of 20 years, and to levy excess property taxes annually to repay the bonds, as provided in Resolution No. 14-13. Should this proposition be:

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_\_\_

### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This bond measure would fund replacement buildings for Sehome High, Happy Valley Elementary, and Options/Innovations High; improvements at Parkview and Lowell Elementaries; preventative maintenance such as roof repairs; energy efficiency projects; student safety upgrades; a central cooking kitchen; earthquake safety and renovations for the district office; transportation facility update; high school field improvements; and upgrades at the Gordon Carter Conservation Site.

The current bond tax rate is 90 cents per \$1,000 assessed value. This rate would increase in 2014 by 49 cents, then decrease in subsequent years, settling to 26 cents above the current bond tax rate by 2019.

### STATEMENT FOR:

This bond represents a balanced approach for making improvements to our school district facilities. Funds generated will allow us to rebuild our most decrepit schools, undertake safety and energy efficiency upgrades, and retrofit existing neighborhood schools. Historic low bond rates and decreased construction costs offer the opportunity to get more for our money if we act now.

A Facilities Task Force made up of a diverse group of community members and district staff thoroughly assessed the state of our facilities. The Task Force focused on balancing the needs of our district, the recommendations of professional consultants and the financial realities and resulting impact upon families.

Their findings, along with community input, indicate it is time to make the investment to upgrade Bellingham School District facilities that are deficient and rebuild ones which are no longer fiscally responsible to maintain. We need to continue to invest in education and adequate facilities are a big part of a successful learning environment.

Your support for this bond will continue the tradition of our community supporting education and protecting the investment in our facilities and our children for generations to come. Bellingham Promise: <http://bellingshamschools.org/TheBellinghamPromise>

Vote yes on Bellingham Public School Bond

### Rebuttal of Statement Against:

Our research-based, ten-year plan reflects a wide range of community input, and supports neighborhood schools citywide, including Carl Cozier, Columbia, Happy Valley, Lowell, Parkview and Sunnyland. With a central kitchen, artificial turf and central office upgrades, approving this bond is about improving learning, health and safety across the district. It is not about larger schools, and does not increase class sizes, busing or administrative costs. Vote Yes for every child in our community.

### STATEMENT AGAINST:

To support quality education, voters must demand that our school district design a bond that is based on research that demonstrates improved student learning. Instead this bond will create larger elementary schools, increased class sizes, more busing, higher administrative expenditures, and less community cohesion. The district plans to increase all neighborhood schools to 450 students, despite contrary input from community members, Bellingham's Comprehensive Plan, and educational research.

We still owe \$59 million from the \$67 million 2007 school bond; we've paid off less than 12% of this bond. Yet the district wants another \$160 million for new buildings, including \$4 million for a new central kitchen, \$5 million for artificial grass and \$17 million for Roeder's administrative offices. These unaffordable luxuries leave basic student needs unmet. While many schools and facilities could use improvements, our buildings are not falling apart, as evidenced by the District's own facilities report. Renovating instead of replacing existing structures is a smarter choice economically and environmentally.

**Vote NO** on this \$160 million bond to encourage the district leadership to write a better plan without unnecessary frills, a more reasonable bond that is tied both to clear improvements in student learning and to Bellingham's neighborhood plans.

### Rebuttal of Statement For:

This bond represents an unrealistic, unbalanced approach to improving our schools. During a time of financial uncertainty, it asks for funding which will not benefit student learning throughout Bellingham.

Over 60% of funds will be spent in one southside neighborhood, and another significant portion on administrative facilities. The Task Force did not engage city planners or neighborhoods affected by their proposal.

We can do better. Vote NO on Bellingham Public School Bond.

Statement For prepared by: Citizens' Advisory Committee: Mark Peterson, Co-Chair; Teri McIntyre, Co-Chair

Statement Against prepared by: Committee for Student Learning: Roberta Vollandorff, Hue Beattie, Jen Karuza Schile

**Complete text can  
be found on pg. 76**

**Statements for, statements against, and rebuttals are the opinions of the authors and have not been checked for accuracy by any government agency.**

**Whatcom County Fire Protection District 4  
Proposition No. 2013-1  
Emergency Medical Services  
Property Tax Levy**

Will Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 4 be authorized to impose a PERMANENT regular property levy of thirty cents (\$.30) or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Almost seventy percent (70%) of the emergency responses in Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 4 are emergency medical responses. Funds raised by this EMS levy will only be used to provide emergency medical services, including training for EMS personnel, EMS related equipment, supplies, and vehicles needed to provide emergency medical services. The levy amount will be established at the rate of thirty cents (\$.30) or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. Voter approval of Proposition No. 1 will provide funding for Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 4 to continue providing emergency medical services at current levels.

### **STATEMENT FOR:**

Fire District 4 residents receive high-quality fire and emergency medical services at the lowest levy rate of comparable Whatcom County fire agencies. Many residents, however, are unaware that 70 percent of 911 response calls are medical emergencies, requiring an ambulance.

Planning carefully, the district has improved services without a voter-approved funding increase since 1994. We have grown from an all volunteer department to a combination of part-time paid and full-time career firefighter/EMTs. However, our district is primarily residential homes with little opportunity for economic growth. Nevertheless, calls to provide urgent medical aid for our citizens far outnumber fire emergencies. The district has equipped itself accordingly.

Fire 4 contracted for services with North Whatcom Fire & Rescue in 2011. Doing so, we believe, provides the best emergency response for the money. Both districts operate more cost-effectively without duplications. Fire 4 has gained 24-hour firefighter/EMT staffing at its headquarters station; in-house fleet maintenance; added training.

Approval of Proposition 1 will allow emergency medical services to remain at its current level. The permanent increase of \$0.30 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation would cost the owner of a \$200,000 home \$60 annually. Vote YES to keep a 24-hour ambulance crew in the station.

### **Rebuttal of Statement Against:**

*No statement submitted*

### **STATEMENT AGAINST:**

*No statement submitted*

### **Rebuttal of Statement For:**

*No statement submitted*

**Point Roberts Park and Recreation District 1  
Proposition No. 2013-1  
Community Center Capital Improvements  
General Obligation Bonds - \$250,000**

The Board of Commissioners of Point Roberts Park and Recreation District No. 1 passed Resolution #13-02 concerning the District's community center. This proposition authorizes the District to replace the roof and HVAC systems of the community center, improve drainage on the site, and make other capital improvements to maintain and improve the safety and structural soundness of the center; to issue for these purposes \$250,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum 10 years; and to levy property taxes annually, in addition to regular tax levies, to repay the bonds, as provided in Resolution #13-02. Should this proposition be:

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_\_\_

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Passage of this proposition would authorize Point Roberts Park and Recreation District to borrow \$250,000 by issuing general obligation bonds. As provided in District Resolution #13-02, the bonds would pay for improvements to the District's community center, including new roof, HVAC, flooring, storage shed, drainage improvements and design for seismic improvements. The bonds would be repaid from annual property tax levies over a period not to exceed 10 years. Depending on amounts repaid each year and on prevailing interest rates, property tax levies are estimated to increase approximately 5.5¢ per \$1,000 of assessed value for the term of the bonds.

## STATEMENT FOR:

We support the Point Roberts Park & Recreation District's quarter-million dollar Capital Improvement Bond for the Point Roberts Community Center building. Built in 1937 under Franklin Delano Roosevelt's Work Projects Administration, this building served as a school until 1963. Since then, it has become the heart of community activities for fifty years.

Currently, the yearly operations and maintenance levy funds the day to day building expenses – water, electric, propane, pest control, lawn care, cleaning, equipment repair, kids camp, seniors and other associated costs related to the upkeep of Baker Field and the Julius Firehall.

The Capital Improvement Bond will pay for a new roof, new heating, ventilation and air conditioning system, new hallway flooring, rubber mulch to improve playground safety, another storage shed, electronic door locks, seismic upgrade design and critically needed drainage improvements to address chronic standing water in the basement. The budget includes a 20 percent contingency fund.

