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Re: HB3166

Dear Committee Members:

I oppose HB3166. It makes no sense to push this right after Oregon voters overwhelmingly voted down attempts to upend traditional voting. No doubt the sponsors intend to use Portland and Eugene to flood the ballots with candidates to tilt state elections towards their chosen outcome.

It seems like Oregon Democrats care about the “people’s” opinion only when they agree with them. This is reminiscent of 2019 HB2015, drivers’ licenses for people who are not legally in the US. Voters rejected it by a 2:1 margin, and you did it anyway.

I notice you are also pushing a bill to allow under-18 voting for school boards, such that the teachers can influence the children to vote the teachers’ interests.

This isn’t about leadership or what is “good” for Oregon. It is about something else.

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