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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Opposing statements sought for Aug. 7 primary ballot measure**

Vancouver, Wash. – Each year, the Clark County Auditor's Office publishes a voters' pamphlet for the primary election and mails it to all households in Clark County. It includes candidate statements and photographs and local ballot measures with supporting and opposing statements written by citizens.

A legislative body placing a measure on the ballot can appoint a committee to write a supporting statement and another committee to write an opposing statement. But often, the Elections Office receives only a supporting argument for a local ballot measure. If the Elections Office does not receive a supporting or opposing statement for a local ballot measure, the staff attempts to identify citizens interested in writing one.

For the 2018 primary, the Elections Office has received a ballot proposition from Clark County Fire District 13 for a levy lid lift. A committee has been appointed to write a statement supporting the measure, but the district has not been able to identify people to write a statement against the measure.

To review the complete text of the resolution, and ballot language for the primary election ballot, visit [clarkvotes.org](http://clarkvotes.org) and follow the link to August 7, 2018 Primary Election Information located near the middle of the page.

Any resident of Clark County Fire District 13 who wants to write an opposing statement to the measure is asked to contact Cathie Garber of the Clark County Elections Department at 360.397.2345. Please call soon; the deadline is 4 p.m. Monday, May 24.

"The public is best served by having a local voters' pamphlet which presents a fair and balanced debate on the merits of local measures submitted for a vote," said Auditor Greg Kimsey. "We urge anyone interested to help us get their opposing statement to the local measure into the local voters' pamphlet."

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