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Requested by Representative GOMBERG

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 3593**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 30 and delete pages  
2 2 and 3 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1.** ORS 254.135 is amended to read:

4 “254.135. (1) The official general or special election ballot shall be styled  
5 ‘Official Ballot’ and shall state:

6 “(a) The name of the county for which it is intended.

7 “(b) The date of the election.

8 “(c) The names of all candidates for offices to be filled at the election  
9 whose nominations have been made and accepted and who have not died,  
10 withdrawn or become disqualified. The ballot may not contain the name of  
11 any other person.

12 “(d) The number, ballot title and financial estimates under ORS 250.125  
13 of any measure to be voted on at the election.

14 “(2) The names of candidates for President and Vice President of the  
15 United States shall be printed in groups together, with their political party  
16 designations. The names of the electors may not be printed on the general  
17 election ballot. A vote for the candidates for President and Vice President  
18 is a vote for the group of presidential electors supporting those candidates  
19 and selected as provided by law. The general election ballot shall state that  
20 electors of President and Vice President are being elected and that a vote  
21 for the candidates for President and Vice President shall be a vote for the

1 electors supporting those candidates.

2 “[3)(a)] (3) The name of each candidate nominated shall be printed on the  
3 ballot in but one place, without regard to how many times the candidate may  
4 have been nominated, except in circumstances where a candidate may hold  
5 more than one office or nomination without violating ORS 249.013.

6 “(4)(a) The name of a political party, or names of political parties, shall  
7 be printed with the name of a candidate for other than nonpartisan office  
8 according to the following rules:

9 “(A) For a candidate not affiliated with a political party who is nomi-  
10 nated by a minor political party, the name of the minor political party shall  
11 be printed with the name of the candidate;

12 “(B) For a candidate not affiliated with a political party who is nomi-  
13 nated by more than one minor political party, the names of not more than  
14 three minor political parties selected by the candidate shall be printed with  
15 the name of the candidate, **with the name of each minor political party**  
16 **printed on a separate line below the name of the candidate;**

17 “(C) For a candidate who is a member of a political party who is nomi-  
18 nated by a political party of which the candidate is not a member, the name  
19 of the political party that nominated the candidate shall be printed with the  
20 name of the candidate;

21 “(D) For a candidate who is a member of a political party who is nomi-  
22 nated by more than one political party of which the candidate is not a  
23 member, the names of not more than three political parties selected by the  
24 candidate shall be printed with the name of the candidate, **with the name**  
25 **of each political party printed on a separate line below the name of the**  
26 **candidate;**

27 “(E) For a candidate who is nominated only by a political party of which  
28 the candidate is a member, the name of the political party of which the  
29 candidate is a member shall be printed with the name of the candidate; and

30 “(F) For a candidate who is nominated by a political party of which the

1 candidate is a member and by any political party or parties of which the  
2 candidate is not a member, the name of the political party of which the  
3 candidate is a member and the names of not more than two other political  
4 parties selected by the candidate shall be printed with the name of the can-  
5 didate, **with the name of each political party printed on a separate line**  
6 **below the name of the candidate.**

7 “(b) If a candidate is required to select the name of a political party to  
8 be printed on the ballot under paragraph (a) of this subsection, the candidate  
9 shall notify the filing officer of the selection not later than the 61st day  
10 before the day of the election.

11 “(c) The word ‘incumbent’ shall be printed with the name of each candi-  
12 date for the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Oregon Tax Court or circuit  
13 court who is designated the incumbent by the Secretary of State under ORS  
14 254.085.

15 “(d) The word ‘nonaffiliated’ shall be printed with the name of each can-  
16 didate who is not affiliated with a political party and who is nominated by  
17 an assembly of electors or individual electors.

18 “(e) If two or more candidates for the same office have the same or simi-  
19 lar surnames, the location of their places of residence shall be printed with  
20 their names to distinguish one from another.

