To: House Rules Committee

From: Stacey Holeman, The Dalles

Re: Please Oppose HB 4024-3

Date: February 23, 2024

Chair Fahey, Vice Chair Helfrich, Vice Chair Kropf, Members of the House Rules Committee:

It's been more than 3 years since voters across Oregon overwhelmingly passed Measure 107 because we are sickened by the influence big money has on politics in our state. I was hopeful the legislature would step up and offer solutions to this enormous problem but 4 legislative sessions later, the problem remains - a danger and an embarrassment to your constituents. HB 4024-3 leaves gaping loopholes for the biggest political donors in Oregon: business and labor groups. THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

Only five states in our country are without limits on political spending and the amount of money spent on campaigns in Oregon is ridiculous, embarrassing, and obscene. We are sick and tired of the unfair influence this gives to those with money and we made it very clear with our vote in 2020 that we wanted you to do something about it. This bill as it currently stands is far worse than nothing. Initiative Petition 9 is the kind of reform we want. If you won't provide a solution that actually addresses this important issue, the voters will do it in November. PLEASE OPPOSE HB 4024-3.