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ESTABLISHES RANKED CHOICE VOTING METHOD OF DETERMINING NOMINATION AND ELECTION TO SPECIFIED OFFICES. PERMITS SPECIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO USE RANKED CHOICE VOTING TO DETERMINE **ELECTION TO SPECIFIED OFFICES**

Referred to the Electorate of Oregon by the Legislative Assembly to be voted on at the General Election, November 5, 2024.

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Explanation 2 By the Joint Committee on Ballot Measure Titles and Explanatory Statements pursuant to 3 section 1, chapter 366, Oregon Laws 2023. 4 5 Ballot Measure establishes ranked choice voting as the voting method used for 6 the nomination and election to the offices of President and Vice President of the United 7 States, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, Governor, Secretary of State, 8 State Treasurer and Attorney General. The measure permits cities, counties, metropolitan 9 service districts, school districts and other local governments or local service districts to use 10 ranked choice voting for the nomination and election to specified local offices, unless 11 otherwise prohibited by home rule charter. The measure also establishes ranked choice 12 voting as the voting method used in this state to determine the election of a candidate to 13 the office of Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries.

Ballot Measure ____ establishes the process by which ranked choice elections will be conducted in Oregon. If the measure is adopted, an elector may rank in order of preference candidates and qualified write-in candidates on a ballot. Each cast ballot counts as one vote for the highest-ranked active candidate on the ballot. Ballots are counted in sequential rounds. If an active candidate receives a majority of votes in a round, the candidate with the greatest number of votes is nominated or elected and the tallying of ballots is complete for that office. If no active candidate receives a majority of votes cast in a round, the votes cast for the candidate with the fewest votes in that round are transferred to the next highest-ranked active candidate on those ballots. The process is repeated until a candidate receives a majority of votes cast.

Ballot Measure ____ requires the Secretary of State to determine the process, using a proportional methodology, by which candidates are elected by ranked choice voting to offices held by more than one individual.

The measure applies to nominations and elections occurring on or after January 1, 2028.