By voting YES, you will continue to support senior lunches, library patrons, summer kids camp, Christmas Craft fairs, the Historical Society room and community meeting organizations that use it year round. Your YES vote will insure that this building will continue to provide a structurally safe environment for future generations.

## Rebuttal of Statement Against:

Taxation WITH representation. The voters elect park commissioners who work, without remuneration, to address the challenges that beset an 80 year-old building. You can't expand potential building use without addressing structural improvements first. Strategically, prior park commissioners had the foresight and courage to expand public facilities by purchasing the Julius Fire Hall. This purchase increases public utilization resulting in a long-term commitment to the community as the new library. **VOTE YES FOR COMMUNITY CENTER IMPROVEMENTS!**

## STATEMENT AGAINST:

This Tax Levy is too small, poorly conceived and achieves no new benefit to the Tax Payer. We the Tax Payers now own three commercial lots, two buildings, as well as 65+ acres. Our Capital Account was depleted with the purchase of Julius Hall at a time when the Board was well aware of future maintenance on the Community Center. Our Board needs to survey the community to seek out wants and or needs before asking for additional funding. Lacking community input and a Strategic Plan, the Board can not consider fully all the alternative financial means it has already, as a whole. Simply resolving to tax, replace a roof and earmark additional items for the Community Center without a Strategic Plan for expanding potential building use, is reactionary. New tax of any amount should provide new or expanded facilities along with increased public utilization that results from a long term view by the community. Our Board has not sought out the long term view of the community, but as of July 9th 2013, wants to first tax us and perhaps plan later. This Tax Levy is shortsighted, does not take us forward and is clearly, taxation without representation.

## Rebuttal of Statement For:

By voting NO, we will continue to support all of the beneficial programs the Board currently runs year round. There has been absolutely no evidence to suggest the Community Center is about to be an unsafe environment. Stewardship of public assets requires long term planning, not tax and spend. Our Board has alternatives available and should move directly towards gaining community input first, then work from a value add Strategic Plan and vision of constituents.

**Northwest Park and Recreation District No. 2  
Proposition No. 2013-1  
Authorizing Regular Property Tax Levy**

The Board of Commissioners of Northwest Park and Recreation District No.2 adopted Resolution No. 2013-01 concerning a proposition to assess a regular property tax levy for a four (4) year period (2014-17) of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation to fund staffing, operations, maintenance, and capital improvements to improve recreation and leisure time activities and opportunities for people of all ages in the greater Blaine-Birch Bay area. Shall the proposition be:

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_\_\_

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### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The Northwest Park and Recreation District #2 provides recreational and leisure time activities, classes, sports and programs; operates and maintains an activity center that includes a gymnasium; and builds trails, playgrounds, park amenities and ball fields for people of all ages in the greater Blaine - Birch Bay area.

The District proposes, pursuant to RCW 36.68.400, a general tax on taxable property within the District at a rate of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation subject to otherwise applicable statutory limits. This property tax levy would be collected for a four (4) year period, 2014 through 2017.

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### **STATEMENT FOR:**

Only \$20 per year (that's \$1.66 per month) from a residence with an assessed valuation of \$200,000 will provide predictable and dependable funding to allow Northwest Park and Recreation District to offer more than 26 classes, sports opportunities, recreational events and leisure time activities for all ages year-round, indoors and out. Popular sponsored events range from art classes for kids to adult Zumba for 50 women per session three times a week (nwparkandrec.org).

The four-year levy will allow the funding of projects such as intra- and inter-community trails to provide safe bicycle and pedestrian connectivity between and around Blaine and Birch Bay. A priority will be the establishment of readily accessible ball fields. Additional amenities such as playgrounds, off-leash dog areas, Frisbee golf and the like will leverage the public use of existing Whatcom County beaches and parks, the city of Blaine and Washington State parks and a potential new beach park in Birch Bay with public services.

Please vote YES.

### **Rebuttal of Statement Against:**

*No statement submitted*

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### **STATEMENT AGAINST:**

*No statement submitted*

### **Rebuttal of Statement For:**

*No statement submitted*

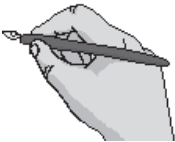
# Make Sure Your Vote Gets Counted



Read the instructions.



Mark your ballot carefully.



Sign the voter declaration on the green return envelope. Don't forget to date it!



Return your ballot as early as possible, but **no later** than 8 pm on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5.

**It's EASY!**

## NEW Return Ballot Envelope

Now even the envelope is easy - no tricky flap folding! Washington State no longer requires the folded flap so we're returning to a simpler envelope. Easier to seal, easier to process, easier on the budget.

# Returning Your Ballot

## By Mail

1st class postage is required. Your ballot envelope must be postmarked by Election Day, November 5. The post office suggests mailing your ballot no later than Monday, November 4, for it to arrive on time.

OR

## Save a Stamp - Use a Drop Box

You can drop your ballot off as soon as you vote. Use a drop box listed below - no postage required.

### Whatcom County Auditor's Office

Whatcom County Courthouse  
311 Grand Ave., Suite 103  
Bellingham, WA

**HOURS:** Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Election Day Only 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### Courthouse Drive-Up Ballot Drop Box

South courthouse parking lot  
Accessible from Grand Avenue only  
201 Grand Avenue, Bellingham

**OPEN:** Friday, Oct. 18

**CLOSE:** 8:00 p.m. Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 5

### Blaine Library Drop Box

610 3rd St.

### Deming Library Drop Box

5044 Mt. Baker Highway

### Everson WECU Drop Box

106 E. Main St.

### Ferndale City Hall Drop Box

2095 Main St.

### Lynden Library Drop Box

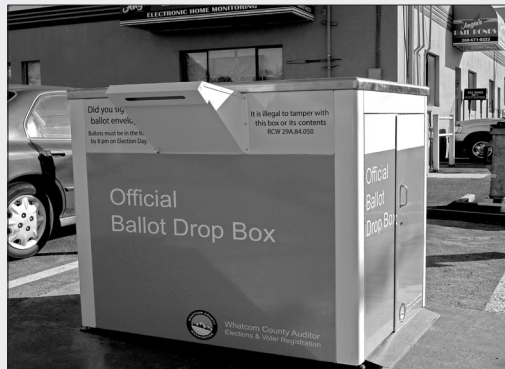
216 4th St. (Behind Building)

### Meridian Middle School Drop Box

861 Ten Mile Rd.

### Western Washington University

Outside the Bookstore on High St.



**Washington State Law Prohibits Ballots Deposited After 8:00 p.m. on Election Day From Being Counted.**



## ***Don't Let Time Get Away . . . .***

Your ballot envelope must be post-marked by Election Day, November 5

*or*

Deposited in a ballot drop box no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day

*(See page 71 for drop box locations)*

## **Accessible Voting Unit**



An accessible voting unit (AVU) is federally required. It is equipped with visual and audio technology that allows voters with impaired vision and/or physical disabilities to vote a secret ballot. The AVU is an accurate and secure way to vote.

**Where:**

Whatcom County Auditor's Office  
 Whatcom County Courthouse  
 311 Grand Ave., Suite 103, Bellingham

**When:**

October 18 – November 4:  
 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Election Day, November 5:  
 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

# MyVote

Go to: **MyVote.wa.gov**

MyVote gives you **personalized** voter information, and more:

- Your candidates and ballot measures
- Your ballot status
- Your voting history
- Your districts and elected officials
- Ballot drop boxes and voting centers
- A way to update your name and/or address

***If you haven't received your ballot by Friday, October 25, don't delay.***

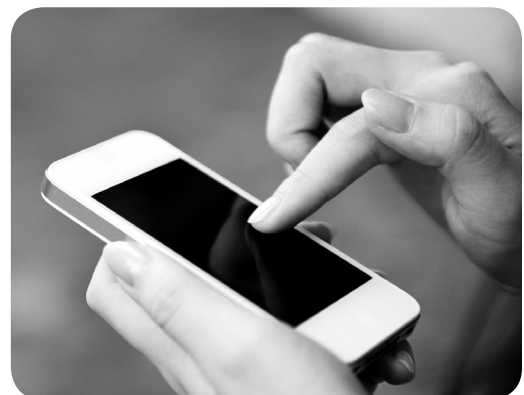
Call the Election Division right away!

