HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2696

By COMMITTEE ON RULES

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, delete "251.065," and delete "251.165,".

2 Delete lines 4 through 31 and delete pages 2 through 5 and insert:

3 "SECTION 1. ORS 251.067 is amended to read:

4 "251.067. (1) A candidate or agent on behalf of the candidate for nomination or election to any 5 county or city office, or to an elected office of a metropolitan service district organized under ORS 6 chapter 268, may file a portrait or statement for inclusion in the state voters' pamphlet under ORS 7 251.065 if a county voters' pamphlet described in ORS 251.305 to 251.435 is not prepared for the 8 election in each county in which the electoral district of the candidate is located.

9 "(2) A community college district measure relating to bonding, a county measure or a 10 measure of a metropolitan service district organized under ORS chapter 268, and the ballot title, 11 explanatory statement and arguments relating to the measure, shall be included in the state voters' 12 pamphlet as provided in ORS 251.285, if a county voters' pamphlet described in ORS 251.305 to 13 251.435 is not prepared:

14 "(a) For the election on the county measure; or

"(b) In each county in which the community college district or metropolitan service district
is located, for the election on the community college district measure relating to bonding or
metropolitan service district measure.

18 "(3) If a county voters' pamphlet described in ORS 251.305 to 251.435 is prepared for an election 19 at which a candidate for nomination or election to any county or city office, or to an elected office 20 of a metropolitan service district organized under ORS chapter 268, is listed on the ballot, or at 21which a community college district measure relating to bonding, a county measure or a meas-22ure of a metropolitan service district organized under ORS chapter 268 is listed on the ballot, the county voters' pamphlet shall include the county or city office, the office of the metropolitan service 2324 district or the community college district measure relating to bonding, county measure or 25measure of the metropolitan service district. Such offices and measures shall not be included in any state voters' pamphlet prepared for the election and distributed in the county for which the county 2627voters' pamphlet is prepared.

28"(4) If a city, [or] metropolitan service district organized under ORS chapter 268 or community 29college district is located in more than one county, and a county in which the city, [or] metropol-30 itan service district or community college district is located does not prepare a county voters' 31 pamphlet described in ORS 251.305 to 251.435 for the election, candidates for nomination or election 32to any city office or an elected office of the metropolitan service district, and any community 33 college district measure relating to bonding or measure of the metropolitan service district, shall 34 be included in the state voters' pamphlet to be distributed to the county that does not prepare a 35county voters' pamphlet. The Secretary of State shall designate the candidates and measures that 1 may be included in the state voters' pamphlet under this subsection.

2 "(5) As used in this section, 'community college district' has the meaning given that term
3 in ORS 341.005.

4 **"SECTION 2.** (

"SECTION 2. ORS 251.285 is amended to read:

5 "251.285. (1) If [any] a community college district measure relating to bonding, a county 6 measure or [any] a measure of a metropolitan service district organized under ORS chapter 268, and 7 the ballot title, explanatory statement and arguments relating to the measure, are to be included 8 by the Secretary of State in the state voters' pamphlet as provided in ORS 251.067, the requirements 9 of this section shall be satisfied.

"(2) [The county or district measure,] A community college district measure relating to
bonding, a county measure or a metropolitan service district measure, and the ballot title,
explanatory statement and arguments relating to the measure, shall not be printed in the voters'
pamphlet unless:

14 "(a) The ballot title is a concise and impartial statement of the purpose of the measure;

"(b) The explanatory statement is an impartial, simple and understandable statement explaining
 the measure and its effect;

"(c) The county, [or] metropolitan service district or community college district adopts and complies with an ordinance that provides a review procedure for a ballot title or explanatory statement [which] that is contested because it does not comply with the requirements of paragraph (a) or (b) of this subsection;

"(d) The county, [or] metropolitan service district or community college district adopts and complies with an ordinance that provides for acceptance of typewritten arguments relating to the measure not to exceed 325 words to be printed in the voters' pamphlet; and

"(e) The county, [or] metropolitan service district or community college district does not require of a person filing an argument a payment of more than \$300, or a petition containing more than a number of signatures equal to 1,000 electors eligible to vote on the measure or 10 percent of the total of such electors, whichever is less.

"(3) Any judicial review of a determination made under the review procedures adopted under subsection (2)(c) of this section shall be first and finally:

"(a) For a county measure, in the circuit court of the judicial district in which the county is
located; or[,]

32 "(b) For a community college district measure relating to bonding or a metropolitan 33 service district measure, in the circuit court of the judicial district in which the administrative of 34 fice of the metropolitan service district or community college district is located.

