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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of Whatcom County a proposal to amend Whatcom County Charter Sections 5.40 and 5.41 to align signature requirements for citizen initiatives with Washington State norms

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

This ordinance provides for submission to the qualified voters of Whatcom County (at the November 2021 General Election) a charter amendment to allow that persons proposing an initiative must “collect the signatures of the registered voters in the county equal in number to not less than eight (8) percent of the vote cast in the county in the last regular county executive election,” and the requirement for a mini-initiative be “the signatures of qualified voters equal in number to not less than three (3) percent of the number of votes cast in the county in the last county executive election.” The changes would amend Section 5.40 and Section 5.41 of the County Charter.