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Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: HB 3686

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SUMMARY

Digest: The Act sets the date and the process for a special election in the late fall of 2025 for electors to vote on a proposed change in the law. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).

Establishes the date and process for a special election to be held on November 4, 2025, for electors to approve or reject a proposed constitutional amendment that would require future constitutional amendments or revisions to obtain a three-fifths majority vote of the votes cast for adoption. Appropriates moneys to pay direct expenses incurred by the state to hold the special election.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure creates a temporary exemption from public disclosure on arguments relating to the measure submitted under House Joint Resolution 21 (2025). This temporary exemption mirrors the existing exemption in ORS 251.430 that would apply if the amendment being proposed by HJR 21 were referred to voters at the general election, rather than at a special election.

As under ORS 251.430, these records become subject to disclosure on or after the fourth business day following the deadline for submitting the records.