

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
<b>Vote:</b>	6 - 2 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Barnhart, Berger, Garrett, Holvey, Hunt, Olson
<b>Nays:</b>	Freeman, Wingard
<b>Exc.:</b>	-
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	3/2, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** For signatures required for including materials in the voters' pamphlet, requires signatures submitted for state senator and state representative to be those of active electors of the candidate's electoral district. Reduces required signatures from 300 to 200. Defines "active elector".

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Recent increased fees for voters' pamphlet material submission
- Provision of signatures in lieu of paying fees
- Candidates who collect signatures from any part of the state
- Signature standards for nominating petitions
- Fiscal aspects of the resulting voters' pamphlet costs
- Possible revenue expected to result from provisions of the bill

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Reduces required signatures from 300 to 200. Defines "active elector". Deletes proposed restrictions on signatures submitted by political party or assembly.

**BACKGROUND:** Under current law, in lieu of paying a fee to have materials included in the voters' pamphlet, candidates and political parties and assemblies of electors may opt to substitute a petition with the signatures of 300 to 500 electors. House Bill 3148-A adds limitations to the signature option.

Current statute (ORS 247.013) describes an inactive elector (voter), generally, as one who has neither voted nor updated the registration for a period of not less than five years. An elector is considered active if the county clerk does not have evidence of a change in any information required for registration.