## I OPPOSE [HCR 38]...as being incomplete and restrictive.

https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/HCR38/Enrolled

## "HCR 38 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Rules"

https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Downloads/CommitteeMeetingDocument/276528

## \*\*\*Testimonies\*\*\*

https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Measures/Testimony/HCR38

I have concerns as to the absence of any measures that would greatly facilitate and enable inclusion of more public testimonies to all legislation presented at any given committee during any legislative session.

Currently, the Oregon Legislative Information System (OLIS) will not upload testimonies after forty-eight (48) hours after legislation is presented and discussed during a committee meeting.

The aforementioned OLIS rule greatly reduces the Public's participation in redressing government on their personal views such as pertaining to the expenditures of taxpayer monies and or improvements and or refinements to the piece of legislation at bar.

The legislative session is a condensed and complicated system as well all of you know. For the citizenry who has to work, raise kids, attend to many various required activities of their lives, sitting down, doing research to develop an informed decision to communicate their testimony within the confines of Olis's rule is objectionable as being burdensome, oppressive and in most cases a guaranteed impossibility.

Currently, citizens may communicate with their Senator, Representative, Governor, the Courts at any time, but-their respective written testimonies; the ability to timely redress government on issues set forth in many different committees and have their respective written testimonies uploaded to OLIS, is governed by the (48) hour time restriction to insure said testimonies are included in the official record. This rule must be changed.

One suggestion is to remove the (48) hour restriction pertaining to the uploading of testimonies to OLIS until the piece of legislation is enshrined into law.

\*\*\*The longer the testimony window is open to uploading to OLIS, the deliberative process will benefit and if "new ideas, approaches or what have you" influences a positive result pertaining to a piece of legislation, Oregonians will be well served by their elected leaders.

As to the time and material limitations placed upon Senators, Representatives and the Court referenced and incorporated into [HCR 38] these "limitations" may hinder the "creative juices" to improve and or refine the original intent of the proposed legislation.

\*\*\*On a more analytical note, the current system pertaining to the legislative sessions serve only the interests of the super-majority party in power. A super-majority of any party is a feudal dictatorship and a demonstrable threat to our democracy and our Republic.