SENATE AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 1510

By COMMITTEE ON RULES

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On page 3, delete lines 41 through 45 and delete page 4.

On page 5, delete lines 1 through 17 and insert:

“SECTION 3. ORS 260.118 is amended to read:

“260.118. (1) The chief petitioners of an initiative, referendum or recall petition shall appoint a treasurer. The treasurer shall be an elector of this state. Contributions [shall] must be received and expenditures made by or through the treasurer.

“(2) The treasurer shall file a statement of organization of a petition committee with the appropriate filing officer. The treasurer shall file the statement not later than the third business day after a chief petitioner or the treasurer receives a contribution or makes an expenditure relating to the initiative, referendum or recall petition. The statement [shall] must include:

“(a) The name and address of the chief petitioners.

“(b) The name and address of the treasurer appointed under subsection (1) of this section.

“(c) A designation of the initiative, referendum or recall petition. The designation of the recall petition [shall] must include the name of the officer whose recall is demanded.

“(d) In addition to the information listed in subsection (2) of this section, the statement of organization must include, or be amended within five business days to include, the name of the financial institution in which the petition account required under ORS 260.054 is established, the name of the account, the name of the account holder and the names of all individuals who have signature authority for the account. The Secretary of State may not disclose information received by the secretary under this paragraph subsection except as necessary for purposes of enforcing the provisions of ORS chapters 246 to 260.

“(e) A treasurer may designate an elector of this state to be liable for any civil penalty imposed under ORS 260.232. The treasurer shall include the name and address of any elector designated under this subsection in a statement of organization filed under this section.

“(f) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, if there is a change in the information submitted in a statement of organization under [subsection (2)] subsections (2) and (3) of this section, the treasurer shall file an amended statement of organization not later than the 10th day after the change in information.

“(g) The treasurer of an initiative, referendum or recall petition committee shall use the electronic filing system adopted under ORS 260.057 to file with the Secretary of State statements of contributions received and expenditures made by the petition committee, as described in ORS
The treasurer of an initiative petition committee shall file a statement described in subsection [(5)] [(6)] of this section not later than seven calendar days after a contribution is received or an expenditure is made. This subsection applies to contributions received and expenditures made:

(a) During the period beginning on the 42nd calendar day before the date that is four months before a general election and ending on the date that is four months before a general election; and

(b) During the period beginning on the 42nd calendar day before the date of any primary election and ending on the date of the primary election and the period beginning on the 42nd calendar day before the date of any general election and ending on the date of the general election.

The treasurer of a referendum petition committee or a recall petition committee shall file a statement described in subsection [(5)] [(6)] of this section not later than seven calendar days after a contribution is received or an expenditure is made. This subsection applies:

(a) For a referendum petition committee, to contributions received and expenditures made during the period beginning on the date the treasurer is appointed under subsection (1) of this section and ending on the deadline for submitting signatures for verification; and

(b) For a recall petition committee, to contributions received and expenditures made during the period beginning on the day on which the recall petition is filed under ORS 249.865 and ending on the deadline for submitting signatures for verification.

Except as provided in subsection [(9)] [(10)] of this section, during a period not described in subsection [(6) or (7)] [(8)] of this section, a treasurer of an initiative, referendum or recall petition committee shall file a statement described in subsection [(5)] [(6)] of this section not later than 30 calendar days after a contribution is received or an expenditure is made.

If a treasurer of an initiative petition committee receives a contribution or makes an expenditure prior to the 42nd calendar day before the date that is four months before a general election, or the 42nd day before the date of the primary election or general election, and the treasurer has not filed a statement of the contribution or expenditure under subsection [(5)] [(6)] of this section by the 43rd calendar day before the date that is four months before a general election, or the 43rd day before the date of the primary election or general election, the treasurer shall file a statement described in subsection [(5)] [(6)] of this section not later than the 35th calendar day before the date that is four months before a general election, or not later than whichever of the following dates occurs first:

(a) The date required under subsection (9) of this section; or

(b) The 35th day before the date of the primary election or general election.

For an initiative petition committee, the accounting period for the first statement filed under this section begins on the date the treasurer is appointed under subsection (1) of this section.

