

Dear Oregon centers,

I am writing today to strongly oppose Senate Bill 761, the proposed ban of the online petition process.

As a fifth generation Oregonian, I am fully invested in, and have the best interests for the state in my blood. AND this is a horrible bill!

I say horrible because it will SUPPRESS and MINIMIZE the legal voters that call rural Oregon home. This bill also unnecessarily attacks citizens that are disabled, homebound and/or do not frequent public places that draw large crowds.

Unlike the citizens in urban population centers, there are limited if ANY opportunity to sign petitions in-person because there just isn't enough foot traffic to reasonably have contact with enough potential supporters.

From my personal experience of collecting ballot signatures for campaigns to fund Oregon Outdoor School to Columbia River Fishing Harvest Reforms to Funding Career and Technical Education; this bill OUTRAGEOUSLY flawed and is a VIOLATION of FREE SPEECH!!!

Kill SB 761!!! And don't ever pass this type of legislation out of Committee, let alone go to the floor for a vote!

Respectfully,
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