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This bill would make it harder for Oregonians to bring initiatives to the ballot by increasing the number of required petition signatures and mandating equal distribution across Congressional districts. This change would significantly limit grassroots efforts and make the initiative process more onerous for everyday citizens.

Everyday citizens **MUST** be able to come together and bring initiatives to the ballot. The process of getting an initiative on the ballot is already difficult enough without adding in more steps. This type of bill would mean that PACs and elected officials could realistically bring an initiative, effectively silencing the people. That is not how democracy works.

This bill will not help Oregonians. It is a waste of time, energy, and money.