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April 24, 2017

RE: Washington State Association of County Auditors Support of Secretary of State Wyman's Election Modernization Project

Honorable Members of the Senate Ways & Means and House Appropriations Committees:

On behalf of the Washington State Association of County Auditors (WSACA), we urge you to support funding of Secretary Wyman's Election Modernization Project as proposed in the Office of the Secretary of State's budget.

This bill provides continued election securities along with additional enhancements that our aging system does not have the capability of providing. As I am sure you know, your election officials work continuously to ensure election integrity and security as well as timely, accurate results. Having the additional abilities to exchange, synchronize and eliminate redundancy of data as well as having disaster recovery without data loss is key.

We strongly encourage you to support inclusion of funding for the Elections Modernization Project as presented in the Office of the Secretary of State's budget.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We are happy to address any questions you may have.

Sincerely.

Brenda Sorensen, President

Washington State Association of County Auditors

Klickitat County Auditor

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