RULE-MAKING ORDER
PERMANENT RULE ONLY

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(Implements RCW 34.05.360)

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Agency: Office of the Secretary of State

Effective date of rule:

Permanent Rules

☒ 31 days after filing.

☐ Other (specify) _____ **(If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)**

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: The Office of the State Auditor's Budgeting, Accounting and Reporting System (BARS) Manual provides guidance to county election offices in allocating costs related to elections and voter registration. This rulemaking will clarify requirements to ensure consistency in BARS reporting statewide.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New: 434-270-001, 434-270-005, 434-270-010, 434-270-020, 434-270-030, 434-270-050, 434-270-060, 434-270-070, 434-270-080, 434-270-090, 434-270-100

Repealed:

Amended:

Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 29A.04.611

Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 26-04-093 on January 30, 2026 (date).

Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: N/A

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting:

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Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero. No descriptive text.

Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note. A section may be counted in more than one category.

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Federal rules or standards:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____

The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

	New	11	Amended	____	Repealed	____

The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

	New	11	Amended	____	Repealed	____

The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	11	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Pilot rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Other alternative rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____

Date Adopted: March 11, 2026	**Signature:**
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