

Submitter: Virginia Hall
On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules
Measure: SB417

PLEASE CONSIDER THIS BILL CAREFULLY AND APPROVE IT.

THE CITIZENS OF OREGON HAVE ALREADY PAID FOR THE WORK OF PUBLIC RECORDS MANAGEMENT AND IT IS A FORM OF DOUBLE JEOPARDY TO KEEP CHARGING US FOR THE SAME THING WE ALREADY BOUGHT.

THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS HAVE ALREADY ALSO PAID FOR A public information officer TO DO THIS WORK. OUR TAXES ALSO FUND THIS POSITION.

THE CHARGES FOR SOME PUBLIC RECORDS HAVE BECOME LUDICROUS. IN ONE INSTANCE, MY REQUEST WAS INVOICED FOR THE MATERIAL BEING REVIEWED THREE TIMES.

"In March we paid \$106 for a cast vote record report of the tabulation by the ES&S tabulator for the 2020 vote.

We requested the same report a few weeks ago and the price is now \$2125.00. The invoice reads in part:

"Description

Estimated Hours Estimated Cost

County Clerk review of Cast Vote Record 16 hours \$960

County Clerk administrative staff review of CVR 16 hours \$960

County Counsel Review 2 hours \$205 TOTAL 20 hours \$2125"

Why would it take two full working days to review a data file that has no personal private information on it? If it did have personal private information, that would mean it was altered by an outside actor because neither the tabulator nor the ballots are supposed to have any personal data on them, including name, address, party, registration dates, etc.

Our second question is why the county clerk cannot be trusted to do this two day review? Why would it be necessary to have a second "administrative staff review" and who does this review? And what exactly requires a review of the county lawyer,

and who exactly is that person?

Please give us a reasonable price for this information. We are now suspicious of this matter and further require that the report be certified."

IN DECEMBER OF 2022, the estimated staff time to complete my request (FOR THE SAME THING) was:

Set up CVR - \$25

Records - \$5.09

TOTAL Clerk & Elections: 30.09

THIS BALONEY IS BORDERLINE FRAUD!