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Voters' Pamphlet

November 5, 2013 General Election



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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

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

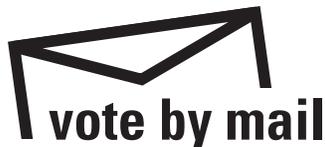
The voter registration and address update deadline has passed. Submit your registration or address update to www.vote.wa.gov so you can vote in 2014.

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

or get the mobile app
 WA State Election Results





Accessible pamphlets



Audio and plain text voters' pamphlets available at 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**.

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** 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**.

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.

Nếu quý vị hoặc người nào quý vị biết cần trợ giúp ngôn ngữ, xin vui lòng gọi **(800) 448-4881**.

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.

Fiscal Impact Statement

Written by the Office of Financial Management
For more information visit 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

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.

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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

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
TOTAL	\$178,000	\$218,000	\$749,000	\$741,000	\$741,000	\$741,000	\$3,368,000

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.

Argument Prepared by

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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**.

View additional cost information at **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
Total	\$1,956,000

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
Total	\$410,000

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
Total	\$396,893,000

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
Total	\$478,400,000

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).

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay



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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea
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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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ESHB 1846 (AV 5): Yea
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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

District 27

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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

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

District 28

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

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

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

District 29

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

District 31

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Excused

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Nay

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

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea

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 EHB 2075 (AV 7): Yea



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John Gary Metro

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Legal/Judicial Experience: Sole practitioner with offices in Kennewick and Walla Walla, Washington.

Other Professional Experience: Former research assistant to Professor Joseph Bankman Stanford University Law School

Education: Graduate of Reed College, Portland, Oregon. Law degree from the University of Oregon School of Law.

Community Service: Past member of the Board of Directors of the Walla Walla County Red Cross.

Statement: I am a running for judge because I believe in judicial restraint. If I am elected, I will interpret the laws enacted by the legislature in a manner which is consistent with the laws' plain meaning. I will not make new law. I will work to preserve and protect the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Washington. I will work to preserve the delicate balance inherent in our federalist system of government.

I am married and have one child. My wife works for the Walla Walla Catholic Schools and my son attends the University of Washington. Over the years I have represented people from all walks of life. I try to treat all people whether rich or poor, young or old, sick or healthy, in a manner which shows respect for the dignity of the human soul.

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George Fearing

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Legal/Judicial Experience: Attorney with Leavy, Schultz, Davis & Fearing, PS for 30 years. George served on the Washington State Bar Association Disciplinary Board. Admitted to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, US District Court for Eastern Washington, Court of Federal Claims, Washington State and Benton Franklin County Bar Associations.

Other Professional Experience: George taught continuing legal education seminars; served as pro-bono counsel to ARC of Tri-Cities, numerous religious organizations.

Education: Juris Doctor, University of Washington Law School; Bachelors/Business Administration, *Magna cum laude*, Walla Walla College

Community Service: President of the Walla Walla University Alumni Association; Rotarian; Sabbath School teacher and church board member; Tri-City Academy Board

Statement: The son of a minister and a nurse, George Fearing's parents instilled in him an ethic of hard work and service to others. George Fearing understands that a judge does not create law, but listens intently and patiently to each side in a case and carefully applies the established law to the case.

George has earned a superior reputation for his extraordinary character, integrity, and knowledge of the law. George has argued before the Court of Appeals and State Supreme Court. George represented the counties of Benton, Franklin, Columbia, Klickitat, and Grant; and the cities of Pasco, Richland, Pullman, Clarkston, Kennewick, Walla Walla, Mesa, Moses Lake, Othello, Prosser, and others throughout Eastern and Central Washington. He has repeatedly and successfully defended law enforcement officers wrongfully sued for protecting the community. He has represented individuals harmed in accidents and employees wrongfully terminated. George excels in research and writing, skills essential for an appeals judge.

George enjoys music, traveling, and climbing Badger Mountain with his son.

"It's an honor to be appointed the Court of Appeals, and I pray that I will do an excellent job for the citizens of Washington. I respectfully ask for your vote." - George Fearing

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Dear Voter,

This year, nearly all election races in Washington State are local. Your ballot will be dominated by races for port, school board, city council, fire district board, among others. While these contests might not receive the attention of high-profile federal or statewide races, they are very important because they have a direct impact on citizens' homes, schools and communities.

Your ballot also features local measures and statewide initiatives and advisory votes. Please read this voters' pamphlet carefully and use your online resources www.co.franklin.wa.us/elections to learn more about these candidates and ballot measures.

If you have not registered to vote yet, it's not too late; register online at www.vote.wa.gov and make a difference in your community.

It's more important than ever to make your voice heard, it is an effective and powerful way for citizens to help effect change in our laws and shape our government.

Finally, I encourage you to Vote it, Sign it, Send it by November 5th!

Sincerely,



Matt Beaton

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Proposition No. 1
City of Pasco
Reduction of City Limits

A citizens' petition was filed with the Franklin County Auditor for placement on the ballot, concerning the reduction of the size of the City of Pasco. The petition describes two areas which are sought for removal from the city limits. First is an area of about 41 acres and 41 in population, in the vicinity of Road 76 and Court Street, annexed to Pasco in 2009. Second is an area of about 608 acres and 1,450 population, generally lying between Road 52 and Road 68, south of the FCID canal and north of Sylvester Street, annexed to Pasco in 2012.

Shall this proposition be:

- Approved
 Rejected

Explanatory Statement

This proposition is in response to a petition seeking reduction of the City with the removal of two areas from the Pasco City limits. If approved, approximately 649 acres plus approximately 1491 population, currently in the City, would be removed. One area is about 41 acres with a population of approximately 41, in the vicinity of Road 76 and Court Street, annexed to Pasco in 2009. Another is about 608 acres and 1450 population, generally lying between Road 52 and Road 68, south of the FCID canal and north of Sylvester Street, annexed to Pasco in 2012.

Statement For Proposition No. 1

Pasco's City Administration has long ignored the wishes of its residents. The City persistently forces residents and business to live and operate in an environment driven by the personal vision and profit of a few business and city leaders. For decades, Pasco barred citizens from significantly directing city actions. Anyone obtaining a building permit, driving on the congested roads, suffering from high density neighborhoods, walked a dog in the park, or attempted to find a sympathetic ear at City Hall understands how the City's Administration dominates residents.

