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To: <u>House Committee on Rules</u> Rep. Paul Holvey, Chair

Re: <u>HB 4123</u> – Requires SEI to include certain information about business sources of income – Support

The League of Women Voters has supported reforms to Oregon ethics laws since before the 2007 major overhaul of these laws. To the League, these laws are a simple matter of governmental integrity.

Statements of Economic Interest (SEIs) give voters and others valuable information about potential conflicts of interest of public officials, candidates and members of their families. HB 4123 would add information to the SEIs about income from certain businesses that have legislative or administrative interest with state government entities.

HB 4123 also prohibits a candidate from expending campaign moneys for professional services rendered by the certain businesses required to be listed on the candidate's SEI.

These are both laudable additions to Oregon's ethics and campaign finance laws, and the League supports this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss this legislation.

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