
HOUSE BILL 1113

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1 AN ACT Relating to filing initiative petitions; and amending RCW
2 29.79.020.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 29.79.020 and 1987 c 161 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Petitions for an initiative measure((s)) proposed to be submitted
7 to the people must be filed with the secretary of state within ((ten))
8 twelve months ((prior to the election at which they are to be
9 submitted, and the petitions therefor must be)) of the date the measure
10 is filed with the secretary of state. The petitions must also be filed
11 with the secretary of state not less than four months before the
12 ((next)) general state-wide election at which the measure is to be
13 voted upon.

14 Petitions for an initiative measure((s)) proposed to be submitted
15 to the legislature must be filed with the secretary of state within
16 ((ten)) twelve months ((prior to the next regular session of the
17 legislature at which they are to be submitted and the petitions
18 therefor)) of the date the measure is filed with the secretary of
19 state. The petitions must also be filed with the secretary of state

1 not less than ten days before (~~such~~) the regular session of the
2 legislature to which the measure is to be submitted.

3 A petition ordering that any act or part thereof passed by the
4 legislature be referred to the people must be filed with the secretary
5 of state within ninety days after the final adjournment of the
6 legislative session at which the act was passed. It may be submitted
7 at the next general state-wide election or at a special election
8 ordered by the legislature.

9 (~~A proposed initiative or referendum measure may be filed no
10 earlier than the opening of the secretary of state's office for
11 business pursuant to RCW 42.04.060 on the first day filings are
12 permitted, and any~~) An initiative or referendum petition must be filed
13 not later than the close of business on the last business day in the
14 specified period for submission of signatures. If a filing deadline
15 falls on a Saturday, the office of the secretary of state shall be open
16 on that Saturday for the transaction of business under this section
17 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on that Saturday.

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