We don't live in a country where governing bodies use "coercion" to impose their will or trade voting rights for life's basic necessities. After purchasing the private water system serving West Pasco, the City forced citizens to sign a "contract" exchanging their vote on annexation for water. After Pasco was unable to obtain 10% of local residents to sign the petition to annex the Chiawana area, the City manipulated the law and began self-initiating annexations without any voter involvement. Pasco bypassed the residents in 2009 and 2013, annexing 1,500 citizens against their will, requiring only the City Planner's signature. Many others who did not sign the agreements and do not use City water, are still drawn into these annexations.

Proposition 1 starts returning City control back to Pasco residents. Join the thousands of your neighbors that initiated Proposition 1, send a clear signal to City management and return control to the citizens, before the City circumvents your rights.

APPROVE Proposition 1.

Rebuttal of Statement Against

Since 1990 Pasco has grown from about 20,000 to over 65,500 residents today. Furthering this rapid, irrational growth, against County residents' ardent opposition, Pasco prematurely bit chunks out of the area's remaining rural landscape not yet suitable for suburbia. Pasco Plans to add 9,000 residents to the area, crippling infrastructure expansion, escalating traffic congestion, and increasing the tax burden for ALL Pasco taxpayers.

Restore our right to choose where we live.

APPROVE Proposition 1.

Statement Against Proposition No. 1

In 1992 Franklin County designated west Pasco as part of Pasco's "Urban Growth Area" under Washington's Growth Management Act. Since that designation Pasco has been extending services such as sewer and water into the area in exchange for commitments to annex from those receiving services.

In recent years portions of west Pasco have been annexed into the city and the infra-structure for sewer and water has been utilized as planned. By including west Pasco, the financial burden of serving all citizens can be shared across a larger tax base, benefitting everyone. Now comes a proposition to reverse a well planned future and a fair sharing of the cost of services.

A vote against Proposition No. 1 is a vote that will maintain lower water and sewer rates for all city residents and continue with established leash laws for dogs, and enforcement of dangerous dog requirements. A no vote will ensure greater law enforcement capacity. A no vote will preserve improved garbage service, providing all citizens of Pasco with unlimited collection. A no vote will maintain fulltime, professional fire and ambulance response 24/7 and offer reduced fire insurance premiums.

In short, public services are much better and more efficient in the city and, after all is said and done, we are all part of the same Pasco community: The same community for shopping; for schools; for parks and public facilities and services which benefit us all.

Maintain efficiency, quality and fairness of services: Please vote no on Proposition 1.

Rebuttal of Statement For

Proposition 1 is not about city administration forcing or coercing citizens into unwanted governance.

Proposition 1, if approved, denies many benefits and services to those recently annexed. The majority of Pasco residents including those in the annexed or soon to be annexed areas are in favor of living in Pasco and maintaining affordable services. Voting NO on Proposition 1 will allow this majority to continue to receive benefits they currently enjoy. Please DISSAPPROVE Proposition 1.

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Proposition No. 2 City of Pasco Change of Form of Government

A citizens' petition was filed with the Franklin County Auditor for placement on the ballot, concerning a change in the form of government for the City. The petition proposes that Pasco abandon its existing Council-Manager plan of government, whereby the City is governed by the elected City Council, with daily operations supervised by a professional City Manager who is appointed and removed by the City Council, and adopt a Mayor-Council plan of government, whereby daily operations are supervised by a citizen, elected as Mayor by the voters for four-year terms and possessing veto power over Council actions.

Shall this proposition be:

Accepted

Rejected

Explanatory Statement

This proposition is in response to a petition seeking to change the form of Pasco City government. If approved, this proposition requires the City to abandon the plan of government under which it has operated since 1964, the Council-Manager plan of government, whereby the City is governed by the elected City Council, with daily operations managed by a professional City Manager, appointed and removed by the City Council, and adopt a Mayor-Council plan of government, whereby daily operations are managed by a citizen, elected as Mayor by the voters for four-year terms, and possessing veto power over Council actions.

Statement For Proposition No. 2

More than 80% of Washington cities have chosen to operate under the Mayor-Council Plan. Washington's ten largest cities with populations greater than 50,000 (the population category that includes Pasco) operate under this Mayor-Council Plan. Pasco is home to numerous well-qualified, professional residents. Many such men and women are willing, capable, and prepared to run for and carry out the responsibilities of elected Mayor.

The Mayor-Council Plan separates executive and legislative powers, providing a system of checks and balances patterned after our national and state constitutions. Proposition 2 places Pasco's executive authority, including the veto, in a Mayor, elected at large. The City Council is vested with legislative, policy-making and veto override authorities.

An elected Mayor will be directly accountable to Pasco's citizens via the ballot box. Pasco citizens will be able to judge their elected Mayor on all City actions, including: land use development; traffic congestion; public safety; cost of services; permitting; regulations; balanced budgets; and helpful, courteous, responsive City staff. When something goes wrong, Pasco's elected Mayor is accountable for their actions, and may be ousted by the voters.

Pasco's elected Mayor will provide a single point of accountability for all City Departments. An elected Mayor selects and leads qualified professional managers, to fairly and honestly conduct the City's business.

Pasco's current Manager-Council system provides a token Mayor who lacks executive authority and accountability, only presiding at meetings.

Thousands of your neighbors requested this proposition be placed on the ballot. Vote to ACCEPT Proposition 2.

Rebuttal of Statement Against

Only 18% of Washington cities still employ a City Manager. For over 30 years, Pasco's City Manager has been responsible for haphazard land use development; congested streets; burdensome regulations and permitting; and an unresponsive City Hall. Despite dissatisfaction with these poor results, Pasco citizens have no say in the City Manager's performance, pay, bonuses, or benefits. Pasco residents cannot hire, fire or demand change from their City Manager. Vote to ACCEPT an elected Mayor. AnElectedMayorForPasco@gmail.com.

