House Chamber, Olympia, Wednesday, March 17, 2021

(a) By December 31, 2021, if the jurisdiction is scheduled to elect members to its governing body in 2022; or

(b) By November 15, 2022, if the jurisdiction is not scheduled to elect members to its governing body in 2022.

(4) The plan shall be consistent with the following criteria:

(a) Each internal director, council, or commissioner district shall be as nearly equal in population as possible to each and every other such district comprising the municipal corporation, county, or special purpose district.

(b) Each district shall be as compact as possible.

(c) Each district shall consist of geographically contiguous area.

(d) Population data may not be used for purposes of favoring or disfavoring any racial group or political party.

(e) To the extent feasible and if not inconsistent with the basic enabling legislation for the municipal corporation, county, or district, the district boundaries shall coincide with existing recognized natural boundaries and shall, to the extent possible, preserve existing communities of related and mutual interest.

(5) During the adoption of its plan, the municipal corporation, county, or district shall ensure that full and reasonable public notice of its actions is provided. Before adopting the plan, the municipal corporation, county, or district must:

(a) Publish the draft plan and hold a meeting, including notice and comment, within ten days of publishing the draft plan and at least one week before adopting the plan; and

(b) Amend the draft as necessary after receiving public comments and resubmit any amended draft plan for additional written public comment at least one week before adopting the plan.

(6)(a) Any registered voter residing in an area affected by the redistricting
plan may request review of the adopted local plan by the superior court of the county in which he or she resides, within fifteen days of the plan's adoption. Any request for review must specify the reason or reasons alleged why the local plan is not consistent with the applicable redistricting criteria. The municipal corporation, county, or district may be joined as respondent. The superior court shall thereupon review the challenged plan for compliance with the applicable redistricting criteria set out in subsection (4) of this section.

(b) If the superior court finds the plan to be consistent with the requirements of this section, the plan shall take effect immediately.

(c) If the superior court determines the plan does not meet the requirements of this section, in whole or in part, it shall remand the plan for further or corrective action within a specified and reasonable time period.

(d) If the superior court finds that any request for review is frivolous or has been filed solely for purposes of harassment or delay, it may impose appropriate sanctions on the party requesting review, including payment of attorneys' fees and costs to the respondent municipal corporation, county, or district.

Sec. 2. RCW 29A.76.010 and 2018 c 301 s 8 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) It is the responsibility of each county, municipal corporation, and special purpose district with a governing body comprised of internal director, council, or commissioner districts not based on statutorily required land ownership criteria to periodically redistrict its governmental unit, based on population information from the most recent federal decennial census.

(2) Within forty-five days after receipt of federal decennial census information applicable to a specific local area, the commission established in RCW 44.05.030 shall forward the census information to each municipal corporation, county, and district charged with redistricting under this section.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in chapter 301, Laws of 2018, no later than November 15th of each year ending in one, the governing body of the municipal corporation, county, or district shall prepare a plan for redistricting its internal or director districts.

(4) The plan shall be consistent with the following criteria:

(a) Each internal director, council, or commissioner district shall be as nearly equal in population as possible to each and every other such district comprising the municipal corporation, county, or special purpose district.

(b) Each district shall be as compact as possible.

(c) Each district shall consist of geographically contiguous area.

(d) Population data may not be used for purposes of favoring or disfavoring any racial group or political party.

(e) To the extent feasible and if not inconsistent with the basic enabling legislation for the municipal corporation, county, or district, the district boundaries shall coincide with existing recognized natural boundaries and shall, to the extent possible, preserve existing communities of related and mutual interest.

(5) During the adoption of its plan, the municipal corporation, county, or district shall ensure that full and reasonable public notice of its actions is provided. Before adopting the plan, the municipal corporation, county, or district must:

(a) Publish the draft plan and hold a meeting, including notice and comment, within ten days of publishing the draft plan and at least one week before adopting the plan; and

(b) Amend the draft as necessary after receiving public comments and resubmit any amended draft plan for additional written public comment at least one week before adopting the plan.

