



Taxpayers Association of Oregon

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Yes on Senate Bill 952

Over the past 20 years the Taxpayer Association has seen continued abuse of electioneering in Oregon.

This has included teachers giving campaign material to students in the classroom to take home, government employees using state communication resources to advocate the election or defeat of ballot measures and examples of overtly biased information on issues on the ballot produced using government resources and under the government institution's name.

The problem continues because, in part, the fines are so low it fails to act as a deterrent or reflect the gravity of misusing government resources to involve itself in an election.

The fines have been less than simple traffic infractions, and thus they continue with the same regularity of traffic infractions.