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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3166

I strongly oppose this bill.

An open primary where the results may result in the less dominant major party not having a candidate on the general election ballot will lead to fewer choices for voters. In essence the primary election would control the outcome of the general election on a party basis.

But my major objection to this bill is the inclusion of ranked voting in the general election. Oregon voters soundly defeated this proposed type of voting when it was presented in a referendum. The attempt to covertly include this provision in the bill is an insult to Oregon voters.

I strongly urge the committee to not advance this bill