# **Voters' Pamphlet**

# **Oregon Primary Election**

May 18, 2010





Kate Brown Oregon Secretary of State

This Voters' Pamphlet is provided for assistance in casting your vote by mail ballot.

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Dear Oregon Voters,

As our nation and our state climb slowly out of an historic recession, the challenges we face remain great. This primary election provides the opportunity for all voters to decide on a variety of nonpartisan races and two statewide ballot measures. It also allows the two major parties to select their nominees for offices from the US Senate and Congress, to Governor and the state Legislature. You, the voters, are in the driver's seat, making important choices about the future leaders of this state and country. As your Secretary of State, I write to urge you to register and VOTE. Now more than ever the voices of Oregonians must be heard.

While we face the continuation of a grim economic climate, as families struggle to make ends meet, businesses work hard to remain competitive and our governments strive to meet increasing demands for public services, there is some good news to share. Oregon has made great strides to make it easy and convenient to register and vote.

On March 1, 2010, we made it simpler, more efficient and more secure to register to vote through Oregon's online voter registration system. You can register online if you have an Oregon driver's license, state ID or driver's permit. If you're already registered but need to update your address or change your party affiliation, you can do that online as well. All you have to do is point your web browser on your computer or smart phone to <u>www.oregonvotes.org</u>. Make sure you do so by April 27th.

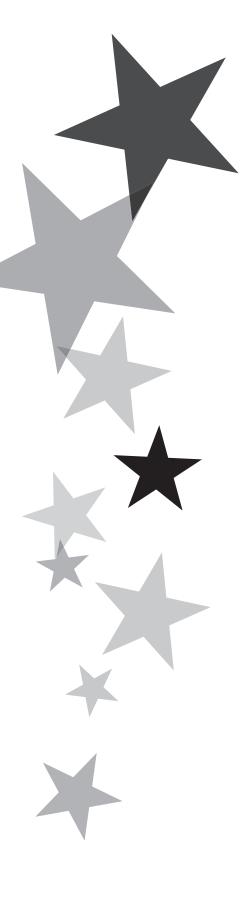
With the help of the federal Help America Vote Act, we have aggressively pursued options to meet the needs of voters with disabilities so they can vote privately and independently. Did you know that a voter who is unable to use a standard ballot could get a ballot in large print, or an Alternate Format Ballot? The Alternate Format Ballot allows a voter to use their own computer and existing accessibility features (for example, a screen reader) to read, fill out and print their ballot. A voter without accessibility equipment can visit their local county elections office and use an accessible computer station to cast their ballot there. For voters with low literacy, help is available in the form of an Easy Voter Guide. This nonpartisan guide provides information about ballot measures and candidates running for statewide or federal offices.

If you have questions about your registration status, need help accessing assistance to cast your ballot or have any other election questions, visit <u>www.oregonvotes.org</u> or give us a call at 866-673-8683 or email elections.sos@state.or.us.

While we have worked hard to reduce barriers to participating in the electoral process, the fundamental decisions about who will next lead Oregon are yours to make. Please, take a few minutes, fill out your ballot and return it to your County Elections Office by 8pm on May 18th. Remember, you are in the driver's seat and Oregon's future is, quite literally, in your capable hands.

Sincerely,

Kate Brown Secretary of State



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#### **Voters' Pamphlet**

Your official 2010 Primary Election Voters' Pamphlet provides you with information about measures and candidates that will appear on your ballot.

It includes instructions for marking your ballot, a complete list of federal and state candidates and state measures, as well as other information to assist you through the voting process.

Candidate statements and measure arguments are printed as submitted. The state does not correct punctuation, grammar, syntax errors or inaccurate information. The only changes made are attempts to correct spelling errors if the word as originally submitted is not in the dictionary.

The voters' pamphlet has been compiled by the Secretary of State since 1903, when Oregon became one of the first states to provide for the printing and distribution of such a publication. One copy of the voters' pamphlet is mailed to every household in the state. Additional copies are available at the Secretary of State's office, local post offices, courthouses and all county elections offices, and on-line at www.oregonvotes.org.

#### Candidates

In the primary election, candidates are divided into three sections: Democratic candidates, Republican candidates and nonpartisan candidates. Major political party candidates appear before nonpartisan candidates and every two years the order in which major political party candidates appear is rotated. For 2010, Republican candidates appear first.

All space is purchased: statements and photographs are submitted by the candidates or their designated agents. The information required by law—pertaining to occupation, occupational background, educational background and prior governmental experience—has been certified as true by each candidate.

#### Measures

For each of the measures in this voters' pamphlet you will find the following information:

- (1) the ballot title;
- (2) the estimate of financial impact;
- (3) the complete text of the proposed measure;
- (4) an impartial statement explaining the measure (explanatory statement);
- (5) a legislative argument in support of the measure; and
- (6) any arguments filed by proponents and opponents of the measure.

The ballot title for each measure was written by the Legislature. The estimate of financial impact statements were prepared by a committee of state officials including the Secretary of State, the State Treasurer, the Director of the Department of Administrative Services, the Director of the Department of Revenue, and a local government representative selected by the committee members. The committee estimates only the direct impact on state and local governments, based on information presented to the committee.

Citizens or organizations may file arguments in favor of, or in opposition to, measures by purchasing space for \$1,200 or by submitting a petition signed by 500 voters. Arguments in favor of a measure appear first, followed by arguments in opposition to the measure, and are printed in the order in which they are filed with the Secretary of State's office.

#### **Random Alphabet**

While the candidates' statements for candidates running for the same office appear in alphabetical order by their last name in this voters' pamphlet, you will notice that they appear in a different order on your ballot.

Oregon statute (ORS 254.155) requires the Secretary of State to complete a random order of the letters of the alphabet to determine the order in which the names of candidates appear on the ballot.

The alphabet for the 2010 Primary Election is: S, O, P, L, K, X, B, N, Y, Z, J, V, G, E, C, R, D, U, H, M, T, F, I, A, Q, W

#### Website

Most of the information contained in this voters' pamphlet is also available in the Online Voters' Guide at www.oregonvotes.org.

#### Español

Una versión en español de algunas partes de la Guía del Elector está a su disposición en el portal del Internet cuya dirección aparece arriba. Conscientes de que este material en línea podría no llegar adecuadamente a todos los electores que necesitan este servicio, se invita a toda persona a imprimir la versión en línea y circularla a aquellos electores que no tengan acceso a una computadora.

#### Important!

If your ballot is lost, destroyed, damaged or you make a mistake in marking your ballot, you may call your county elections office and request a replacement ballot. One will be mailed to you as long as you request it by May 13. After that, you may pick it up at the elections office. If you have already mailed your original ballot before you realize you made a mistake, you have cast your vote and will not be eligible for a replacement ballot.

Your voted ballot must be received by your county elections office by 8pm election day, Tuesday, May 18, 2010.

#### Postmarks do not count!

County elections offices are open on election day from 7am to 8pm.

#### Voter Information

For questions about voter registration, ballot delivery and return, marking the ballot, requesting a replacement ballot, absentee ballots, signature requirements, the voters' pamphlet, when and where to vote, and other questions about elections and voting, go to www.oregonvotes.org or call the toll-free voter information line at 1-866-ORE-VOTE (1-866-673-8683).

Voter information line representatives can provide services in both English and Spanish.TTY services for the hearing impaired are also available at 1-800-735-2900. Are you registered to vote?

You may check your registration, update your registration or register to vote online:

### www.oregonvotes.org

You must be registered by April 27 to vote in the 2010 Primary Election.

Where is your nearest dropsite?

You can find your nearest dropsite along with a map of how to get there by going to:

### www.oregonvotes.org

Your ballot must be received by 8:00pm on Election Day which is May 18th.

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TTY 1 800 735 2900 for the hearing impaired

#### **Republican Candidates**

#### **United States Senator**

G Shane Dinkel Jim Huffman Loren Later Robin S Parker Tom Stutzman Keith Waldron\* Walter H Woodland\*

#### **Representative in Congress**

**2nd District** Greg Walden

#### Governor

Allen Alley Clark Colvin\* William Ames Curtright Chris Dudley Bob Forthan\* Darren Karr\* John Lim Bill Sizemore Rex O Watkins

#### **State Treasurer**

**Chris** Telfer

#### **State Senator**

26th District Chuck Thomsen

#### **State Representative**

52nd District Mark Johnson

**59th District** John E Huffman Britt Storkson\*

#### **Democratic Candidates**

#### **United States Senator**

Pavel Goberman Loren Hooker Ron Wyden

#### **Representative in Congress**

**2nd District** Joyce B Segers

#### Governor

Bill Bradbury John Kitzhaber Roger Obrist\*

#### **State Treasurer**

Rick Metsger Ted Wheeler

#### **State Senator**

26th District Brent Barton

#### **State Representative**

**52nd District** Suzanne VanOrman

59th District Will Boettner

#### Nonpartisan Candidates

#### Superintendent of Public Instruction

Susan Castillo Ron Maurer

#### Judge of the Supreme Court

Position 4 Rives Kistler

**Position 5** Allan J Arlow Jack L Landau

#### Judge of the Court of Appeals

Position 3 Darleen Ortega

Position 7 Robert Wollheim\*

#### Judge of the Circuit Court

7th District, Position 1 Donald W Hull\*

**7th District, Position 2** Thomas C Peachey Janet Stauffer

7th District, Position 3 Paul G Crowley\*

**7th District, Position 4** John A Wolf

\*Candidate chose not to submit a voters' pamphlet statement.

This is a complete listing of the federal and state candidates for the Primary Election, May 18, 2010, as prepared by the Secretary of State, for the counties covered in this pamphlet. On election day, your ballot may also include measures and candidates from your county and local governments.

#### Measures

#### 68

Revises Constitution: Allows state to issue bonds to match voter approved school district bonds for school capital costs.

#### 69

Amends Constitution: Continues and modernizes authority for lowest cost borrowing for community colleges and public universities.

# Did you know that candidates must pay for space in the voters' pamphlet?

You will not find statements in this voters' pamphlet for candidates with an asterisk (\*) following their name. They did not submit a statement and pay the appropriate fee by the deadline.

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# **Republican Candidates**

#### Candidates

Duties and Responsibilities of Republican Precinct Committeepersons

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# G Shane Dinkel

Republican

Occupation: LTC US Army Reserve

Occupational Background: 27 years Army Officer (Active, Oregon National Guard, and Army Reserve). Farm worker, Heavy and Light Construction,

Landscaping, Reforestation, and heavy equipment operator. Twelve years project manager for a family investment trust.

Educational Background: Scappoose High School Graduate. Oregon State University (Bachelor of Science)

#### Prior Governmental Experience: None

I AM A REAL CONSERVATIVE BOTH FISCALLY AND SOCIALLY: I am against big government but for every freedom granted by the Constitution.

Why I am Running: Our Republic is being dismantled before our eyes. Voting in those that support and defend the Constitution is the only way we can save our country from the effects of progressive socialism, namely: poverty, waste, environmental disaster, corruption and ultimately the loss of individual freedoms. As an Army Officer I defended our Constitution in Germany and Iraq. Liberty and freedom are not just words to me.

**Washington D.C. is Destroying our Economy:** Oregon needs a free-market, wealth producing economy, that creates family wage jobs. We need to get the government out of the marketplace and encourage business growth by decreasing taxation. No more taxpayer funded bailouts or nationalization of private business.

Return the Senate to the People: The Senate belongs to the people and it should not be controlled by elitist attorneys, who believe they are not subject to the same laws they enact to oppress the rest of us! While others have gone to Washington promising to bring back billions of dollars, I'll go there to keep your money in your pocket by lowering taxes, controlling spending, dismantling bureaucracy, securing our borders, promoting life, and improving the health care system (without destroying it). As your Senator, I will represent you with integrity and transparency, which I am sure will earn your trust. I have no desire to become a career politician and will not serve more than two terms if elected.

#### shane.dinkel@gmail.com

(This information furnished by G. Shane Dinkel.)

#### **United States Senator**



# Jim Huffman

#### Republican

**Occupation:** Erskine Wood Sr. Professor of Law; Lewis & Clark Law School

#### **Occupational Background:**

Professor of Law, Lewis & Clark Law School since 1973. Served as Dean from 1993-2006

Educational Background: B.S., Montana State University; M.A., Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University; J.D., University of Chicago Law School

**Prior Governmental Experience**: No prior elected offices. Member and Chair of Oregon Advisory Committee to United States Commission on Civil Rights; Consultant to Oregon Attorney General; various other roles, too many to list.

#### Jim Huffman for your U.S. Senate

#### Jim Huffman listens to Oregonians

"The political class is completely out of touch with the people. Oregonians need jobs, but Ron Wyden and the Reid/Pelosi Congress think all solutions come from Washington, DC. It's time for career politicians to experience the unemployment line."

#### This race isn't about Jim Huffman - or Ron Wyden

"This election is about the people of Oregon, too many of whom are struggling. Wherever I go, people are underemployed or out of work, unable to afford health insurance, and worried that their kids won't be able to find jobs in Oregon. Meanwhile, Washington, DC insiders exploit the economic crisis to expand government, spend billions on wasteful earmarks and create an unprecedented national debt."

#### Jim Huffman isn't a career politician

"I've spent the last thirty-seven years studying, teaching and writing about the constitution. Too often we take for granted the freedoms our forefathers fought for and our constitution protects. Those freedoms are threatened by career politicians and their special interest deal making. As your U.S. Senator I will work to restore proper balance."

### Oregonians need real private sector jobs, not big government bailouts and spending

"The Washington DC power elites said the bailouts and the stimulus package would save the economy. What they really sought to do was save themselves and their special interest supporters. Government needs to work for "We the People" again."

(This information furnished by Jim Huffman for Senate.)



### Loren Later Republican

**Occupation**: Vice President Manufacturing, Knife River

**Occupational Background:** Business management, Rinker Materials, Brown and Root, Inc.

Educational Background: BA,

International Relations, BYU; Masters of Business Administration, Angelo State University; Executive Certificate, Jesse H. Jones Graduate School

#### Prior Governmental Experience: None

#### America and Oregon Need a Change from Politics as Usual

In 2010 voters choose between out of control big government representation and a responsive, limited government, accountable to the people. Current tax and spend policies have created more than \$12 trillion in national debt on the backs of future generations (Treasury Dept).

#### Wyden's Record Spending (votesmart.org)

January 2010	Supported increasing the Public Debt to \$14.29 trillion
December 2009	Supported increasing the Public Debt limit
	to \$12.39 trillion
December 2009	Supported \$871 Billion Health Care Package
February 2009	Supported \$787 Billion Recovery Reinvest-
	ment Act

#### Loren Later Represents Real Change from Politics as Usual

Congress needs people who will fight for the values of hard working Americans and not mortgage our future. Congressional arrogance and infighting is out of control. Loren Later is not beholden to special interests and big Investments companies who gave Sen. Wyden \$235,939 in campaign cash, or the myriad of lawyers who gave him \$214,732 or the Health Care Industry who pumped \$239,496 into Wyden's campaign account (opensecrets.org).

### Loren Later will Focus on Job Creation and National Security as Top Priorities

Americans want results. Whether meaningful new job programs or our effort in Afghanistan, America must remain strong. Only new leadership will help pave the way. It's time for less partisanship and more leadership in Washington.

Get big government off the backs of the American worker Stop massive tax and spend policies that will bankrupt America Enact affordable healthcare reform without the public option Secure and stabilize Social Security Protect our borders and enhance public safety Restore trust in our government

#### We need jobs, not rhetoric. . Oregon needs a Senator it can trust.

(This information furnished by Loren Later.)

