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This is well BEYOND a terrible idea!! As someone who has petitioned since 2001 AND led field efforts to legalize marijuana, raise minimum wage, and many more, I can tell you that it is EXTREMELY DIFFICULT to get signatures in rural counties. This is because Corporate free speech is more highly valued than any Oregon citizen's free speech. Downtowns are often defunct and tumbleweeds, there's no public transit to speak of, and libraries are an afterthought. To require a percentage from all counties will kill most initiatives in Oregon going forward.