

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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| <b>Action:</b>        | Do Pass   |
| <b>Vote:</b>          | 8 - 0 - 1   |
| <b>Yeas:</b>          | Barnhart, Berger, Dembrow, Hicks, Holvey, Jenson, Kennemer, Garrett |
| <b>Nays:</b>          | 0   |
| <b>Exc.:</b>          | Hoyle   |
| <b>Prepared By:</b>   | Erin Seiler, Administrator  |
| <b>Meeting Dates:</b> | 6/13, 6/17  |

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Permits elector to run simultaneously as candidate for more than one district office.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Ability to be candidate for multiple, unpaid elected offices
- Unpaid service on special district governing boards
- Candidate in Clackamas County who filed for election to two different volunteer local governing boards, and was removed as candidate for both offices
- Encouraging citizens to volunteer for service

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Current law prohibits an individual from filing as a candidate, at the same election, for more than one lucrative office (ORS 249.013). Specifically, an individual is not allowed to file as a candidate, at the same election, for more than one district office unless the district has fewer than 10,000 voters. An individual seeking one office may choose to run for another office at the same election, but must provide written notice of withdrawal as appropriate, to the county elections official. If the candidate fails to submit written notice of withdrawal prior to filing as a candidate for the other office, at the same election, both nominating petitions or declarations of candidacy are deemed invalid and the candidate cannot be elected to either.

House Bill 3537 removes the prohibition against a person being a candidate for more than one position on a district board of the governing body of a district, at the same election for unpaid, volunteer boards, as defined in ORS 255.012. These include water supply district boards, parks and recreation district boards,; transportation district boards, metropolitan service district boards, rural fire protection district boards, and county service, and school district boards.