#### **United States Senator**



# Robin S Parker

#### Republican

Occupation: Sr. Business Systems Analyst – Vertex Business Services, Bend, Oregon. Co-owner - Gadabout Serene Adventures, LLC, Sunriver Oregon

**Occupational Background:** Logistics Analyst - McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Company; Engineering Designer - Hughes Helicopter Company

**Educational Background:** Post-Graduate Certificates in Total Quality Management, Entrepreneurial Management, Sales and Advertising, and Marketing Management – University of Phoenix, Mesa, AZ. Numerous business management and administrative courses through Mesa Community College and Central Oregon Community College.

Prior Governmental Experience: US Citizen – 49 Years, US Taxpayer – 32 Years

"Oregonians are seeing their voice silenced in Washington. Our opinions and needs are going unheard, frequently ignored in favor of the Talking Point of the day. Now Oregon is paying the price with high unemployment, reduced benefits, fewer business opportunities, and spiraling health and educational costs. Business owners and investors are starting businesses and creating jobs elsewhere. All this because the voice of Oregon is not being heard in Washington, because our elected representatives no longer fight for us.

This is an important election year for Oregon. This year we Oregonians have an opportunity to change from the businessas-usual, Washington party elite and status quo mentality. The people we elected to present our needs, our wishes, our attitudes and values have forgotten that we sent them to Washington in our stead, that they may be a voice for each and every one of us. We did not send them there just for the party.

This year we can choose a new Senate voice, one who will represent all Oregonians. We can vote for a better future, for our state, our children and our Grandchildren. By choosing a Senator who will read and understand the bills presented to Congress, before casting our vote, we can ensure our voices are heard again, now and in the future.

It would be my honor to go to Washington DC, for the People of Oregon and not just for the party!" --- Robin Parker

(This information furnished by Robin S. Parker.)



### Tom Stutzman Republican

**Occupation**: Self employed, Real estate broker

**Occupational Background:** Research assistant and junior biologist, certified teacher, landscape maintenance business owner, and real estate broker.

**Educational Background:** Fisheries Management and Wildlife Management degrees from Oregon State University. Teaching certificate from University of Alaska.

#### Prior Governmental Experience: none.

Fellow Oregonians,

I have never been a politician, nor been someone interested in being a politician. I have never been very skilled at speaking out both sides of my mouth, or saying one thing and doing something totally opposite. Those traits don't get you very far when you are self employed or a business owner. However, I have been increasingly dismayed at government policies at all levels over the last few years, and in particular in the last 6 months. I don't understand why those we elect to represent us can't use a little common sense on our behalf. Does it make sense to:

-spend more than you make year after year

-make a tax code so complex nobody can follow it -have legislators vote on 1000+ page bills without time for a

basic review -take over health care without free market solutions included -buy oil from some countries that don't like us, and not drill here -and others

Our Founding Fathers believed that a person elected to public office should go and represent their cities and states for a term or two, then **return** to their lives as teachers, doctors, coaches, or businessmen. I will go to Washington for a term, 2 at most, to provide common sense solutions to the problems facing our country.

I have a web site, **commonsensetom.com**, which explains in detail what we need to do for Job growth, economics, health care reform, energy independence, and tax code simplification. It also has "My Contract with Oregon" that explains my core beliefs and my commitment to honesty with the people of Oregon.

Common sense for Oregon, Common sense for America, Tom Stutzman

(This information furnished by Tom Stutzman.)

#### **Representative in Congress, 2nd District**



### Greg Walden Republican

Occupation: U.S. Representative

**Occupational Background:** Oregon Small Business Owner for more than 21 years

Educational Background: Graduate: University of Oregon;

Hood River Valley High School

Prior Governmental Experience: State Senator; State Representative

#### Get America working again.

"Congress needs to control spending and cut taxes for individuals and small businesses to create jobs. Let's develop America's great energy reserves and stop relying so much on foreign oil. Let's change forest policy and put people back to work in the woods making our forests healthier, producing biomass energy and lumber.

"As a small business owner for two decades, I understand what it takes to create jobs. Controlling federal spending and cutting taxes for individuals and small businesses will create jobs."

#### Stop the wasteful spending.

"Speaker Pelosi and the Congress need to stop wasting taxpayer money on big government takeovers and spending programs that don't produce jobs but leave our kids and grandkids with an unconscionable debt.

Taxpayers need real protection regardless of who is in charge in Washington. I've voted <u>against</u> the outrageous spending increases and support a constitutional limit on spending."

#### **Reform Congress.**

"Congress should put proposed legislation on the internet for everyone to read. Passing 2,000-page bills no one has read is just wrong."

"Walden deserves praise for championing an idea whose time has come: that our legislators, let alone the American public be granted a full 72 hours to read and <u>perhaps!</u> <u>understand</u> important legislation..." *Hood River News*, 10-03-09

"Greg Walden has proven he not only can help his district but that he is a sensible, forward-looking lawmaker." Ontario Argus Observer 11-24-09

Walden's "...been a terrific congressman for the 2nd District." "He saw the Klamath Basin through the 2001 cutoff of irrigation water...and he's been responsive on a wide variety of other natural resources issues." "Walden knows the 2nd District well...and continually makes the continent-crossing trip from Washington, D.C." Klamath Falls *Herald and News* 3-23-09

(This information furnished by Walden for Congress.)



Allen Alley Republican

#### Occupation: Businessman

Occupational Background: 33+ years of experience creating jobs, building and managing global companies. Company Co-Founder, President, CEO and Board Member; Venture Capital

Investor; Ford and Boeing Engineer.

**Educational Background:** BS in Mechanical Engineering, Business minor emphasis: Purdue University. Public schools K-12.

Prior Governmental Experience: Governor's Senior Advisor; Chairman, Oregon Council for Knowledge and Economic Development.

Family: Married 28 years to Debbie, three children.

**Community Service Background:** Chairman: OMSI, TechAmerica Oregon Council and the Oregon Business Plan.

Board Member: Oregon Innovation Council, Oregon Nanoscience and Microtechnologies Institute and Oregon Business Council.

Clackamas Women's Services volunteer. Youth soccer and baseball coach. Governor's Community Involvement Award.

#### Allen's Career Creating Jobs

Oregon needs a Governor who knows how to build businesses and create jobs.

Co-founded a company that grew from an idea to sell \$1 billion of products in its first 10 years. Oregon's tech company of the year three times.

Allen's companies paid hundreds of millions of dollars to their Oregon workers.

Recognized by TechAmerica, Ernst & Young, *Forbes Magazine*, Deloitte & Touche as "Executive of the Year," "Entrepreneur of the Year," and CEO of one of the "Fastest Growing Companies."

#### **Controlling Government Spending**

Government doesn't need more money; it needs better results. Allen will control spending and he will stand against the trillion dollar deficits of Washington DC.

Allen's Business Philosophy "Zero Based Budgets" Annual budgets are set to zero and every dollar of spending must be justified. We need that budget discipline in Salem.

#### Don't Tax the People. Tax the Government.

Reprioritize and focus resources on the programs that give the highest return.

#### Getting Oregon Back to Work

It is not what Government can do. It is what Government should stop doing. Allow companies to thrive and grow.

#### A Governor for All Oregon

Allen walked 400 miles from Baker City to Portland to learn rural issues and opportunities. Allen will use the natural assets in rural Oregon to build a strong economic base.

#### www.AllenAlley.com

(This information furnished by Friends of Allen Alley.)

#### Governor



### William Ames Curtright Republican

Occupation: CEO, Inventor.

**Occupational Background:** Research scientist, manufacturer who pioneered and owns

five patents for Moving Map aviation navigation technology. Former science, math, physics teacher. Vietnam veteran. US Navy. Bush and Float Plane pilot. Termed "Renaissance Man" for multiplicity of occupations and studies

Educational Background: <u>Doctor of Business</u>, Rivier College, attended Western States (Medicine), Western Oregon University (Education), University of Oregon, Northwest Christian University, Portland State College, <u>B.S. Degree</u> George Fox University, Pre-Medicine, Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science; Benson Polytechnic High School.

Prior Governmental Experience: Twice Candidate for Governor; 2006/2008 Precinct Committeeperson; 2008 Alternate Delegate National Convention. Founder and Chairman of Gathering of the Eagles. Descendant of Ames Family of Massachusetts which includes Representative Oakes Ames who was appointed by Abraham Lincoln to build the Union Pacific Railroad, his son Oakes Ames Jr., Governor of Massachusetts, and Adelbert Ames, Governor of Mississippi.

#### <u>I BELIEVE THE PEOPLE OF OREGON ARE TIRED OF TOO</u> <u>MUCH GOVERNMENT</u>. Let's downsize it together!

I am in favor of **prohibiting State Government employees** from joining Unions. Unions have been taking advantage of Oregonians while the people are hurting. Government employees flourish with the best health, pay and retirement. Union members are good hardworking people, but union leaders are bankrupting this state. This is wrong!

**EDUCATION:** First principles. We need to return to the first principles of our country; God, Patriotism, Flag, and Honor. Our Children should recite the Pledge of Allegiance in our schools. Young minds are learning. Let's teach them the proper respect for our country.

Vouchers: I will work for vouchers for private education.

<u>Honest Elections</u>: We all have many doubts about voting fraud. Coaching elderly etc. I will return Oregon back to the BALLOT BOX where we can actually verify the voter personally.

Smaller Government, lower taxes, less regulation means more jobs.

#### Restore Oregon. Vote for Ames.

www.AmesforOregon.com

ames@amesfororegon.com

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Ames for Oregon.)



### Chris Dudley Republican

**Occupation**: Partner, Filigree Advisors; President and Founder, The Dudley Foundation to combat juvenile diabetes;

**Occupational Background**: Senior Vice President, M Financial; NBA 16 years, 6 with Trail Blazers;

Educational Background: Yale University, Economics and Political Science Degree; Certified Financial Planner;

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Professional & Community Involvement: Member/Treasurer NBA Players Union; Class Sponsor, MLK "I Have a Dream" Foundation;

#### JOBS = QUALITY OF LIFE

"Oregon has so much going for it, but, for too long our political leaders have made job creation and economic growth an after-thought rather than the central focus of our quality of life. As your Governor, I'll put jobs first and will bring long overdue change to state government."

Chris Dudley

#### JOBS FIRST: OREGON'S RECOVERY PLAN

When an Oregonian loses a job, Oregon loses a taxpayer. That's why getting people back to work isn't just critical for individuals and families; it's the only way we can ensure adequate funding for schools and other government services.

#### 1) Promote Private Sector Job Creation

- Tax relief for businesses, investors, entrepreneurs
- Transform higher education
- · Promote sustainable natural resource industries

#### 2) Control State Spending and Reform Government

- End automatic budget increases
- Hold the line on taxes
- Control growing government health care and pension costs

#### 3) Better Educate for Our Economic Future

Fund K-12 budget first; strengthen rainy day savings
 Improve student performance with teacher training, accountability reforms

#### 4) Rebuild Public Trust in Government

- Return kicker refunds to taxpayers
- Refresh state government with new people, new attitudes
- Town Hall meetings every year in every county

#### **Oregon Farmers Endorse Chris Dudley**

"Chris Dudley's an outsider who can bring a fresh approach to a stale government. His plan for jobs, jobs, jobs is exactly what we need right now. The Oregon Farm Bureau endorses Chris

and urges all Oregonians to do the same." Barry Bushue, president, Oregon Farm Bureau Federation

#### LEARN MORE. JOIN CHRIS. www.chrisdudley.com

(This information furnished by Friends of Chris Dudley.)

#### Governor



### John Lim Republican

**Occupation:** International Investment Consultant

**Occupational Background:** Founder and CEO, American Royal Jelly Company, 1972-2007; Founder and CEO, Realty

Resources NW, 1981-1991

**Educational Background:** Honorary Doctorate of Political Science, Yeosu National University; South Korea, 2003; Doctorate of Humane Letters, Western Evangelical Seminary, 1996; M.Div., Western Evangelical Seminary, 1970; B.A. in Religion, Seoul Theological College, 1964

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative, 2005-2008; State Senator, 1993-2000 and 2004; Chair of House and Senate Trade and Economic Development Committees, 2005-2006, 1995-2001

John Lim is the people's Governor!

John Lim is the only candidate for Governor with 35 years business experiences - and legislative experience.

After 24 years of one-party Governors, we, the people, can no longer be silent. We need a new direction and a new leader.

#### REDUCE GOVERNMENT SPENDING

I will introduce for referral a constitutional spending limit which will stipulate that State spending shall not increase at a rate greater than the growth of the State's population and inflation except in cases of State emergencies.

#### PROVIDE A BUSINESS FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

I want to be the top, #1 salesman for the State of Oregon. I will do this by: cutting taxes, supporting small businesses, bringing venture capital into our State, encourage exports, utilize our natural resources, and spur tourism. **My legacy will be the Governor of Jobs**.

#### INNOVATE IN EDUCATION

We need to quit throwing money at programs that do not work for our children. However, education funding should be top priority. I believe competition in schools is a good thing as we look at ways to improve public schools, encourage more charter schools, and give incentives for private schools and homeschoolers.

#### **MEASURES 66 & 67**

I will work to sunset Measures 66 and 67 by 2011.

#### BAN ON STATE TAX FUNDED ABORTIONS

Last biennium, **taxpayers paid over \$3 million for abortions.** This money is better spent on education.

#### Visit JOHN LIM'S "CONTRACT WITH OREGON" at www.limforgovernor.com

(This information furnished by Friends of John Lim.)



### Bill Sizemore Republican

**Occupation**: Taxpayer advocate, researcher, political consultant

Occupational Background: Executive director, Oregon Taxpayers United; Researcher for CBS Research and Consulting; Owner/operator and radio

host for KKGT Great Talk 1150 AM

Educational Background: Graduated from Portland Bible College, 1976

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Appointed by Governor Atiyeh to Governor's Task Force on Workers' Compensation Reform; Appointed by Klamath County Sheriff to County Budget Task Force; Author and Chief Petitioner for statewide ballot measures to reduce property taxes, reduce income taxes, require voter approval for all new taxes, restore private property rights, and rein in the political power of the public employee unions.

I am a true fiscal and social conservative running against a field of well-financed moderates. My conservative credentials are firmly established by my having used the initiative process to reduce taxes in Oregon by approximately \$10 billion and launch a major restoration of private property rights.

I have sponsored ballot measures to limit property taxes, require just compensation for regulatory takings of private property, require English Immersion for non-English speaking students, and limit the Public Employee Retirement System

I am a strong supporter of the Second Amendment right to bear arms. I am unapologetically pro-life and oppose gay marriage. I oppose amnesty for illegal aliens. I support capital punishment. I will veto any effort by the state legislature to increase taxes.

I have devised a revolutionary plan to reform the way public employees are compensated. My plan gives employees choices their unions do not want them to have while simultaneously protecting taxpayers from the runaway cost of public sector pensions and fringe benefits, all without violating court created contractual obligations. You can learn more about that plan by visiting <u>www.sizemoreforgovernor.com</u>.

The first priority of my administration will be to break the stranglehold the public employee unions have on the state of Oregon, wrestle control of public education from teachers unions and make schools more about kids and education and less about money and politics.

(This information furnished by Bill Sizemore.)

#### Governor



# Rex O Watkins

#### Republican

**Occupation:** Real Estate Management

**Occupational Background:** 23 years real estate management, 25 years successful swim coaching, a lifetime of labor.

Educational Background: Graduate University of Oregon, B.A. Rhetoric and Communication, 1987.

**Prior Governmental Experience**: Board of Directors Oregon Swimming, Session Member Oakville Presbyterian Church, Trustee Presbytery of the Cascades

#### OREGON NEEDS REAL PEOPLE IN GOVERNMENT

#### If you believe

- · America was designed to be the land of opportunity,
- Freedom is America's first principle,
- Personal responsibility contributes to the health and welfare of the people,
- · Government intrusion into our lives creates dependency,
- In the sanctity of life,
- The defense of self, family, and property is a God-given right,
- Voting is a right reserved for legal Oregon residents,
- That health care is a private matter, and a personal responsibility,
- Our state budget defies fiscal responsibility and needs serious reductions,
- New or increased taxes are not the way to balance our state budget,
- The purposes of government are limited,

#### THEN STAND WITH ME

(This information furnished by Rex Watkins.)

