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Re: SB 670

Chair Holvey, Vice-Chair Williamson, Vice-Chair Wilson, Members of the committee,

I am writing to ask you to vote No on Senate bill 670.

Oregon County Clerks and the Oregon Elections division are striving to be the "Trusted Source" of information in regards to Elections. SB 670 diminishes that effort. Voters know when they see their own County Clerk's name on a mailing they know it is official, and authentic. Whether it is on a recorded land record, marriage license, and especially an official Vote-By-Mail envelope, it evokes authenticity.

Removing the election official's name from ballot material increases anonymity during a time when trust in government is fading. This bill does just that. SB 670 moves us backward toward more distrust in our elections. County Clerks strive to be held accountable and responsible. How do voters know who to hold accountable if they aren't able to find our contact information on an election mailing?

I ask your consideration and thought, and request you vote NO on SB 670.

Thank you,

Derrin (Dag) Robinson, C.C.C.

Harney County Clerk