Each statement required under this section shall be signed and certified as true by the treasurer. Signatures shall be supplied in the manner specified by the secretary by rule.

Subsections [(5) to (11)] [(6) to (12)] of this section do not apply to petition committees that file certificates under ORS 260.112.

As used in this section, ‘contribution’ and ‘expenditure’ include a contribution or expenditure to or on behalf of an initiative, referendum or recall petition.”.

On page 6, line 4, after “mail” insert a comma.

On page 7, line 31, delete “one business day” and insert “five business days”.

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On page 8, delete lines 15 through 23 and insert:

“SECTION 6. ORS 254.165 is amended to read:

“254.165. (1) If the filing officer determines that a candidate has died, withdrawn or become disqualified, or that the candidate will not qualify in time for the office if elected, the name of the candidate may not be printed on the ballots or, if [they] ballots have already been printed, [shall be erased or canceled] the ballots must be reprinted without the name of the candidate before the ballots are delivered to the electors. The name of a candidate nominated to fill a vacancy in nomination or office [shall] must be printed on the ballots or, if [they] the ballots have already been printed, the county clerk shall cause the name to appear on the ballots before the ballots are delivered to the electors. A filing officer, other than the Secretary of State, shall notify the Secretary of State of any action taken under this section.

“(2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply if the filing officer makes the determination under subsection (1) of this section on or after the [47th] 61st day before the date of the election.

“(3) As used in this section:

“(a) ‘District’ means a district defined in ORS 255.012.

“(b) ‘Filing officer’ means the:

“(A) Secretary of State, regarding a candidate for a state office or an office to be voted on in the state at large or in a congressional district.

“(B) County clerk, regarding a candidate for a county office.

“(C) County clerk of the county in which the administrative office of the district is located, regarding a candidate for a district office to be voted on in a district located in more than one county.

“(D) County clerk, regarding a candidate for a district office to be voted on in a district situated wholly within the county.

“(E) City clerk, auditor or recorder, regarding a candidate for a city office.”.

On page 9, delete lines 33 and 34.

On page 15, after line 6, insert:

“SECTION 15. ORS 260.042 is amended to read:

“260.042. (1) The treasurer of a political committee shall file a statement of organization with the filing officer. The statement [shall] must include:

“(a) The name, address and nature of the committee. The address [shall] must be the address of a residence, office, headquarters or similar location where the political committee or a responsible officer of the political committee may be conveniently located.

“(b) The name, address and occupation of the committee director or directors.

“(c) The name and address of the committee treasurer.

“(d) The name and address of any other political committee of which two or more committee directors are also directors of the committee filing the statement.

“(e) The name, office sought, and party affiliation of each candidate whom the committee is supporting or specifically opposing or intends to support or specifically oppose, when known, or, if the committee is supporting or specifically opposing all the candidates of a given party, the name of that party.

“(f) A designation of any measure that the committee is opposing or supporting, or intends to support or oppose.

“(g) A statement of whether the committee is a controlled committee.

“[(g)] (2) In addition to the information listed in subsection (1) of this section, the statement of organization must include, or be amended within five business days to include, the
name of the financial institution in which the campaign account required under ORS 260.054 is established, the name of the account, the name of the account holder and the names of all individuals who have signature authority for the account. The Secretary of State may not disclose information received by the secretary under this [paragraph] subsection except as necessary for purposes of enforcing the provisions of ORS chapters 246 to 260.

"[(h) A statement of whether the committee is a controlled committee.]

"[(2) (3) A treasurer may designate an individual to receive any notice provided by a filing officer under ORS chapters 246 to 260. The treasurer shall include the name and address of the individual in a statement of organization filed under this section. A filing officer who provides any notice under ORS chapters 246 to 260 to the treasurer of the political committee shall also provide the notice to the individual designated by the treasurer under this subsection.

"[(3) (4) A treasurer may designate an elector of this state to be liable for any civil penalty imposed under ORS 260.232. The treasurer shall include the name and address of any elector designated under this subsection in a statement of organization filed under this section.

"[(4) (5) The statement of organization [shall] must be filed not later than the date specified in ORS 260.035.

"[(5) (6) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, any change in information submitted in a statement of organization under [subsection (1)] subsections (1) and (2) of this section [shall] must be indicated in an amended statement of organization filed not later than the 10th day after the change in information.