**State Treasurer** 



### Chris Telfer Republican

**Occupation**: Certified Public Accountant; State Senator

**Occupational Background:** CPA; Community College Instructor

Educational Background: B.S., Denver University; graduate

studies, Franklin University, University of Oregon.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Senator; Bend City Council; Central Oregon Cities Organization; Economic Development for Central Oregon; Chair, Bend La Pine School District Budget Committee.

**Community Involvement:** HealthMatters of Central Oregon; Meth Action Coalition; Treasurer, Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon; Bend Chamber of Commerce; Rotary International.

#### **RESPONSIBLE MANAGEMENT**

The State Treasurer's Investment Division manages a portfolio valued at more than \$68 billion dollars. That includes PERS assets, money for schools, and numerous other accounts. Chris Telfer has the background and knowledge to ensure Oregonians get the best possible return on our money.

"One thing Sen. ChrisTelfer, (R-Bend), knows is her way around numbers. A certified public accountant, the legislator has spent a lifetime working with budgets, taxes and the like."

The Bulletin, May 15, 2009

#### FIGHTING FOR TAXPAYERS

ChrisTelfer is a strong advocate for government transparency. Throughout her time in office she has fought for more detailed accounting of tax dollars and public resources to hold government responsible and reduce over-spending.

"Chris Telfer has taken on state bureaucrats to find out how much of our money agencies are holding in reserve accounts and slush funds. She's not afraid to ask tough questions and challenge the status quo in Salem."

#### Jason Williams, Oregon Taxpayer Association

#### QUALIFIED TO SERVE

The Office of the State Treasurer manages over 13 million financial transactions a year and sees over \$120 billion flow through the office annually. As a CPA, Chris Telfer has the knowledge and training to responsibly oversee these functions.

"ChrisTelfer has the background and experience to ensure our state's financial resources are well managed and properly safeguarded. She's made a successful career of doing it for families and businesses and she's ready to do a great job as our Treasurer."

**U.S. Representative Greg Walden** 

CHRIS TELFER FOR STATE TREASURER www.ChrisTelfer.com

(This information furnished by ChrisTelfer.)

#### **State Senator, 26th District**



### Chuck Thomsen Republican

**Occupation:** Orchardist, Thomsen Orchards Inc.

Occupational Background: Orchardist, Thomsen Orchards Inc.; Hood River County Commissioner, OSAA Basketball Official

Educational Background: BS (Economics & Political Science); Willamette University (1979), Hood River High School (1975)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** County Commissioner; Hood River County (1994-present), Hood River Planning Commission (1990-1994)

**Community Service:** Volunteer Firefighter (1981-present), Little League coach, basketball coach, Past President; Hood River Rotary.

Family: Wife Kristi (substitute teacher), and daughters Meagan & Mallory.

#### LEADERSHIP AND EXPERIENCE

I am running for the Senate because I want my children and yours to have the same opportunities that I enjoyed growing up in Oregon.

I will encourage responsible growth and help foster a stable business climate where real family-wage jobs are created and entrepreneurs are given the opportunity to succeed.

At a time when we all are suffering financially, I pledge not to raise taxes on struggling Oregon families and businesses. I will find ways for our State to live within its means the way average Oregonians are.

As your Senator, I will ensure our schools, public safety, and other core functions are funded first, before we spend money on other priorities. I will look at the issues, listen to people's concerns, and seek tangible solutions while working with both sides of the aisle to ensure we deliver on our promises.

With that; I humbly ask for your vote.

"We need a senator with Chuck's experience, especially in these challenging times. Chuck has always stood up for taxpayers, has operated a successful orchard business, and knows what it takes to create jobs that will last. He listens well and works hard. He has my full support."

#### Greg Walden; U.S. Representative for Oregon's Second District

"Chuck has the ability to cut through petty partisan politics and focus on solutions. He is deeply grounded in the community, and has my full support. Please join me and send Chuck's kind of common sense to Salem."

#### Senate Republican Leader, Ted Ferrioli

(This information furnished by Friends of Chuck Thomsen.)

#### **State Representative, 52nd District**



### Mark Johnson Republican

**Occupation**: General Contractor, Mark Johnson Construction

Occupational Background: Small business owner, 1985-Present

Educational Background: Hood River Valley High School, 1975; Whitworth College, 1975-1979

Prior Governmental Experience: Hood River County School Board, 2005-Present; Hood River County School Board Chair, 2008-Present

#### **Representing You**

Mark Johnson is proud to have raised a family, run a business and served actively in our community for over 25 years. Mark knows times have changed for all of us and not for the better. He understands what concerns we have and what we're looking for in a more prosperous future for our community and state. Mark believes you deserve true leadership down in Salem — a local voice that represents local values.

#### Creating More Jobs

In a year where Oregon's unemployment has reached insurmountable levels, its time for the legislature to stop increasing fees and taxes that make it difficult for employers to keep a payroll. A growing, stable private sector is fundamental to strong social services, better programs for education and increased revenue both locally and for the state.

#### **Supporting Stronger Education**

Mark believes Oregon's future lies in the strength of our education system. He wants to fund education first and fund it wisely—our state has no greater obligation than to ensure it is providing the resources necessary for a quality education for Oregon's kids. A stronger education system means greater opportunities for the future of kids, community and state.

#### **Stabilizing Local Business**

As a small business owner, Mark understands firsthand the challenges businesses are facing in this tough economy. He knows it's not always easy to make ends meet. Mark will work in Salem to develop a business-friendly Oregon that keeps businesses in our state, attracts investment, creates jobs, and fosters financial security.

#### Vote for Local Values. Vote for Local Leadership. Vote for Mark Johnson. www.electmarkjohnson.com

#### Endorsed By:

Greg Walden, US Representative for Oregon's Second District State Representative Bruce Hanna State Representative Kevin Cameron State Representative Tim Freeman

(This information furnished by Friends of Mark Johnson.)

#### **State Representative, 59th District**



# John E Huffman

#### Republican

Occupation: State Representative, Commercial Property Developer/ Owner

#### **Occupational Background:**

Legislator 2007-present, Radio Station Owner 1985-2007, Small Business Developer/Owner, 1984, Military, Police LIS Army

Ford Dealership Manager 1980-1984, Military Police US Army.

Educational Background: High School Graduate, some college.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chamber Economic Development Committee, Oregon Workforce Investment Board, House Committees on Human Services, Education, Vice-Chair of Workforce Development, Ways & Means Sub-Committee on Transportation and Economic Development, On-Line Learning Task Force, Green Jobs Council, House Deputy Whip.

#### Rep Huffman: Working Hard for District 59

It has truly been my honor to serve the constituents of District 59 since 2007. I have fulfilled the promise of building relationships throughout the district and in Salem. I vigorously battle against the Salem notion that one size fits all. I remain committed to economic development, putting Oregonians back to work in the private sector and getting government regulation off the backs of businesses.

Accomplishments: I have successfully advocated for approximately \$55M for transportation infrastructure, community colleges, airports, economic development, renewable energy and relief nurseries in the past two years.

I co-sponsored a 2009 bill that set up the state government transparency website and will continue to expand this effort.

**More To Be Done:** I am one of a growing number of legislators, business organizations and individuals that have the political will to:

**Identify** core functions of state government. What services should Oregon taxpayers support and what services are no longer necessary?

**Reduce** the size of government and oppose Salem's reckless tax and fee increases.

**Ensure** our public employee benefit and retirement commitments are not becoming unsustainable and breaking the backs of the Oregon taxpayer.

**Endorsements:** Senator Ted Ferrioli, AG-PAC, Roger Beyer, Chairman, Oregon Right to Life PAC, Associated Oregon Loggers Inc., Oregon Family Council PAC, Oregon Nurses Association, Oregonians for Food & Shelter, Paulette Pyle, Director of Grass Roots.

"John Huffman works hard for us in rural Oregon. He's smart, effective and keeps after it. He's earned our trust and support." Congressman Greg Walden.

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect John E. Huffman.)

#### **County Commissioner, Wasco County, Position 3**



Georgiana (Georgia) A M Murray Republican

Occupation: My occupation is a Real Estate Principal/Designated Broker in Oregon and

Washington respectively.

**Occupational Background:** My occupational background has been in the transportation of commodities and/or persons prior to real estate.

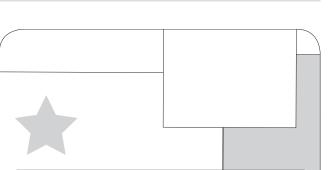
**Educational Background:** I earned an AA Degree in Transportation & Distribution Management from San Diego Community College by working in transportation full-time and going to school in the evenings. My education in real estate is ongoing.

**Prior Governmental Experience**: During the past two and a half years I have served as a member and secretary of the Wasco County Home Rule Charter Writing Committee appointed by our State Legislators. I have served on the Wasco County Agricultural Resource Committee, appointed by the Wasco County Court Commissioners.

Voting for Georgiana "Georgia" A. M. Murray will enable me to ask for a review of all the changes you have experienced in the county that have raised your taxes and/or taken away your personal or land use freedoms. Settlers moved westward to conduct themselves with a strong sense of independence, getting away from large population centers of their times. They were pioneers who took care of themselves and their families, without the need for any more than essential government. Today's government has become too burdensome, and we need to get back to less government and more free will and choices for the citizens. Oversight is the means to review all major decisions that have impacted the inalienable rights given to us in the founding documents. If those accepted or created decisions have diminished your rights and it becomes possible to overturn them, we should make every effort to give them back. All citizens should be treated equally. You will be getting a person who is knowledgeable about county government. If I am elected as your County Commissioner, I will ask for a vote to receive a stipend amount instead of the present large salary and benefits the current commissioners receive.

Georgiana "Georgia" A. M. Murray

(This information furnished by Georgiana "Georgia" A. M. Murray.)

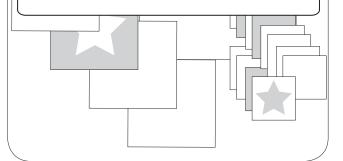


# Online Voters' Guide

Most of the information contained in this voters' pamphlet is also available in the Online Voters' Guide at **www.oregonvotes.org.** 

### Español

Una versión en español de algunas partes de la Guía del Elector está a su disposición en el portal del Internet cuya dirección aparece arriba. Conscientes de que este material en línea podría no llegar adecuadamente a todos los electores que necesitan este servicio, se invita a toda persona a imprimir la versión en línea y circularla a aquellos electores que no tengan acceso a una computadora.



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#### We need you as a Republican Party Precinct Committee Person (PCP)

#### What is a PCP?

Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen are the grassroots representatives for the Republican Party in Oregon. A Precinct Committee Person (PCP) is the "face" of the party and an advocate for Republican political principles in their neighborhoods and communities. They attend regular meetings of their county Republican Central Committee in order to help set the party agenda in the county and to strategize how to spread the Republican message at the local level.

#### What do they do?

As a PCP, you have a voice in selecting Republican Party leadership on the county, state, and national levels. You may even seek a leadership position yourself. County leaders, in turn, help select the state party leaders who participate on the Republican National Committee and elect the national party leaders. PCPs also select Oregon delegates and alternates to attend the Republican National Convention.

PCPs are often called on by Republican candidates to help with grassroots campaigning. You may be asked to "walk" your precinct with a candidate and introducing the candidate to friends and neighbors. You may also be asked to participate in making phone calls and distributing campaign materials in your precinct. You will become the Republican Party in your community!

#### What is the Republican Philosophy?

- Republicans believe the strength of our nation lies with the individual and that each person's dignity, freedom, ability, and
  responsibility must be honored.
- Republicans believe in equal rights, equal justice, and equal opportunity for all, regardless of race, creed, sex, age, or disability.
- Republicans believe that free enterprise and the encouragement of individual initiative has brought this nation opportunity, economic growth, and prosperity.
- Republicans believe government must practice fiscal responsibility and allow individuals to keep more of what they earn.
- Republicans believe the proper role of government is to provide for the people only those critical functions that cannot be performed by individuals or private organizations, and that the best government is one which governs least.
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- Republicans believe the most effective, responsible, and responsive government is government closest to the people.
  Republicans believe that Americans must retain the principles that have made us strong while developing new ideas to meet the challenges of changing times.
- Republicans believe that Americans cherish our national strength and pride, while working to extend peace, freedom, and human rights throughout the world.
- Republicans believe our party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful principles of government.

This fall, Oregon Republicans will work to elect Republicans in the Oregon House and Senate, United States Congress, and the U.S. Senate. PCPs will play key roles in bringing about these victories.

Join Us! We need your help. We need you to become a PCP to make the Republican Party and our nation stronger.

If you would like more information about the Oregon Republican Party, or would like to be more involved with the GOP in Oregon, please call our state party headquarters at (503) 595-8881. You may send e-mail to <u>info@orgop.org</u> or visit our website at <u>www.oregonrepublicanparty.org</u>.

BobTiernan

Chairman, Oregon Republican Party PO Box 25406, Portland, Oregon 97298-0406

(This information furnished by Oregon Republican Party.)

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# How to file a complaint

Any registered voter may file a written complaint with the Secretary of State alleging that a violation of an election law or rule adopted by the Secretary of State has occurred. The complaint should state the reason for believing that the violation occurred and provide evidence relating to it. The complaint must be signed by the elector; anonymous complaints will not be accepted. The complaint should be mailed to, or filed at:

### **Secretary of State Elections Division**

255 Capitol St. NE, Suite 501 Salem, OR 97310

for more information about voting in Oregon

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visit www.oregonvotes.org

TTY

**1 800 735 2900** for the hearing impaired

## **Democratic Candidates**

#### Candidates

Duties and Responsibilities of Democratic Precinct Committeepersons



# Pavel Goberman

Occupation: Founder/Provider of physical/mental fitness program "Get Energized!" – book, video and exercise classes for governments, businesses and public: may prevent many illnesses, diseases (including cancers)

and slow down the aging process. I'm in excellent health. (503)6-GET-FIT www.getenergized.com/vote.html

Occupational Background: Author, Publisher, Producer, Speaker, Inventor, Consultant, Advisor, Trainer, Coach, Manager (had an Award), Supervisor, Social Worker, Counselor, Machinist, Mechanic, Welder, Truck Driver, Logger, Firefighter and Beekeeper. I'm a Problem Solver.

**Educational Background:** Have 27 years of education, BA + Degree (Moscow, Russia). Attended a few universities and colleges in the USA. Linguist/Russian.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** 2008 General, Candidate for Commissioner of BOLI; 2008 Primary, Candidate for US Senator; Tank Army.

I'm honest, incorruptible, with faith, integrity and high moral principles. **Do not accept any "contributions"**.

Stop bribery, corruption and political/media prostitutions. I'm running against Wyden because he is not honest, corrupted, useless, ignores, violates, doesn't support and criminal contempt the Constitution of the USA He bailouts banks, AIG, GM and represents their interests.

### Defend nation from weapons of mass destruction. Save lives of our soldiers and bring troops home.

**Employment**: I have a plan to create jobs and childcare in workplaces. No NAFTA.

<u>Health Care</u>: promise to make affordable, cut cost of drugs. <u>Reduce Taxes</u>: Income and Property.

Car Insurance is a Street Robbery. If no accident – 50% money back. Promise to improve traffic and environment

<u>Crimes:</u> harder punishment. Prisoners must work.

Elect US Judges/Attorneys.

Seniors and Veterans: We owe them. Respect them! No Privatization of SocSec.

Improve discipline and quality of education. Teach children to respect parents, teachers and elderly. Balance Budget. Control spending.

