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**To:** Senate Committee on Rules

**From:** Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN)

**Re:** Support of SB1509

**Date:** 2-10-2026

Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Starr, and Members of the Rules Committee:

The Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN) supports SB1509 and we strongly urge you to pass this important legislation this year.

COIN is a coalition of over 75 local Indivisible groups throughout Oregon that cooperate and amplify their joint efforts to advance important federal and state legislation and engage with elected officials to promote progressive causes for the benefit of all Oregonians.

Following the presidential election of 2020 that Donald Trump lost, an effort was made to establish false slates of electors. Fortunately that effort failed, but another approach to the undermining of the validity of the Electoral College was the encouragement of chosen electors to not follow the instruction of their state to cast their ballots for the winning candidate. This is a violation of the law, but there has not had a clear way to avoid it in this state. This law clarifies that such electors will be removed and replaced. It is certainly now important to do everything we can to make sure we have elections are secure and reliable.

**Please vote YES on SB1509.**

Respectfully,

Henry Elder

On behalf of the Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN)