

HB 2177

Saturday, January 31, 2015

11:00 PM

Attn: House Rules Chair and Representative Members

Please oppose HB 2177 for the following reasons:

1. Involuntary use of my signature. My required signature on a Department of Transportation document does not constitute my granting permission to enter into any other contract with the State of Oregon or local governments for which I have not expressly and voluntarily entered by my action. This bill sets a precedent for the State of Oregon to place my signature on another contract that the State may desire. The Secretary of State does **not** have that permission and power. By logical extension of this principle, the State or its employees could affix my digital signature to a document for easement on my land, on a marriage license, on a tax return etc. without my knowledge. This violates my rights as a citizen and free person. As our society moves to greater use of digital records, this possibility causes great concern regarding the relationship of the State to its citizens.
2. 247.017 [(7)]. Information provided by individual cannot be used for other purpose if individual refuses to sign. Who get access to their information if individual does not fail to provide signature?
2. Section 1. (1) Is the signature provided for DOT purposes the same as that required for elections?
3. Section 1. (3) last phrase in last sentence "**and the person is not already register to vote.**" Is DOT required to determine if person is registered in another state?
4. If person is registered to vote in another state as could be an out-of-state student or an employee on temporary duty from another state but who must register their vehicle in Oregon or obtain an Oregon driver's license does not respond within 21 days, has the State of Oregon caused them to be guilty of violation of federal law or the election laws of their state where already registered? What if they vote in their preferred state and that state finds out they are also registered to vote in Oregon?
5. Section 5. ORS 247.292. (1) What constitutes "**[written] evidence**"? Will oral evidence will be sufficient to issue new voter registration?
6. Section 10. (1). related "**to electronic records and signatures in possession of DOT on or after effective date of this 2015 Act.** " How many new voters will be registered within 21 days of effective date of Act due to data already in DOT possession?
7. If a registered voter has been declared inactive due lack of voting for a specified time, will the registration of a utility trailer activate their voter status?
8. Will an inactive voter be made active each time they renew their driver's license or license plates?

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