

Submitter: Abigail Fowle

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4018

Chair Bowman, Vice Chairs Elmer and Pham and members of the House Committee on Rules,

My name is Abigail Fowle and I live in Portland. I am writing to testify in strong opposition of HB 4018, which if passed would weaken and delay campaign finance reform. HB 4018 now includes a complex 84-page amendment that would double some of the campaign contribution limits, multiply others exponentially, and delay parts of the bill until 2031. This is not acceptable. Oregonians deserve true campaign finance reform!

The reason our country is in its current state is because big money has had too much influence on the elections. We need to learn from this mistake and put limits on campaign contributions in order to protect our democracy and protect the citizens of the State of Oregon. When big donors influence elections, citizens like myself have little to no voice. If this bill passes, the State of Oregon will be headed in the direction of our current federal government. We need to stop this trend before it's too late. Before the voice of the people is replaced by big money agendas.

I oppose HB 4018 and do not want it to be voted out of committee.

Thank you,
Abigail Fowle