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Senate Bill 1094.

Line 3) "Whereas Oregon is responsible for providing its citizens with safe, secure, and transparent elections that build trust between voters and their democratically elected officials."

The following questions need to be addressed in the final bill.

1. What requirements will be placed on the Pilot Project?
2. The bill does not reflect a Sense of Urgency. Acknowledging these shortcomings and delaying implementation justifies the citizen's lack of trust.
3. Why does it take a federal grant to have safe, secure and transparent elections? Why isn't the cost of the Pilot Project and subsequent implementation included in the Secretary of State's funding request?
4. What actions can be taken now to address safe, secure, and transparent elections and build trust?
5. What role can law enforcement play in the safety of those involved?

We have a great opportunity to rebuild trust however; it will be more damaging if our response is not urgent. In addition to not trusting the election process we run the risk they will not trust the legislature.

Respectfully, Tim Cowan