**(360) 676-6742**

We gladly accept relay calls.

Monday - Friday

8:30am - 4:30pm



# Voter Q & A

## How can I register to vote?

Washington offers three ways to register to vote:

- Online at [www.myvote.wa.gov](http://www.myvote.wa.gov) (if you have a current WA State driver's license or current WA State I.D. card)
- By Mail
- In person at the Whatcom County Auditor's Office, Election Division

## When is the last day I can register to vote?

Mail-in or online registrations must be postmarked or received no later than 29 days before an election in order to vote in *that* election.

If you are not registered to vote in the State of Washington, register in person at the Election Division of the Auditor's Office no later than 8 days before an election.

## What do I need to do to change my name?

Choose one of the following options:

- Online at [www.myvote.wa.gov](http://www.myvote.wa.gov)
- Complete an update form in person at the Auditor's Office
- Complete a new voter registration form

## How do I change my mailing *and/or* residence address?

Updating your record is easy!

### Address Change *Within* Whatcom County

Choose **one** of the following options:

- Online at [www.myvote.wa.gov](http://www.myvote.wa.gov)
- Call the Auditor's Office, Election Division at (360) 676-6742. We gladly accept relay calls.
- E-mail the Auditor's Office at: [elections@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:elections@co.whatcom.wa.us)
- Complete and mail a new voter registration form to the Whatcom County Auditor's Office

### Address Change *Outside* Whatcom County

Choose **one** of the following options:

- Online at [www.myvote.wa.gov](http://www.myvote.wa.gov)
- Complete and mail a new voter registration form to your new county of residence

**Registration forms are available at city halls and libraries. You may also call the Whatcom County Auditor's Office, Election Division at (360) 676-6742 to have a form mailed to you. We gladly accept relay calls.**

## Questions?

Call the Whatcom County Auditor's Office, Election Division at (360) 676-6742, Mon. – Fri., 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. We gladly accept relay calls.

E-mail: [elections@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:elections@co.whatcom.wa.us)

## Additional Voter Information is Available at:

[www.whatcomcounty.us/auditor](http://www.whatcomcounty.us/auditor)

### Contact Information for Major Parties

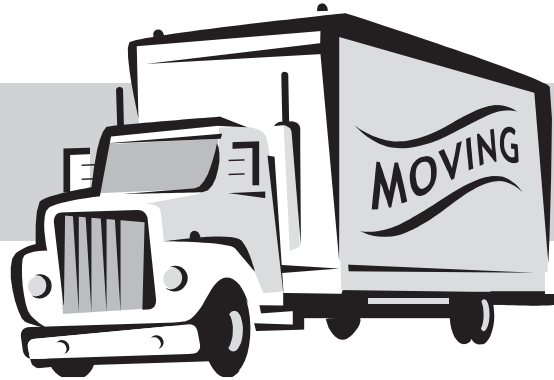
#### Democratic Headquarters

215 W. Holly St., Suite B-27  
Bellingham, WA 98225  
Phone: (360) 647-7661

#### Republican Headquarters

2321 E. Bakerview, Ste B  
Bellingham, WA 98226  
Phone: (360) 734-5215

# Moving?



**Notify Election Division**

**Notify phone company**

**Notify cable company**

**Notify electric company**

Change your address online at:  
**[www.myvote.wa.gov](http://www.myvote.wa.gov)**

*or*

Notify the Election Division at the Auditor's Office:

**Phone:** 676-6742

We gladly accept relay calls.

**E-mail:** [elections@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:elections@co.whatcom.wa.us)

## COMPLETE TEXT

### RESOLUTION NO. 14-13

**A RESOLUTION** of the Board of Directors of Bellingham School District No. 501, Whatcom County, Washington, providing for the form of the ballot proposition and specifying certain other details concerning submission to the qualified electors of the district at a special election to be held therein on November 5, 2013, of a proposition for the issuance of its general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$160,000,000, or so much thereof as may be issued under the laws governing the indebtedness of school districts for the purpose of providing funds for the renovation, upgrade and new construction of school facilities, and authorizing the Superintendent and/or Assistant Superintendent, Finance and Operations to submit a request for eligibility for the Washington State School District Credit Enhancement Program.

**WHEREAS**, improved facilities are needed in Bellingham School District No. 501, Whatcom County, Washington (the "District") in order to provide the students of the District with safe, adequate and efficient educational facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to provide all or a part of the funds to enable the District to undertake renovations and upgrades to extend the life of the District's existing facilities, including elementary and high school buildings and construct new replacement school buildings, it is deemed necessary and advisable that the District issue and sell its unlimited tax general obligation bonds to provide funds for such purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington provide that the question of whether or not such bonds may be issued and sold for such purposes must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection; and

**WHEREAS**, in RCW ch. 39.98 (the "Credit Enhancement Act"), the State Legislature established a credit enhancement program (the "Program") for voter-approved school district general obligation bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 39.98.040 of the Credit Enhancement Act authorizes the state treasurer to make a determination that a school district is eligible for participation in the Program if the state treasurer determines that the District is eligible under rules adopted by the state finance committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the District may elect to participate in the Program upon an administrative determination that it is cost-effective;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BELLINGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 501, WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON**, as follows:

**Section 1. Findings.** This Board of Directors (the "Board") hereby finds and declares that the best interest of the students and other inhabitants of the District require the District to carry out the plans hereinafter provided at the time or times and in the order deemed most necessary and advisable by the Board.

**Section 2. Capital Improvements.** The District shall make the following capital improvements (the "Improvements"):

- Construct and equip a new gymnasium, cafeteria and elevator, convert the existing gymnasium to classroom space and undertake improvements to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act requirements at Lowell Elementary School;
- Acquire, construct and equip a new school to replace Happy Valley Elementary School;
- Construct and equip a new gymnasium or cafeteria and other building improvements at Parkview Elementary School;
- Acquire, construct and equip a new school to replace Option High School (involves the replacement of seven portable buildings);
- Acquire, construct and equip a new school to replace Sehome High School on the same site;
- Install synthetic turf fields at Bellingham and Squalicum High Schools;
- Renovate the existing District offices;
- Undertake capital improvements at the District's transportation facility, including roofing, windows, walls, doors, heating and ventilation systems;
- Undertake safety and energy improvements to educational facilities throughout the District, including but not limited to access control, video, communications, DDC controls, HVAC systems, roofing, painting and flooring;
- At the conservation site, undertake a feasibility study, design, and infrastructure, including water, electricity, septic, and construct a large group structure; and
- Construct and equip a new central kitchen for the District.

The cost of all necessary planning, architectural, engineering, and other consulting services, inspection and testing, administrative and relocation expenses, on and offsite utilities, related improvements and other costs incurred in connection with the making of the foregoing capital improvements shall be deemed a part of the costs of the Improvements. Such Improvements shall include all necessary furniture, equipment and appurtenances.

If available funds are sufficient from the proceeds of Bonds authorized for the above purposes, the District may use such funds to acquire sites for facilities of the District or to pay the principal of or interest on the Bonds. In the alternative, if available funds are sufficient from the proceeds of Bonds authorized for the above purposes and/or state and local circumstances require, the District may use such funds to acquire, construct, equip, modernize and make other capital improvements to the facilities of the District, all as the Board of Directors may determine, after holding a public hearing thereon pursuant to RCW 28A.530.020.

