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TESTIMONY ON SB 1526 (2022) CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS

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SB 1526 has so many loopholes it might as well be Swiss cheese. Voters, constituents, and ordinary Oregonians can see this clearly. Others have pointed out the long laundry list of loopholes contained within SB 1526, so I am going to mention the three most egregious ones here:

First, SB 1526 would not even enact a law. Instead, it would require voter approval, and would not become operational until November 6, 2024. This is unacceptable.

Second, SB 1526 has no actual contribution limits, which defeats the entire purpose of the bill.

Third (but by no means last), SB 1526 does not provide for effective enforcement. Even if this bill was perfect (which it isn't), lack of effective enforcement would mean the people of Oregon would once again have their voices drowned out by the rich and the powerful.

Do not pass SB 1526.