(6) (a) Any registered voter residing in an area affected by the redistricting plan may request review of the adopted local plan by the superior court of the county in which he or she resides, within fifteen days of the plan's adoption. Any request for review must specify the reason or reasons alleged why the local plan is not consistent with the applicable redistricting criteria. The municipal corporation, county, or district may be joined as respondent. The
superior court shall thereupon review the challenged plan for compliance with the applicable redistricting criteria set out in subsection (4) of this section.

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(d) If the superior court finds that any request for review is frivolous or has been filed solely for purposes of harassment or delay, it may impose appropriate sanctions on the party requesting review, including payment of attorneys' fees and costs to the respondent municipal corporation, county, or district.

Sec. 3. RCW 29A.92.050 and 2019 c 454 s 1 and 2019 c 64 s 8 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) Prior to the adoption of its proposed plan, the political subdivision must provide public notice to residents of the subdivision about the proposed remedy to a potential violation of RCW 29A.92.020. If a significant segment of the residents of the subdivision have limited English proficiency and speak a language other than English, the political subdivision must:

(i) Provide accurate written and verbal notice of the proposed remedy in languages that diverse residents of the political subdivision can understand, as indicated by demographic data; and

(ii) Air radio or television public service announcements describing the proposed remedy broadcast in the languages that diverse residents of the political subdivision can understand, as indicated by demographic data.

(b) The political subdivision shall hold at least one public hearing on the proposed plan at least one week before adoption.

(c) For purposes of this section, "significant segment of the community" means five percent or more of residents, or five hundred or more residents, whichever is fewer, residing in the political subdivision.

(2)(a) If the political subdivision invokes its authority under RCW 29A.92.040 and the plan is adopted during the period of time between the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November and on or before January 15th of the following year, the political subdivision shall order new elections to occur at the next succeeding general election.

(b) If the political subdivision invokes its authority under RCW 29A.92.040 and the plan is adopted during the period of time between January 16th and on or before the first Monday of November, the next election will occur as scheduled and organized under the current electoral system, but the political subdivision shall order new elections to occur pursuant to the remedy at the general election the following calendar year.

(3) If a political subdivision implements a district-based election system under RCW 29A.92.040(2), the plan shall be consistent with the following criteria:

(a) Each district shall be as reasonably equal in population as possible to each and every other such district comprising the political subdivision.

(b) Each district shall be reasonably compact.

(c) Each district shall consist of geographically contiguous area.

(d) To the extent feasible, the district boundaries shall coincide with existing recognized natural boundaries and shall, to the extent possible, preserve existing communities of related and mutual interest.

(e) District boundaries may not be drawn or maintained in a manner that creates or perpetuates the dilution of the votes of the members of a protected class or classes.

(f) All positions on the governing body must stand for election at the next election for the governing body, scheduled pursuant to subsection (2) of this section. The governing body may subsequently choose to stagger the terms of its positions.

(4) Within forty-five days after receipt of federal decennial census information applicable to a specific local area, the commission established in
RCW 44.05.030 shall forward the census information to each political subdivision.

(5) (No later than eight months after its receipt of federal decennial census data, the) The governing body of the political subdivision that had previously invoked its authority under RCW 29A.92.040 to implement a district-based election system, or that was previously charged with redistricting under RCW 29A.92.110, shall prepare a plan for redistricting its districts, pursuant to RCW 29A.76.010, and in a manner consistent with this chapter:

(a) By December 31, 2021, if the political subdivision is scheduled to elect members to its governing body in 2022; or

(b) By November 15, 2022, if the political subdivision is not scheduled to elect members to its governing body in 2022.

Sec. 4. RCW 29A.92.050 and 2019 c 454 s 1 and 2019 c 64 s 8 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) Prior to the adoption of its proposed plan, the political subdivision must provide public notice to residents of the subdivision about the proposed remedy to a potential violation of RCW 29A.92.020. If a significant segment of the residents of the subdivision have limited English proficiency and speaks a language other than English, the political subdivision must:

(i) Provide accurate written and verbal notice of the proposed remedy in languages that diverse residents of the political subdivision can understand, as indicated by demographic data; and

(ii) Air radio or television public service announcements describing the proposed remedy broadcast in the languages that diverse residents of the political subdivision can understand, as indicated by demographic data.

