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## SUMMARY

Digest: The Act allows for certain candidates to help county clerks count ballots. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).

Permits a precinct committeeperson who appears on the ballot to volunteer as personnel to assist a county clerk with counting ballots.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to precinct committeepersons counting ballots; amending ORS  
3 254.476.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 254.476 is amended to read:

6 254.476. (1)(a) The county clerk may employ personnel as necessary to  
7 open envelopes, handle ballots, prepare ballots for counting and count bal-  
8 lots. The personnel may not all be members of the same political party.

9 **(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this subsection,** a candi-  
10 date **who appears** on the ballot at an election[, *other than an incumbent*  
11 *candidate for county clerk,*] or a person who is a member of the household,  
12 spouse, domestic partner, child, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, parent, mother-  
13 in-law, father-in-law, sibling, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, aunt, uncle, niece,  
14 nephew, stepparent or stepchild of any candidate **who appears** on the ballot  
15 may not be employed and may not serve as a volunteer [*in the capacity de-*  
16 *scribed in this section*] **for the duties described in paragraph (a) of this**  
17 **subsection.**

18 **(c) An incumbent candidate for county clerk who appears on the**  
19 **ballot may be employed, and a precinct committeeperson who appears**  
20 **on the ballot may serve as a volunteer, for the duties described in**

1 **paragraph (a) of this subsection.**

2 (2) As used in this section, “member of the household” has the meaning  
3 given that term in ORS 244.020.

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