It is anticipated that the District may receive funds from the State of Washington pursuant to Chapter 28A.525 RCW. To the extent that such state funds are not received timely and used to pay costs of the Improvements, the District intends to apply such state funds to construct and equip a new warehouse for District use and/or future school facility construction projects, including planning and design of such District facilities. Such state funds may also be applied to pay the principal or interest on the bonds provided for herein or to make other capital improvements to the facilities of the District as the Board may determine after holding a public hearing thereon pursuant to RCW 28A.530.020.

**Section 3. Authorization of Bonds.** For the purpose of providing all or a part of the funds necessary to pay the cost of the Improvements, together with incidental costs and costs related to the sale and issuance of the bonds, the District shall issue and sell its unlimited tax general obligation bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$160,000,000. The balance of the cost of the Improvements shall be paid out of any money which the District now has or may later have on hand which are legally available for such purposes. None of said bond proceeds shall be used for the replacement of equipment or for any other than a capital purpose. Such bonds shall be issued in an amount not exceeding the amount approved by the qualified electors of the District as required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington or exceeding the amount permitted by the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington.

**Section 4. Details of Bonds.** The bonds provided for in Section 3 hereof shall be sold in such amounts and at such time or times as deemed necessary and advisable by this Board and as permitted by law, shall bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed the maximum rate permitted by law at the time the bonds are sold, and shall mature in such amounts and at such times within a maximum term of twenty (20) years from date of issue, but may mature at an earlier date or dates, as authorized by this Board and as provided by law. Said bonds shall be general obligations of the District and, unless paid from other sources, both principal thereof and interest thereon (including original issue discount) shall be payable out of annual tax levies to be made upon all the taxable property within the District without limitation as to rate or amount and in excess of any constitutional or statutory tax limitations. The exact date, form, terms and maturities of said bonds shall be as hereafter fixed by resolution of the Board. After voter approval of the bond proposition and in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds, the District may issue short term obligations as authorized and provided by Chapter 39.50 RCW.

**Section 5. Election.** It is hereby found and declared that the best interests of the District requires the submission to the qualified electors of the District of the proposition of whether the District shall issue the Bonds at a special election to be held on November 5, 2013. The Whatcom County Auditor as *ex officio* supervisor of elections is hereby requested also to call and conduct the special election to be held within the District and to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition set forth below. The Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to certify the proposition to said officials in the following form:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1  
BELLINGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 501  
(BELLINGHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS)  
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - \$160,000,000**

The Board of Directors of Bellingham School District No. 501 adopted Resolution No. 14-13 concerning this proposition for bonds. This proposition would authorize renovations, student safety and other upgrades to designated schools and facilities throughout the district to extend their useful life and construct replacement buildings for Sehome High School, Options/Innovations High School and Happy Valley Elementary School, to issue \$160,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum of 20 years, and to levy excess property taxes annually to repay the bonds, as provided in Resolution No. 14-13. Should this proposition be:

APPROVED.....[    ]

REJECTED.....[    ]

The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Whatcom County Auditor.

**Section 6. Request for Eligibility for the Credit Enhancement Program.** In preparation for the issuance and sale of the Bonds after approval by the voters, the Board of Directors hereby requests that the State Treasurer issue a certificate of eligibility in favor of the District for participation by the District in the Program with respect to the Bonds. The Superintendent and/or Assistant Superintendent, Finance and Operations is hereby authorized (following voter approval) to submit such applications, resolutions and certifications as shall be required by the State Treasurer in reviewing the District's request for participation.

**Section 7. Severability.** In the event that any provision of this resolution shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect or invalidate any other provision of this resolution or the Bonds, but they shall be construed and enforced as if such invalid provision had not been contained herein; provided, however, that any provision which shall for any reason be held by reason of its extent to be invalid shall be deemed to be in effect to the extent permitted by law.

**Section 8. Effective Date.** This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of Bellingham School District No. 501, Whatcom County, Washington, at a regular meeting held this 27th day of June, 2013. BELLINGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 501, WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON: Scott Stockburger, Ken Gass, Kelly M. Bashaw, Camille Diaz Hackler, Directors. ATTEST and CERTIFICATION: Dr. Gregory Baker, Secretary of the Board of Directors.

# COMPLETE TEXT

## WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 4 RESOLUTION NO. 2013-3 RESOLUTION TO IMPOSE EMS LEVY

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Fire Commissioners (the "Board") of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 4 (the "District") providing for the submission to the voters of the District at an election to be held therein on November 5, 2013, in conjunction with the State general election to be held on the same day, a proposition to impose a permanent Emergency Medical Services Levy ("EMS Levy") at a levy rate of thirty cents (\$.30) or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation in addition to its regular property tax levy, to be levied each year beginning in 2013 and to be collected in each year succeeding the year of the levy to provide funds required by the District to enable the District to continue to provide emergency medical services.

WHEREAS, it is the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 4 that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health and life of the residents of the District that emergency medical services continue to be provided by the District. Such services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for maintenance, operations, equipment, and personnel in excess of those which can be provided by the District's regular tax levy; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to impose a permanent EMS Levy in order to continue providing emergency medical services.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 4 as follows:

**Section 1.** In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the costs of providing adequate life protection services and facilities, the District shall levy an emergency medical services levy beginning in 2013 and collect each year a general tax on taxable property within the District, in addition to the regular levy for maintenance and operation costs, in an amount not to exceed thirty cents (\$.30) per thousand dollars of assessed valuation of such property.

**Section 2.** In accordance with RCW 84.52.069, the funds raised by such levy shall be used only for the provision of emergency medical services, including related personnel costs, training for such personnel and related equipment, supplies, vehicles and structures needed for the provision of emergency medical services.

**Section 3. BALLOT TITLE AND PROPOSITION.** Pursuant to RCW 84.52.069 and 29A.36.210, the Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:

## WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 4 WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

### PROPOSITION 1

#### EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Will Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 4 be authorized to impose a PERMANENT regular property levy of thirty cents (\$.30) or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation?

YES.....[ ]

NO.....[ ]

**Section 4. REFERENDUM.** A referendum petition may be filed at any time with the Fire Chief, which is currently Ron Anderson. Within ten (10) days, the Fire Chief must confer with the petitioner concerning form and style of the petition, issue the petition an identification number, and secure an accurate, concise, and positive ballot title from the Whatcom County Auditor. The petitioner has thirty (30) days in which to secure the signatures of not less than fifteen percent (15%) of the registered voters of the taxing district, as of the last general election, upon petition forms which contain the ballot title and the full text of the measure to be referred. The Fire Chief and/or his designees must verify the sufficiency of the signatures on the petition and, if sufficient valid signatures are properly submitted, must certify the referendum measure to the next election within the taxing district if one is to be held within one hundred eighty days (180) from the date of filing of the referendum petition, or at a special election to be called for that purpose in accordance with RCW 29A.04.330. Pursuant to RCW 84.52.069(4)(b), the referendum procedure provided herein is exclusive in all instances and supersedes the procedures provided under all other statutory or charter provisions for initiative or referendum which might otherwise apply.

**Section 5. CERTIFICATION.** The Secretary of the District is directed (a) to certify to the Auditor a copy of this Resolution No. 2013-3 showing its adoption by the Board at least fifty-two (52) days prior to the date of such general election; and (b) to perform such other duties as are necessary and required by law in submitting to the voters of the District at the aforesaid election the foregoing proposition.

**Section 6. IMPLEMENTATION.** The Fire Chief of the District is authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directives of this legislation.

**Section 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon passage and signatures hereon.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 4, at an open public meeting thereof this 17th day of July, 2013, of which notice was given in the manner provided by law, and the following Commissioners being present and voting. WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 4: Steve Ness, Fire Commissioner; Mary Beth Neal, Fire Commissioner; Harry Andrews, Fire Commissioner.

ATTEST and CERTIFICATION: Kerstin Parks, District Secretary, Board of Fire Commissioners.

