

REVENUE: No revenue impact
FISCAL: No fiscal impact
SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:

Action:

Vote:

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 2/23

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes July 1, 2015, as date for determination of total number of registered electors in this state for purpose of maintaining status as major political party through 2020 general election.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

-1 amendment: Establishes July 1, 2015, as date for determination of total number of registered electors in this state for purpose of maintaining status as major political party through 2018 general election.

BACKGROUND: A major political party qualifies and maintains ballot access by maintaining a voter registration equal to at least five percent of the number of voters registered in this state registered as members of the party not later than the 275th day before the date of a primary election (ORS 248.006). After an affiliation of voters becomes a major political party, in order to maintain status as a major political party, it must satisfy the registration requirement the five percent requirement, not later than the 275th day before each primary election.

Currently, Oregon has three political parties that have qualified as major political parties.