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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SJR30

I oppose SJR 30. This is another bill attacking democracy. SJR 30 would make it harder for citizens to get initiative petitions on the ballot. It's already very difficult to do, and I believe making it even harder is profoundly anti-democratic. I am seeing restrictions on the initiative processes in a lot of other states right now, and I definitely don't want to see it in Oregon. Oregon already has higher signature requirements, as a percentage of population, than Arkansas, California, Colorado, Illinois, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, and South Dakota. SJR 30 would put Oregon close to the highest signature requirements in the United States. I urge the committee to not move forward with SJR 30.

Respectfully submitted.