## COMPLETE TEXT

### RESOLUTION NO. 13-02

**A RESOLUTION** of the Board of Commissioners of Point Roberts Park and Recreation District No. 1, Whatcom County, Washington, authorizing the form of the ballot proposition and specifying certain other matters concerning submission to the District's voters at the election to be held on November 5, 2013, of a proposition for the issuance of the District's general obligation bonds in the principal amount of \$250,000 to pay for capital improvements to the District's community center.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") of Point Roberts Park and Recreation District No. 1, Whatcom County, Washington (the "District"), has been reviewing the condition of the community center owned and operated by the District and has determined that the building needs significant capital repairs and upgrades to extend its useful life and to provide a safe facility for use by residents of the District (as further described in this resolution, the "Improvements"); and

**WHEREAS**, to provide part of the funds to pay for costs of the Improvements, the Board deems it necessary and advisable that the District issue and sell its unlimited tax levy general obligation bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$250,000 (the "Bonds"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington (including RCW 28A.530.010 and RCW 84.52.056) provide that the question of whether the Bonds may be issued and sold for these purposes and taxes levied to pay debt service on the Bonds must be submitted to the voters of the District for their ratification or rejection;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Point Roberts Park and Recreation District No. 1, Whatcom County, Washington, as follows:

**Section 1. Findings.** The Board finds that the best interests of the District's residents require the District to undertake the Improvements described in Section 2 of this resolution when and how the Board deems most necessary and advisable.

**Section 2. Capital Improvements.** The District shall make the following capital improvements to the District's community center:

Replacement of the roof, HVAC system, and flooring, installation of new skylights, construction of a new storage shed, drainage improvements on the site, including related parking and landscaping modifications, upgrades to the playground, and planning and design for seismic improvements (collectively, the "Improvements").

The Improvements include all necessary furniture, equipment, and appurtenances. The cost of all architectural, engineering, legal, and other consulting services, inspection and testing, administrative and relocation expenses, acquisitions of property, on and off-site utilities, technology infrastructure and upgrades, and other costs incurred in connection with making the Improvements will be considered part of the cost of the Improvements. The District will determine the extent, timing and specifications for construction and installation of structures and other improvements.

The District will apply proceeds of the Bonds and other money of the District legally available for the Improvements among the various Improvements to accomplish, as nearly as may be, all the Improvements.

If proceeds of the Bonds, plus other funds of the District legally available for the Improvements, are insufficient to accomplish all of the Improvements, the District will use the available funds for those Improvements deemed by the Board most necessary and in the best interest of the District.

If the Board determines that it has become impracticable to acquire, construct or install one or more of the Improvements by reason of changed conditions, or costs substantially in excess of the amount of Bond proceeds or other available funds, the District is not required to acquire, construct or install those Improvements.

If all of the Improvements have been completed or duly provided for, or found to be impracticable, the District may apply all or any portion of the leftover Bond proceeds to other capital improvements to the District's community center, to the redemption of Bonds, or the redemption of other outstanding obligations of the District as the Board determines.

**Section 3. Authorization of Bonds.** To provide part of the funds necessary to pay costs of the Improvements (or to reimburse the District for those costs to the extent that District funds have been used for that purpose), together with incidental costs and costs related to the sale and issuance of the Bonds, the District will issue and sell the Bonds as unlimited tax general obligation bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$250,000. The balance, if any, of the cost of the Improvements will be paid from funds that the District now has or may later have on hand that are legally available for this purpose and out of possible state or federal grants. Bond proceeds may not be used for the replacement of equipment or for any other than a capital purpose. The Bonds will be issued in an amount not exceeding the amount approved by the voters of the District as required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington and not exceeding the amount permitted by the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington.

**Section 4. Details of Bonds.** The Bonds will be sold in such amounts and at such time or times as the Board deems necessary and advisable and as permitted by law. The Bonds will bear interest at a rate or rates authorized by the Board and will mature in the amounts and at the times, within a maximum term of 10 years from date of issue (but may mature at an earlier date or dates), and have other terms all as authorized by the Board and as provided by law. The exact date, form, terms and maturities of the Bonds will be as hereafter established by resolution of the Board. The Bonds will be general obligations of the District and, unless paid from other sources, both principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable out of annual tax levies to be made upon all taxable property within the District without limitation as to rate or amount and in excess of any constitutional or statutory tax limitations. After voter approval of the bond proposition and in anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds, the District may issue short-term obligations as authorized by Chapter 39.50 RCW. Proceeds of the Bonds may be used to redeem and retire short term obligations or to reimburse the District for expenditures previously made for the Improvements.

**Section 5. Election.** The Board finds that it is in the best interest of the District and its residents to submit to the District's voters the proposition of whether the District will issue the Bonds for the purposes described in this resolution at the election to be held on November 5, 2013. The District requests that the Whatcom County Auditor, as ex officio supervisor of elections, call and conduct the election to be held within the District and submit to the District's voters the proposition set forth below. The Secretary of the Board is authorized and directed to certify the proposition to the Auditor in substantially the following form at least 45 days prior to the election date:

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**PROPOSITION NO. 1  
POINT ROBERTS PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT NO. 1  
COMMUNITY CENTER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS  
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - \$250,000**

The Board of Commissioners of Point Roberts Park and Recreation District No. 1 passed Resolution #13-02 concerning the District's community center. This proposition authorizes the District to replace the roof and HVAC systems of the community center, improve drainage on the site, and make other capital improvements to maintain and improve the safety and structural soundness of the center; to issue for these purposes \$250,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum 10 years; and to levy property taxes annually, in addition to regular tax levies, to repay the bonds, as provided in Resolution #13-02. Should this proposition be:

APPROVED.....[ ]  
REJECTED.....[ ]

The Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Whatcom County Auditor.

**Section 6. Severability.** If any provision of this resolution is held to be invalid, such invalidity will not affect or invalidate any other provision of this resolution or the Bonds, but this resolution and the Bonds will be construed and enforced as if the invalid provision had not been contained in this resolution; provided, however, that any provision that for any reason is held by reason of its extent to be invalid will be deemed to be in effect to the extent permitted by law.

**Section 7. Effective Date.** This resolution will become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Commissioners of Point Roberts Park and Recreation District No. 1, Whatcom County, Washington, at a regular meeting held on July 9, 2013.

POINT ROBERTS PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT NO. 1, WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON: Mark A. Robbins, Mary Edgley, Doug Shier, Beverly B. Griffith, Linda Hughes, Board of Commissioners. ATTEST and CERTIFICATION: Lynn M. VanBuskirk, Secretary of the Board of Commissioners.

**COMPLETE TEXT**

**NORTHWEST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT NO. 2  
RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01**

**RESOLUTION PROVIDED FOR THE SUBMISSION OF LEVY**

**A RESOLUTION** of the Board of Park Commissioners of Northwest Park and Recreation District #2, Whatcom County, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a general election to be held on November 5, 2013, in conjunction with the state general election to be held on the same day, a proposition authorizing the District to set and maintain a regular property tax levy of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for the district's General Fund to pay for general expenses of staffing, operations, maintenance and capital improvements of the Northwest Park and Recreation District #2, such levy to be made in 2013 and collection in 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017.

**WHEREAS**, it is the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of the District that it is essential and necessary to fund staffing, operations, maintenance and capital improvement in the provision of recreational and leisure time activities, classes, sports and programs for people of all ages in the greater Blaine – Birch Bay area.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Northwest Park and Recreation District #2, Whatcom County, Washington as follows:

**Section 1.** In order to provide recreational and leisure time activities, classes, sports and programs to people of all ages in the greater Blaine – Birch Bay area and develop parks, sports fields, trails and the like, funding is necessary.

**Section 2.** In order to provide the necessary revenue to pay the costs of providing recreational opportunities as described in Section 1 and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure continuation of such services, the District shall collect beginning in 2014, pursuant to RCW 36.68.400, a general tax on taxable property within the District at a rate of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation subject to otherwise applicable statutory limits. This property tax levy would be collected for a four (4) year period, 2014 through 2017.

