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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Rules  
Measure: HB2585

Greetings,

I am writing you as the admin of My Party Was Changed Oregon regarding HB2585. I am asking that house rules hears out this bill as opting in to register to vote and changing your party at DMV would help with voter satisfaction.

I started the group right when ballots went out in the 2020 primary and people started complaining that they did not get to vote for President. Many people were first time voters after a long and strong voter drive by Timberunity and Slavic Vote on major issues affecting their way of life in 2020.

I have a spreadsheet of over 151 people that submitted information on their issues. Our Facebook group is 2.4 thousand strong with many posts and polls from people from all parties.

What we found is that motor voter is switching people to NAV when they have a visit to the DMV for renewing licenses, registering a car, boat, trailer, etc. How? Well there is a small check box that you need to pick your party. After somebody picks their party we found that counties were not sending out the part preference postcard that needs to be signed and sent back. That flimsy postcard is the size of a magazine subscription card. If not sent back your choice is not saved. Thus reverting you to a NAV status.

Granted many people think they picked a party and swear they identify as a specific party. When they receive their primary ballot they do not get to vote in their primary of their self identified party. This is causing voter apathy.

People that have followed us are smarter. They check their party before primary ballots go out. Sometimes twice a year. Guess what some have found they have been switched again.

I have attached a screen shot from an Oregon Democrat Central Committee to show its not just a one sided concern.

Dmv is no place to register to vote. Why else are you watching the NAV voters increasing at a large rate while the other parties are up and down every month.

Feel free to check out our Facebook group. Also there are many articles around the

primary of 2020 that discussed this same subject.

Motor voter and auto registration is not good for voter happiness. It as well is a huge cost for the counties due to ballots going out to people that don't want to participate or legally cannot participate due to age, residency requirements, religion, and citizenship. This opens up to bad actors or setting up somebody that do not understand that they cannot legally vote.

Let's work together to keep the rumors of voter integrity at bay in our state. Motor voter was a failed experiment. Let's focus on not filling the voter roles with inaccuracies, but with valid voters.

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