

# House Bill 2420

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## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires identification of source of communication in support of or in opposition to candidate or measure.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to political communications.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2013 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 260.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1)(a) A communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified**  
6 **candidate or measure that is paid for by a candidate or a candidate's principal campaign**  
7 **committee must state the name of the candidate and a statement of the candidate's support**  
8 **for the communication.**

9 **(b) A communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate or**  
10 **measure that is paid for by a political committee other than a principal campaign committee**  
11 **must state the name of the political committee and the name of the officer of record of the**  
12 **political committee, including a statement of the officer's support for the communication.**

13 **(2) If a person makes an independent expenditure to pay for a communication in support**  
14 **of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate or measure, the communication must**  
15 **state the name of the person, including a statement of the person's support for the com-**  
16 **munication. If the person making the independent expenditure is not an individual, the**  
17 **communication must state the name of the individual who is the officer of record for the**  
18 **person, including a statement of the officer's support for the communication.**

19 **(3) This section does not apply to items of de minimis value relating to a candidate or**  
20 **measure, including lawn signs, pins, pens or other similar items.**

21 **(4) The Secretary of State, by rule, shall prescribe the form of statements required on**  
22 **communications described in this section.**

23 **(5) As used in this section:**

24 **(a) "Clearly identified" has the meaning given that term in ORS 260.005 (10)(b).**

25 **(b) "Communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate or**  
26 **measure" has the meaning given that term in ORS 260.005 (10)(c).**

27 **(c) "Officer of record" means the individual who is the highest ranking individual in this**  
28 **state within a committee, corporation, company, organization, association, club, firm, part-**  
29 **nership or other entity.**

30 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2013 Act applies to any communication that is printed,**  
31 **posted, broadcast, mailed, circulated, electronically distributed or otherwise published on or**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **after the effective date of this 2013 Act.**

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