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Measure: HB4024

Chair Fahey and members of the House Committee On Rules

I am opposed to House Bill 4024 as it currently stands. It simply has so many loopholes that it would not come close to meeting its intended goals, if indeed the goals intended are to put reasonable limits on campaign finance contributions. I think the majority of Oregonians agree that we need rules for campaign finance, as the amounts currently spent on state and even local elections are spinning out of control.

I do not see reasonable limits in HB 4024. What I do see is a more or less business as usual approach, cloaked in the form of "campaign finance reform." From what I've read, a much better approach to true reform is found in the rules proposed in Initiative Petition 9, and I hope Oregon's voters have the opportunity to voice their opinion on this initiative in the fall.

I urge you to either rewrite HB 4024 to closely follow IP 9, or to abandon it altogether.

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