(b) The political subdivision shall hold at least one public hearing on the proposed plan at least one week before adoption.

(c) For purposes of this section, "significant segment of the community" means five percent or more of residents, or five hundred or more residents, whichever is fewer, residing in the political subdivision.

(2)(a) If the political subdivision invokes its authority under RCW 29A.92.040 and the plan is adopted during the period of time between the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November and on or before January 15th of the following year, the political subdivision shall order new elections to occur at the next succeeding general election.

(b) If the political subdivision invokes its authority under RCW 29A.92.040 and the plan is adopted during the period of time between January 16th and on or before the first Monday of November, the next election will occur as scheduled and organized under the current electoral system, but the political subdivision shall order new elections to occur pursuant to the remedy at the general election the following calendar year.

(3) If a political subdivision implements a district-based election system under RCW 29A.92.040(2), the plan shall be consistent with the following criteria:

(a) Each district shall be as reasonably equal in population as possible to each and every other such district comprising the political subdivision.

(b) Each district shall be reasonably compact.

(c) Each district shall consist of geographically contiguous area.

(d) To the extent feasible, the district boundaries shall coincide with existing recognized natural boundaries and shall, to the extent possible, preserve existing communities of related and mutual interest.

(e) District boundaries may not be drawn or maintained in a manner that creates or perpetuates the dilution of the votes of the members of a protected class or classes.

(f) All positions on the governing body must stand for election at the next election for the governing body, scheduled pursuant to subsection (2) of this section. The governing body may subsequently choose to stagger the terms of its positions.

(4) Within forty-five days after receipt of federal decennial census information applicable to a specific local area, the commission established in
RCW 44.05.030 shall forward the census information to each political subdivision.

(5) No later than ((eight months after its receipt of federal decennial census data)) November 15th of each year ending in one, the governing body of the political subdivision that had previously invoked its authority under RCW 29A.92.040 to implement a district-based election system, or that was previously charged with redistricting under RCW 29A.92.110, shall prepare a plan for redistricting its districts, pursuant to RCW 29A.76.010, and in a manner consistent with this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Sections 1 and 3 of this act expire January 1, 2023.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Sections 2 and 4 of this act take effect January 1, 2023.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. Sections 1 and 3 of this act are necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and take effect immediately."

Correct the title.
SB 5131  Prime Sponsor, Senator Holy: Concerning county clerks duties related to recall petitions. Reported by Committee on State Government & Tribal Relations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Valdez, Chair; Lekanoff, Vice Chair; Volz, Ranking Minority Member; Walsh, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Dolan; Graham and Gregerson.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2021

SB 5296  Prime Sponsor, Senator Schoesler: Modifying the definition of index for the Washington state patrol retirement system. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Ormsby, Chair; Bergquist, Vice Chair; Gregerson, Vice Chair; Macri, Vice Chair; Stokesbary, Ranking Minority Member; Chambers, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Corry, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; MacEwen, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Boehnke; Caldier; Chandler; Chopp; Cody; Dolan; Dye; Fitzgibbon; Frame; Hansen; Harris; Hoff; Jacobsen; Johnson, J.; Lekanoff; Pollet; Rude; Ryu; Schmick; Senn; Springer; Steele; Stonier; Sullivan and Tharinger.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2021

SB 5303  Prime Sponsor, Senator Hunt: Exempting United States food and drug administration nonpublic information from disclosure under the state public disclosure act. Reported by Committee on State Government & Tribal Relations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Valdez, Chair; Lekanoff, Vice Chair; Volz, Ranking Minority Member; Dolan and Gregerson.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Walsh, Assistant Ranking Minority Member and Graham.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2021