"[(6) (7) This section does not apply to a political committee that is a principal campaign committee or to a political committee exclusively supporting or opposing one or more candidates for federal or political party office.

"SECTION 16. ORS 260.215 is amended to read:

"260.215. (1) For statements filed during each calendar year, each filing officer shall examine each statement filed with the filing officer under ORS 260.044, 260.057, 260.083, 260.112 or 260.118 to determine whether the statement is sufficient. The filing officer shall examine statements under this section not later than 90 days after the end of each calendar quarter for statements filed during the previous calendar quarter.

"(2) The filing officer may require any person to answer in writing and upon oath or affirmation before a judge, justice of the peace, county clerk or notary public any question within the knowledge of that person concerning the source of any contribution. The filing officer shall advise the person of the penalty for failure to answer.

"SECTION 17. ORS 250.045 is amended to read:

"250.045. (1)(a) Before circulating a petition to initiate or refer a state measure under [section 1, Article IV, section 1, of the Oregon Constitution, the petitioner shall file with the Secretary of State a prospective petition.

"(b) The prospective petition for a state measure to be initiated:

"(A) Shall contain the signatures of at least 1,000 electors; and

"(B) May not contain the signatures of more than 2,000 electors.

"(c) The signature sheets for a state measure to be initiated must be attached to a full and correct copy of the measure to be initiated.

"(2) Before obtaining signatures on a prospective petition for a state measure to be initiated, the chief petitioners shall file with the secretary a statement declaring whether one or more persons will be paid money or other valuable consideration for obtaining signatures of electors on the pro-
pective petition. After a statement has been filed under this subsection, the chief petitioners shall
notify the secretary not later than the 10th day after any of the chief petitioners first has knowledge
or should have had knowledge that:

“(a) Any person is being paid for obtaining signatures, when the statement filed under this
subsection declared that no such person would be paid.
“(b) No person is being paid for obtaining signatures, when the statement filed under this sub-
section declared that one or more such persons would be paid.
“(3) The secretary by rule shall establish procedures for verifying whether a prospective petition
for a state measure to be initiated contains the required number of signatures of electors.
“(4) The secretary shall date and time stamp the prospective petition and specify the form on
which the initiative or referendum petition shall be printed for circulation as provided in ORS
250.052. The secretary shall retain the prospective petition.
“(5) The chief petitioner may amend the state measure to be initiated that has been filed with
the secretary without filing another prospective petition, if:
“(a) The Attorney General certifies to the secretary that the proposed amendment will not sub-
stantially change the substance of the measure; and
“(b) The deadline for submitting written comments on the draft title has not passed.
“(6)(a) The cover of an initiative or referendum petition shall designate the name and residence
address of not more than three persons as chief petitioners and shall contain instructions for per-
sons obtaining signatures of electors on the petition. The instructions shall be adopted by the sec-
retary by rule.
“(b) The cover of a referendum petition shall contain the final measure summary described in
ORS 250.065 (1).
“(c)(A) If a petition seeking a different ballot title is not filed with the Supreme Court by the
deadline for filing a petition under ORS 250.085, the cover of an initiative petition shall contain the
latest ballot title certified by the Attorney General under ORS 250.067 (2).
“(B) If a petition seeking a different ballot title is filed with the Supreme Court by the
deadline for filing a petition under ORS 250.085:
“(i) The secretary may not issue an official template of the cover and signature sheets
of the initiative petition until the Supreme Court has certified a final ballot title; and
“(ii) [However, if the Supreme Court has reviewed the ballot title,] The cover of the initiative
petition shall contain the final ballot title certified by the court.
“(7) The chief petitioners shall include with the prospective petition a statement declaring
whether one or more persons will be paid money or other valuable consideration for obtaining sig-
natures of electors on the initiative or referendum petition. After the prospective petition is filed,
the chief petitioners shall notify the filing officer not later than the 10th day after any of the chief
petitioners first has knowledge or should have had knowledge that:
“(a) Any person is being paid for obtaining signatures, when the statement included with the
prospective petition declared that no such person would be paid.
“(b) No person is being paid for obtaining signatures, when the statement included with the
prospective petition declared that one or more such persons would be paid.
“(8)(a) Each sheet of signatures on an initiative petition shall contain the caption of the final
certified ballot title. Each sheet of signatures on a referendum petition shall contain the subject
expressed in the title of the Act to be referred.
“(b) Each sheet of signatures on an initiative or referendum petition shall:
“(A) Contain a notice describing the meaning of the color of the signature sheet in accordance
with ORS 250.052; and
“(B) If one or more persons will be paid for obtaining signatures of electors on the petition,
contain a notice stating: ‘Some Circulators For This Petition Are Being Paid.’ The notice shall be
in boldfaced type and shall be prominently displayed on the sheet.
“(c) The secretary by rule shall adopt a method of designation to distinguish signature sheets
of referendum petitions containing the same subject reference and being circulated during the same
period.
“(9) The reverse side of the cover of an initiative or referendum petition shall be used for ob-
taining signatures on the initiative or referendum petition.
“(10) Not more than 20 signatures on the signature sheet of the initiative or referendum petition
may be counted. The circulator shall certify on each signature sheet of the initiative or referendum
petition that the circulator:
“(a) Witnessed the signing of the signature sheet by each individual whose signature appears
on the signature sheet; and
“(b) Believes each individual is an elector.
“(11) The person obtaining signatures on the petition shall carry at least one full and correct
copy of the measure to be initiated or referred and shall allow any person to review a copy upon
request of the person.

