Submitter: Donald Powers

On Behalf Of: Citizens of Oregon

Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure: SB417

Dear Senate Rule Committee,

On many occasions I have filed Public Records Requests with my county and a few times with the SOS.

For a short time early in 2022 I was received fairly prompt and amicable responses with fees that were reasonable.

However, at some point this changed dramatically for the worse. Sometimes it took 4 or five attempts and many times the reply I received asked for an absolutely exorbitant fees.

The fee for somethings I asked for were increased as much as 100X previous requests, which exceeds the bounds reasonable and customary.

It is apparent to me that this unilateral change in policy has effectively rendered the public's ability to obtain Public Records nul.

Of the People By the People... For the People.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Don Powers