21 “[~~(4)~~] **(5)** Notwithstanding subsection [~~(3)(a)~~] **(3)** of this section, the name  
22 of a candidate nominated for more than one district office that is to be filled  
23 at the same election shall be separately printed upon the ballot for each  
24 district office for which the candidate is nominated.

25 **“SECTION 2.** ORS 254.145 is amended to read:

26 “254.145. (1)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the  
27 names of candidates for nomination for or election to each office shall be  
28 arranged on the ballot in the order determined under ORS 254.155.

29 “(b) The names of candidates for the offices of President and Vice Presi-  
30 dent of the United States shall be arranged in groups.

1       “(2) Except as provided in ORS 254.125 and 254.135 and this section, no  
2 information about the candidate, including any title or designation, other  
3 than the candidate’s name, may appear on the ballot.

4       “(3) Spaces shall be provided for any offices appearing on the ballot in  
5 which the elector may write the name of any person not printed on the bal-  
6 lot. If a voting machine is used, spaces shall be provided on the ballot, or  
7 on separate material delivered to the elector with the ballot, in which the  
8 elector may write or enter the names of persons for any offices appearing  
9 on the ballot.

10       “(4) On the left margin of the ballot, the name of each group or candidate  
11 may be numbered. The blank spaces may not be numbered. A particular  
12 number may not be used to designate more than one candidate at any  
13 election.

14       “(5) The names of all candidates for the same office shall be listed in the  
15 same column on the ballot. If more than one column is needed to list names  
16 of all candidates for that office, the names may be arranged in one or more  
17 columns in block form. The block shall be set apart by rulings under the  
18 title of the office. If a blank space follows the list of candidates, the space  
19 shall be in the same column as the names of candidates for that office. If  
20 blocks of columns are used, blank spaces shall be included within the ruled  
21 block.

22       “(6) The ballot shall be clearly marked to indicate when names of candi-  
23 dates for the office are continued on the following page.

24       “(7) When a measure is submitted to the people, the number, ballot title  
25 and financial estimates under ORS 250.125 of each measure shall be printed  
26 after the list of candidates. A measure referred by the Legislative Assembly  
27 shall be designated ‘Referred to the People by the Legislative Assembly.’ A  
28 state measure referred by petition shall be designated ‘Referendum Order by  
29 Petition of the People.’ A state measure proposed by initiative petition shall  
30 be designated ‘Proposed by Initiative Petition.’

1       “(8)(a)(A) The ballot shall be printed to give the elector a clear oppor-  
2 tunity to designate the elector’s choice for candidates and approval or re-  
3 jection of measures submitted. **Subject to ORS 254.135, if a candidate has**  
4 **been nominated for a single office by multiple political parties, the**  
5 **name of each political party shall be listed on a separate line under-**  
6 **neath the name of the candidate in a manner that allows an elector**  
7 **who chooses to vote for the candidate to also indicate a preference for**  
8 **the political party that is paired with the candidate. If the elector**  
9 **marks the ballot in a manner that indicates a preference for a single**  
10 **candidate, but with multiple pairings of political parties, the ballot**  
11 **shall be considered cast:**

12       “(i) For the indicated candidate; and

13       “(ii) For the indicated political party that has the smallest number  
14 of members.

15       “(B) Votes that are cast in the manner described in this paragraph  
16 on ballots printed as required in ORS 254.135 for the pairing of a can-  
17 didate and a minor political party that nominated the candidate may  
18 be used to maintain the status of the minor political party under ORS  
19 248.008 (4)(b)(B).

20       “(b) If a voting machine is not used, the elector shall indicate a prefer-  
21 ence by making a cross or check mark inside a voting square corresponding  
22 to the candidate or answer for which the elector wishes to vote. A voting  
23 square may be printed on the blank, write-in vote spaces. However, the  
24 elector is not required to place a mark in the voting square corresponding  
25 to a name written in a blank space.

26       “(c) Words shall be printed on the ballot to aid the elector, such as ‘Vote  
27 for one,’ ‘Vote for three,’ and regarding measures, ‘Yes’ and ‘No.’” .

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