SB 5322  Prime Sponsor, Senator Robinson: Prohibiting dual enrollment between school employees' benefits board and public employees' benefits board programs. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Ormsby, Chair; Bergquist, Vice Chair; Gregerson, Vice Chair; Macri, Vice Chair; Stokesbary, Ranking Minority Member; Chambers, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Corry, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; MacEwen, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Boehnke; Caldier; Chandler; Chopp; Cody; Dolan; Dye; Fitzgibbon; Frame; Hansen; Harris; Hoff; Jacobsen; Johnson, J.; Lekanoff; Pollet; Rude; Ryu; Schmick; Senn; Springer; Steele; Stonier; Sullivan and Tharinger.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2021

SB 5367  Prime Sponsor, Senator Conway: Directing the department of retirement systems to create rules regarding automatic refunds of retirement contributions in the retirement systems listed in RCW 41.50.030. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Ormsby, Chair; Bergquist, Vice Chair; Gregerson, Vice Chair; Macri, Vice Chair; Stokesbary, Ranking Minority Member; Chambers, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Corry, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; MacEwen, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Boehnke; Caldier; Chandler; Chopp; Cody; Dolan; Dye; Fitzgibbon; Frame; Hansen; Harris; Hoff; Jacobsen; Johnson, J.; Lekanoff; Pollet; Rude; Ryu; Schmick; Senn; Springer; Steele; Stonier; Sullivan and Tharinger.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2021

SB 5431  Prime Sponsor, Senator Randall: Creating the Rosa Franklin legislative internship program scholarship. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Ormsby, Chair; Bergquist, Vice Chair; Gregerson, Vice Chair; Macri, Vice Chair; Stokesbary, Ranking Minority Member; Chambers, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Corry, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; MacEwen, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Boehnke; Caldier; Chandler; Chopp; Cody; Dolan; Dye; Fitzgibbon; Frame; Hansen; Harris; Hoff; Jacobsen; Johnson, J.; Lekanoff; Pollet; Rude; Ryu; Schmick; Senn; Springer; Steele; Stonier; Sullivan and Tharinger.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

March 25, 2021
There being no objection, the bills listed on the day’s committee reports under the fifth order of business were referred to the committees so designated.

The Speaker assumed the chair.

There being no objection, the House reverted to the first order of business.

The House was called to order by the Speaker. The Clerk called the roll and a quorum was present.

The Speaker led the Chamber in the Pledge of Allegiance. The prayer was offered by Representative Jesse Johnson, 30th Legislative District.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the sixth order of business.

SECOND READING

HOUSE BILL NO. 1477, by Representatives Orwall, Davis, Ortiz-Self, Callan, Simmons, J. Johnson, Goodman, Ryu, Ormsby, Valdez, Frame, Berg, Bergquist, Harris-Talley, Chopp, Macri, Peterson and Pollet

Implementing the national 988 system to enhance and expand behavioral health crisis response and suicide prevention services.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, Second Substitute House Bill No. 1477 was substituted for House Bill No. 1477 and the second substitute bill was placed on the second reading calendar.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1477 was read the second time.

With the consent of the House, amendments (334), (415) and (422) were withdrawn.

Representative Orwall moved the adoption of amendment (419):

On page 8, line 30, after "(d)" insert "A representative of the office of the insurance commissioner;

(e)"

Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

Representative Orwall spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (419) was adopted.

Representative Cody moved the adoption of amendment (310):

On page 9, line 13, after "of" strike "medicaid managed care organizations" and insert "health plans, as recommended by the association of Washington health plans"

Representatives Cody and Schmick spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (310) was adopted.

Representative Dent moved the adoption of amendment (413):

On page 10, line 8, after "(f)" insert "A work plan to establish the capacity for the crisis call center hubs to integrate Spanish language interpreters and Spanish-speaking call center staff into their operations and to ensure the availability of resources to meet the unique needs of persons in the agricultural community who are experiencing mental health stresses. The work plan must explicitly address concerns regarding confidentiality.

(g)"

Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

Representatives Dent, Valdez and Dent (again) spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (413) was adopted.

Representative Vick moved the adoption of amendment (444):

On page 12, line 31, after "line;" insert "and"

On page 12, line 32, after "2023," strike "through June 30, 2024,"

On page 12, line 33, after "line" strike "; and"

On page 12, from the beginning of line 34, strike all material through "line" on line 35

On page 13, line 23, after "line;" insert "and"

On page 13, line 24, after "2023," strike "through June 30, 2024,"

On page 13, line 26, after "line" strike "; and"
On page 13, from the beginning of line 27, strike all material through "line" on line 28.