**Section 3.** There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection, at a general election in November 5, 2013 in conjunction with the state general election to be held on the same date, the question of whether or not the regular property tax levy of the District should be set at \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation in 2013 and be collected for the following six years, subject to otherwise applicable statutory limitations. Whatcom County as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections is hereby requested to call such special election, and to submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

Shall the Northwest Park and Recreation District #2 impose a property tax levy of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for a six (6) year period (2012-2017) to fund staffing, operations, maintenance and capital improvements.

**NORTHWEST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT NO. 2  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**PROPOSITION NO. 1  
AUTHORIZING REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY**

The Board of Commissioners of Northwest Park and Recreation District No. 2 adopted Resolution No. 2013-01 concerning a proposition to assess a regular property tax levy for a four (4) year period of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation to operate, maintain and improve recreation and leisure time activities and opportunities for people of all ages in the greater Blaine – Birch Bay area.

APPROVED.....[ ]  
REJECTED.....[ ]

**Northwest Park and Recreation District No. 2:** Ted Morris, Commissioner; Doug Robertson, Commissioner; Richard Sturgill, Commissioner; Katy Montfort, Commissioner; Jeff Carrington, Commissioner.

## Complete Text

### Initiative Measure 517

AN ACT Relating to establishing protections for citizens exercising their First Amendment rights by participating in the initiative and referendum process; amending RCW 9A.84.030 and 29A.72.030; adding new sections to chapter 29A.72 RCW; creating new sections; and prescribing penalties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

#### POLICIES AND PURPOSES

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** The people want to ensure their right to participate in the initiative and referendum process is protected. Citizens' participation in the legislative process by initiative and referendum has been subjected to hostility, interference and threats of interference and retaliation by private and governmental actions. As promised by the Washington state Constitution: "The first power reserved by the people is the initiative."

Article I, section 4 of the Washington state Constitution and the First Amendment to the United States Constitution recognizes the right of the people to petition the government. This act is intended to protect the rights provided by these constitutional provisions. This measure would establish protections for citizens exercising their First Amendment rights by participating in the initiative and referendum process. The people find that citizens' right to participate in the initiative and referendum process needs to be protected.

#### ESTABLISHING PROTECTIONS FOR CITIZENS EXERCISING THEIR FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS BY PARTICIPATING IN THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PROCESS

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 29A.72 RCW to read as follows:

This section establishes protections for signature gathering for any state or local initiative or referendum. Interfering with signature gathering shall be illegal. Any person who is gathering signatures for an officially filed and processed initiative or referendum shall not have his or her right to petition deterred or infringed upon. Any person who is trying to sign a petition for an officially filed and processed initiative or referendum shall not have his or her right to sign a petition deterred or infringed upon. Any person who interferes with any person gathering signatures or interferes with any person trying to sign a petition or retaliates against or stalks any person who signed a petition or retaliates against or stalks any person who gathered signatures for a petition shall be subject to the anti-harassment procedures in chapter 10.14 RCW and civil penalties and shall be guilty of disorderly conduct under RCW 9A.84.030. For purposes of this section, "interfering with" includes, but is not limited to, pushing, shoving, touching, spitting,

throwing objects, yelling, screaming, or being verbally abusive, or other tumultuous conduct, blocking or intimidating, or maintaining an intimidating presence within twenty-five feet of any person gathering signatures and any person trying to sign a petition. As the courts have consistently ruled, the signing of a petition and the collection of voter signatures is core political speech, which is deserving of the highest levels of protection. Signature gathering and petition signing for an officially filed and processed initiative or referendum shall be a legally protected activity on public sidewalks and walkways and all sidewalks and walkways that carry pedestrian traffic, including those in front of the entrances and exits of any store, and inside or outside public buildings such as public sports stadiums, convention/exhibition centers, and public fairs. Law enforcement must vigorously protect the rights of the people who want to sign initiative and referendum petitions, and the people who collect voter signatures on initiative and referendum petitions, to ensure they are not inhibited or restricted in any way.

The people find that they must be able to safely, freely, and peacefully petition their government for change without fear of intimidation or retaliation. Without the right to petition and the right to sign petitions, there is no functioning initiative and referendum process. Maximum legal protections must be afforded persons gathering signatures and persons trying to sign petitions to protect them from interference, harassment, threat, or retaliation. Maximum penalties must be imposed against persons who interfere with the constitutionally protected right to initiative and referendum.

**Sec. 3.** RCW 9A.84.030 and 2007 c 2 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A person is guilty of disorderly conduct if the person:

(a) Uses abusive language and thereby intentionally creates a risk of assault;

(b) Intentionally disrupts any lawful assembly or meeting of persons without lawful authority;

(c) Intentionally obstructs vehicular or pedestrian traffic without lawful authority; ((or))

(d)(i) Intentionally engages in fighting or in tumultuous conduct or makes unreasonable noise, within five hundred feet of:

(A) The location where a funeral or burial is being performed;

(B) A funeral home during the viewing of a deceased person;

(C) A funeral procession, if the person described in this subsection (1)(d) knows that the funeral procession is taking place; or

(D) A building in which a funeral or memorial service is being conducted; and

(ii) Knows that the activity adversely affects the funeral, burial, viewing, funeral procession, or memorial service; or

(e) Interferes with or retaliates against a person collecting signatures or signing any initiative or referendum petition by pushing, shoving, touching, spitting, throwing objects, yelling, screaming, being verbally abusive, blocking or intimidating, or other tumultuous conduct or maintaining an intimidating presence within twenty-five feet of any person gathering signatures or any person trying to sign any initiative or referendum petition.

(2) Disorderly conduct is a misdemeanor.

#### GUARANTEEING THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO VOTE ON INITIATIVES THAT SUBMIT SUFFICIENT VALID VOTER SIGNATURES

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 29A.72 RCW to read as follows:

Any state or local initiative for which sufficient valid voter signatures are submitted within the time period required must be submitted to a vote of the people at the next election date. The people are guaranteed the right to vote on any initiative that obtains the required number of valid voter signatures in the required time frame. Government officials, both elected and unelected, must facilitate and cannot obstruct the processing of any initiative



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Any language in double parentheses with a line through it is existing state law and will be taken out of the law if this measure is approved by voters.

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petition and must facilitate and cannot obstruct the public vote of any initiative. For local initiatives, government officials must, in all circumstances, strictly comply with the requirements of this act for any initiative regardless of its subject matter. The term "local legislative authority" must be construed to include the people via local initiative regardless of the subject matter of the ballot measure. Citizens have just as much right to decide issues with local initiatives as governments do. This section may not be construed in any way to impede the right to legal review of the sufficiency of valid voter signatures or post-election legal review; however, under no circumstances may an initiative be prohibited from submission to the people for a vote if sufficient valid voter signatures are submitted.

**PROTECTING CITIZENS' RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE BY EXTENDING THE TIME FOR SIGNATURE GATHERING ON INITIATIVES, DETERMINING INTERFERENCE IN THE SIGNATURE GATHERING PROCESS**

**Sec. 5.** RCW 29A.72.030 and 2003 c 111 s 1804 are each amended to read as follows:

Initiative measures proposed to be submitted to the people must be filed with the secretary of state within ~~(ten)~~ sixteen months prior to the election at which they are to be submitted (this act's amended change from ten months to sixteen months for filing an initiative provides up to six more months for initiative signature gathering), and the signature petitions must be filed with the secretary of state not less than four months before the next general statewide election.

Initiative measures proposed to be submitted to the legislature must be filed with the secretary of state within ~~(ten)~~ sixteen months prior to the next regular session of the legislature at which they are to be submitted (this act's amended change from ten months to sixteen months for filing an initiative provides up to six more months for initiative signature gathering), and the signature petitions must be filed with the secretary of state not less than ten days before such regular session of the legislature.

