PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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Agency: Office of the Secretary of State

Subject of possible rule making: Elections

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 29A.04.611

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Senate Bill 6035 (2026) requires county auditors to schedule meetings with federally-recognized tribal governments related to the establishment of voting centers and installation of ballot drop boxes, and other election administration needs as detailed in RCW. Rulemaking is necessary to clarify deadlines and consistency.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: N/A

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- ☒ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study
- ☐ Other (describe)

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