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Measure: HB4024

In order to have a true democracy, we have to get unlimited funding out of our elections and we need to know who is giving the money. This issue was so important to Oregon voters that they passed a constitutional amendment to authorize campaign funding and spending limits in 2020. Unfortunately the Legislature has not passed caps or disclosure requirements. IP-9, on the November ballot, seeks to impose clear caps on campaign donations and require ads to show who paid for them. HB 4024, however, does not. Funded by corporations and unions, it allows for up to triple the campaign donations that IP-9 does, and contains big loopholes. It's a weak and watered-down bill. Oregonians, who have been working on campaign finance limits for 30 years deserve better. IP-9 has a good chance of passing in November. Let the voters decide and don't pass this flawed bill. Vote no on HB 4024. Thank you.
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