I saw that HB 2004 was amended and moved forward to the Senate Rules Committee.
I support Rank Choice Voting but believe this bill could be improved substantially by adding three critical ideas.

A Rank Choice Voting Model for Oregon

I would suggest the following model for Oregon:

Rank Choice Voting would have all candidates run on a single Open Party Primary ballot.

*The top **four** finishers would advance to the General election regardless of their party affiliation for federal and state partisan offices. and the General election would use Rank Choice Voting to select the winner.*

In addition, a top four finisher would need to exceed 2% of the total votes in their Primary election to move into the General election.

This unique model solves many negative issues that have occurred in other jurisdictions.

The above three sentences are easy to understand.

This is very similar to the Alaskan model except for the 2% threshold requirement.
I point that out because it has been reported that Alaska created their election process and software for $4.1 million.
(This may give you a ballpark idea for the cost.)

> Note: From January 2023 until June 2023 the number of non-Democratic and non-Republican voters has increased by 0.61% and has been trending upward. Currently, 42.13%. Since this bill is being sent to the voters and that population would be incentivized to VOTE YES, since they

would be newly included in primary decisions. (See Data below)

Also, advancing Top Four to the General election would significantly reduce and often eliminate inactive (or exhausted) ballots of the voters.

The current HB 2004 as written could be problematic.
I praise the decision to have the electorate decide.
Your goal should be in establishing straightforward mechanics for a Rank Choice type of election.

Good luck this session,

Who is this guy?
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Of Note:

January 2023 Oregon Registered Voters
Prepared by Elections Division 1/12/2023

Democrat	1,012,206	33.95 %
Republican	731,273	24.53 %
Neither Dem. nor Rep.	1,237,693	**41.52 %**
Total	**2,981,172**	

May 2023 Oregon Registered Voters
Prepared by Elections Division 5/2/2023

Democrat	1,010,176	33.61 %
Republican	729,383	24.27 %
Neither Dem. nor Rep.	1,265,702	**42.11 %**
Total	**3,005,261**	

June 2023 Oregon Registered Voters

Prepared by Elections Division 6/6/2023

Democrat	1,004,070	33.61 %
Republican	724,815	24.26 %
Neither Dem. nor Rep.	1,258,562	**42.13 %**
Total	**2,987,447**	

Also, Note: Included is the May Data.

This demonstrates a May to June decrease in total Voter registration; however, percentage wise the "Neither Dem. nor Rep." continues to grow.

(Why the total decrease? Perhaps, move away, pass away, DMV hack, other??)