

Dear Senate Rules Committee members;

As an Oregon resident and voter, I urge you to oppose SB 368.

It is an attempt to weaken citizen's rights and power in the ballot initiative process.

The 'separate vote' was not created to apply at the county level. It was created to apply to state level state constitutional amendments - not county charter amendments.

Furthermore, placing the analysis role of whether an initiative passes the "Separate Vote" rule or not is not appropriate for County Clerks due to lack of qualifications and separation of power. Such 'judgements' should be placed in the hands of the justice system - not the executive system.

Thank-you for your time.

Sincerely,

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