

**74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2008 Special Session**  
**STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**  
**Senate Committee on Rules and Executive Appointments**

**MINORITY REPORT**  
**MEASURE: HB 3615 B**  
**CARRIER: Sen. L. George**

**REVENUE: No revenue impact**

**FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued**

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**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and be Printed Engrossed

**Signers on the Report:** Senators Atkinson and Ferrioli

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/21

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**WHAT THE MINORITY REPORT DOES:** Requires ballot titles for referrals from the Legislative Assembly to be prepared by the Attorney General. Allows for any elector to challenge the certified ballot title prepared by the Attorney General. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Serving notice of a possible minority report

**EFFECT OF MINORITY AMENDMENT:** Replaces the measure.

**BACKGROUND:** For all citizen initiatives and referenda, the Attorney General prepares draft ballot titles that are open for public comment after they are submitted to the Secretary of State. The Attorney General reviews any comments and then submits certified ballot titles to the Secretary of State. The certified ballot titles may be appealed to the Supreme Court at which time amended ballot titles are issued.

Currently, if the legislature refers a measure to the voters for their consideration, the Legislative Assembly is allowed to approve their own ballot title rather than have it prepared by the Attorney General. Provisions of this measure require all ballot titles for legislative referrals to be prepared by the Attorney General.

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