

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 691

By COMMITTEE ON RULES

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1 Delete lines 4 through 21 of the printed bill and insert:

2 “**SECTION 1.** ORS 258.150 is amended to read:

3 “258.150. (1) The Secretary of State shall be responsible for [*insuring*] **ensuring** that the pro-
4 cedures to be used in conducting election recounts assure an accurate recount in the shortest time
5 at the least expense. Whenever demands are filed for a recount of a vote for both a measure and a
6 nomination or office, or for more than one measure, nomination or office, the Secretary of State may
7 determine the most appropriate procedure to be used in conducting the recounts simultaneously.

8 “(2)(a) **In all election recounts for the office of President and Vice-President of the United**
9 **States, United States Senate, United States House of Representatives, Governor, Secretary**
10 **of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and In-**
11 **dustry, Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Oregon Tax Court, Circuit Court, Oregon Senate,**
12 **Oregon House of Representatives and statewide measures, the Secretary of State shall en-**
13 **sure that county elections officials conduct the recount in a manner that is consistent,**
14 **transparent, accurate and in accordance with all applicable laws.**

15 “(b) **The county clerk in each county involved in a recount described in paragraph (a) of**
16 **this subsection shall provide notice to the Secretary of State of the date, time and location**
17 **of the recount and information regarding all aspects of the recount process, including:**

18 “(A) **The appointment of counting boards;**

19 “(B) **The conditions for recount observers;**

20 “(C) **The manner in which voter intent is determined; and**

21 “(D) **The counting of ballots.**

22 “(c) **The Secretary of State shall review the notices and actual recount processes de-**
23 **scribed in paragraph (b) of this subsection to ensure consistency across counties involved in**
24 **the recount to the degree reasonably practicable. The Secretary of State shall be responsible**
25 **for the certification of the results of the election or nomination as reported by the county**
26 **clerks in the counties involved in the recount.**

27 “(d) **The Secretary of State may adopt rules necessary to implement this subsection.”.**

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