Ban on Lobbyists.

English must be official language.

OPB must broadcast debates of Candidates.

I will make peace on the MiddleEast. Reduce dependency on foreign oil, cheaper fuel.

Lock-up borders to terrorists.

Support AARP, WillamWriters, Elks and NRA.

Help yourself and nation.

#### **VOTE FOR HONEST / INCORRUPTIBLE**

#### PAVEL

#### GOBERMAN

(This information furnished by Pavel Goberman.)

#### **United States Senator**



## Loren Hooker

#### Democrat

#### Occupation: Farmer

Occupational Background: Small Business Owner; Volunteer Firefighter/EMT/Paramedic; Personal Health Care Assistant; Bartender; Taxi Driver; DJ; Reporter.

**Educational Background:** Modesto Junior College; Oregon State University; Various Fire Officer and Emergency Medical Certification Programs, classes in Business and Constitutional Law.

#### Prior Governmental Experience: None.

Real World Democrats balance their checkbooks, keep a budget, and know that if their employer goes bankrupt, they'll lose their job. They know that you can't print money out of nothing.

Fantasy World Democrats (and Republicans) live in huge marble palaces. They have lost touch with the real world. They pit special interest groups against each other, spend Taxpayers' money and incur debt to cement their own power and gather campaign funds. They can't help it. There is no advantage for them to not do so. After all, THEY don't have to pay the bill. The system itself is corrupting.

It's gone too far. Our country is heading for a financial cliff. When your employer is taxed out of existence, YOU AND YOUR FAMILY will suffer. When the reckless printing of money causes punishing inflation, EVERYONE suffers. When the national debt exceeds our GDP, Our Country will be BANKRUPT.

The Democrat Party is supposed to look out for the little guy. How on earth do these policies help protect the little guy and his family?

I'm not a polished and slick politician, but where has that gotten us? I'm a farmer, a practical guy. Here's just some of my practical platform:

NO NEW SPENDING-I don't care if it's "paid for". NO NEW OR INCREASED TAXES-on anybody.

TAKE BACK all unspent bailout money. TAKE A CHAINSAW to the Budget. AUDIT THE FEDERAL RESERVE.

TERM LIMITS and REAL CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM, we don't need Professional Politicians.

REDUCE HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS by allowing competition across state lines.

PROTECT THE AMERICAN WORKER from unfair competition and the cruel, hidden tax of INFLATION.

To see more of my platform and details: Irhooker4senate.com.

(This information furnished by Loren Hooker.)



### Ron Wyden Democrat

Occupation: U.S. Senator

Occupational Background: Former Director, Oregon Legal Services for the Elderly; Cofounder, Oregon Gray Panthers

Educational Background: Stanford University, A.B.; University of Oregon Law School, J.D.

Prior Governmental Experience: Congressman, 1981-1996

#### STANDING UP FOR ALL OF OREGON

From fighting against President Bush's Iraq War and his special interest favors that threw the country into recession, to standing up to a far-right minority dedicated to gridlock and partisanship, I have never forgotten my promise to stand up for <u>all</u> of Oregon in the U.S. Senate.

- I wrote the "county payments" legislation bringing over \$2 billion to Oregon to protect thousands of jobs, good schools, and law enforcement to keep our communities safe. And my Build America Bonds legislation is creating tens of thousands of jobs by helping communities re-build crumbling roads and infrastructure.
- When Wall Street came looking for a hand out after greedily gambling away billions, I fought every Wall Street bailout regardless of which party advocated it.
- I uncovered rampant government waste and wrote laws to cut it; carving \$1.8 billion from the Iraq reconstruction plan, and putting a stop to sweetheart, non-competitive, federal contracts that squandered countless taxpayer dollars.
- I won't give up the fight until we bring spiraling health costs under control, give every American the exact same health care Congress receives, and create a real public option to increase consumer choices and hold insurance companies accountable.
- I never back down when powerful interests threaten our state. I stopped efforts to overturn Oregon's physicianassisted suicide law, exposed oil companies manipulating gas prices and have been a leader in blocking the privatization of Social Security.

Representing Oregon in the U.S. Senate has been the greatest privilege of my life. I'm proud that you've asked me to stand up for you, and now I'm asking you to stand with me in this election.

(This information furnished by Wyden for Senate.)

#### **Representative in Congress, 2nd District**



### Joyce B Segers Democrat

**Occupation**: A writer of books and articles.

Occupational Background: For nineteen years I was a small business owner of a medical billing service. I submitted claims to Medicare and

Medicaid as well as private insurance companies. I interfaced with physicians and assisted in training their staff in regard to insurance laws. I helped thousands of patients navigate through the bureaucratic maze of health insurance. Prior to that I worked as an assistant manager and agent in a real estate office, training new agents in contract law and in sales techniques and marketing. I was also a continuity director and copywriter at a local radio station in Florida.

**Educational Background:** B.A. in Sociology from the City College of New York in 1972, Masters work in Communications at The University of Central Florida 1984.

#### Prior Governmental Experience: None

I believe every person in this country should have access to proper medical treatment at a price they can afford. No one should ever be denied coverage due to a pre-existing condition or a newly discovered condition. There is no doubt that we must reform our healthcare system now.

It is clear that a strong education is the backbone of a strong economy. Our teachers need to be paid as professionals and our curriculums must be relevant and applicable to every student. Rural schools need to be connected to 21st century technology so our students can be competitive in the global economy. If the government can find billions of dollars to bail out Wall Street, we can find a way to make our schools strong again and provide our children with a brighter future.

We must make certain our returning soldiers come home to a United States that provides them free, high quality healthcare, competent mental health programs, jobs, suitable places to live and an environment that supports their transition from military to civilian life.

(This information furnished by Joyce B. Segers.)



# Bill Bradbury

Democrat

**Occupation**: Education and Conservation Advocate

**Occupational Background:** Executive Director, For the Sake of the Salmon; television journalist; restaurant owner.

Educational Background: Antioch College (1967-1969)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Secretary of State 1999-2009; Senate President 1993-1995; Senate Majority Leader 1987–1992; State Senator 1985–1995; State Representative 1981–1985

Howard Dean: "There is only one progressive candidate running for Governor of Oregon and that is Bill Bradbury." *The Oregonian* 2/10/10

The Choice of Democratic Leaders: Endorsed by Al Gore and Governor Barbara Roberts

The Educators' Choice: Endorsed by the Oregon Education Association, American Federation of Teachers-Oregon and Oregon School Employees Association.

### The Pro –Choice Candidate: Endorsed by NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC

We must write the next great Oregon Story. Throughout history, Oregon has had leaders and citizens that stepped forward and took bold actions. They made Oregon an amazing place to live.

It's time to step forward once again.

We face great challenges in Oregon. And confronting these challenges requires new leadership, new energy and new ideas - ideas that look to the future instead of the past. My vision:

#### Put Oregonians Back to Work

The time has come to create a state bank and declare economic sovereignty from multi-national banks.

**The Bank of Oregon** would keep Oregon money in Oregon providing small businesses with much needed capital to grow their business and put Oregonians back to work.

#### Fully Fund Education.

Some have given up on achieving stable funding for education, but I have not. I have a plan: 1) Reform the kicker, dedicating the money to a rainy day fund; and 2) Eliminate tax loopholes to boost education funding.

#### Protect the Environment

The protection of our natural areas and natural resources is a moral and economic imperative. I'm the only candidate who opposes Liquified Natural Gas terminals and called for the closing of the dirty Boardman Coal Plant.

That is my vision for Oregon.

An Oregon where we create good jobs, fully fund education, and protect the environment.

(This information furnished by Friends of Bill Bradbury.)

#### Governor



# John Kitzhaber

#### Democrat

Occupation: Health Policy Chair, Foundation for Medical Excellence; President, Estes Park Institute

**Occupational Background:** Emergency Room Physician, Roseburg 1974-1988

**Educational Background:** South Eugene HS, 1965; B.A., Dartmouth College, 1969; M.D., University of Oregon Medical School, 1973.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Governor 1995-2003; Senate President 1985-1993; State Senator 1981-1993; State Representative 1979-1980

#### John Kitzhaber for Governor Strong Leadership Committed to Oregon

John Kitzhaber's innovative leadership has made a tremendous difference for Oregon:

- Proposing education funding increases every budget as Governor, while setting higher standards.
- Jumpstarting Oregon's high tech and renewable energy economies.
- Authoring the Oregon Health Plan, extending health coverage to more Oregonians.
- Creating successful new strategies to protect Oregon's farms, forests, clean water and salmon.
- · Creating Oregon's first sustainability board.

### But the best reason to make John Kitzhaber our next governor is what he <u>will</u> do to create a better Oregon future.

Dear Fellow Oregonian,

We face incredible challenges. But working together, as Oregonians, we will meet them. I am confident that our best days are ahead.

I ask for your vote to:

- Change how we invest in education from pre-school through college so kids arrive at school ready to learn and get the tools they need to succeed in a competitive world.
- Implement a new economic strategy for urban and rural Oregon to create more good jobs and end Oregon's "boom and bust" economic cycles.
- Expand clean, renewable energy projects to create jobs and protect our natural heritage.

Read my detailed plans at www.johnkitzhaber.com.

My pledge is to tell you the truth; to address our problems now instead of leaving them to our children; and to bring Oregonians together to move us forward.

#### John Kitzhaber

Endorsed by Democratic leaders including: Attorney General John Kroger Superintendent of Public Instruction Susan Castillo Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian Oregon AFL-CIO Oregon State Fire Fighters Council NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC Over 100 elected leaders across Oregon

See the full list at <u>www.johnkitzhaber.com</u>

(This information furnished by Kitzhaber 2010.)

#### **State Treasurer**



### Rick Metsger Democrat

**Occupation**: State Senator, Senate President Pro Tempore

Occupational Background: Journalist; Teacher; Small Business Owner-Public Affairs

Educational Background:

Lewis & Clark College, B.S.; M.A.T.

Prior Governmental Experience: State Senator; State Treasury Debt Policy Advisory Commission

#### Metsger: The Progressive Choice for State Treasurer

Senator Metsger's entire legislative career involves protecting the pocketbooks of working families and demanding sound fiscal management in government.

"The common thread in all his legislative work is Metsger's desire to protect the interests of ordinary people: consumers, ratepayers, low-income borrowers and injured workers." *The Oregonian* 

October 18, 2006

#### Metsger: Creating Jobs for Working Families

As Chairman of Senate Transportation, Senator Metsger led passage of the largest job creating infrastructure package in state history and as Treasurer will ensure those dollars are put to work employing Oregonians. Metsger's job creating history is why he is endorsed by those who build Oregon:

Oregon Building Trades Council

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers L. U 112 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local #48 Ironworkers Local 29

Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local 1

International Union of Painters and Allied Trades District Council #5

Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 290

Senator Metsger is the longest serving member of the State Treasurer's Debt Policy Advisory Commission. As former vice-chairman of one of Oregon's most successful credit unions, Metsger knows the critical importance of sound money management. Metsger will hold Wall Street accountable to Main Street, pushing for greater financial regulatory reform. Rick was recently named 'Legislator of the Decade' by Oregon's credit unions and is strongly endorsed in this race by:

Credit Union Association of Oregon

#### Metsger: Renewable Energy Champion

Senator Metsger increased investment in renewable energy and as Treasurer will work to increase family-wage jobs in The Green Economy. Democratic leaders around the state are endorsing Rick Metsger for State Treasurer including:

Senator Ginny Burdick-Portland Senator Peter Courtney-Salem Senator Alan C. Bates-Ashland Senator Laurie Monnes Anderson-Gresham Senator Martha Schrader-Canby Senator Floyd Prozanski-Eugene Sen. Mark Hass-Beaverton

(This information furnished by Rick Metsger.)

#### **State Treasurer**



# Ted Wheeler

#### Democrat

**Occupation:** Oregon State Treasurer

Occupational Background: Manager and Director, Copper Mountain Trust Financial Services Company, small business owner, college instructor.

Educational Background: Stanford University (BA); Columbia University (MBA); Harvard University (MPP).

Prior Governmental Experience: Chair, Multnomah County Commission.

**Community service:** Friends of Forest Park, Portland Mountain Rescue, Goose Hollow Family Shelter;

Personal: wife, Katrina; 3-year old daughter.

### Ted Wheeler is the best choice for State Treasurer to help lead Oregon out of the recession.

"Ted Wheeler has a proven record using business experience and community leadership to create high-wage jobs, manage investments wisely and save taxpayers million of dollars. We support Ted." -Oregon Business Association

### Ted Wheeler believes Oregon's future depends on job creation right now:

- Investing state funds to grow our economy-- especially if they really create jobs for Oregonians;
- Ted has been a manager in the local financial services industry creating local jobs, supporting small business and pension funds for families.

### Ted Wheeler delivers fresh leadership and financial experience with the right priorities:

- Reduced debt, cut costs, and dramatically tightened accountability as County Chair;
- Pushing for Oregonians to get their due with more unclaimed or lost property, and uncashed checks returned;
- Aggressive oversight of state funds and taxpayer money to prevent interruptions in urgent services like public education.

**Dear Voter** – I'm a fifth generation Oregonian – born and raised here, and I'm raising my family here. As state treasurer, I'll focus on building our economy, keep a sharp eye on the bottom line, and will not sign a single check that doesn't guarantee you are getting a good value. I'd appreciate your vote. **-Ted Wheeler** 

#### Endorsed by:

Attorney General John Kroger Bill Rutherford, Jim Hill, Randall Edwards – former Oregon State Treasurers Lynn Peterson, Chair of Clackamas County Oregon Business Association Joint Council of Teamsters No. 37 Oregon State Council for Retired Citizens

Learn more at: www.TedWheeler.com

(This information furnished by Ted Wheeler.)

#### **State Senator, 26th District**



Brent Barton

Democrat

**Occupation:** State Representative; Attorney

Occupational Background: Business Attorney

Educational Background: Stanford, Harvard Law School

Prior Governmental Experience: State Representative, 2009-present

### BRENT BARTON FOR STATE SENATE Leadership that works.

"I am proud to support Brent Barton to be our next State Senator" Retiring Senator Rick Metsger

As a third-generation Oregonian and grandson of a logger, Brent Barton understands our communities, our history and our values. As an attorney specializing in solving complex business problems and resolving disputes, Brent understands our economy and how to make it work better. And as our state Representative, Brent has made a real difference for Oregon's hard-working families.

#### Focusing on the Economy

- Extended unemployment benefits for out-of-work Oregonians.
- Sped up construction projects to jumpstart Oregon jobs, including the \$100 million Highway 212/224 Project in our community.
- Passed alternative energy legislation to strengthen Oregon's clean energy economy.

#### **Better Education for a Better Future**

- Protected school funding during the recession.
- Sponsored legislation to help families pay for college.

#### "Rural communities and agriculture are an

important part of our economy. Brent always has an open door and understands our issues." Robert E. Evatt – Nursery Owner

#### **Controlling Health Care Costs and Protecting Seniors**

- Protected Project Independence, which helps seniors stay in their homes.
- Required health insurance companies to justify rate hikes.

#### **Protecting Our Community**

- Enhanced enforcement of the sex offenders who victimize children.
- Strengthened consumer protections to hold banks and credit card companies accountable for their unscrupulous business practices.
- Improved access to education, health benefits and job opportunities for our returning troops.

"One of Barton's biggest assets is his desire to listen to his constituents." *The Damascus/Boring Observer*, 12/09

"Have a good idea for Oregon? Need help with a problem? Let me hear from you at <u>www.votebrentbarton.com</u> or call me at 503-659-5111. Thanks for the opportunity to earn your vote." - Brent

(This information furnished by Friends of Brent Barton.)

#### State Representative, 52nd District



Educational Background: University of Oregon, B.A.

**Prior Governmental Experience**: Oregon City Commission President; South Fork Water Board; Tri-Cities Services Budget Committee.