Statement Against Proposition No. 2

Pasco citizens chose the current Council-Manager form of government in 1964, realizing the need for a qualified professional manager with knowledge of budgeting, labor-management, planning, and economic development as opposed to a politician with limited or no city management skills. The City Council selects the City Manager and evaluates his/her performance. The current format assures immediate accountability because the manager can be fired for failing to do a good job - no waiting four years for an election. Council-manager government encourages input into the political process, diffuses the power of special interests, and eliminates partisan politics from municipal hiring, firing, and contracting decisions. It provides direct public access to the Mayor and Council by allowing the community to voice their concerns directly through elected Council members, not through staff. It frees up the elected body to establish policy to be carried out by the manager and staff.

The proposed Council-Mayor form of government dilutes elected council member representation of their constituents by giving the Mayor veto power over ordinances passed by the majority of council members. One elected official should not be granted control over the majority.

Proponents of changing Pasco's form of government are advancing a plan to "fix a system that isn't broken". The complex operations of a city require professionalism, experience and responsiveness. Pasco has thrived with accountable, effective and efficient city government for nearly 50 years; let's keep it that way. Vote no on Proposition 2, Change of Form of Government.

Rebuttal of Statement For

Thousands of your neighbors did not request this proposition, less than 1 in 10 registered voters signed it. Large cities with the Mayor-Council Plan hire additional staff to oversee daily operations, adding one more layer of cost and bureaucracy to city government. For these and numerous other reasons, an increasing number of cities are switching to our Council-Manager form of government. Don't lose a form of government that works! Vote No on Proposition 2.
pascogovernmentworks.com

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**Proposition No. 1
Fire Protection District No. 3
Proposition Authorizing the Restoration
of Existing Property Tax Levies**

The proposition will authorize the Board of Commissioners of the District to restore its regular property tax levy to an amount not to exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for collection in 2014 and to authorize setting a limit factor of 5% for each of the five succeeding years to fund emergency medical services. (This shall not be construed to authorize an excess levy and shall be subject to other applicable statutory limits.)

Should this Proposition be enacted into law?

Yes

No

Explanatory Statement

If enacted, this proposition would increase the fire protection district's levy limit to \$1.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation from its estimated 2014 levy of \$1.18 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The increased levy amount would be dedicated to the payment of expenses for maintaining, operating and equipping the fire district so it may continue to provide emergency medical service (ambulance). The authorization to maintain the \$1.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation would expire in six years.

Statement For Proposition No. 1

The "Vote Yes! for FCFD#3 Ambulance Levy" committee requests Franklin County Fire District #3 voters restore the regular property tax levy rate to \$1.50. This is not a new tax, but instead does return the levy rate to its original level established decades ago. Legislated property tax limitations over the years decreased the Fire District levy rate which would have become approximately \$1.18 in the year 2014. This levy lift dedicates ambulance service funding for the Fire District. It will pay for ambulances plus their fuel and maintenance. It will pay for emergency medical technicians, paramedics, their wages, and their continued medical training. It will also pay for medical supplies. The Fire District has been providing ambulance service this year by using reserve funds. These funds are running out. If this levy lift fails, ambulance services in FCFD #3 will stop by February, 2014. Your YES vote for this levy lift is crucial. Help save someone's life...possibly your own!

Rebuttal of Statement For

No Rebuttal of Statement Submitted.

Statement Against Proposition No. 1

No Statement Against Submitted.

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**Proposition No. 1
Fire Protection District No. 4
Proposition Authorizing the Increase of
Existing Property Tax Levies**

The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County Fire Protection District No. 4 adopted Resolution No. 6 asking voters to increase property taxes for operations and facility improvements. This proposition would increase the District's regular property tax levy by \$0.29 per \$1,000.00 over the current levy of assessed valuation for collection beginning in 2014 and use the 2014 levy amount to recalculate subsequent levy limits.

Should this proposition be:

Approved

Rejected

Explanatory Statement

Franklin County Fire District 4 commissioners have passed Resolution No. 2013-6 to place a levy increase on the November 2013 ballot. Approval of this levy will allow FCFD#4 to maintain its current level of fire protection services for the residents of Fire District 4.

Statement For Proposition No. 1

The committee for approval of the Franklin County Fire District 4 levy concurs with the commissioners and FCFD 4 personnel that passage of Proposition 1 is vital for continued operations at the present level of service and to insure an acceptable level of service for the future. The need exists for increased funding to replace outdated and inoperable equipment; replace the Hendricks Fire Station, and maintain a high degree of training and firefighting gear for the volunteers. Cost increases in all phases of fire suppression equipment make it difficult to continue at an acceptable level of safety for volunteers and the residents of Franklin County Fire District 4 at the current rate.

Rebuttal of Statement For

No Rebuttal of Statement Submitted.

Statement Against Proposition No. 1

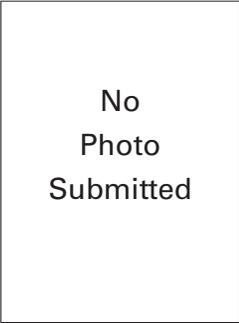
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Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: No information submitted.

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Jean Ryckman

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Elected Experience: Pasco School District Board of Directors/ Board President Port of Pasco Commission appointment.

Other Professional Experience: Port of Pasco Commission President, Franklin PUD General Manager, Downtown Pasco Development Authority Board, Tri-Cities Development Council (TRIDEC) Board, Conservation and Renewable Energy Services Board President, Public Power Council Executive Committee, PNUCC Board, Northwest River Partners Board Chair.

Education: Pasco High School graduate, Columbia Basin College, graduated with highest honors.

Community Service: United Way board, Tri-Cities Visitor and Convention Bureau board, Pasco Citizens for Better Schools board, First Night Tri-Cities Vice-Chair, Please Don't Quit volunteer, PSD Citizens Budget Committee, PUD Rate Advisory Committee, Osprey Pointe Citizens Advisory Committee.

Statement: I am proud to be running for my recently appointed position to the Port of Pasco Commission.

The Port of Pasco faces exciting growth opportunities as well as economic challenges. My unique combination of business and construction background, volunteer service, diverse community contacts, coupled with an in-depth understanding of the role of elected Commission members, serves the Port well today and for the future as it continues to grow in a fiscally responsible manner.

