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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

House Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

HB3166

I am writing in OPPOSITION to HB 3166. The purpose to a primary election is so those affiliated to a party can choose their party's front runner in the general election. The primary is not to compete with those of the other party affiliations, that is what the general is for. It makes no sense to open our primaries as it completely defeats the purpose and intent. Secondly, this last election, in November of 2024, Oregonians struck down rank choice voting by a large margin. Oregonians spoke loudly - they do not want this kind of voting system, and it seems this bill is inching over those lines and essentially going against what Oregonians wish. This bill is a government overreach. It is disrespectful to the majority of voters on several levels. Please vote NO on this bill and honor the wishes of Oregonians, and preserve the full intent of our primaries.