

# House Bill 2601

Sponsored by Representative GOMBERG (at the request of Tom Messenger) (Pre-session filed.)

## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Secretary of State to conduct study and develop recommendations regarding most effective methods for improving ballot measure process.

Requires secretary to submit report detailing recommendations to interim committees of Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2022.

Sunsets January 2, 2023.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to ballot measures.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4     **SECTION 1. (1) The Secretary of State shall conduct a study and develop recommen-**  
5 **dations, which may include recommendations for additional legislation, regarding the most**  
6 **effective methods for improving the ballot measure process. This study must include an**  
7 **analysis of whether an initiative petition should be permitted to be amended during the ballot**  
8 **title or signature gathering period, either to make the petition more understandable or in**  
9 **response to public comment.**

10     **(2) The secretary shall submit a report in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, including**  
11 **the recommendations made under subsection (1) of this section, to the interim committees**  
12 **of the Legislative Assembly on rules no later than September 15, 2022.**

13     **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2023.**  
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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.