**SECTION 18.** ORS 250.052 is amended to read:

“250.052. (1)(a) For each state initiative, referendum or recall petition, the Secretary of State
shall prepare official templates of the cover and signature sheets for the petition. Except as pro-
vided in this section, templates of cover and signature sheets for state initiative and referendum
petitions are subject to the requirements of ORS 250.045. The templates of signature sheets to be
used by persons who are being paid to obtain signatures on the petition shall be a different color
from the sheets to be used by persons who are not being paid to obtain signatures on the petition.
“(b) For each prospective petition for a state measure to be initiated the secretary shall prepare
official templates of the cover and signature sheets. The templates of signature sheets to be used
by persons who are being paid to obtain signatures on the prospective petition shall be a different
color from the sheets to be used by persons who are not being paid to obtain signatures on the
prospective petition. Each signature sheet for the prospective petition shall:
“(A) Contain a notice describing the meaning of the color of the signature sheet; and
“(B) If one or more persons will be paid for obtaining signatures of electors on the prospective
petition, contain a notice stating: ‘Some Circulators For This Prospective Petition Are Being Paid.’
The notice shall be in boldfaced type and shall be prominently displayed on the sheet.
“(2) A person obtaining signatures on a state initiative, referendum or recall petition or a pro-
spective petition for a state measure to be initiated may use only the cover and signature sheets
contained in the official templates prepared for the petition or prospective petition. A person who
is being paid to obtain signatures on the petition or prospective petition shall use the signature
sheet template designated for use by persons being paid to obtain signatures. A person who is not
being paid to obtain signatures on the petition or prospective petition shall use the signature sheet
template designated for use by persons who are not being paid to obtain signatures.
“(3)(a) The secretary shall issue templates for a petition or prospective petition only to a chief
petitioner of the petition or prospective petition or to an agent designated by a chief petitioner.
“(b) If the ballot title for a state initiative petition has been challenged under ORS
250.085, the secretary may not issue an official template for the initiative petition until the
Supreme Court has certified a final ballot title.

“(4) The secretary shall issue official templates to a chief petitioner or designated agent not
later than:

“(a) Three business days after the deadline for filing a petition under ORS 250.085 relating to
a ballot title certified by the Attorney General for the state initiative petition or, if a petition is
filed with the Supreme Court under ORS 250.085, three business days after the Supreme Court cer-
tifies to the secretary a final ballot title for the state initiative petition;

“(b) Three business days after a prospective petition is filed under ORS 249.865 or 250.045 for
a state recall petition or state referendum petition; or

“(c) Three business days after the chief petitioner files a statement with the secretary under
ORS 250.045 (2) for a prospective petition for a state measure to be initiated.

“(5) The secretary by rule shall establish a process by which a chief petitioner of a state initi-
ative, referendum or recall petition or a prospective petition for a state measure to be initiated may
request a modification of the templates issued under subsection (4) of this section.