In my 28 years with the PUD I established relationships working with customers across Franklin County. That experience provided me a firsthand understanding of how we can all benefit or be impacted by decisions made by locally elected officials.

I was privileged to be a part of the economic development partnership between the Port, the City and the PUD which spurred the job-producing Foster Wells Industrial Park project. I look forward to more involvement with economic development opportunities for the benefit of all Franklin County residents.

I look forward to working for you, bringing more economic development to Franklin County as your Port of Pasco District 2 Commissioner.

Please vote for me, Jean Ryckman, Port of Pasco Commissioner District 2.

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Herb Brayton

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No elected experience.

Other Professional Experience: 11 years in the construction industry, 8 years small business owner, 15 years financial & contracting working under prime contracts with the US Government. I have participated in numerous employer-sponsored management and leadership training programs throughout my working career.

Education: Bachelors degree from Washington State University.

Community Service: Worked with various youth sports activities as coach, official and administrator.

Statement: Franklin County and the City of Pasco have struggled for years to balance residential development with business and industrial development. The result has been insufficient tax revenue from industry and higher taxes on local homeowners.

As a Port of Pasco commissioner I will strongly support expanded air, rail and barge capabilities to attract new development and jobs for our community.

I have worked with several Government Contractors and have been responsible for contracts over \$100 million and provided support for our military during Desert Storm and Enduring Freedom. I will use that government finance experience to seek federal funding for expansion of the Tri Cities airport commercial terminal.

I will safeguard our current job base and work to bring quality jobs to Franklin County -- including north Franklin County -- by expanding the agribusiness and food processing operations throughout the Port's operating area.

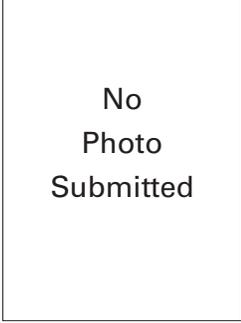
After serving in the US Army, I returned to Washington to work the construction industry. My wife and I owned and operated Jennifer's Bakery for several years.

I would be honored to put my years of private business and government finance experience to work for you at the Port of Pasco.

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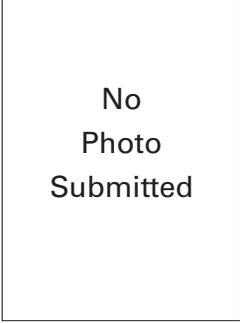
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Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
Education: No information submitted.
Community Service: No information submitted.
Statement: No information submitted.

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Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
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Kara Booker

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Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: I have had the privilege of serving on the North Franklin School District director's board for the past 8 years.

Approximately 10 years ago, when our district went through a double levy failure, our communities banded together and endured that challenge stronger than ever...I was inspired and encouraged by the renewed spirit and wanted to be a part of the momentum moving our district forward. Over the course of the last 6 years, under current leadership, there have been many exciting developments in our district, most noticeably, the new Connell Elementary School and the recently renovated Olds Jr. High School. Basin City and Mesa Elementary Schools as well as Connell High School are receiving needed improvements too. All schools, including Early Learning, Life Skills, and Palouse Junction, function with a high level of expectations. However, we don't settle... our district continually strives to further elevate our academic standards. And as always, our extra-curricular programs, whether sports, vocational, music, drama, art, etc., continue to represent our community with great pride.

I am honored to be one on a team of many, from educators to custodians, that work together to make our school district one of the best. Thank you for your support.

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(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: I am honored to once again have the opportunity to serve the communities of Basin City, Connell, Eltopia, and Mesa as a member of the Board of Directors for the North Franklin School District School. I believe in open communications between the citizens of this district, the school's Board of Directors, and the school's Administration. My goal is to continue academic growth of our students in positive ways, provide quality learning opportunities in a safe environment. I ask for your vote.

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Steven A. Christensen

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience:** None.**Other Professional Experience:** Over 20 years experience as a mechanical engineer. Washington and Idaho licensed professional engineer. Small business owner. Fluent in the Spanish language.**Education:** Royal High School, Royal City, Washington; Bachelor of Science (Engineering), Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.**Community Service:** Served as church leader in local congregation. More than 20 years working with community and church youth groups. Presently serve as Scoutmaster and past Chairman of White Bluffs District, Boy Scouts of America. Served on Pasco Youth Football board of directors.**Statement:** As a father of four Pasco school system graduates - and one current student - I believe we have an obligation to provide our children with the best education possible. I also believe we can meet this obligation in a highly effective, yet fiscally responsible manner.

We must begin the essential process of prioritizing how we spend our education dollars.

We need to attract and retain the best teachers and give them the tools and support necessary to help our students excel. We need to inspire and motivate students to learn.

We have many outstanding teachers, capable students and dedicated administrators in our district. We have a duty to hold our administrators, teachers and students accountable for making the most of the resources our community provides.

We must ensure the values promoted in our schools reflect the values of our community.

We must redirect money from school district administration back to classrooms where we get the most educational value from each dollar.

My opponent has served the Pasco School District for many years. However, I believe the time is right for new ideas and fresh perspectives to help tackle persistent old problems.

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William Leggett

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience:** First elected to the Pasco School Board in 1997.**Other Professional Experience:** Past president, secretary and member of the Pasco Kiwanis Club, past president of the Benton Franklin School Retirees Association, former adjunct professor for Eastern Washington University, former member of the Benton Franklin Drug and Alcohol Committee, former public school teacher and principal.**Education:** Graduate Teddington High School, Teddington, England, B.A. from Northwest Nazarene University, M.A. from the University of Missouri, and post-graduate work at Central Washington University.**Community Service:** No information submitted.**Statement:** I ran for the school board in 1997 because at the time I felt the Pasco School District needed more positive leadership from its board members. I am proud that over the years we have been able to provide respected leadership, and have developed a school district that is the envy of many in the state.

During my 21 years as a Pasco principal I supervised the building of McLoughlin Middle School, and New Horizons High School. This experience proved valuable as a board member when student population soared, forcing us to build several schools.

I am proud that I was part of Pasco School District Board of Directors when we were named the 2010 "School Board of the Year" by the Washington State School Directors' Association. In 2002, we received the National Magna Award, for a program known as the "Bulldog House," designed to help prepare students for successful school-to-work transitions.