> Suzanne VanOrman STILL FOCUSED ON WHAT MATTERS MOST

#### **Focused on Helping Oregonians**

A mother who raised two teenage sons alone, Suzanne VanOrman knows what it's like to struggle. In this economic crisis, she's been saddened to see too many politicians put partisanship ahead of people. Suzanne is an independent and honest voice for all Oregonians.

- Championed the Job Applicant Fairness Act to prohibit most employers from using credit history to screen potential employees.
- Prohibited insurers from discriminating against sexual assault victims by preventing them from classifying rape as a pre-existing condition for which insurance can be denied.
- Forced banks to be good neighbors and maintain properties they foreclose.

#### Focused on Our Children

For 22 years Suzanne led the Mid-Columbia Children's Council, providing access to Head Start to hundreds of local families. Because of her background, Suzanne understands the value of a good education.

- Secured funding for K-12 and expanded healthcare for 80,000 children.
- Pushed through \$9.7 million in additional Oregon Opportunity Grants for college students.
- Protected funding for Early Head Start Programs.

#### Focused on Jobs

Suzanne understands that many Oregonians are hurting. Too many people are out of work and too many families have lost their homes.

- Established BOOST fund to give loans and grants to help small businesses that create new jobs and hire Oregonians.
- Ensured our local farmers will produce environmentally friendly hydroelectric power.
- Fought for over \$10 million in transportation funds for Hood River.

#### ENDORSEMENTS:

Oregon Nurses Association, Oregon Education Association, Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon, Oregon Council of Police Associations, NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC.

#### www.VoteVanOrman.com

(This information furnished by Suzanne VanOrman.)

Occupation: State Representative. Occupational Background: Executive Director, Mid-Columbia Children's Council; Head Start Administrator; Teacher.

Suzanne

Democrat

VanOrman

#### **State Representative, 59th District**



### Will Boettner

Democrat

**Occupation:** Geologist/ Small Business Owner Operator

Occupational Background: Over 30 years experience in business and industry; Small Businessman: Owner of Paleo Adventures; Executive Director Oregon

Paleo Lands Institute; Water Resources Geologist and Business Owner; Vice President for Air Force Programs, CH2MHILL, Inc; Defense Programs Manager, Radian Corporation

**Educational Background:** B.A. History/Geology, University of Texas at Austin; Post-Graduate Studies Geology, University of Texas at Austin

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chair, Wheeler County Planning Commission; Wheeler County Commission on Children and Families; Eastern Oregon Visitors Association; John Day River Territory Marketing and Economic Development Committee

#### **Digging for jobs**

As a small business owner and a geologist, Will Boettner knows first hand that you can't just talk about new jobs—you have to get your hands dirty creating them. Because he's not a politician, Boettner won't settle for state programs that bring minimal jobs to our area—he'll work to put economic development east of the mountains front and center.

#### Salem's misplaced priorities

Instead of legislators standing up for NYC banks and out of state corporations, Will Boettner will fight for Oregon's small businesses. Boettner understands that in order for our communities to thrive we need to make small business growth a top priority.

#### **Strong Communities**

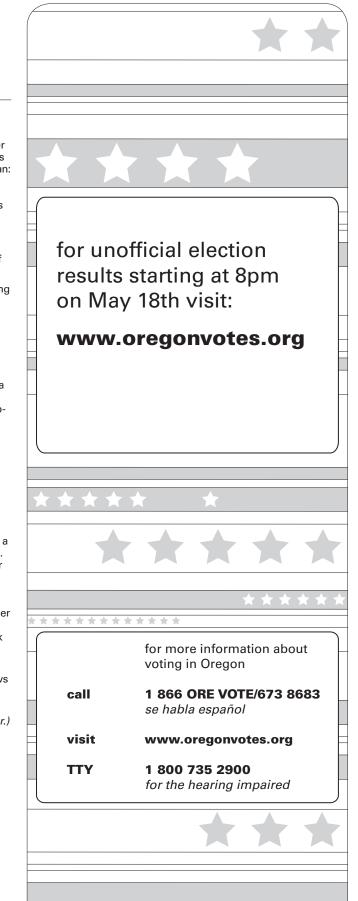
Families come first. Will Boettner knows we aren't looking for a free ride, but we deserve safe communities and good schools. Boettner will make sure this side of the mountain gets our fair share for education and public safety.

#### Not another pretty voice

Enough with the double speak and political rhetoric. Will Boettner doesn't make his living talking at people. You can count on Boettner stopping the political babble and getting down to work for you—not the special interests.

"Let's not rely on politicians to deliver for us. Let's choose someone that wears boots to work, drives a pick-up and knows that in order to change things you might have to get your hands dirty."- Will Boettner

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Will Boettner.)



#### **Duties and Responsibilities of Democratic Precinct Committeepersons**

A message from Democratic Party of Oregon Chair, Meredith Wood Smith:

#### It's up to you!

You can make the difference. You did it in 2008, and now is the time for you to step up again!

In the 2010 election, we have the challenge of electing a new Democratic Governor and State Treasurer, retaining our State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and keeping our majorities in the Oregon Legislature and the U.S. Congress. We also have many exciting and important local races on the ballot.

Democrats are continuing our fight to restore economic stability to Oregon and our country.

We recognize that health care is essential for all Oregonians, and we are proud that our Legislature was successful in insuring all of Oregon's children. We will work with Congress and President Obama to expand that coverage for everyone.

Investment in education continues to be a top priority for our children's future and Oregon's economic future.

Join our team by becoming a Precinct Committee Person or volunteer. Together we can make a difference for:

- Health Care, by creating affordable, accessible health care that works for everyone.
- Jobs, by creating family wage jobs and economic fairness.
- National Security, by continuing to rebuild our credibility at home and abroad, getting us out of debt, and protecting our civil liberties.
- Education, by investing in a highly skilled, educated and well-trained work force.
- Our Environment, by investing in sustainable alternatives to oil, and protecting our public lands and resources for generations to come.
- Retirement Security, by protecting Americans' right to retire with dignity and security.
- Honest Leadership & Open Government, by restoring accountability, honesty and openness at all levels of government.

On behalf of the Democratic Party of Oregon, thank you. We look forward to your involvement in the Democratic team.

#### Respectfully,

Meredith Wood Smith, Chair

#### Precinct Committee Person Qualifications and Responsibilities:

- 1. Be a registered Democrat
- Represent the precinct you live in or the one adjacent to it
   Serve a two-year term
- 4. Receive at least three votes
- 5. Participate in and elect party leadership
- 6. Volunteer and recruit others

#### To get involved, contact us:

232 NE 9th Ave., Portland, OR 97232 Phone: (503) 224-8200, Fax: (503) 224-5335, info@dpo.org

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(This information furnished by Democratic Party of Oregon.)



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ORESTAR (Oregon Elections System for Tracking and Reporting) is a web-based electronic filing and disclosure system for elections information in Oregon.

#### What information can I find in ORESTAR?

Anyone with internet access can use ORESTAR to search for political committees registered in Oregon, campaign finance information filed by political committees, and candidacy filings for candidates running for state office.

Public search of ORESTAR can be found by clicking on the link at: www.oregonvotes.org

### **Nonpartisan Candidates**

#### Candidates

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#### **Superintendent of Public Instruction**



### Susan Castillo Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Superintendent of Public Instruction

Occupational Background: Journalist, *KVAL-TV*, Eugene, 1982-1997; State Senator, 1997-2003.

Educational Background: B.A.,

Oregon State University.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Senator 1997-2002; Vice-Chair, Senate Education Committee; Chair, Women's Health and Wellness Alliance.

#### Dear Oregonian,

The most important part of my job is fighting for the needs of <u>all students.</u> When we set high expectations, every student can learn the lessons that will prepare them for work or college and success in the 21st Century economy.

The reasons I fight so hard for our schools are personal as well. My mother never got past the 8th grade, but my parents strongly valued education in my home. With their support, I was the first to graduate from a university.

I am honored to serve the students and schools of Oregon and ask for your vote.

Sincerely, Susan Castillo

#### Susan Castillo's Commitment to Oregon Schools

• Leading the fight to make class sizes manageable, keep teachers in the classroom, and protect programs that are vital for our students.

"During these tough economic times, when every penny counts, Susan cut her own office budget by 30% to make sure programs that serve schools wouldn't have to cut further." **Governor Barbara Roberts** 

• Giving teachers the support and schools the tools they need to provide a quality education for every Oregon student.

"Our schools and our students have a leader we can trust. Susan Castillo knows every student can achieve their dreams." Jason Whiteley, High School Teacher

 Setting clear, high expectations for students so that every child in Oregon can succeed in the 21st Century economy.

"Susan championed Oregon's tough new diploma standards. Every student in Oregon will be better prepared to go on to college, join the workforce, or pursue vocational training." Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian

**Endorsed by those we trust**: Oregon Education Association, American Federation of Teachers-Oregon, Oregon School Employees Association, Governor John Kitzhaber, Senator Ron Wyden, and many more!

#### www.susancastillo.org

(This information furnished by Susan Castillo for Superintendent of Public Instruction.)

#### Superintendent of Public Instruction



### **Ron** Maurer Nonpartisan

Occupation: State Representative

Occupational Background: Military Officer; Small Business Owner; University Instructor

Educational Background: Northern Illinois University, Doctorate

of Education; Kansas State University, M.S. Education; Oregon State University, B.S. Science Education

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative; Grants Pass School Board Chair; U.S. Army Reserves (Retired), 1985-2006

Family: Married with 4 children plus 2 foreign exchange students in Oregon public schools

#### We Must Not Accept Failure

- In 2008, the Department of Education reported one-third of high school students failed to graduate
- For the last 3 years, national assessments have repeatedly given Oregon an "F" in College Readiness and Accountability for Quality
- Oregon ranks 27th in expenditures per student but 43rd in overall quality. It is not a question of more money; it is one of transformational reform

#### Strong Schools = Jobs = A Strong Economy

Jobs in the future are based on education today. If Oregonians want a strong economy, Oregon must have a strong school system.

#### Dr. Maurer's Plan

- Enhance math and science so future leaders reclaim competitive advantages in the global marketplace
- Expand vocational programs to prepare students for familywage jobs
- Renew emphasis on parental involvement, civics, and financial literacy
- Raise expectations for achievement, while we raise expectations for behavior

#### Ron Maurer: An Educator

Fourth generation Oregonian, from a family of life-long educators, Ron knows the value of putting students first. We must provide children with the necessary tools to succeed in school and in life.

#### Endorsed By Those Who Know Oregon Needs a Change

Greg Walden, U.S. Representative; Brady Adams, Former Senate President; Oregon Building Trades Council; 22 State Representatives; 11 State Senators; for more endorsements visit <u>RonForSchools.com</u>

"Oregon stands at a critical moment in time. We must look into the young faces of our future and choose to walk with them. I am Ron Maurer and I am asking for your vote."

#### RonForSchools.com

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Ron Maurer.)

#### Judge of the Supreme Court, Position 4



### Rives Kistler

Nonpartisan

**Occupation**: Judge, Oregon Supreme Court

Occupational Background: Judge of the Court of Appeals (1999-2003); Assistant Attorney General for the Oregon Department of Justice (1987-1999);

Attorney, Stoel Rives LLP (1983-1987); Adjunct Professor of State Constitutional Law, Northwestern School of Law at Lewis & Clark College (1999 and 1997); Judicial Clerk to the Honorable Lewis F. Powell, Jr., Associate Justice, Supreme Court of the United States (1982-1983) and to the Honorable Charles Clark, Chief Judge, United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit (1981-1982)

Educational Background: Georgetown University Law School, JD, summa cum laude (1981); University of North Carolina, MA (1978); Williams College, BA, cum laude (1971)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Assistant Attorney General for the Oregon Department of Justice; Chair, National Association of Attorneys General First Amendment Working Group; Member, National Association of Attorneys General Criminal Law Working Group; Vice-Chair, Oregon State Board of Bar Examiners

#### RIVES KISTLER EXPERIENCED. TOUGH. FAIR.

#### Experienced

"With a long record of service to our state, Judge Kistler is the ideal choice to serve on the Oregon Supreme Court. He has a tremendous work ethic, a deep understanding of the law, and has earned my strongest support."

#### Dave Frohnmayer, Oregon Attorney General 1981-1991

"More than ever, we need judges committed to upholding our Constitution. Oregon and its citizens are fortunate to have an individual of Judge Kistler's caliber and character on the bench." William L. Richardson

#### Oregon Court of Appeals 1976-1997 Chief Judge 1993-1997

#### Tough

"Rives Kistler is a great judge. He's practical, hard-working, knowledgeable and tough. We hope you'll join us in voting for Judge Kistler for Oregon Supreme Court."

Walter M. Beglau, Marion County District Attorney Edwin Caleb, Klamath County District Attorney John S. Foote, Clackamas County District Attorney Michael D. Schrunk, Multnomah County District Attorney

#### Fair

"Judge Kistler's intelligence, integrity and even-handedness make him an exceptionally important member of the Oregon Supreme Court. He's a great asset to Oregon's judicial system." Barbara Roberts, Oregon Governor 1991-1995

#### www.riveskistler.com

(This information furnished by Committee to Reelect Judge Rives Kistler.)

#### marking your ballot

- 1 Carefully read and follow all instructions printed on your ballot. The instructions will say whether you should use a pen or pencil to mark your ballot.
- 2 To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice.
- **3** To write-in a candidate:
- → Clearly print his or her name on the dotted line provided on the ballot
- → Fill in the oval next to the name you wrote-in

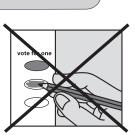
You must do both for your vote to be counted.

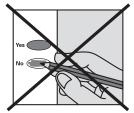
#### check your ballot!

If you vote for more candidates than allowed, or if you vote **both** Yes **and** No on a measure, it is called an overvote.

Your vote **will not count** for that candidate or measure.

You do not have to vote on all contests. Those you do vote on will still count.





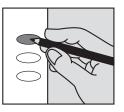
#### getting a replacement ballot

Contact your County Elections Office or call 1 866 ORE VOTE to request a replacement ballot if:

- → you make a mistake
- ightarrow your ballot is damaged or spoiled
- → you lose your ballot

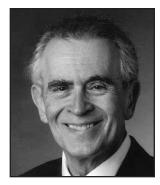
or for any other reason.

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the State of Oregon.



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#### Judge of the Supreme Court, Position 5



### Allan J Arlow Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Administrative Law Judge, Oregon Public Utility Commission (1999-present)

**Occupational Background:** Private Practice of Law representing radio, television and telephone companies; President

and CEO, Computer & Communications Industry Association; Vice President-Government Affairs, Ameritech Corporation; VP and General Counsel, Ameritech Mobile Communications; VP and General Counsel-Midwest Division, AT&T Advanced Mobile Phone Service; VP-Public Relations, VP-Washington Office, VP-Video Services Group, Associate General Counsel, Centel Corporation; General Counsel, NSS Industries.

**Educational Background:** Georgetown University Law School, JD (1969), University of Michigan, BA, Hopwood Prize (1966).

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Hearing Officer, Bonneville Power Administration.

#### Qualified

The Oregon State Bar Appellate Selection Committee examined Judge Arlow for integrity, ability, experience and judicial temperament and recommended him to the Governor as qualified to serve as an Appellate Judge. (December 28, 2009 Board of Governors Special Meeting agenda).

#### Experienced

For over ten years, Judge Arlow has presided in some of the most complex cases in Oregon. He has written nearly a thousand orders and rulings, ranging from resolving consumer complaints against utilities to cases affecting millions of Oregonians. Judge Arlow has testified before Congress about communications and copyright law. He was the top lawyer of the first American cell phone company. In addition to decades of judging and legal experience, Judge Arlow has had a wide variety of other positions, working with people of many different backgrounds.

