AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 24-03-053, filed 1/10/24, effective 2/10/24)

WAC 434-208-060 Electronic filings. (1) In addition to those documents specified by RCW 29A.04.255, the secretary of state or the county auditor shall accept and file ((in his or her office)) electronic transmissions of the following documents:

(a) The text of any proposed initiative, referendum, or recall measure and any accompanying documents required by law;

(b) Any minor party or independent candidate filing material for president and vice president, except nominating petitions;

(c) Lists of presidential electors selected by political parties or independent candidates;

(d) Voted ballots and signed ballot declarations from service ((and)) <u>or</u> overseas voters received no later than 8:00 p.m. on election day;

(e) Resolutions from cities, towns, and other districts calling for a special election;

(f) Voter registration <u>forms</u> and cancellation ((forms)) <u>materi-</u> <u>al(s)</u>, unless the form <u>or material(s)</u> is illegible or the signature image is poor quality, requiring the county auditor to reject the form <u>or material(s)</u>;

(g) Signed ballot declarations, and any accompanying materials, submitted pursuant to RCW 29A.60.165 and WAC ((434-261-050)) 434-261-053; and

(h) Requests to withdraw <u>a declaration of candidacy</u>.

(2) If payment of a fee is required, the electronic filing is not complete until the fee is received.

(3) No initiative, <u>nominating petition</u>, referendum, recall, or other signature petitions may be filed electronically.

(4) County auditors must use best practices provided by the secretary of state for securely handling documents received by fax and email.