During my years on the board I have made a point of not just attending board meetings, but also visiting schools and talking with staff, students and parents on a regular basis.

As Pasco continues to grow, I believe my long history with the district is still needed.

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Sherry Lancon

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: Pasco School Board: Appointed and Elected in 2007, Re-Elected in 2009, Vice President: 2010-2011, President: 2011-Present, Past Area Legislative Representative for WSSDA.

Other Professional Experience: US Bank: 1976-1996, Assistant Vice President & Branch Manager: Sterling Bank 1996-2013.

Education: Redlands High School/Pacific High School, San Bernardino Valley College.

Community Service: Past President: Pasco Chamber of Commerce, Past President: Consumer, Credit Counseling Board, Co-Chair: Pasco Citizens for Better Schools 2005, Tri-City Chamber of Commerce: Long time Member & Volunteer, Community Leadership Award from Southeast Washington Association of School Administrators, Volunteered in Various Capacities in the Pasco School District Including: Senior Projects Judge, Enterprise Judge, Mock Interviews, etc.

Statement: For the past seven years it has been my honor and privilege to serve on the Pasco School District Board of Directors. I serve because I care deeply about the children of our community and I am committed to providing pathways to success for all of them. I serve because I am proud to support the employees of the District who work hard every day to give our children the best facilities, meals, transportation and education possible. This is an exciting time in Pasco as we further expand our Science Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) curriculum, preparing our students for college and for the high-demand jobs and careers that await them in our community and beyond, and I am excited to be part of it. I have a vested interest in the future of our schools because my grandchildren are Pasco students, like their parents and grandparents before them. I am proud to be a part of the tradition of excellence in education in Pasco. I am grateful that I live in a community that values and supports the education of our children. I would appreciate your continued support as we move forward together in support of our children.

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Javier F. Ruiz

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: 15 years public service in Department of Social and Health Services, Financial Services.

Education: Graduate of Connell High School, 1990; Graduate of Columbia Basin College, 1992; Graduate of Eastern Washington University, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, 1994.

Community Service: 10+ years coaching Pasco youth sports; 3+ years Boy Scouts of America Scout Leader; 5+ years church youth group leader; member of a nationally recognized children's music band.

Statement: As a community we are obligated to provide a quality education for our children and to provide quality educational facilities for them. We are also obligated to our citizens to make the most of the funds they provide.

In a time of limited resources, we must adopt innovative approaches to address new concerns and challenges. There are many issues to address... school performance, fiscal responsibility and student safety, just to name a few. They must be governed in a responsible way with total integrity and also take into account of how they may impact our children and our community. The same old approaches will only give us the same old results and the answer cannot always be "more money".

While we have accomplished much as a school district, we should expect higher results considering how much we have invested. We must reevaluate expectations, accept accountability and maintain high standards. We should also recognize, reward and encourage the positive.

With a renewed commitment to such principles, we can provide creative solutions to help us achieve new levels of excellence in all Pasco schools! Let's stand together and make a difference! This is my pledge. Thank you for your support!

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Amy L. Phillips

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted.**Other Professional Experience:** Homemaker and mother of 6, School Tutor/Student Tracker, Substitute Teacher, General Contractor/Homebuilder.**Education:** Graduate Connell High School; BA in Mathematics Education from Brigham Young University, 1996.**Community Service:** Classroom volunteer, PTA member, Foster Parent, Church Youth Group leader, Sunday School Teacher, Boy Scouts of America Troop 116 Committee member.**Statement:** My husband and I have 6 children (5-18 years old) with abilities ranging from special needs to highly capable. Our love of children led us to adopt one child and be foster parents to several others.

We have children in Pasco elementary, middle, and high schools. I've also home-schooled one of my children.

Every child should be challenged to achieve his/her best, and every parent has a right to be heard and respected by the school board.

Regrettably, 10 of 19 Pasco schools score in the bottom 10% of Washington schools. Some are making meaningful gains, but EVERY school in PSD should excel.

Socioeconomic and budgetary challenges are too often blamed for poor performance. Similar school districts throughout the country are succeeding despite those obstacles – and we can too! We should be thoroughly investigating what makes those districts successful.

It's time for the school board, administrators (especially principals), and teachers to work together to overcome present barriers that expand bureaucracy and limit problem solving.

Those efforts should include accurate student (and teacher) assessments, and a school board focused on student achievement.

I want to build academically successful schools that are challenging, inspiring, and empowering to all students.

Darrell L. Toombs Jr.

(Nonpartisan)

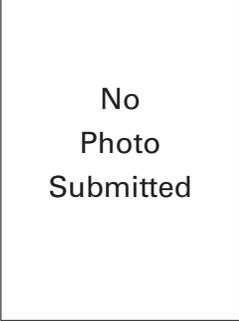
**Elected Experience:** No information submitted.**Other Professional Experience:** Darrell Toombs is the store manager of Yokes Fresh Market in West Richland. He started with the company in 1989 and worked in Spokane, Sandpoint, ID, and Deer Park, WA before coming to the Tri-Cities.**Education:** East Valley High School, Spokane, WA; Spokane Community College, Associate of Arts degree.**Community Service:** Past President West Richland Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Tri Cities Class XV, active with Junior Achievement, President of the Red Mountain Lions Club.**Statement:** I have lived in Pasco since 2003 when I moved from Spokane, WA where I grew up. It was an honor to have been appointed to the Pasco School Board and it is a privilege to be able to serve the students, parents, teachers and community of the Pasco School District. If re-elected I would continue to work with my fellow board members to provide the best learning environment for our students. This responsibility also includes providing the tools for our teachers and administrators to allow them to be as effective in the classroom as they can. Having three children in the district myself I have a vested interest in how our students are receiving their education and I want to try and make a positive impact for not only my children but all of our students. Thank you.

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Nicole VanHollebeke

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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: No information submitted.

Boyd Peterson

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: No information submitted.

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Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: No information submitted.

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Gary Walton

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: I am running for office again to continue improving service to the citizens of Connell. I have been involved in the city for over 34 years.

I volunteer as a Police reserve officer and for the fire department. I have put in 27 years as a council person and Mayor in the 34 years.

I've lived in Connell. I have kept in touch with the citizens. I meet with our children in the park and try to keep improving what they would like to see in our Parks.