#### **Public Interest**

In the early days of the Internet, Judge Arlow wrote on the importance of bringing high-speed broadband communications to rural America. Judge Arlow, as founding President, led the citizens group that established independent Chicago Public Radio Station WBEZ, home to programs carried by NPR stations, including OPB. Judge Arlow is a board member of the Administrative Law Section and a member of the Energy, Utility and Telecommunications Law Section of the Oregon State Bar.

#### Family

Judge Arlow is married to Portland ophthalmologist Karen Winchester, MD. He has two sons and two daughters.

(This information furnished by Judge Arlow for Oregon Supreme Court.)

#### Judge of the Supreme Court, Position 5



# Jack L Landau

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals

**Occupational Background:** Deputy Attorney General; lawyer in private law practice; adjunct professor of law

Educational Background: Lewis & Clark College, BA; Northwestern School of Law at Lewis & Clark College, JD; University of Virginia School of Law, LLM

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Court of Appeals Judge; Oregon Deputy Attorney General

#### Judge Jack Landau for Oregon Supreme Court

It is critical that a Justice on Oregon's Supreme Court meet the highest standards of experience and integrity. That is why Judge Jack Landau is the clear choice for Oregon's highest court.

#### **Unmatched Judicial Experience**

Judge Landau has served as a judge on the Court of Appeals for 17 years. During that time, he has participated in deciding nearly 10,000 cases on every imaginable subject, including criminal law, child custody, workers compensation, contracts, unemployment compensation, elections, unlawful trade practices, juvenile delinquency, fish and wildlife, public utilities, employment discrimination, land use and zoning.

Before becoming a Judge, Landau worked in the Oregon courts as a practicing attorney. He tried cases in state and federal court, and argued appeals in state and federal appellate courts, including a case before the United States Supreme Court.

#### **Unquestioned Integrity**

Judge Landau has a record of independent, fair-minded, evenhanded decision making. His thoughtful decisions are based on the law and the facts, nothing more. **His integrity and legal experience are why Judge Landau has earned broad support** from respected leaders and the legal community across Oregon:

Former Governor Barbara Roberts Former Attorney General Dave Frohnmayer Former Attorney General Hardy Myers Former Labor Commissioner Jack Roberts Former Oregon Supreme Court Chief Justice Ed Peterson Former Chief Judge Mary Deits Court of Appeals Chief Judge Dave Brewer Circuit Court Judges John Collins (Yamhill), Paula Brownhill (Clatsop), Henry Kantor (Multnomah), Jean Maurer (Multnomah), Steven Maurer (Clackamas), Burdette Pratt (Malheur), Dan Harris (Jackson), Lindi Baker (Josephine), Bill Cramer (Grant/Harney), Jamese Rhoades (Marion), Karsten Rasmussen (Lane), Mike Sullivan (Deschutes), Rick Barron (Coos/Curry)

(This information furnished by Judge Jack Landau for Oregon Supreme Court.)

#### Judge of the Court of Appeals, Position 3



# Darleen Ortega

Nonpartisan

**Occupation**: Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals

Occupational Background: Oregon Court of Appeals Judge, 2003 to present; lawyer in private practice in Portland and Detroit, 1989 to 2003

**Educational Background:** J.D., University of Michigan School of Law with honors, 1989; B.A., George Fox College with honors, 1984; Banks High School with honors, 1980

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Judicial Department Access to Justice for All Committee and Juvenile and Family Law Committee; Oregon State Bar Affirmative Action and Judicial Administration Committees, Disability Task Force, and Diversity Section Executive Committee

**Current and Past Professional Activities**: Active member of: Oregon Women Lawyers, including as board member and founding member of Judicial Endorsement Committee and Transformation Committee; Oregon Minority Lawyers Association; Oregon Hispanic Bar Association; Multnomah Bar Association Equality Committee

**Community Service:** Board member and officer, Northwest Health Foundation, OHSU Heart Research Center, Open Adoption and Family Services; frequent mentor and speaker to law students and high school students

**Commitment to Public Service:** In my years on the bench, I have authored more than 175 written opinions and have participated in more than 1000 decisions of the court. I am honored to serve as a Court of Appeals judge, and will continue to work hard to uphold these principles:

- Remember that real lives are at stake in every case I review, and strive to give each case the attention needed to understand it and rule fairly.
- Set aside any personal agendas and judge each case on its own merits, with an open mind and upholding the rule of law.
- Write opinions that are clear and helpful to those who must use them.
- Demonstrate the highest standard of personal and professional ethics.
- Accord dignity and respect to every judge, lawyer and litigant.

#### - Darleen Ortega

(This information furnished by Committee to Re-Elect Darleen Ortega, Oregon Court of Appeals Judge.)

#### Judge of the Circuit Court, 7th District, Position 2 Judge of the Circuit Court, 7th District, Position 2



Thomas C Peachev

Nonpartisan

#### Occupation: Attorney

Occupational Background: Attorney; Court-appointed arbitrator, 7th Judicial District

Educational Background: University of California San Diego,

BA, 1975; Willamette University College of Law, JD, 1978

Prior Governmental Experience: Prosecuted Cases for Linn County District Attorney, 1977-1978; Counsel, Northern Wasco County Parks and Recreation District; Counsel, Mid-Columbia Fire & Rescue

Legal Leadership: (Partial List) Served as President of Mid-Columbia Bar Association; Oregon State Bar House of Delegates; Oregon State Bar Disciplinary Board - Trial Panel; Oregon State Bar Local Professional Responsibility Committee; Oregon State Bar Executive Committee of the Business Law Section

#### Tom Peachey for Judge Integrity • Experience • Respect

"Tom Peachey is the clearly qualified choice for judge." Former Oregon State Bar Presidents Gerry Gaydos, Angel Lopez, Albert Menashe

#### **Experience Makes the Difference**

In this race for Circuit Court Judge, Tom Peachey is the ONLY candidate who:

- Served as an Oregon Attorney for over 30 years.
- Has prosecutorial experience and has defended serious criminal cases.
- Has jury trial experience in every county of the 7th Judicial District

Tom Peachey has also represented individuals, businesses and government bodies in almost every aspect of civil litigation. He has argued and briefed many cases to the Oregon Appellate Courts. He also serves as a court-appointed arbitrator in the 7th Judicial District, assisting individuals and businesses in the resolution of their legal disputes.

"Tom Peachey has first-hand experience in the cases that are most important to our community and our citizens. That makes him the clear choice."

Tom Ashmore, Oregon State Police, Retired Major

#### Part of Our Community

Tom Peachey serves on The Dalles School District's Scholarship Foundation, is a board member on Hospice of the Gorge, and spent 26 years as a high school basketball official. Tom has been married to his wife Sue for 34 years. They have two sons, Bob and John, and a daughter-in-law Libby, who all graduated from The Dalles High School.

Learn more aboutTom at www.peacheyforjudge.com

(This information furnished by Thomas C. Peachey.)



### Janet Stauffer

#### Nonpartisan

#### Occupation: Attorney

**Occupational Background:** Woods & Stauffer (1993-2010); Suttell Law Office (1988-1993); Carney, Stephenson, Law Office (1978-1988).

Educational Background: J.D., University of Washington Law School; B.A. Magna cum Laude (Spanish), Seattle University.

Prior Governmental Experience: School Board, Dufur.

Community Involvement: CASA; Dufur School Board/volunteer; St. Mary's School Board/volunteer; Wrestling Pairings Official; Soccer coach; Dufur Chamber Board; Foster Parent. Volunteer with many organizations.

Personal: Janet and her husband, Jim Woods, have three children.

I will bring to the bench 24 years of diverse legal experience, the highest commitment to public service and a respect for the rule of law, and the role it plays in providing order and safety in our community while honoring individual rights and liberties. I will be respectful and consistent from the bench and make timely, reasonable rulings.

www.janetstaufferforjudge.com

#### **RESPECTFUL, FAIR AND FIRM**

We can trust Janet Stauffer to serve all of the citizens of this District fairly and justly. She has a well-earned reputation for treating others with respect and dignity. Her wisdom and ability to listen, both in English and Spanish, and to understand both sides' perspectives will make her an excellent judge. Luis Gamez, Orchard Manager, HS Soccer Coach

#### **MOST EXPERIENCED and QUALIFIED**

Through nearly 24 years courtroom experience practicing in Oregon, Washington and the Federal Courts, Janet Stauffer has the most varied experience to bring to the Court. Her intelligence and diligence are unsurpassed. Our elected judges should be fair in judgment and firmly adhere to the rule of law. Janet Stauffer is dedicated to both.

James M. Habberstad, Attorney

#### HARD WORKING

It is important to the citizens of our district that the courts operate in an efficient and timely manner. Janet is not only a great lawyer but she is also an advocate for children, and busy volunteer for the well being of this community. You will not meet a harder working and efficient lawyer, volunteer, wife and mother than Janet.

Rich and Patty Rolen, Retired Teachers

(This information furnished by Janet Stauffer for Judge Committee.)

#### Judge of the Circuit Court, 7th District, Position 4



John A Wolf Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Attorney at Law, Private Practice; Municipal Court Judge ProTem

Occupational Background: Associate Attorney at Law, Private Practice; Certified Law Clerk

**Educational Background:** Oregon State University, Bachelor of Science, Political Science; Willamette University College of Law, Doctor of Jurisprudence

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Municipal Court Judge Pro Tem, The Dalles Municipal Court; Port of The Dalles Budget Committee Member; Seventh Judicial District Family Law Advisory Committee; Seventh Judicial District Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission

**Prior and Current Community Involvement**: Civic Auditorium Historic Preservation Committee; Wasco County Youth Court Volunteer Judge; AYSO Soccer Coach; St. Peter's Catholic Church's Finance Council Chairman; Pro Bono Legal Counsel to several local non-profit organizations

**Experience:** John has represented clients in both criminal and civil cases. He has also presided over criminal cases as a municipal court judge pro tem. Born and raised in The Dalles, John understands our community and has proven he can make informed, fair and balanced decisions.

"As the City Attorney for the City of The Dalles, I have had the opportunity to observe John Wolf preside over many proceedings in the City's Municipal Court, in his capacity as Municipal Court Judge ProTem. John has all of the qualities necessary to serve as judge in the courtroom including knowledge and expertise, integrity, and treatment of all parties with dignity and respect. I strongly recommend John Wolf for Circuit Court Position Number 4 for the Seventh Judicial District."

- Gene Parker, City Attorney for the City of The Dalles

John is also endorsed by:

Wade M. McLeod, Sherman County District Attorney Ronald M. Somers, Attorney, City of The Dalles Municipal Court Judge

Kevin Hashizume, Attorney / City Prosecutor City of The Dalles Brad Lohrey, Sherman County Sheriff

Marion Weatherford, Gilliam County District Attorney

For more information and additional endorsements please see www.johnwolfforjudge.com

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect John A. Wolf Judge.)

#### Justice of the Peace, Hood River County



# Randy Holmstrom

#### Nonpartisan

Occupation: Motor Carrier Enforcement Officer for the State of Oregon Motor Carrier Transportation Division at the Cascade Locks Port of Entry (2006 to present)

#### **Occupational Background:**

Department Head and Sternwheeler Captain for the Port of Cascade Locks (1980 to 2006); Life long community volunteer

**Educational Background:** B.S. University of Oregon; A.S. and A.A. Mt. Hood Community College; Level 2 and 3 certified truck inspector; System Security Awareness Certificate National Transit Institute; USCG Licensed Mariner

Prior Governmental Experience: Cascade Locks City Council Member 2007-2010; Hood River County Education Foundation Board Member 2003-Current; Hood River County School District Budget Committee 1987-Current; Mid-Columbia Economic Development District Board Member 2008-2010 appointed by the Hood River County Commissioners to represent the Cities of Hood River County; Hood River County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors 1993-2006; Hood River County School District Board Member 1988-2003, 2 years as Chairman, 2 years as Vice-Chairman; Hood River/Wasco Educational Service District Budget Committee 1999-2002; Cascade Locks Planning Commission 1982-1988;

#### Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Over the years I have been asked to "run" for the Justice of the Peace position. When the position opened up just over a year ago I was asked again to consider applying. I did, and I was "recommended" (*Hood River News* 9/17/08) to fill the position after interviewing with the Hood River County Board of Commissioners. Now it is your opportunity to consider whom you would pick for the position.

I will make many changes to the Justice Court operation that will make the Court experience more effective and pleasant for you.

- Create a "Violations Bureau" (ORS 153.800) that will allow the Court Clerk to settle many violations quickly.
- Offer evening hours for those who can't afford to take time off of work to appear or call.
- Develop phone and web sources for information.

#### Thank you for your time and vote.

Randy Holmstrom 541-374-8704 <u>strnwheel@aol.com</u>

Please check my website for more detailed information.

#### www.VoteHolmstrom.com

(This information furnished by Randy Holmstrom.)

#### **County Commissioner, Jefferson County, Position 2**



### Bill Atherton Nonpartisan

Occupation: Farmer

**Occupational Background:** Business owner (30 yrs.), historic building restoration; local government elected official: state legislative staff; carpenter.

Educational Background: Stanford University, BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Madras Budget Committee; Trout Creek Watershed Council; city and regional elected official; state legislative staff for science and technology.

#### TRUSTED. INDEPENDENT. EFFECTIVE.

"Bill offers workable ideas and makes people think. . . about consequences, outcomes. I like that"

Frank Summers, business owner, Culver

"I have worked with Bill. He listens to everyone; debates issues based on law and facts."

Ray Potter, Madras

#### BALANCE IN LAND USE AND COMMUNITY PLANNING

In private and public life I have focused on building livable communities and protecting natural resources; goals my wife, son and I currently practice on our farm. I am not opposed to all development and land use changes, only those that serve a few individuals at the expense of the community. Big contributors to campaigns at the local level – real estate, some banking and construction interests – are against my proposals to have land developers pay their own way; still, I have yet to see any public benefit from propping up the speculative value of bare land.

#### WE NEED JOB OPPORTUNITIES

But, should we depend on federal or state government? Or a big company? We are a farming community. We can feed ourselves. We build and repair things. We have farmers, business owners, and local public agencies with modest resources. Often the help they need is seasonal and temporary, especially for jobs maintaining roads and public facilities, cultivating new crops on smaller farms or operating a tourist industry that views all of Jefferson County as a "destination resort." County government can facilitate linking workers with these job opportunities.

#### DEMOCRACY REQUIRES REAL CHOICE

I have the experience and background to offer voters solutions in land planning, economic development and social services. Solutions that benefit the entire community, not just a few interests. Want to help? Call (541) 815-2570 or email redbandranch@yahoo.com.

(This information furnished by Elect Bill Atherton Committee.)

#### **Sheriff, Jefferson County**



## Jim Adkins

#### Nonpartisan

Occupation: Undersheriff/ Acting Sheriff - Jefferson County Sheriff's Office.

Occupational Background: From 1974 through 1985, I worked as a farmhand for local farmers. In 1985, I joined the U.S. Army.

I was Honorably Discharged from the 2nd Ranger Battalion in Ft. Lewis, WA in 1986. March, 1986 through May, 1986, I worked in Plant 4 at Bright Wood Corporation. May 1986 I became a Marine Deputy for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office. I have served in every division over the last 24 years including: 5 months as a Marine Deputy, 2 years as a Corrections Deputy, 10 years as a Patrol Deputy, 7 years as a Patrol Sergeant, 1 year as a Lieutenant for Drug Enforcement, 6 years as Undersheriff and Acting Sheriff since January. Additionally, I have used my private pilot license to assist Search and Rescue, served as second in command to the Sheriff on many high level incidents according to Oregon Emergency Management (OEM) guidelines and ran for Sheriff in 1998.

