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Oregon Progressive Party Position on Bill at 2016 Session of Oregon Legislature:

HB 4138: Support

Dear Committee:

The Oregon Progressive Party supports HB 4138, which authorizes Legislative Assembly to request appointment of independent counsel by joint resolution.

Credible investigations of government officials requires independence. Although the Governor and Attorney General are elected separately, they are often close political allies. Recent history illustrates the need for independent investigation, which can be provided by this bill, which uses the Circuit Courts to appoint independent counsel.

Please include this statement in the legislative record for this bill.

Thank you.

Oregon Progressive Party

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