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Oregon Progressive Party Position on Bill at 2015 Session of Oregon Legislature:

Support: HB 3397

Dear Committee:

The Oregon Progressive Party officially supports HB 3397, which expands definition of "political committee" to include person that makes aggregate expenditures of \$500 or more that refer to candidate, measure or political party within 60 calendar days of primary or general election.

We recommend, however, that the 60-day window be expanded to include all periods of time. If any political committee receives a contribution or makes an expenditure at any time, that must be reported. There is no reason to excuse independent spenders from reporting their expenditures at all times other than 60 days prior to an election.

Please include this statement in the legislative record for this bill.

Thank you.