Educational Background: I attended schools in Madras, Mill City and Metolius from elementary through junior high school. I earned my diploma from the Christian Liberty Academy. I've earned college credits from both Central Oregon Community College in Bend and Chemeketa Community College in Salem. I have completed 1,818 hours of police training through the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST). I also have a private pilot license with Multi-engine and Instrument ratings.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** I serve on the Boards for the Central Oregon Police Chaplaincy and the Airport-Industrial Site Committee. I also participate in the Central Oregon Law Enforcement Board, the Central Oregon Drug Enforcement Board and the Jefferson County Domestic Violence Council.

I've been preparing for this for the last 24 years. I am dedicated to learning from the past and making the necessary adjustments to reinforce our already strong foundation and prepare the Sheriff's Office to take on the future.

(This information furnished by Jim Adkins.)

# **Oregon Voter Bill of Rights**

**You have the right** to vote if you are a US citizen, live in Oregon, are 18 years old, and have registered.

You have the right to vote if you are homeless.

**You have the right** to vote if you have been convicted of a felony but have been released from custody, even if you are on probation or parole.

**You have the right** to vote even if you have a guardian and even if you need help reading or filling out your ballot.

**You have the right** to vote or cast your ballot if you are in line by 8 PM on Election Day.

You have the right to know if you are registered to vote.

**You have the right** to choose whether or not you want to register as a member of a political party.

**You have the right** to use a signature stamp or other mark but first you have to fill out a form. No one can sign for you.

**You have the right** to ask for help from elections staff or from a friend or family member. There are some people who cannot help you vote, for example, your boss or a union officer from your job.

**You have the right** to a secret vote. You do not have to tell anyone how you voted.

**You have the right** to get a "provisional ballot", even if you are told you are not registered to vote.

You have the right to get a new ballot if you make a mistake.

**You have the right** to vote for the person you want. You can write in someone else's name if you don't like the choices on your ballot.

You have the right to vote "yes" or "no" on any issue on your ballot.

**You have the right** to leave some choices blank on your ballot. The choices you do mark will still count.

**You have the right** to use a voting system for all Federal Elections that makes it equally possible for people with disabilities to vote privately and independently.

**You have the right** to know if your ballot, including a "provisional ballot", was accepted for counting.

**You have the right** to file a complaint if you think your voting rights have been denied.



Call toll free - 1-866-673-8683 to get more information about these and other voting rights.

(Oregon Constitution, Sections 2 and 3; ORS Chapters 137, 246, 247, and 254; Vote By Mail Manual; Help America Vote Act of 2002; OAR 165-001-0090 and 165-007-0030)



#### 36 Measures | Measure 68

House Joint Resolution 13—Referred to the Electorate of Oregon by the Legislative Assembly of the 2009 Regular Session to be voted on at the Primary Election, May 18, 2010.



Revises Constitution: Allows state to issue bonds to match voter approved school district bonds for school capital costs.

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#### Result of "yes" vote

"Yes" vote allows state to issue bonds to match voter approved school district bonds for school capital costs. Dedicates lottery funds for matching funds and repayment.

#### Result of "no" vote

"No" vote retains current law prohibiting state and restricting local districts from issuing bonds to pay for school capital costs, including acquisition, construction, repair and improvement.

#### Summary

This measure would revise the Oregon Constitution to allow voters to approve local district bonds for school capital costs and the state to issue bonds and use the revenue from those bonds to help local school districts pay for capital costs. The Constitution currently limits voters' ability to approve local district bonds for school capital costs and prevents the state from issuing bonds to help local districts pay for school capital costs. "Capital costs" include costs for acquisition, construction, repair and improvement, but not routine maintenance or supplies. State funds may be used only to match funds approved by voters in local districts. The measure would dedicate 15 percent of state lottery revenues to a "school capital matching fund" to repay state funds provided to districts. State bonds may not be repaid by raising property taxes. Contains other provisions.

#### **Estimate of financial impact**

There is no financial effect on either state or local government expenditures or revenues.

### **Text of Measure**

### Be it Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, two-thirds of all the members of each house concurring:

**PARAGRAPH 1.** The Constitution of the State of Oregon is revised by creating a new section 11L to be added to and made a part of Article XI, such section to read:

SECTION 11L. (1) The limitations of sections 11 and 11b of this Article do not apply to bonded indebtedness incurred by local taxing districts if the bonded indebtedness was incurred on or after January 1, 2011, to finance capital costs as defined in subsection (5) of this section.

(2) Bonded indebtedness described in subsection (1) of this section includes bonded indebtedness issued to refund bonded indebtedness described in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, subsection (8) of section 11 of this Article, as limited by section 11k of this Article, applies to measures that authorize bonded indebtedness described in subsection (1) of this section.

(4) The weighted average life of bonded indebtedness incurred on or after January 1, 2011, to finance capital costs may not exceed the weighted average life of the capital costs that are financed with that indebtedness.

(5)(a) As used in this section, "capital costs" means costs of land and of other assets having a useful life of more than one year, including costs associated with acquisition, construction, improvement, remodeling, furnishing, equipping, maintenance or repair.

(b) "Capital costs" does not include costs of routine maintenance or supplies.

PARAGRAPH 2. The Constitution of the State of Oregon is revised by creating a new Article to be known as Article XI-P, such Article to read:

#### **ARTICLE X I-P**

SECTION 1. (1) In the manner provided by law and notwithstanding the limitations contained in section 7, Article XI of this Constitution, the State of Oregon may loan its credit and incur indebtedness, in an aggregate outstanding principal amount not to exceed, at any one time, one-half of one percent of the real market value of the real property in this state, to provide funds to be advanced by grant or loan to school districts to finance the capital costs of the school districts. Bonds issued under this section may not be paid from ad valorem property taxes.

(2) Indebtedness incurred under this section must be in the form of general obligation bonds of the State of Oregon containing a direct promise to pay the principal, interest and premium, if any, of the bonds in an aggregate outstanding principal amount not to exceed the amount authorized in subsection (1) of this section. The bonds are the direct obligation of the State of Oregon and must be in such form, run for such periods of time, have such terms and bear such rates of interest as may be provided by statute. The State of Oregon shall pledge its full faith and credit and taxing power to the payment of the principal, interest and premium, if any, of the bonds. However, the State of Oregon may not pledge its ad valorem taxing power to the payment of the bonds.

(3) The proceeds from bonds issued under this section may be used only to provide matching funds to finance the capital costs of school districts that have received voter approval for local general obligation bonds and to provide for the costs of issuing bonds and the payment of debt service.

(4) The proceeds from bonds issued under this section may not be used to finance the operating costs of school districts.

SECTION 2. The principal, interest and premium, if any, of the bonds issued under section 1 of this Article must be repaid as determined by the Legislative Assembly from the following sources:

(1) Amounts appropriated for repayment by the Legislative

Assembly from the General Fund, including taxes levied to pay the bonds except ad valorem property taxes;

(2) Amounts appropriated or allocated for repayment by the Legislative Assembly from other sources of revenue; or

(3) Any other available moneys.

SECTION 3. Bonds issued under section 1 of this Article may be refunded with bonds of like obligation.

SECTION 4. (1) There is created a school capital matching fund. Moneys in the fund may be invested and the earnings shall be retained in the fund or expended as provided by the Legislative Assembly.

(2) The Legislative Assembly may by law appropriate, allocate or transfer moneys or revenue to the school capital matching fund.

(3) The Legislative Assembly may appropriate, allocate or transfer moneys in the school capital matching fund and earnings on moneys in the fund for the purposes of providing:

(a) State matching funds to school districts to finance capital costs; and

(b) Payment of debt service for general obligation bonds issued pursuant to this Article.

SECTION 5. As used in this Article, "capital costs" means costs of land and of other assets having a useful life of more than one year, including costs associated with acquisition, construction, improvement, remodeling, furnishing, equipping, maintenance or repair.

SECTION 6. The Legislative Assembly may enact legislation to carry out the provisions of this Article.

SECTION 7. This Article supersedes any conflicting provision of this Constitution.

PARAGRAPH 3. Section 4, Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, is revised to read:

**Sec. 4. (1)** Except as provided in subsections (2), (3), (4), [*(10)*] **(8)** and [*(11)*] **(9)** of this section, lotteries and the sale of lottery tickets, for any purpose whatever, are prohibited, and the Legislative Assembly shall prevent the same by penal laws.

(2) The Legislative Assembly may provide for the establishment, operation, and regulation of raffles and the lottery commonly known as bingo or lotto by charitable, fraternal, or religious organizations. As used in this section, charitable, fraternal or religious organization means such organizations or foundations as defined by law because of their charitable, fraternal, or religious purposes. The regulations shall define eligible organizations or foundations, and may prescribe the frequency of raffles, bingo or lotto, set a maximum monetary limit for prizes and require a statement of the odds on winning a prize. The Legislative Assembly shall vest the regulatory authority in any appropriate state agency.

(3) There is hereby created the State Lottery Commission which shall establish and operate a State Lottery. All proceeds from the State Lottery, including interest, but excluding costs of administration and payment of prizes, shall be used for any of the following purposes: creating jobs, furthering economic development, financing public education in Oregon or restoring and protecting Oregon's parks, beaches, watersheds and critical fish and wildlife habitats.

(4)(a) The State Lottery Commission shall be comprised of five members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. At least one of the Commissioners shall have a minimum of five years experience in law enforcement and at least one of the Commissioners shall be a certified public accountant. The Commission is empowered to promulgate rules related to the procedures of the Commission and the operation of the State Lottery. Such rules and any statutes enacted to further implement this article shall insure the integrity, security, honesty, and fairness of the Lottery. The Commission shall have such additional powers and duties as may be provided by law. (b) The Governor shall appoint a Director subject to confirmation by the Senate who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Director shall be qualified by training and experience to direct the operations of a state-operated lottery. The Director shall be responsible for managing the affairs of the Commission. The Director may appoint and prescribe the duties of no more than four Assistant Directors as the Director deems necessary. One of the Assistant Directors shall be responsible for a security division to assure security, integrity, honesty, and fairness in the operations and administration of the State Lottery. To fulfill these responsibilities, the Assistant Director for security shall be qualified by training and experience, including at least five years of law enforcement experience, and knowledge and experience in computer security.

(c) The Director shall implement and operate a State Lottery pursuant to the rules, and under the guidance, of the Commission. The State Lottery may operate any game procedure authorized by the commission, except parimutuel racing, social games, and the games commonly known in Oregon as bingo or lotto, whereby prizes are distributed using any existing or future methods among adult persons who have paid for tickets or shares in that game; provided that, in lottery games utilizing computer terminals or other devices, no coins or currency shall ever be dispensed directly to players from such computer terminals or devices.

(d) There is hereby created within the General Fund the Oregon State Lottery Fund which is continuously appropriated for the purpose of administering and operating the Commission and the State Lottery. The State Lottery shall operate as a self-supporting revenue-raising agency of state government and no appropriations, loans, or other transfers of state funds shall be made to it. The State Lottery shall pay all prizes and all of its expenses out of the revenues it receives from the sale of tickets or shares to the public and turnover the net proceeds therefrom to a fund to be established by the Legislative Assembly from which the Legislative Assembly shall make appropriations for the benefit of any of the following public purposes: creating jobs, furthering economic development, financing public education in Oregon or restoring and protecting Oregon's parks, beaches, watersheds and critical fish and wildlife habitats. Effective July 1, 1997, 15% of the net proceeds from the State Lottery shall be deposited, from the fund created by the Legislative Assembly under this paragraph, in an education stability fund. Effective July 1, 2003, 18% of the net proceeds from the State Lottery shall be deposited, from the fund created by the Legislative Assembly under this paragraph, in an education stability fund. Earnings on moneys in the education stability fund shall be retained in the fund or expended for the public purpose of financing public education in Oregon as provided by law. Except as provided in [subsections (6) and (8)] subsection (6) of this section, moneys in the education stability fund shall be invested as provided by law and shall not be subject to the limitations of section 6, Article XI of this Constitution. The Legislative Assembly may appropriate other moneys or revenue to the education stability fund. The Legislative Assembly shall appropriate amounts sufficient to pay lottery bonds before appropriating the net proceeds from the State Lottery for any other purpose. At least 84% of the total annual revenues from the sale of all lottery tickets or shares shall be returned to the public in the form of prizes and net revenues benefiting the public purpose.

(5) Notwithstanding paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of this section, the amount in the education stability fund created under paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of this section may not exceed an amount that is equal to five percent of the amount that was accrued as revenues in the state's General Fund during the prior biennium. If the amount in the education stability fund exceeds five percent of the amount that was accrued as revenues in the state's General Fund during the prior biennium:

(a) Additional net proceeds from the State Lottery may not be deposited in the education stability fund until the amount in the education stability fund is reduced to less than five percent of the amount that was accrued as revenues in the state's General Fund during the prior biennium; and (b) Fifteen percent of the net proceeds from the State Lottery shall be deposited into the school capital matching [*subaccount*] **fund** created under [*subsection (8) of this section*] **section 4, Article XI-P of this Constitution**.

(6) The Legislative Assembly may by law appropriate, allocate or transfer any portion of the principal of the education stability fund created under paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of this section for expenditure on public education if:

(a) The proposed appropriation, allocation or transfer is approved by three-fifths of the members serving in each house of the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Assembly finds one of the following:

(A) That the last quarterly economic and revenue forecast for a biennium indicates that moneys available to the state's General Fund for the next biennium will be at least three percent less than appropriations from the state's General Fund for the current biennium;

(B)That there has been a decline for two or more consecutive quarters in the last 12 months in seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment; or

(C) That a quarterly economic and revenue forecast projects that revenues in the state's General Fund in the current biennium will be at least two percent below what the revenues were projected to be in the revenue forecast on which the legislatively adopted budget for the current biennium was based; or

(b) [*If the*] **The** proposed appropriation, allocation or transfer is approved by three-fifths of the members serving in each house of the Legislative Assembly and the Governor declares an emergency.

(7) The Legislative Assembly may by law prescribe the procedures to be used and identify the persons required to make the forecasts described in subsection (6) of this section.

[(8)(a) There is created a school capital matching subaccount within the education stability fund created under paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of this section.]

[(b) The Legislative Assembly may by law appropriate, allocate or transfer moneys or revenue to the school capital matching subaccount.]

[(c) To the extent funds are available, the Legislative Assembly may appropriate, allocate or transfer moneys in the school capital matching subaccount and earnings on moneys in the subaccount for the purpose of providing state matching funds to school districts for capital costs incurred by the school districts.]

[(9) Notwithstanding paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of this section, on May 1, 2003, the State Treasurer shall transfer \$150 million from the education stability fund created under paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of this section to a fund created by law and known as the State School Fund. Moneys transferred under this subsection may be used in the manner provided by law for moneys in the State School Fund.]

[(10)] (8) Effective July 1, 1999, 15% of the net proceeds from the State Lottery shall be deposited in a parks and natural resources fund created by the Legislative Assembly. Of the moneys in the parks and natural resources fund, 50% shall be distributed for the public purpose of financing the protection, repair, operation, and creation of state parks, ocean shore and public beach access areas, historic sites and recreation areas, and 50% shall be distributed for the public purpose of financing the restoration and protection of native salmonid populations, watersheds, fish and wildlife habitats and water quality in Oregon. The Legislative Assembly shall not limit expenditures from the parks and natural resources fund. The Legislative Assembly may appropriate other moneys or revenue to the parks and natural resources fund.

[(11)] (9) Only one State Lottery operation shall be permitted in the State.

[(12)] (10) The Legislative Assembly has no power to authorize, and shall prohibit, casinos from operation in the State of Oregon.

**PARAGRAPH 4**. The Constitution of the State of Oregon is revised by creating a new section 4e to be added to and made a part of Article XV, such section to read:

SECTION 4e. (1) On the effective date of this section, all of the moneys in the school capital matching subaccount formerly created under subsection (8) of section 4 of this Article are transferred to the school capital matching fund created under section 4, Article XI-P of this Constitution. Moneys transferred under this section may be used as provided in section 4, Article XI-P of this Constitution.

