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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules
Measure: HB4021

Members of the Committee,

This bill would result in the end of free elections for Senators in Oregon. Much like the Oregon Supreme Court and most of the other courts. The game is simple; the current occupant of the office resigns / retires 6 months to 1 year prior to the end of their term. The Governor then appoints a replacement from their party. That replacement then runs for re-election as an incumbent and, as we all know, the incumbent almost always wins. Most if not all of our Supreme Court justices were appointed.

Respectfully