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RE: SJR 34A (proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution to establish Independent Public Service Compensation Commission) - Support (to be heard June 22, 2:55 pm)

To Chair Fahey, Vice-Chairs Breese-Iverson and Kropf, and other members of the Committee:

The staff measure summary for this resolution states, in part, that among the issues raised by establishing an IPSCC are:

“Removing decision-making authority about salaries from the beneficiaries of those decisions”

I support this bill, but wish to call the Committee’s and public’s attention to another concept for which an independent citizen’s commission could remove decision-making authority from the beneficiaries of those decisions: an independent citizen’s redistricting commission, as has been proposed by other SJRs in this session of the legislature.

If the concept of an independent citizen’s commission is useful for salaries of you and others, why not for your own legislative districts?

Sincerely,

Chris Cobey