

I just read HJR 32 and HB3304. Legislation of this significance must be reviewed carefully and full disclosure of the motivation presented. I work and cannot make the public hearing but I will ask those attending what has generated such an endeavor.

The county clerk position serves the county so I will assume that it is generally paid for by county taxes where population affords. Each county should decide what duties this position should fulfill in addition to any duties that may be mandated by the state. There is and rightly so no prescribed test or specific education/professional background that a person must pass or have to hold this public office.

Counties are sovereign entities and the state should not overstep its roll in local governance. American citizens do not let its President commission a board to appoint Governors, at least not yet. Governors do not commission a board to appoint state legislators, at least not yet. Let's not start now.

Oregonians already know what to do by law to recall a public office holder. Oregon doesn't need another compensated commission or board to make its own rules, hire additional people, demand information, etc. Practically everything and everyone in the state is already run by some sort of Board or Commission who writes their own rules which are defacto laws/regulations.

Please don't go down this path. I know that you think that the public cannot be trusted with electing what you may believe are the right people to do a job but you seem to trust them to elect you, not?

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