

SJR 18 B STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Rayfield

House Committee On Rules

Action Date: 06/29/19

Action: Do adopt the B-Eng measure.

Vote: 4-2-0-0

Yeas: 4 - Holvey, Nosse, Smith Warner, Williamson

Nays: 2 - Sprenger, Wilson

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 6/29

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution authorizing adoption of state and local laws that require campaign finance-related disclosures or that limit, to the extent permitted under the federal constitution, political contributions and expenditures. Applies to laws enacted or approved on or after January 1, 2016. Refers proposed amendment to next regular general election.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Campaign contributions and expenditures are forms of expression protected by Article I, section 8 of the Oregon Constitution and may not be limited. *Vannatta v. Keisling*, 324 Or. 514 (1997); see also *Buckley v. Valeo*, 424 U.S. 1 (1976) (Campaign expenditures protected by First Amendment to United States Constitution). Disclosure requirements, on the other hand, do not necessarily offend the state or federal constitution. *State v. Moyer*, 348 Or. 220 (2010); *Buckley*.