I retired from the phone company after 32 years of installing services and repairing copper and fiber cables and equipment.

I am involved with the Knights of Columbus, organization of the Catholic Church, we raise funds and help the food banks, special Olympics and others.

I also on the board for Community Action Connections which helps those that need help with rent and power. BFCOC, This is part of Benton Franklin Human Service Department, we work with the provider to help our military, homeless people and teens. I sit on other boards also.

Bruce Blacky Blackwell

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

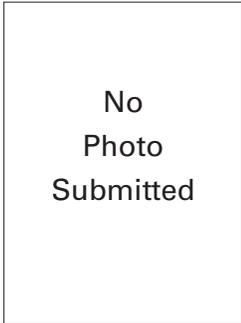
Statement: I first arrived in Connell in the spring of 1983 while working a shutdown at Hanfords 100 N reactor. I was fortunate to have a close friend to stay with while in town. As it turned out, Connell was a great place to live, so I spent the next 30 years living in town. Connell has gone thru a lot changes, some good, some bad. The bad, was lack of foresight by the old guard. The good was brought about by forward thinking and wanting to fix a problem, not ignoring it. The world around us is rapidly evolving and we need to be ready to meet the challenges. So I say that change is good for Connell, if common sense used. In all my endeavors, I will always use my unique problem solving abilities to keep Connell on the right path and her welfare paramount. Thank you for your time.

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Monty Huber

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

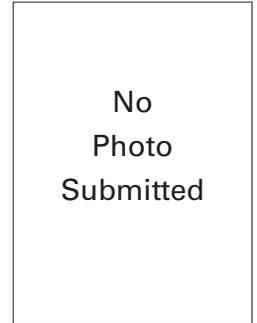
Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: No information submitted.

Rhonda K. Quinton

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: No information submitted.

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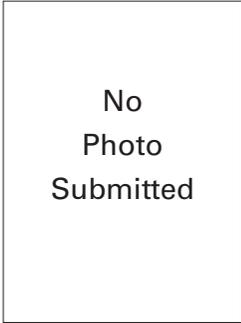
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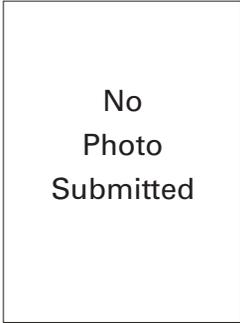
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Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
Education: No information submitted.
Community Service: No information submitted.
Statement: No information submitted.

Joe Escalera

(Nonpartisan)



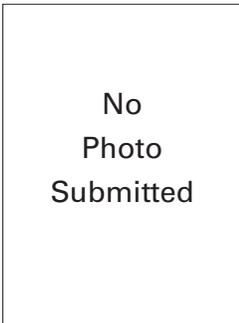
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Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
Education: No information submitted.
Community Service: No information submitted.
Statement: No information submitted.

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Ray H. Minor

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: I have been serving as councilman since January of this year and have, in a small way been able to help bring about some good changes to our city. I would like to continue.

Kathryn Silva

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: It is an exciting and educational window of opportunity to work with my local peers and be a part of solving the issues facing our community. The reason I am attracted to the City Council position is the enhanced understanding of the analytical skills and conceptual tools necessary to move forward in our present society. I have a strong personal commitment of learning skills that will make me a valued asset to my community. I am involved with voluntary organizations and clubs. Through this work I was given positions within the organizations with high levels of responsibility, which was amazing, and I gained a great sense of achievement. Therefore I am grateful and appreciative for being chosen to represent Connell.

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Patti A. Hamilton

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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

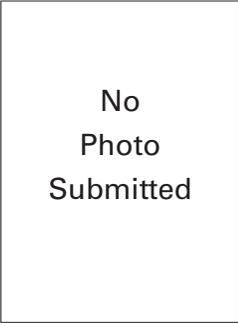
Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: As I search my heart for reasons to continue my service for you, the People of the City of Kahlotus, it is bursting with answers! I am very proud of the accomplishments and ongoing success of the City Council and Staff. The new sidewalks, infrastructure projects, website development and public records management, positive accountability within the business structure, increased and consistent communication with community members (Tuesday afternoon open-audience is my favorite day of the week!), exponential growth with new businesses and housing, the skate-park project, beautification / clean-up, diligence with Franklin County, Olympia, your representatives and funding resources: those are just the day-to-day of running a city. Although I am pleased with the past two and a half years, there is still so far to go; so many promises to be kept; projects to finish and to begin anew. But the reason is still YOU. I carry your voice, your challenges, your dreams, with me and to the council table, and if you give me the honor of continued service, so I am and will be Your Mayor. I thank you for this opportunity to fulfill my deep belief in contribution, and I look forward to continuing our journey, together.

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Sharee Beckner

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.
Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
Education: No information submitted.
Community Service: No information submitted.
Statement: No information submitted.

Marcia Robitaille

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.
Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
Education: No information submitted.
Community Service: No information submitted.
Statement: Hello, my name is Marcia Robitaille and I am running for City of Kahlotus, Councilmember, Position 2. I have lived in Kahlotus since 1998 and I am running to try to help the City of Kahlotus become a community that all can be proud of to call home. If I get elected, I will be honest in all my dealings, and will think of the needs of my constituents over the needs of myself or special interests. I want to see Kahlotus become the community its citizens envision, which is welcoming to both citizens and visitors.

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Michael Robitaille

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

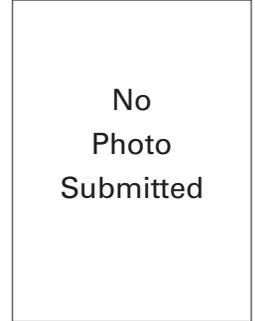
Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: Hello, my name is Michael Robitaille. I am running for City of Kahlotus City Council Position 3. I am running to try and help make Kahlotus a community of the Twenty-first Century, welcoming to all, citizens and visitors alike. If I am elected, I want the comments and concerns of the citizens to be heard. The needs of the community are foremost on my mind as I want to see Kahlotus thrive and become prosperous.

As an Eagle Scout, and concerned citizen, I will do what I can to do what is asked of me by the citizens of Kahlotus to help the city become a community families want to live in.

