

RE: HB2178

To: Honorable Representative Val Hoyle, Chair, House Rules Committee

From: Tom Bowerman, private citizen, 33707 McKenzie View, Eugene, Oregon 97408

Dear Chair Hoyle and fellow Committee Members:

I endorse the proposed language to amend the stipulated ORS contained in HB2178 before you today.

I emphasize that Oregon has no campaign finance limits, unlike most other states which regulate campaign spending. This makes it doubly important that finance disclosure is both transparent and as timely as possible. HB 2178 helps.

I expect that the Rules Committee will see several more amendments ORS 260.044 to improve transparency of independent spending (sometimes called campaign dark money).

I urge Rules Committee support of HB 2178.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom R. Bowerman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.