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# VOTERS PAMPHLET

Arguments, Explanatory Statements, and Texts of: Referendum Bill 37, Initiative to the Legislature 61, Initiative to the Legislature 62, Senate Joint Resolution 110, Senate Joint Resolution 112, and Senate Joint Resolution 120.



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## How to Obtain an Absentee Ballot:

Any registered voter who cannot vote in person may apply to the county auditor or department of elections for an absentee ballot. Any signed request with the necessary information will be honored. For your convenience, an application form is reproduced below. The addresses of the auditors or departments of elections are also listed below. In order to be certain that an absentee ballot request is authentic, the election laws require that the signature on the application be verified by comparison with the signature on the voter's permanent registration record. For this reason if a husband and wife both wish to vote by absentee ballot, both must sign the application form or separate, signed requests should be submitted. In order to be counted, an absentee ballot must be voted and postmarked no later than the day of the election. If you intend to vote an absentee ballot, make your request as soon as possible to allow sufficient time for an exchange of correspondence with the county auditor or department of elections. Absentee ballot requests may be presented in person at the office of the county auditor or department of elections up until the day of the election. No absentee ballots may be issued on the day of the election.

COUNTY	ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP	COUNTY	ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP
Adams	County Courthouse	Ritzville	99169	Lewis	344 West Main	Chehalis	98532
Asotin	135 Second Street	Asotin	99402	Lincoln	450 Logan Street	Davenport	99122
Benton	County Courthouse	Prosser	99350	Mason	Fourth & Alder	Shelton	98584
Chelan	County Courthouse	Wenatchee	98801	Okanogan	149 Third North	Okanogan	98840
Clallam	319 South Lincoln	Port Angeles	98362	Pacific	Memorial Avenue	South Bend	98586
Clark	12th & Franklin	Vancouver	98660	Pend Oreille	625 West Fourth	Newport	99156
Columbia	341 East Main	Dayton	99328	Pierce	930 Tacoma Avenue	Tacoma	98402
Cowlitz	207 North Fourth	Kelso	98626	San Juan	P. O. Box 638	Friday Harbor	98250
Douglas	County Courthouse	Waterville	98858	Skagit	205 Kincaid Street	Mount Vernon	98273
Ferry	County Courthouse	Republic	99166	Skamania	County Courthouse	Stevenson	98648
Franklin	1016 North Fourth	Pasco	99301	Snohomish	3000 Rockefeller	Everett	98201
Garfield	County Courthouse	Pomeroy	99347	Spokane	West 1116 Broadway	Spokane	99201
Grant	"C" Street NW	Ephrata	98823	Stevens	North Oak Street	Colville	99114
Grays Harbor	100 West Broadway	Montesano	98563	Thurston	11th & Capitol Way	Olympia	98501
Island	Seventh & Main	Coupeville	98239	Wahkiakum	County Courthouse	Cathlamet	98612
Jefferson	Jefferson & Cass	Port Townsend	98368	Walla Walla	315 West Main	Walla Walla	99362
King	500 Fourth Avenue	Seattle	98104	Whatcom	311 Grand Avenue	Bellingham	98225
Kitsap	614 Division Street	Port Orchard	98366	Whitman	North Main Street	Colfax	99111
Kittitas	205 West Fifth	Ellensburg	98926	Yakima	North 2nd & East "B"	Yakima	98901
Klickitat	County Courthouse	Goldendale	98620				

CLIP FORM OUT ON THIS LINE

# Absentee Ballot Request

I ..... HEREBY DECLARE THAT I AM A REGISTERED VOTER  
PRINT NAME FOR POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION

AT .....  
ADDRESS CITY OR TOWN ZIP

PHONE NO. .... PRECINCT .....  
(IF KNOWN)

SEND MY BALLOT TO:  SAME ADDRESS AS ABOVE:  THE ADDRESS BELOW:

.....  
STREET ADDRESS CITY OR TOWN STATE ZIP

This application is for the state general election to be held on November 6, 1979.

**TO BE VALID, YOUR  
SIGNATURE MUST  
BE INCLUDED**

SIGNATURE X .....

SIGNATURE X .....

**Note:** If husband and wife both want absentee ballots, signatures of each are necessary.

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REGISTRATION NUMBER ..... PRECINCT CODE ..... LEG. DIST .....

REGISTRATION VERIFIED ..... BALLOT MAILED .....  
DEPUTY SIGNATURE

BALLOT CODE ..... ADDRESS CHANGE ..... BALLOT RETURNED .....



## MAJOR POLITICAL PARTY CAUCUS AND CONVENTION PROCEDURES

In Washington state, the candidates for nearly all of the offices which appear on the state general election ballot are nominated at a primary election. The most important exception to this procedure is the nomination of candidates for the positions of President and Vice-President. This information is presented to familiarize Washington voters with the process by which the nominees for President and Vice-President are determined and how Washington residents can participate in that selection process. This section is detachable so that you may keep it after the election for reference.

