WASHINGTON VOTING JUSTICE COALITION LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

HB 2030 FREE THE VOTE ACT



Sponsor: Rep. Tarra Simmons

The right to vote affirms our humanity, our voice, and our identity as Americans. But Washington's prison system strips more than 14,000 voters of their most fundamental right as citizens. By redefining a single vague term in our state Constitution, we can make sure that every citizen in Washington can vote, even while incarcerated.

HB 1932 EVEN YEAR ELECTIONS



Sponsor: Rep. Mia Gregerson

We know that change happens at the local level. Unfortunately, an old law from the 1960's requires Washington to hold local elections in odd-numbered years, when most voters do not return their ballots. Voter turnout is up to twice as high and far more diverse in even years, when we are also voting for our President or Congressmembers. Washington can elect leaders that truly speak for all of us by giving local communities the freedom to switch to even-year elections.



BALLOT SIGNATURE CURING



Sponsor: Sen. Javier Valdez

We believe that every vote should count, no matter your race, age, or income. Unfortunately, Washington disproportionately <u>rejects</u> ballots of people of color and young voters for signature issues. If we create a standardized process for voters to be notified about and correct their ballot errors, we can make sure every voice is heard.

OTHER BILLS WE'RE WATCHING

- Statewide Democracy Vouchers (HB 1755) gives voters money vouchers to donate to candidates
- Washington Voices Act sets standards so localities will implement Ranked Choice Voting well
- Budget Request increases resources for voter education election offices

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