Scott Williams

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

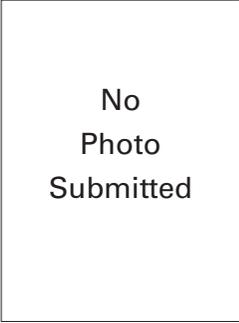
Statement: No information submitted.

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Elizabeth Guizar

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.
Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
Education: No information submitted.
Community Service: No information submitted.
Statement: No information submitted.

David M. Ferguson

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.
Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
Education: No information submitted.
Community Service: No information submitted.
Statement: No information submitted.

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Aaron E. Beasley

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: Vice-President & President of Pasco School District.

Other Professional Experience: 6 years Administration/ Firefighter in the US Marine Corp Reserve, 30 year Firefighter/EMT - City of Pasco Fire Department, 10 years - Pasco Reserve Police Officer, Appointed June 2008, by direction of President George W Bush to Selective Service Board, State of WA.

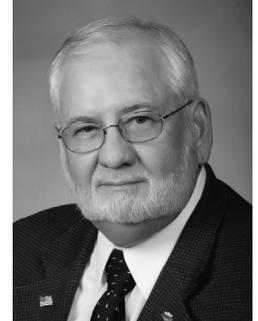
Education: Pasco High Graduate 1979, Columbia Basin College.

Community Service: Trainer/Educator - Junior Achievement of Tri-Cities, WA, Founder/Developer/ Coach- Pasco Grid Kids Football Complex, President/ Founder Tri-River Sports/Bouncing Around for Development of Columbia Park West.

Statement: Advocate for local community involvement so all districts will be equally represented to preserve and support strong family participation and lifestyle, i.e. community libraries, community schools, and community pools. Striving to promote private sector growth and enhancement; ensuring equal representation for all.

Mike Garrison

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: Pasco City Council for 25 years (6 years as Mayor, 9 years Mayor Pro-tem, 10 years District #2 Councilman).

Other Professional Experience: 8 years United States Air Force, 39 years Industrial Sales, 10 years President and Owner of A-L Compressed Gases, Inc., Chairman – Hanford Communities Board, Vice-Chairman for BF Transit for 10 years, TRIDEC Board Member, TC Visitor & Convention Board Member.

Education: Graduated Atchison H.S., Atchison, KS, Graduated United States Air Force Personnel School, Graduated United States Air Force Microwave Communications School, Graduated J.M. Perry Institute, Industrial Electronics. Yakima, WA.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: Hello, my name is Mike Garrison. I have proudly served the citizens of Pasco for the last 25 years. Pasco's population has grown 68% in the last 10 years. We have provided new infrastructure to meet that growth without increasing taxes. We have lowered our property tax rate 28% in the last ten years. Pasco's crime rate is the lowest in the Tri-Cities, having decreased 27%. I proposed to the Council to build the water reuse facility which helped bring Resers, Simplot, and Twin City Foods to Pasco. This in turn brought many new jobs to Pasco. Our softball, baseball, and soccer complexes are among the best in the state. The Memorial pool was recently updated, and Richardson and Kurtzman pools are in design phase to be converted to spray parks in the near future. I support the proposed aquatic center. We are proud of our new west Pasco library which opened this year. I have been involved in all of these projects and I want to continue keeping Pasco the leading community in the Tri-Cities. My experience and leadership will help continue orderly growth and lower taxes. Thank you for your support and your vote in the upcoming election.

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Bob Hoffmann
(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: Pasco City Council; appointed 2005, re-elected 2005 and 2009.

Other Professional Experience: Owner/manager of Hoffmann Properties. Twenty years at Hanford through 2002. Adjunct instructor of Business Law at CBC.

Education: BS Building Construction and Design; MBA; State Bar of California First Year Law Students Exam; Washington Real Estate Salesperson Exam; Certificate of Municipal Leadership.

Community Service: President of Franklin County Mosquito Control District. Serve on Good Roads and Transportation Association and Transportation Policy Advisory Committee. Volunteer at Union Gospel Mission. Bob and his family are active at Crossview Community Church.

Statement: A resident of Pasco for 32 years, I have been privileged to serve Pasco citizens and taxpayers for the past eight years. During these years I have supported initiatives and projects to improve infrastructure and industrial development, and voted "no" on projects less essential to the community. My record has supported the rights of individual property owners, while opposing tax increases and burdensome regulations. I remain committed to limited government, low taxes, and a safe, business and family friendly city. I served on committees to upgrade Memorial Pool and renegotiate the Library contract. Since I am "grateful to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe for our liberties," my faith informs positions I take on the council.

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Saul Martinez
(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: Served on the Pasco School Board of Directors for 6 years, which two of those years were served as Board President. Appointed on the City Council in June of 2010.

Other Professional Experience: Environmental Compliance Officer for Mission Support Alliance. President/Owner of Desert Plateau Transport Inc. Leadership Tri-Cities Class XV.

Education: Graduate of Connell High School. Associate of Arts at Columbia Basin College.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: I am running for City Council, District 4 to continue my passion of providing opportunities for success and improving the quality of life for the citizens of Pasco. With my experience and passion for helping people, I believe I can continue to provide leadership that will move Pasco in a positive direction. For the past 9 years I have been serving the community in different capacities and have found a sense of satisfaction knowing that my efforts have provided growth for a promising future and opportunities for the citizens of Pasco. Through my experience in public service, I have seen many elements that make up a city ranging from economic development, to human needs and services. With a good common sense approach, innovative ideas and the ability to work well with others, I believe I can continue to make difficult decisions and provide good direction to help build a stronger community. I am aware of the many challenges that we face as a city and I am willing to be a part of the process to keep Pasco safe, vibrant and a quality place to live.

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Stu Nelson

(Nonpartisan)



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Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

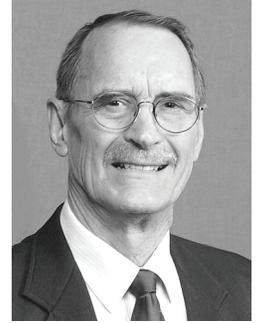
Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: No information submitted.

Tom Larsen

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: At the end of this year I will have served for 12 years on Pasco City Council. At present I have lived in Pasco for over 34 years.

