

Testimony in opposition to SB 368

Senate Rules Committee

February 8th, 2019

Chair Burdick and Members of the Committee,

My Name is Eron King and I oppose SB 368 because a separate-vote requirement for county charter amendments is unconstitutional. There is no separate-vote requirement for county charter amendments in the Oregon Constitution. And adding a separate-vote requirement for county charter amendments via statute would violate several provisions of the Oregon Constitution. This is another attempt at creating a roadblock within the citizen's Initiative process, a process that is constitutionally guaranteed.

Citizens in Lane County followed all the rules and gathered all the signatures, so why didn't they see the ballot box? The unconstitutional use of the separate vote rule. Please join me and thousands of others who oppose this bill.

Thank you!

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