

SCR 1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Lieber

Senate Committee On Rules

Action Date: 02/07/23

Action: Do adopt.

Vote: 5-0-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Hansell, Knopp, Lieber, Manning Jr, Steiner

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 2/2, 2/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Expresses support for county clerks and local election officials.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- The desire to thank county clerks and election officials and workers for their work to protect democracy, and for the other services that they provide
- Turnover of county clerks and elections workers over the last two years
- The county clerks in the committee members' districts

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The 2020 and 2022 election cycles faced challenges such as a global pandemic and natural disasters that affected numerous states and their election infrastructure. Additionally, local elections administrators, county clerks, and their families and staff, faced violence and threats of violence. During this time, election workers across the country and in Oregon worked tirelessly to ensure fair, safe, and accurate elections.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 1 condemns the violence and threats of violence against election workers and applauds the Oregon Association of County Clerks and all election workers for the professionalism and dedication to upholding fair and safe elections.