

April 2, 2025

Oregon Senate Committee on Rules  
Oregon State Capitol  
Salem, OR 97301

**Re: SJR 30**

Dear Chair Jama and Committee members:

I write to oppose SJR 30.

Cascade Policy Institute is a nonprofit policy research organization incorporated in 1991. We conduct research on many policy issues and communicate our views to voters through various means including testimony before legislative bodies, social media, and use of the initiative and referendum process.

We don't understand what problem SJR 30 seeks to address. Collecting signatures for an initiative petition is already difficult, and many campaign efforts fail. As a result, only about 3-5 measures make it to the ballot in a typical year. This does not seem like an abuse of the process, nor is it placing an undue burden on voters as they prepare to vote.

Sometimes the best course of action for the legislature is to do nothing. This is one of those times.

Sincerely,



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President

