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On Behalf Of: ALL non-affiliated voters  
Committee: House Committee On Rules  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HJR201  
House Rules Committee:

This bill will specifically DISCRIMINATE against all NAV (true Independent) voters. That's 37% of all voters. All other candidates can get to the General Election by being the choice of their party (when the party pulls out of the primary AND THEY WILL) not the voters. NAVs can only get there by finishing high enough in the Primary. That's discrimination. The process needs to be equal and fair for all candidates and parties and non-parties. This process is CLEARLY not equal and not fair for the candidates, the parties, the non-parties, and the voters.

The fundamental purpose of the Primary election is to DECREASE the number of candidates moving on to the General Election. This bill increases the number of candidates in the General Election.

Other things can be done to Oregon's elections to make them fairer and cheaper and simpler. Please contact me if you want some examples. The state has a budget crunch right now. Let's do things that save \$\$\$\$.

Thanks for listening!

Best Regards and KOKO,

Tom Messenger