35 "(4) If the county, [or] metropolitan service district or community college district has adopted 36 and complied with ordinances prescribed in subsection (2) of this section, the decision to include the 37 [county or district] measure, ballot title, explanatory statement and arguments in the voters' pam-38 phlet shall be made by:

39 "(a) The county governing body with regard to [any] a county measure, [or] the council of the 40 metropolitan service district with regard to [any] a metropolitan service district measure or the 41 district elections authority with regard to a community college district measure relating to 42 bonding.[;]

43 "(b) The chief petitioners of the initiative or referendum with regard to a [county or district] 44 measure initiated or referred by the people. The chief petitioners shall indicate their decision in a 45 statement signed by all of the chief petitioners and [filed with the county clerk or,] file the signed 1 statement:

"(A) For a county measure, with the county clerk;

3 "(B) For a metropolitan service district measure, with the executive officer of the metropol-4 itan service district; or

5 "(C) For a community college district measure relating to bonding, with the district 6 elections authority.

7 "(c) A political committee, as defined in ORS 260.005, that opposes the [county or district] 8 measure. The committee shall indicate its decision in a statement signed by every committee direc-9 tor, as defined in ORS 260.005, and [filed with the county clerk or,] file the signed statement:

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"(A) For a county measure, with the county clerk;

11 "(B) For a metropolitan service district measure, with the executive officer of the metropol-12 itan service district; or

"(C) For a community college district measure relating to bonding, with the district
 elections authority.

15 "(5) The county, [or] metropolitan service district or community college district shall file the 16 measure, ballot title, explanatory statement and arguments with the Secretary of State not later 17 than the 70th day before the general election or the 68th day before a special election held on the 18 date of any primary election. The county, [or] metropolitan service district or community college 19 district shall pay to the Secretary of State the cost of including the [county or district] material 20 described in this subsection in the pamphlet as determined by the secretary. The Secretary of 21 State shall not [have this material printed] print the material in the pamphlet unless:

"(a) The time for filing a petition for judicial review of a determination made under subsection
(2)(c) of this section has passed; and

24 "(b) The measure, title, statement and arguments properly filed with the county, [or] metropol-25 itan service district or community college district, are delivered to the secretary.

"(6) As used in this section, 'community college district' has the meaning given that term
 in ORS 341.005.

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"SECTION 3. ORS 251.185 is amended to read:

29 "251.185. (1) The Secretary of State shall have printed in the voters' pamphlet for a general 30 election or any special election a copy of the title and text of each state measure to be submitted 31 to the people at the election for which the pamphlet was prepared. The pamphlet must include the 32 procedures for filing a complaint under ORS 260.345. Each measure shall be printed in the pamphlet 33 with:

34 "(a) The number and ballot title of the measure;

35 "(b) The financial estimates and any statement prepared for the measure under ORS 250.125;

36 "(c) The explanatory statement prepared for the measure;

37 "(d) Arguments relating to the measure and filed with the Secretary of State;

38 "(e) Any racial and ethnic impact statement prepared for the measure under section 3, chapter 39 600, Oregon Laws 2013; and

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"(f) Any statement submitted for the measure by a citizen panel under ORS 250.141.

41 "(2) A community college district measure relating to bonding, a county measure or a 42 measure of a metropolitan service district organized under ORS chapter 268, and the ballot title, 43 explanatory statement and arguments relating to the measure, filed by the county, [or] metropolitan 44 service district or community college district under ORS 251.285 shall be included in the voters' 45 pamphlet described in subsection (1) of this section if required under ORS 251.067.

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"(3) As used in this section, 'community college district' has the meaning given that term
in ORS 341.005.

3 "<u>SECTION 4.</u> ORS 251.185, as amended by section 8, chapter 600, Oregon Laws 2013, and section 5, chapter 72, Oregon Laws 2014, is amended to read:

5 "251.185. (1) The Secretary of State shall have printed in the voters' pamphlet for a general 6 election or any special election a copy of the title and text of each state measure to be submitted 7 to the people at the election for which the pamphlet was prepared. The pamphlet must include the 8 procedures for filing a complaint under ORS 260.345. Each measure shall be printed in the pamphlet 9 with:

10 "(a) The number and ballot title of the measure;

11 "(b) The financial estimates and any statement prepared for the measure under ORS 250.125;

12 "(c) The explanatory statement prepared for the measure;

13 "(d) Arguments relating to the measure and filed with the Secretary of State; and

14 "(e) Any statement submitted for the measure by a citizen panel under ORS 250.141.

"(2) A community college district measure relating to bonding, a county measure or a measure of a metropolitan service district organized under ORS chapter 268, and the ballot title, explanatory statement and arguments relating to the measure, filed by the county, [or] metropolitan service district or community college district under ORS 251.285 shall be included in the voters' pamphlet described in subsection (1) of this section if required under ORS 251.067.

"(3) As used in this section, 'community college district' has the meaning given that term
in ORS 341.005.".

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