Other Professional Experience: Worked my way through college by housing and street construction. I was an electrician in the U. S. Navy.

Education: College degrees are a B. A. in Economics and Masters in Business & Finance. My occupational experience after college has been as an industrial engineer, mortgage loan officer, and real estate broker.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: I believe the city council and city staff exists to serve the people of Pasco. The resident's top concerns are excellent police and fire protection. Therefore city staff and council members need to recognize that taxpayers are their employers.

The right to bear arms as mandated in the Washington State Constitution is a right that I strive not to infringe.

When revising codes and zone changes, their effect on resident's property values is my prime consideration. I helped influence use of the existing sewer plant, as opposed to building another near Road 107.

The city council's job is to write and approve ordinances; it is not the city staff's job. This is the separation of powers principle.

The council has "banked" the unused portion of allowed property tax rate. I am against this because the only reason the full amount has not been used was due to our rapid growth and increase in property values.

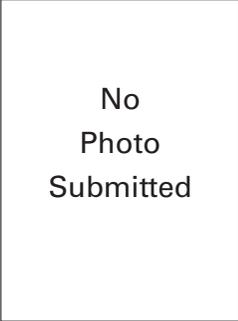
To keep cost down I voted against the manager's bonus, and not going into debt for frills. Economic development for Pasco could be good paying jobs in industry. One should pursue economic development without redistribution of wealth.

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Todd Van Hollebeke

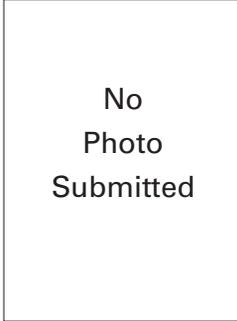
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Elected Experience: No information submitted.
Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
Education: No information submitted.
Community Service: No information submitted.
Statement: No information submitted.

Dick Moore

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: No information submitted.
Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
Education: No information submitted.
Community Service: No information submitted.
Statement: No information submitted.

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Ronald Shuck

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: FCFD# 3 Fire commissioner for past 17 years.

Other Professional Experience: 26Year Navy Officer Veteran, Member of Washington State Fire Commissioners Association, WFCB By-Laws Committee Chairman, Secretary Tri-County Fire Commissioners Association for 10 years, 27 years as Volunteer Fire Fighter for FCFD# 3, Initial member of Tri-County Hazardous Material Team.

Education: Graduated North High School, Evansville Indiana, Utilizing extension Courses, completed 2Years College through University of South Carolina while in the Navy.

Community Service: 27 years volunteer Firefighter/ Medical Responder, assorted committees and projects for Kennewick First UMC, Local and State Commissioners Associations committees.

Statement: Ron has always given highest Priority to serving his country and community. He continues to respond as a volunteer Firefighter and First Responder while serving as a Commissioner. Under his tenure as Commissioner the Fire Department has never requested additional funding from tax payers for equipment or other requirements. He helped develop budgets that are realistic and meet Mandatory requirements ensuring each dollar is spent wisely.

Ron advocates serving and protecting one's community and provides Leadership to do so. He believes the Fire Service should protect lives and Property, Treat all personnel with care/Dignity and act with integrity and professionalism at all times. He would be honored to continue working for citizens of the District.

Lisa C. Douglas

(Nonpartisan)



Elected Experience: Experience working with local, state and national elected officials on a variety of community issues.

Other Professional Experience: For the past fourteen years, I have owned and operated a small natural farm with educational classes and campsite facilities. My husband of 29 years, Roger Lenk, two adopted sons and I have enjoyed and supported the rural lifestyle available within the boundaries of the District.

Education: Bachelor of Science Degree, Business Administration-Accounting, California State Polytechnic University. State Certified Professional Photographer.

Community Service: Over 37 years of leadership roles with International Order of Job's Daughters, 4-H, American Rabbit Breeders Association, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Church.

Statement: In 2011, current Commissioners entered into an agreement with the City of Pasco to abandon the "Riverview" area. This was done without public knowledge, input or support. Citizen and County leaders blocked the arrangement. I will not support the forced annexation of District territories.

During this turmoil, Commissioners sought a \$360,000 annual Levy to cover \$90,000 in new costs. The measure was placed on the ballot after prodding by the City of Pasco. The measure lacked public input or support. I will continually ensure the public has knowledge of an issue, and solicit public input and support, prior to taking decisions impacting District residents.

Current Commissioners also serve as District volunteer firefighters. While such service is appreciated, this creates a conflict of interest between themselves, the District and District residents/taxpayers. I will be an "Independent" Commissioner and ensure that fiduciary interests of those residing in the District are primary.

I will continue to support the District's stand-alone ambulance service. I will utilize my accounting experience to closely monitor District finances and ensure more effective use of existing resources.

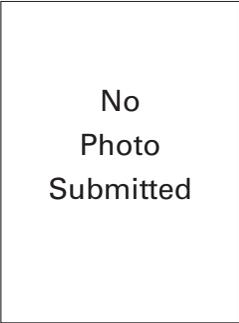
I respectfully request your vote, and look forward to serving as your next Fire District Commissioner.

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Galen Koelzer

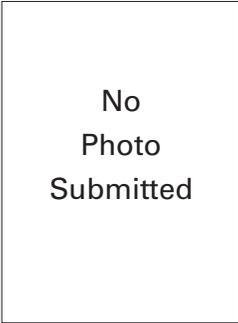
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Elected Experience: No information submitted.
Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.
Education: No information submitted.
Community Service: No information submitted.
Statement: No information submitted.

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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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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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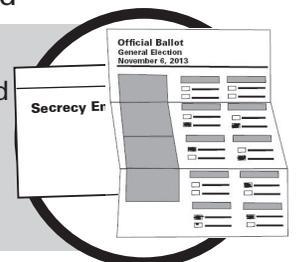
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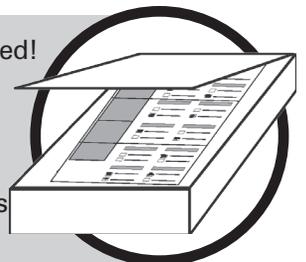
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GENERAL ELECTION**

3,172,939

ballots were counted in Washington State