

A-Engrossed
House Bill 2428

Ordered by the House May 23
Including House Amendments dated May 23

Sponsored by Representative PARRISH (Pre-session filed.)

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.

Allows candidate to submit both signatures on petition and payment of fee to receive space in voters' pamphlet. Requires Secretary of State to return payment of fee to candidate if petition contains required number of signatures and to retain payment of fee if petition does not contain required number of signatures. *[one business day to pay fee for candidate space in voters' pamphlet if Secretary of State or county clerk determines that petition for candidate space did not contain required number of signatures of active electors.]*

[Prohibits Secretary of State from requiring candidate to file signature petition for space in voters' pamphlet on date prior to when candidate is required to pay fee for space in voters' pamphlet.]

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to candidate space in voters' pamphlet; amending ORS 251.095.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 251.095 is amended to read:

5 251.095. (1) For space in the voters' pamphlet:

6 (a) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of President or Vice President of the
7 United States shall, at the time materials are filed under ORS 251.065, pay a fee of \$3,500 to the
8 Secretary of State or may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the secretary containing the
9 signatures of 500 active electors of the state.

10 (b) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of United States Senator or any state
11 office to be voted for in the state at large shall, at the time materials are filed under ORS 251.065,
12 pay a fee of \$3,000 to the Secretary of State or may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the
13 secretary containing the signatures of 500 active electors of the state.

14 (c) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of Representative in Congress shall,
15 at the time materials are filed under ORS 251.065, pay a fee of \$2,500 to the Secretary of State or
16 may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the secretary containing the signatures of 300 active
17 electors of the candidate's electoral district.

18 (d) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of state Senator or state Represen-
19 tative shall, at the time materials are filed under ORS 251.065, pay a fee of \$750 to the Secretary
20 of State or may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the secretary containing the signatures
21 of 200 active electors of the candidate's electoral district.

22 (e) Each candidate for nomination or election to any other office shall, at the time materials are
23 filed under ORS 251.065, pay a fee of \$600 to the Secretary of State or may submit a petition in a
24 form prescribed by the secretary containing the signatures of 200 active electors of the candidate's
25 electoral district.

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 (2)(a) The signatures on a petition submitted under subsection (1) of this section shall be verified
2 by the county clerk or the Secretary of State.

3 (b) The Secretary of State by rule shall establish procedures for verifying whether a petition
4 submitted under subsection (1) of this section contains the required number of signatures of active
5 electors.

6 **(3) If a candidate makes a timely submission of both signatures on a petition and the**
7 **payment of a fee under subsection (1) of this section, the candidate shall receive space in the**
8 **voters' pamphlet and:**

9 **(a) The payment of the fee shall be returned to the candidate if the Secretary of State**
10 **determines under subsection (2) of this section that the petition contains the required num-**
11 **ber of signatures.**

12 **(b) The Secretary of State shall retain payment of the fee if the secretary determines**
13 **under subsection (2) of this section that the petition does not contain the required number**
14 **of signatures.**

15 [(3)] (4) The space allotted to each candidate shall be used for materials filed under ORS 251.065,
16 including the portrait and statement of reasons the candidate should be nominated or elected and
17 the information required under ORS 251.085. The length of the statement may not exceed 325 words.
18 All candidates shall be allowed the same amount of space. The Secretary of State by rule shall
19 prescribe the size of the space allotted to each candidate, except that the space may not be smaller
20 than 30 square inches.

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