Delegates to the national nominating conventions of the major political parties from Washington are selected through a system of precinct caucuses, county or legislative district conventions, and a state convention. The first step in this process is the precinct caucus, a neighborhood-level meeting open to all of the members of a particular political party. Precinct caucuses are held in each precinct of the state in the early spring of each presidential year. Individuals are elected from each precinct to attend the legislative district or county convention where the delegates to the state convention are chosen. The delegates to the state convention select the delegates to the national convention at which the presidential and vice-presidential nominees are selected. In addition to the selection of delegates, those persons attending party caucuses and conventions have the opportunity to determine the party platform, vote on resolutions, and meet party candidates for a variety of offices.

### DATES OF PRECINCT CAUCUSES AND CONVENTIONS

Information on the time of all of the caucuses and conventions was not complete at the time this publication was prepared. The following dates were available from the state central committees of the two major political parties:

	<b>Republicans*</b>	<b>Democrats</b>
Precinct caucuses	March 11, 1980	March 11, 1980
County or District convention	To be determined	April 12 or 19, 1980
State convention	June 6-7, 1980	June 12, 1980

\*These dates are subject to confirmation when the Republican State Committee formally adopts rules for precinct caucuses and county conventions, probably in December of this year.

### RULES AND PROCEDURES

Each political party has the authority under state law to adopt rules to govern the delegate selection process and other party activities which occur in conjunction with the caucuses and conventions. These party rules specify the number of delegates from each precinct to the county or legislative district convention, the number of delegates from each legislative district or county convention to the state convention, and the procedural rules for conducting the caucuses and conventions. The delegate allocation formulas are usually based on population or a combination of population and the number of votes certain candidates for that party received in the precinct, district, or county. A copy of the rules of either party should be available from the state central committee of that party in advance of the time precinct caucuses are held.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The dates and locations of all party caucuses and conventions receive advance press coverage and are generally advertised by the parties. Specific questions you have about any aspect of the nominating procedure may be directed to the state central committee of the respective party. They may be able to respond to your inquiry directly or they may refer you to either your precinct committee person or your county or district chairperson. The addresses and telephone numbers of the state committees are as follows:

Republican State Committee of Washington  
1509 Queen Anne Avenue North  
Seattle, WA 98109  
(206) 285-1980

Washington State Democratic Committee  
Lobby - Arctic Building  
Seattle, WA 98104  
(206) 623-6093

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## **INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE AND MINOR PARTY NOMINATING PROCEDURES**

This summary of the procedures governing the nomination of independent and minor party candidates is not meant to be inclusive. Persons interested in being nominated in this manner should consult Chapter 29.24 of the Revised Code of Washington or obtain more detailed information from the office of the Secretary of State, Legislative Building, Olympia, WA 98504.

### **NOMINATING CONVENTION**

Any nomination of a candidate for partisan political office other than by a major political party must be made by a convention held on the last Saturday preceding the filing period. In 1980, this will be July 26. Notice of the intention to hold a nominating convention must be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the county in which the convention is to be held at least ten days before the date of the convention. A number of registered voters equal to one for each 10,000 voters who voted in the jurisdiction for which each nomination is made or twenty-five such voters, whichever number is greater, must attend the nominating convention and sign the nominating petition for the candidates who are nominated.

### **CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION**

The signatures and addresses of the voters who attended the convention and a record of the proceedings of the convention must be submitted to the office of the Secretary of State no later than the last day allowed for candidates to file for office. In 1980, this deadline is August 1. Any candidates who are nominated at an independent or minor party convention must file a declaration of candidacy with the Secretary of State and pay the filing fee required for the office sought. (Those candidates unable to pay the filing fee may file an affidavit of indigency.) The names of all of the candidates who have been nominated by convention will be printed on the primary election ballot together with the major party candidates for their respective offices. With the exception of candidates for the offices of President and Vice-President, no candidate may have his or her name printed on the general election ballot unless he or she receives at least one percent of the total votes cast for that office in the partisan primary.

# Introduction to the 1979 Voters' Pamphlet

On November 6, you will have the opportunity to vote on six state ballot measures and numerous local offices and issues. Please use it! This voters' pamphlet is sent to you and all other residents of Washington State to assist you in making decisions on those statewide measures.

The first section of the pamphlet contains the official ballot titles and explanatory statements for each state measure as prepared by the Attorney General. Arguments "for" and "against" each measure have been prepared according to state law by the proponents and opponents of these measures. The second section of the pamphlet contains the complete text of each state measure.




As Secretary of State of the State of Washington, I certify that the text of each proposed measure, ballot title, explanatory statement, statement for and against, and rebuttal statement which appears in this pamphlet, is a true and correct copy of the original document filed in my office. "Witness my hand and the seal of the State of Washington."



*Bruce Chapman*

**BRUCE CHAPMAN**  
**SECRETARY OF STATE**

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