“(6) In addition to the templates prepared under subsections (1) to (5) of this section, for each
state initiative, referendum or recall petition or prospective petition, the secretary shall prepare an
official electronic template of a signature sheet for the petition or prospective petition. A template
prepared under this subsection shall allow space for the signature of one elector. An elector may
print a copy of the electronic signature sheet for a petition or prospective petition, sign the sheet
and deliver the signed sheet to a chief petitioner or an agent designated by a chief petitioner.
Electronic templates described in this subsection are subject to the requirements of ORS 250.045,
other than ORS 250.045 (6), (9) and (10).

“(7) The secretary shall adopt rules prescribing the contents and method of production of official
templates required under this section.

SECTION 19. The amendments to ORS 250.045 and 250.052 by sections 17 and 18 of this
2018 Act apply to initiative, referendum or recall petitions or prospective petitions that are
filed with the Secretary of State on or after the effective date of this 2018 Act.

SECTION 20. Section 21 of this 2018 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 247.

SECTION 21. (1)(a) Except as set forth in ORS 247.965 or 247.967, or as otherwise pro-
hibited by law, the following information about an elector contained within an elector’s reg-
istration file is subject to inspection as a public record under ORS 192.311 to 192.478 and shall
be included in lists delivered under ORS 247.940 and 247.945:

“(A) The major political party or minor political party, if any, with which an elector is
affiliated;

“(B) The residence address of an elector;

“(C) The address where an elector receives a ballot;

“(D) The year in which an elector was born;

“(E) The name or number of the precinct in which the elector resides;

“(F) The precinct split of an elector;

“(G) The administrative number for an elector that is used by the Secretary of State to
determine which elections an elector may vote in;

“(H) The telephone number of an elector;

“(I) Whether or not an elector voted in previous elections; and

“(J) During an election period, the ballot status of an elector. In order to comply with
this subparagraph, during the election period, the secretary shall maintain a list of the ballot
status of electors. The secretary shall update the list, and make available an updated version
of the list, on each business day of the election period.

“(b) As used in this subsection:

“(A) ‘Ballot status’ means whether or not an elector has cast a ballot in the election;
“(B) ‘Election period’ means the period of time beginning on the date that ballots for an
election are first mailed to electors and ending on the date of the election; and
“(C) ‘Precinct split’ means the enhanced precinct name or number used to determine the
specific ballot configuration that will be received by an elector who resides in a precinct that:
“(i) Has more than one election district subdivision; and
“(ii) Requires more than one ballot configuration for electors in the precinct.
“(2) Except as set forth in ORS 247.973 or as otherwise required by law, the following
information about an elector contained within an elector’s registration file is not subject to
inspection as a public record under ORS 192.311 to 192.478 and may not be disclosed by the
Secretary of State or a county clerk:

“(a) The birth month of an elector;
“(b) The day of the month on which an elector was born;
“(c) The Social Security number of an elector;
“(d) The driver license number of an elector; and
“(e) The signature of an elector.
“(3) Nothing in this section is intended to limit or restrict the disclosure of information
that is otherwise subject to inspection as a public record under ORS 192.311 to 192.478.

*SECTION 22. ORS 247.973 is amended to read:

“247.973. (1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, an individual’s signature submitted under
this chapter for purposes of registering to vote is subject to inspection as a public record under ORS
192.311 to 192.478. The signature may be inspected in the Office of the Secretary of State or the
office of the county clerk.

“(2) A person may not make a copy of or provide to another person a copy of an individual’s
signature submitted under this chapter for purposes of registering to vote.

“(3) Subsection (2) of this section does not apply to copies made by any elections official acting
in an official capacity for purposes of administering the provisions of ORS chapters 246 to 260 or
any rules adopted thereunder.

“(4) Identifying information or documents submitted by an individual for purposes of registering
to vote as required under the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (P.L. 107-252) are exempt from dis-
closure under ORS 192.311 to 192.478.

“(5) Identifying information relating to a disability of an elector that is entered into official
voter registration records by an elections official is exempt from disclosure under ORS 192.311 to
192.478.”.

In line 7, delete “15” and insert “23”.

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