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Re: Testimony on SB 580

Dear Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Bonham, and Senators Golden, Manning and Thatcher:

The Oregon Association of County Clerks (OACC) does not have a position on this legislation but is weighing in to provide some informational context regarding implementation of the bill as written.

OACC believes this bill has good intentions for making records readily available to the public.

Not all counties are created the same and the resources available in the clerks offices across the state can vary widely. This bill could potentially place unfunded mandates on smaller rural counties who currently do not post these materials on their website.

Some counties sub out I.T. support to a vendor and may not be able to accommodate the 2-business day time frame, if at all, without added costs.

Select counties choose not to place candidate filings on their websites. They provide a list of those who have filed and the filings are available at the office for the public upon request.

A suggestion may be to add an "and/or" clause to mandate that a county will always have these available for visual inspection at the counter, if they do not have the resources to post on a website, within 2 business days.

Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in. Please reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

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