A referendum measure petition ordering that any act or part of an act passed by the legislature be referred to the people must be filed with the secretary of state within ninety days after the final adjournment of the legislative session at which the act was passed. It may be submitted at the next general statewide election or at a special election ordered by the legislature.

A proposed initiative or referendum measure may be filed no earlier than the opening of the secretary of state's office for business pursuant to RCW 42.04.060 on the first day filings are permitted, and any initiative or referendum petition must be filed not later than the close of business on the last business day in the specified period for submission of signatures. If a filing deadline falls on a Saturday, the office of the secretary of state must be open for the transaction of business under this section from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on that Saturday.

Opponents of ballot measures sometimes try to interfere with the signature gathering process in the final months of the campaign, taking advantage of the limited time for the collection of signatures. The people find that allowing more time for citizens to participate in the signature gathering process will deter such despicable tactics.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 6.** The provisions of this act are to be liberally construed to effectuate the intent, policies, and purposes of this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 7.** This act shall be self-executing. If any part or parts of this act are found to be in conflict with federal law, the United States Constitution, or the Washington state Constitution, the act shall be implemented to the maximum extent that federal law, the United States Constitution, and the Washington state Constitution permit. Any provision held invalid shall be severable from the remaining portions of this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 8.** This act is called "Protect the Initiative Act."

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## Complete Text Initiative Measure 522

AN ACT Relating to disclosure of foods produced through genetic engineering; adding a new chapter to Title 70 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** The people find that:

(1) Polls consistently show that the vast majority of the public, typically more than ninety percent, wants to know if their food was produced using genetic engineering. Without disclosure, consumers of genetically engineered food unknowingly may violate their own dietary and religious restrictions.

(2) Currently, there is no federal or state law that requires food producers to identify whether foods were produced using genetic engineering. At the same time, the United States food and drug administration does not require safety studies of such foods. Unless these foods contain a known allergen, the United States food and drug administration does not require the developers of genetically engineered crops to consult with the agency. Consultations with the United States food and drug administration are entirely voluntary and the developers themselves may decide what information they may wish to provide.

(3) Mandatory identification of foods produced with genetic engineering can provide a critical method for tracking the potential health effects of consuming foods produced through genetic engineering.

(4) Consumers have the right to know whether the foods they purchase were produced with genetic engineering. The genetic engineering of plants and animals is an imprecise process and often causes unintended consequences. Mixing plant, animal, bacterial, and viral genes in combinations that cannot occur in nature produces results that are not always predictable or controllable, and can lead to adverse health or environmental consequences.

(5) United States government scientists have stated that the artificial insertion of genetic material into plants, a technique unique to genetic engineering, can cause a variety of significant problems with plant foods. Such genetic engineering can increase the levels of known toxicants in foods and introduce new toxicants and health concerns.

(6) Forty-nine countries, including Japan, South Korea, China, Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, Russia, the European Union member states, and other key United States trading partners, have laws mandating disclosure of genetically engineered foods on food labels. Many countries have restrictions or bans against foods produced with genetic engineering.

(7) No international agreements prohibit the mandatory identification of foods produced through genetic engineering.

(8) Numerous foreign markets with restrictions against foods produced through genetic engineering have restricted imports of United States crops due to concerns about genetic engineering. Some foreign markets are choosing to purchase agricultural products from countries other than the United States because genetically engineered crops are not identified in the United States, making it impossible for buyers to distinguish what does or does not meet their national labeling laws or restrictions, rendering United States' products less desirable. Trade losses are estimated at billions of dollars. Mandatory identification of foods produced with genetic engineering can be a critical method for preserving the economic value of exports to markets with restrictions and prohibitions against genetic engineering.

(9) Industry data shows foods identified as produced without genetic engineering, including conventional foods identified this

way, are the fastest growing label claim. Consumers have a right to an informed choice at the point of sale.

(10) Farmers from a wheat growing region of the state have gathered more than two thousand six hundred signatures on a petition demanding mandatory disclosure for crops produced with genetic engineering. The farmers are concerned they will lose their wheat export markets if genetically engineered wheat is approved.

(11) Agriculture is Washington's number one employer and wheat is Washington's number two export crop, second only to goods and services produced by the Boeing company, and ahead of Microsoft, which ranks third.

(12) Preserving the identity, quality, and reliability of Washington's agricultural products is of prime importance to our state's fiscal health.

(13) The cultivation of genetically engineered crops can cause serious impacts to the environment. For example, most genetically engineered crops are designed to withstand weed killing herbicides. As a result, genetically engineered crops have caused hundreds of millions of pounds of additional herbicides to be applied to the nation's farmland. The massive increase in use of these herbicides has caused emergence of herbicide-resistant weeds, which have infested farm fields and roadsides, complicating weed control for farmers and encouraging use of increasingly toxic and more dangerous herbicides. These toxic herbicides damage the vitality of the soil, contaminate drinking water supplies, and pose health risks to consumers and farmworkers. The public should have the choice to avoid purchasing foods produced in ways that can lead to such harm.

(14) United States department of agriculture data shows Washington state ranks second in the nation for organic farm-gate sales at two hundred eighty-one million dollars per year. While total United States food sales are virtually stagnant, growing less than one percent overall, the organic food industry grew at 7.7 percent according to 2010 data. Sales of organic fruits and vegetables increased eleven and eight-tenths percent, accounting for approximately twelve percent of all United States' fruit and vegetable sales. Organic dairy, another key industry in Washington state, grew at nine percent and comprises nearly six percent of the total United States dairy market. Organic farmers are prohibited from using genetically engineered seeds or livestock feed.

(15) Trade industry data shows the organic industry is creating jobs at four times the national rate.

(16) Published data shows organic farming is more profitable and economically secure than conventional farming over the long term. This important element of Washington's economy must be protected.

(17) Conventional farmers have a right to choose what crops they grow and many conventional farmers want to grow traditional crops developed without genetic engineering. Identifying seeds and seed stock produced with genetic engineering would protect farmers' rights to know what they are purchasing and protect their right to choose what they grow.

(18) The purpose of this chapter is to ensure people are fully informed about whether the food they purchase and eat was produced through genetic engineering so they may choose for themselves whether to purchase and eat such food. Identifying foods produced through genetic engineering also will help protect our state's export market.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "Department" means the department of health.

(2) "Enzyme" means a protein that catalyzes chemical reactions of other substances without itself being destroyed or altered upon completion of the reactions.

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(3)(a) "Genetically engineered" means any food that is produced from an organism or organisms in which the genetic material has been changed through the application of: (i) In vitro nucleic acid techniques including recombinant deoxyribonucleic acid techniques and the direct injection of nucleic acid into cells or organelles. In vitro nucleic acid techniques include, but are not limited to, recombinant deoxyribonucleic acid or ribonucleic acid techniques that use vector systems and techniques involving the direct introduction into the organisms of hereditary material prepared outside the organisms, such as micro-injection, macro-injection, chemoporation, electroporation, micro-encapsulation, and liposome fusion; or (ii) fusion of cells, including protoplast fusion, or hybridization techniques that overcome natural physiological, reproductive, or recombination barriers, where the donor cells or protoplasts do not fall within the same taxonomic family, in a way that does not occur by natural multiplication or natural recombination.

(b) For the purposes of (a) of this subsection, "organism" means any biological entity capable of replication, reproduction, or transferring genetic material.

(4) "Processed food" means any food other than a raw agricultural commodity and includes any food produced from a raw agricultural commodity that has been subject to processing such as canning, smoking, pressing, cooking, freezing, dehydration, fermentation, or milling.

(5) "Processing aid" means:

(a) A substance that is added to a food during the processing of the food but is removed in some manner from the food before it is packaged in its finished form;

(b) A substance that is added to a food during processing, is converted into constituents normally present in the food, and does not significantly increase the amount of the constituents naturally found in the food; or

(c) A substance that is added to a food for its technical or functional effects in the processing but is present in the finished food at insignificant levels and does not have any technical or functional effect in that finished food.