On page 13, line 29, after "(3)" strike all material through "thereafter" on line 35 and insert "A statewide 988 behavioral health crisis response line tax is imposed on all switched access lines in the state. The amount of tax must be uniform for each line and must be levied on no more than the number of switched access lines on an account that is capable of simultaneous unrestricted outward calling to the public switched telephone network. The tax imposed under this subsection (3) must be remitted to the department by local exchange companies on a tax return provided by the department. The amount of tax for each switched access lines whose place of primary use is located in the state is as follows:

(a) Beginning October 1, 2021, through December 31, 2022, the tax rate is 30 cents for each switched access lines; and

(b) Beginning January 1, 2023, the tax rate is 50 cents for each switched access line."

Representatives Vick and Orwall spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (444) was adopted.

Representative Orcutt moved the adoption of amendment (449):

Beginning on page 12, line 8, strike all material through "department." on page 16, line 8, and insert the following:

"FUNDING

NEW SECTION. Sec. 201. FUNDING. (1) Beginning October 1, 2021, the department must calculate quarterly the amount of taxes that would be collected if the following taxes were imposed on:

(a) The use of all radio access lines by subscribers whose place of primary use is located within the state in the amount per month for each radio access line, and by consumers whose retail transactions occur within the state per retail transaction;

(b) All interconnected voice over internet protocol service lines whose place of primary use is in the state; and

(c) All switched access lines in the state.

(2) The department must use the following tax rates in calculating the amount of taxes that would have been collected if the taxes in subsection (1) of this section were imposed:

(a) Beginning October 1, 2021, through December 31, 2022, the tax rate is 30 cents for each radio access line, each interconnected voice over internet protocol service line, and each switched access line; and

(b) Beginning January 1, 2023, the tax rate is 50 cents for each radio access line, each interconnected voice over internet protocol service line, and each switched access line.

(3) At the beginning of each quarter, the state treasurer must transfer the amount calculated by the department pursuant to this section to the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis response line account created in section 202 of this act."

Renumber the remaining section consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

On page 16, beginning on line 11, after "treasury." strike all material through "account." on line 13

On page 33, line 14, after "201" strike "through 205" and insert "and 202"

On page 33, line 16, after "201" strike "through 205" and insert "and 202"

Representative Orcutt spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Frame spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

MOTIONS

On motion of Representative Riccelli, Representative Kloba was excused.

On motion of Representative Griffey, Representative McCaslin was excused.

An electronic roll call was requested.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the adoption of amendment (449) and the amendment was not adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 44; Nays: 52; Absent: 0; Excused: 2
Voting yea: Representatives Abbarno, Barkis, Boehnke, Caldier, Chambers, Chandler, Chase, Corry, Dent, Dufault, Dye, Eslick, Gilday, Goehner, Graham, Griffey, Harris, Hoff, Jacobsen, Klicker, Klippert, Kraft, Kretz, Leavitt, MacEwen, Maycumber, McEntire, Mosbrucker, Orcutt, Paul, Robertson, Rude, Rule, Schmick, Shewmake, Steele, Stokesbary, Sutherland, Vick, Volz, Walsh, Wilcox, Ybarra, and Young


Excused: Representatives Kloba and McCaslin

The bill was ordered engrossed.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Orwall, Schmick, Dent, Klippert, Lovick, Eslick and Davis spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

Representatives Orcutt and Sutherland spoke against the passage of the bill.

The Speaker stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1477.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1477, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 78; Nays, 18; Absent, 0; Excused, 2.


Voting nay: Representatives Abbarno, Chandler, Chase, Corry, Dufault, Jacobsen, Kraft, Kretz, MacEwen, McEntire, Orcutt, Robertson, Rude, Springer, Stokesbary, Sutherland, Walsh and Young.

Excused: Representatives Kloba and McCaslin.
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