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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3166

Chair Bowman, Vice-Chairs Drazan and Hai Pham, and Members of the House Committee On Rules

Subject: Opposition to 2025 HB 3166

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony.

I was born and raised in Oregon, and I am a citizen of the USA. I oppose this bill, and I encourage you to kill it in Committee.

This bill, if passed, would mandate Ranked Choice Voting. In November 2024, Oregon voters soundly REJECTED Ranked Choice Voting by a margin of approximately 58% to 42%. That was Oregon's 2024 Measure 117. It was rejected despite the fact that the reported (1) campaign donations to sell the Measure were approximately 764 times as large as donations defeat it. That's right- 764 times. \$10,701,951 to sell it versus \$14,115 to defeat it. Things that make you go "hmmmm".

Nonetheless, four Democrats sponsored this bill. Another thing that makes you go "hmmmm"

What is this, if not another example of a majority party drunk on its power arrogantly subjecting others to its tyranny?

This is morally and ethically wrong. Pure and simple. Again- please kill this bill in Committee.

Thank you.

References

1. Ballotpedia, "Oregon Measure 117, Ranked-Choice Voting..." https://ballotpedia.org/Oregon_Measure_117,_Ranked-Choice_Voting_for_Federal_and_State_Elections_Measure_(2024), accessed on 3/21/2025

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