Senate Bill 867

Sponsored by Senator WESTLUND

SUMMARY

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Requires persons being paid to obtain signatures on state initiative, referendum or recall petition to register with Secretary of State, receive authorization from chief petitioner and display registration information.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to election petitions.

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- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2007 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 250.
- 5 <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) A person may not pay money or other valuable consideration to another 6 person for obtaining signatures of electors on a state initiative, referendum or recall peti-
- tion, and a person may not receive money or other valuable consideration for obtaining sig-
- 8 natures of electors on a state initiative, referendum or recall petition, unless the person
- 9 obtaining the signatures registers with the Secretary of State in the manner prescribed by
- 10 this section and by rule of the secretary.
 - (2) A person may apply to the secretary for a registration required under subsection (1) of this section. The application shall include:
 - (a) The full name and any assumed name of the applicant;
 - (b) The residential street address of the applicant;
 - (c) An example of the signature of the applicant;
 - (d) A telephone number for the applicant; and
 - (e) A statement signed by a chief petitioner of each petition upon which the applicant will gather signatures acknowledging that the applicant is authorized to collect signatures on the petition.
 - (3) If an applicant complies with subsection (2) of this section, the secretary shall register the applicant.
 - (4) A person registered under this section shall display visible evidence of registration on the person while the person is obtaining signatures on a state initiative, referendum or recall petition. The evidence of registration shall contain contact information for the person who is paying money or valuable consideration for the purpose of obtaining signatures on the petition. The secretary by rule shall designate the form of the identification.
 - (5) A person other than a person authorized by a chief petitioner of a state initiative, referendum or recall petition may not receive money or other valuable consideration for obtaining signatures of electors on that petition.
 - (6) The Secretary of State shall adopt rules establishing procedures for registering persons who may be paid money or other valuable consideration for obtaining signatures of

electors on a state initiative, referendum or recall petition.

SECTION 3. (1) Section 2 of this 2007 Act does not apply to persons who pay or receive money or other valuable consideration for obtaining signatures of electors on a state initiative or referendum petition that, if filed with the required number of signatures of electors, will be submitted to the people at the general election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2008.

- (2) Section 2 of this 2007 Act applies to persons who pay or receive money or other valuable consideration for obtaining signatures of electors on a state initiative or referendum petition that, if filed with the required number of signatures of electors, will be submitted to the people at a general election occurring after the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2008, regardless of when the prospective petition for the initiative or referendum petition is filed.
- (3) Section 2 of this 2007 Act applies to persons who pay or receive money or other valuable consideration for obtaining signatures of electors on a state recall petition for which a prospective petition is filed on or after the effective date of this 2007 Act.