(6) "Raw agricultural commodity" has the same meaning as defined by 21 U.S.C. Sec. 321.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** (1) Beginning July 1, 2015, any food offered for retail sale in Washington is misbranded if it is, or may have been, entirely or partly produced with genetic engineering and that fact is not disclosed as follows:

(a) In the case of a raw agricultural commodity, on the package offered for retail sale, with the words "genetically engineered" stated clearly and conspicuously on the front of the package of

such a commodity, or in the case of such a commodity that is not separately packaged or labeled, on a label appearing on the retail store shelf or bin where such a commodity is displayed for sale;

(b) In the case of any processed food, on the front of the package of such food produced by a manufacturer, with the words “partially produced with genetic engineering” or “may be partially produced with genetic engineering” stated clearly and conspicuously; and

(c) In the case of any seed or seed stock, on the seed or seed stock container, sales receipt or any other reference to identification, ownership, or possession, with the words “genetically engineered” or “produced with genetic engineering” stated clearly and conspicuously.

(2) Subsections (1) and (3) of this section do not require either the listing or identification of any ingredient or ingredients that were genetically engineered, nor that the term “genetically engineered” be placed immediately preceding any common name or primary product descriptor of a food.

(3) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to any of the following:

(a) Food consisting entirely of, or derived entirely from, an animal that has not itself been genetically engineered, regardless of whether the animal has been fed or injected with any food produced with genetic engineering or any drug that has been produced through means of genetic engineering;

(b) A raw agricultural commodity or food that has been grown, raised, produced, or derived without the knowing and intentional use of genetically engineered seed or food. To be included within the exclusion under this subsection, the person supplying a raw agricultural commodity or food must provide a sworn statement that the raw agricultural commodity or food: (i) Has not been knowingly or intentionally produced through genetic engineering; and (ii) has been segregated from, and has not been knowingly or intentionally commingled with, foods that may have been genetically engineered at any time. In providing such a sworn statement, a person may rely on a sworn statement from his or her own supplier that contains such an affirmation;

(c) Any processed food that would be subject to this section solely because one or more processing aids or enzymes were produced or derived with genetic engineering;

(d) Any alcoholic beverage that is subject to regulation under Title 66 RCW;

(e) Until July 1, 2019, any processed food that would be subject to this section solely because it includes one or more materials produced by genetic engineering, provided that the engineered materials in the aggregate do not account for more than nine-tenths of one percent of the total weight of the processed food;

(f) Food that an independent organization has determined has not been knowingly and intentionally produced from or commingled with genetically engineered seed or genetically engineered food, provided that such a determination has been made pursuant to a sampling and testing procedure approved for this purpose in rules adopted by the department. These rules may not approve a sampling and testing procedure unless it is consistent with sampling and testing principles recommended by internationally recognized standards organizations, such as the international standards association and the grain and feed trade association. No testing procedure may be approved by the department unless: (i) It does not rely on testing processed foods in which no deoxyribonucleic acid is detectable; and (ii) it is consistent with the most recent “Guidelines on Performance Criteria and Validation of Methods for Detection, Identification and Quantification of Specific DNA Sequences and Specific Proteins in Foods” (CAC/GL 74, 2010) published by the codex alimentarius commission;

(g) Food that has been lawfully certified to be labeled, marketed, and offered for sale as “organic” pursuant to the federal organic foods production act of 1990 and the regulations

promulgated pursuant thereto by the United States department of agriculture;

(h) Food that is not packaged for retail sale and that either: (i) Is a processed food prepared and intended for immediate human consumption; or (ii) is served, sold, or otherwise provided in any restaurant or other food service establishment that is engaged primarily in the sale of food prepared and intended for immediate human consumption; or

(i) Medical food.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** The department may adopt rules necessary to implement this chapter, provided that the department is not authorized to create any exemptions beyond those provided in section 3(3) of this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** (1) The department, acting through the attorney general, may bring an action in a court of competent jurisdiction to enjoin any person violating this chapter.

(2) The department may assess a civil penalty against any person violating this chapter in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars per day. Each day of violation is considered a separate violation.

(3) An action to enjoin a violation of this chapter may be brought in any court of competent jurisdiction by any person in the public interest if the action is commenced more than sixty days after the person has given notice of the alleged violation to the department, the attorney general, and to the alleged violator.

(4) The court may award to a prevailing plaintiff reasonable costs and attorneys’ fees incurred in investigating and prosecuting an action to enforce this chapter.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 6.** Sections 1 through 5 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 70 RCW.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 7.** If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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## COUNTING YOUR BALLOT

### 1 Your county receives your ballot

Deposit your ballot in an official drop box by 8 p.m. on Election Day, or return your ballot by mail - but make sure it's postmarked no later than Election Day!



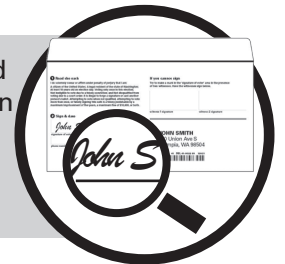
### 2 Your ballot is sorted

Election staff scan the envelope bar code to find your signature in the state database.



### 3 Your signature is verified

The signature on your ballot is compared to the signature on your voter registration record. If the signature matches, you are credited for voting to ensure only one ballot is counted for you.

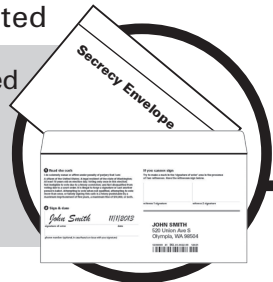


If the signature doesn't match or is missing, election staff will contact you before your ballot is processed.



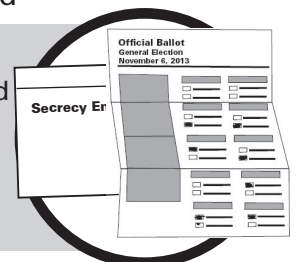
### 4 Envelopes are separated

The return envelope is opened and the security envelope is removed. The envelopes are separated to ensure the secrecy of your vote.



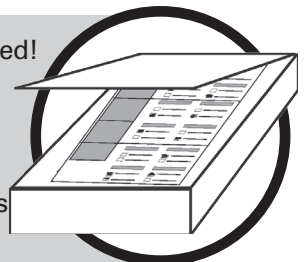
### 5 Your ballot is reviewed

Election staff review every ballot to verify voters followed the instructions. If a ballot can't be read by the scanner, the votes will be copied onto a new ballot.



### 6 Your ballot is scanned and counted

Your ballot is ready to be scanned! At 8 p.m. on Election Day all scanned ballots are tallied. Ballots returned just before the deadline will be scanned and tallied over the next several days until all the votes are counted.



## IN THE 2012 GENERAL ELECTION

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ballots were counted in Washington State

**I AM A . . .****Military or overseas voter**

You can register to vote anytime on or before Election Day, regardless of the deadline. You may receive your ballot by mail, email, or fax. Spouses and dependents who are also away from home have the same voting rights.

**New Washington resident**

Welcome to Washington! You can register to vote online, by mail, in person, or when you get your new Washington state driver license or ID at the Department of Licensing. You may not vote in more than one place, so cancel your previous voter registration.

**College student**

You can register to vote using either your home or school address, but you may not register to vote in more than one place. Your ballot can be mailed to you anywhere in the world; however, your residential address must remain in Washington.

**Seasonal resident**

You can vote in Washington even if you're away during an election. To ensure you receive your ballot, update your mailing address online or with your county elections department. Your ballot can be mailed to you anywhere in the world; however, your residential address must remain in Washington. You may not vote in more than one place.

**Convicted felon**

If you were convicted of a felony, your right to vote is restored when you are no longer under Department of Corrections supervision. You must register to vote in order to receive a ballot.

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