(2) This section is repealed January 2, 2011.

<u>PARAGRAPH 5.</u> The revision proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next primary election.

Note: **Boldfaced** type indicates new language; [*brackets and italic*] type indicates deletions or comments.

### **Explanatory Statement**

The Oregon Constitution restricts the state's authority to issue bonds or otherwise incur indebtedness. Oregon voters have approved 16 exceptions to this restriction, 14 of which are still in effect. The exceptions allow the state to issue bonds for a variety of purposes, including for home ownership loans to veterans, reforestation of state lands, construction of buildings for state universities and community colleges, housing for the elderly and disabled, pollution controls and seismic rehabilitation of public buildings. However, the restriction in the Constitution still prevents the state from issuing bonds or otherwise incurring indebtedness to assist local school districts in financing K-12 capital costs. The Constitution also limits the bonding authority of local taxing districts, including school districts.

This measure would revise the Oregon Constitution to allow the state to issue general obligation bonds to match voter approved bonds for K-12 school capital costs. The measure would accomplish this by adding two different provisions to the Constitution. The first new provision would allow local taxing districts to incur bonded indebtedness on or after January 1, 2011, to finance capital costs. Capital costs are defined to include the costs of land and other assets associated with acquisition, construction, improvement, remodeling, maintenance and repair. Capital costs do not include operating costs.

The second new provision would allow the state to issue general obligation bonds to provide funds to be granted or loaned to school districts to finance the capital costs of the school districts. The proceeds from the bonds could be used only to provide matching funds to finance the capital costs of school districts that have received voter approval to issue local government bonds. The state bonds may not be used to pay school district operating costs. Bonds issued by the state could not be repaid through property taxes.

This new constitutional provision also creates a "school capital matching fund" to pay for matching funds to school districts to finance capital costs and debt service on state bonds issued pursuant to this measure and repeals the current "school capital matching subaccount" in the "education stability fund." Any existing funds in the school capital matching subaccount would be transferred to the new school capital matching fund, and that fund also would receive 15 percent of net lottery proceeds.

Under the measure, if residents of a local taxing district vote to approve bonds for school capital costs, the local taxing district would be eligible to receive matching funds from the state. This would allow the state to help pay for K-12 capital costs. The result would substantially reduce the costs to the local school district and its taxpayers to make capital improvements, such as constructing, repairing or maintaining school buildings.

(This impartial statement explaining the measure was provided by the Legislative Assembly of the 2009 Regular Session.)

### **Legislative Argument in Support**

Each year, more students pour into Oregon's schools. A greater number of kids sit in school classrooms, play on school playgrounds and exercise in school gyms. But our aging school facilities do not reflect this rising enrollment. Schools are havens for youth to learn, grow and succeed. It is our children who pay the price when schools are not given the tools they need to repair inadequate facilities and accommodate the growing number of students in their hallways.

By making two changes, the measure will provide K-12 schools with the ability to keep pace with facilities demands and offer students a better learning environment.

First, the measure defines "capital costs" in section 11L, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution, which specifies the allowable expenditures of a local bond. The new definition is broader and covers costs that have a useful life of more than one year, including acquisition, construction, improvement, remodeling, furnishing, equipping, maintenance or repair. Costs of routine maintenance or supplies, however, are expressly prohibited in the amended definition.

Second, the measure adds a new Article to the Oregon Constitution that allows the state to issue general obligation bonds and incur bonded indebtedness to help pay for the cost of local school capital construction. This new Article gives K-12 schools the same bonding authority as community colleges and the Oregon University System. By giving school districts this bonding authority, the state can stand with its schools and be a financial partner in ensuring the education and future of Oregon's children. This new Article in the Oregon Constitution also creates a school capital matching fund.

Oregon has a responsibility to its youth, a responsibility to provide them the best education in the best facilities our state can offer. The measure fulfills this obligation by allowing schools to access the resources needed to create and maintain our education facilities.

(This legislative argument in support of the ballot measure was provided by the Legislative Assembly of the 2010 February Special Session.)

### **Argument in Favor**

#### Oregon's Teachers Urge a YES Vote on Measure 68

We are Oregon's teachers, education support professionals, and community college faculty. We see firsthand what Oregon's students need in order to be successful. As education professionals, we know that healthy school environments – **including reasonable class sizes, buildings in proper working condition, and safe indoor air quality** – are absolutely vital to the success of our students.

Inside Oregon's schools, we're developing communities of vibrant learners and we're training tomorrow's workforce. But too many of our school buildings are unequipped or unsafe for the number of students who walk through our doors every day. Our students are forced to learn in crowded classrooms. They spend their days inside buildings plagued by mold. And during recess, they play outside on equipment that is in dire need of repair or replacement.

Measure 68 will give our <u>local communities</u> the power to improve conditions in our public schools.

Measure 68 gives our local school districts the ability to respond to or prevent emergencies in school buildings, reversing decades of disrepair that have threatened the health and safety of our students. The measure will also allow our local districts to use state bonds to match locally supported bonds for funding necessary repairs.

Measure 68 helps our local dollars stretch further, giving small, rural schools the tools they need to fund school repairs and keep costs low.

The 48,000 members of The Oregon Education Association are committed to providing the best quality education to our public school students, but our work can only stretch so far. Measure 68 ensures that locally, we maintain and provide healthy environments where our students can academically thrive.

## Join Oregon's teachers and education advocates and VOTE YES on Measure 68.

(This information furnished by BethAnne Darby, The Oregon Education Association.)

### **Argument in Favor**

### Vote YES on Measure 68

Help keep Oregon students safe and healthy in their classrooms

Every day, students across Oregon are exposed to health hazards like asbestos, mold, and pests, because their school district isn't able to raise enough money to pay for needed repairs and updates to school buildings. Small, rural schools are the most vulnerable.

Voting YES on Measure 68 is the first step toward making sure that every student in Oregon can learn in a safe and healthy environment.

As a public health nurse, I strongly urge you to vote YES on Measure 68, so that local communities can begin making effective decisions about how to repair their local school facilities and make them safer for students and staff. Measure 68 will allow the state to issue matching bonds, lowering the costs to local communities.

Schools should be a place where children and their teachers feel safe and protected from hazards. Students—and their parents— shouldn't have to worry that they'll get sick from their classroom.

As a nurse, I know illness can impair a child's ability to learn, and a teacher's ability to teach. We owe it to our kids to give them a healthy environment, so they can thrive. We can't expect to train the workforce of tomorrow in buildings that are making them sick.

## Please join me, parents, teachers, school advocates, and health professionals in voting YES on Measure 68.

MayeThompson, RN, PhD

(This information furnished by Maye Thompson, RN, PhD.)

### **Argument in Favor**

### School Board Members Support a YES Vote on Measure 68

Help local school districts and Oregon begin to alleviate the problems of overcrowding and aging buildings that pose educational challenges as well as health and safety hazards to our students.

As school board members from around Oregon, we've seen firsthand the struggles that Oregon's 197 school districts face as they attempt to provide a quality education to our 560,000 K-12 students: **aging and/or inadequate facilities**. Each year brings more students to our schools and each year increases the age of our buildings, some more than 100 years old.

Some of Oregon's school districts cannot build schools fast enough to keep up with the demands of a dramatically growing student population. In many districts, students are crammed into portable structures or classrooms far beyond their intended capacity.

In other districts, the greater problem is coping with severely aging school buildings. Aging infrastructure leads to a long list of critical problems, such as environmental health issues like mold and asbestos, student safety issues, and access for the physically disabled. And without appropriate lighting, ventilation and access to technology, Oregon's students face real obstacles to getting the education they need.

Measure 68 will empower local communities to make decisions about repairing their school facilities while also lowering costs for local residents. That's why we're urging a YES vote on Measure 68.

Vote YES on ballot measure 68 to help local districts provide the learning environments that Oregon's students deserve.

Oregon School Boards Association Executive Committee: Beth Gerot; Member, Eugene School District Board of

- Directors; OSBA President Bobbie Regan; Member, Portland Public Schools Board of Directors; OSBA President-Elect
- Randy Tweten; Member, La Grande School District Board of Directors; OSBA Vice-President
- Kris Howatt; Member, Gresham-Barlow School District Board of Directors; OSBA Secretary-Treasurer
- Annette Mattson; Member, David Douglas School District Board of Directors; OSBA Past-President

(This information furnished by Beth Gerot.)

### **Argument in Favor**

### Help our local communities fix our crumbling schools

The educational assistants, custodians, secretaries, bus drivers, food service workers and other classified members of American Federation of Teachers-Oregon in K-12 schools witness first-hand how deteriorating facilities affect a child's education.

#### The learning environment is critical to a sound education

School buildings across Oregon are in serious disrepair. That compromises student health, safety, security, and the education they need to thrive.

A quality education is an investment in Oregon's future and tomorrow's leaders. The facilities where students sit, stand, walk and learn should not be a health and safety hazard.

### Measure 68 maintains local control, but adds an important tool

Measure 68 assists <u>local school districts</u> with needed construction and repair of facilities to accommodate the growing number of students in classrooms.

**Voting Yes** means local districts can choose to use matching state bonds to get more value from locally approved dollars while maintaining local control. That especially helps small, rural schools.

### Your support for Measure 68 helps our local communities invest in the future

We are in large and small districts from Hillsboro and Portland, to Scappoose to John Day, where we work to provide educational opportunities for children, often in ancient schools with leaky roofs, crumbling ceilings and moldy walls.

Our members in Scappoose know this first-hand. While fighting mold in the middle school, they took in the students displaced from flood-ravaged Vernonia high school. That increased the potential unhealthy mold exposure to an even larger student population while trying to lend a helping hand. Measure 68 would help local communities address problems like mold and the need to rebuild schools hurt by flood emergencies.

# Please join the members of the American Federation of Teachers-Oregon and vote "Yes" on Measure 68

(This information furnished by David Rives, American Federation of Teachers-Oregon.)

### **Argument in Favor**

### **Our Local Schools and Communities Need Help**

School buildings all over Oregon are aging and overcrowded. Some have mold or asbestos problems; others have leaky roofs and broken heating systems; others still are so overcrowded children are taking classes in the hallways. Precious operations dollars are literally flying out the old windows in lost heat, and children are at risk every day going to schools in the tsunami inundation zone on the coast. OSEA members work every day to try to keep these schools running and safe, but for some it's a losing battle due to age, overcrowding, deferred maintenance or location.

Our communities are hampered in their efforts to make improvements by existing state law, which severely limits the ability of local communities to fund new schools or make critical repairs and improvements.

#### Measure 68 Offers the Help Local Communities Need To Provide Safe And Healthy Schools For Their Children.

Measure 68 will allow local districts to use matching state bond funds to make local dollars go further. Small rural districts often do not have the local resources they need to build or renovate schools. With the help provided by Measure 68, these communities will be able to make the improvements that have been put aside for so long.

### Measure 68 Preserves Local Control, Lowers Costs

Local communities will continue to decide when and what school improvements they wish to make. Once they have made those decisions and passed a local bond to help pay for the improvements chosen, state matching dollars will be available to lower local costs for the project.

### Measure 68 Provides Jobs

School building projects provide employment opportunities in local communities. Many family-wage jobs are needed to complete school building projects, and communities having up-todate school facilities are more likely to attract new businesses than those with decrepit, overcrowded or unsafe buildings.

### Vote YES on Measure 68

Oregon School Employees Association

(This information furnished by Merlene Martin, President, Oregon School Employees Association.)

### **Argument in Favor**

### Stand for Children urges you to VOTE YES on Measure 68

Oregon's children need safe, healthy, and adequate school buildings.

Across Oregon, overcrowded schools mean students have to stand, or sit on windowsills, in their classes. Some children spend their days in portables without bathrooms or running water. Lack of cafeteria space in an overcrowded school means some students start lunch at 10:20 am. Chemistry labs built for 25 students now hold 33, forcing them to watch experiments instead of participating.

In aging school buildings, student health is compromised by mold, pest infestations, and wood rot. Computer access is limited by outmoded electrical systems that cannot support more than a handful of computers at a time.

Common sense tells us we must begin to address this problem, and research shows that student achievement is improved by healthy learning environments.

**Measure 68 helps improve schools.** Measure 68 does two important things. First, it allows the state partner with local school district to improve school buildings. Second, it allows school districts to pass bonds that include critical school infrastructure not currently allowed – like desks and bookcases.

These are two common sense solutions to help ensure all children learn in a healthy, safe, and adequate school.

### Join Stand for Children and VOTE YES on Measure 68.

(This information furnished by Dana Hepper, Stand for Children.)

### Argument in Favor

Your Children's School Shouldn't Endanger Their Lives

### Vote Yes on Measure 68 to Help Local Communities Keep their Schools Safe

In November 2009, a three-alarm fire swept through the historic **Marysville Elementary School** in southeast Portland. Thanks to the quick actions of teachers, faculty, and firefighters, all 460 students made it out safely.

Unfortunately, there are countless school buildings across Oregon that are 100 years or more old, and haven't been updated in many, many years, making them more prone to a disaster like the Marysville School fire. Existing state law makes it nearly impossible for small, rural districts to raise enough money to update or repair their facilities.

### Measure 68 will help local communities make decisions about updating or repairing their school buildings while keeping local costs low.

Every school day, parents entrust their children's safety to their local schools, and they trust that their school buildings are safe.

### Your child should be as safe at school as they are at home.

## As a firefighter, I urge you to vote YES on Measure 68 in order to help keep our students safe.

In addition, to keeping students safe, Measure 68 will help ensure that firefighters and emergency responders aren't endangered by out-of-date buildings and faulty safety measures.

As a firefighter, I'm committed to keeping your family and your community safe. **Voting YES on Measure 68** will help me and my colleagues do our job by giving local communities the power to make critical repairs and updates to school buildings and facilities.

The teachers and faculty at Marysville Elementary School should be commended for the swift action and coolheadedness that kept their students safe. But we should strive to prevent school emergencies before they happen.

### Voting YES on Measure 68 will help make sure that every Oregon student is safe in their classroom.

Rocky Hanes President Tualatin Valley Fire Fighters Local 1660

(This information furnished by Rocky Hanes, President, Tualatin Valley Fire Fighters Local 1660.) House Joint Resolution 101—Referred to the Electorate of Oregon by the Legislative Assembly of the 2010 February Special Session to be voted on at the Primary Election, May 18, 2010.

### **Ballot Title**



Amends Constitution: Continues and modernizes authority for lowest cost borrowing for community colleges and public universities.

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### Result of "yes" vote

"Yes" vote continues and modernizes state authority to issue lowest cost bonds to finance projects for the benefit of community colleges and public universities.

### Result of "no" vote

"No" vote rejects modernization of authority to issue lowest cost bonds to finance projects for the benefit of community colleges and public universities.

### Summary

This measure continues and modernizes the state's authority to use general obligation bonds, the lowest cost method of borrowing, to finance projects for community colleges and public universities. It does not increase the current limit on borrowing. The measure clarifies that community colleges and public universities may purchase existing buildings with the proceeds of general obligation bonds. It also allows the Oregon University System to use nontax revenues to determine whether bonds to be issued under Article XI-F(1) are self-supporting. The measure allows Article XI-F(1) and XI-G bond proceeds to be used for the same parts of a project and to be used for mixed-use projects that benefit higher education. It allows nontax revenues to be used as matching funds for Article XI-G bond proceeds.

### **Estimate of financial impact**

There is no financial effect on either state or local government expenditures or revenues.

### **Text of Measure**

#### Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

PARAGRAPH 1. Sections 1, 2 and 3, Article XI-F(1), and section 1, Article XI-G of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, are amended to read:

**Sec. 1.** The credit of the state may be loaned and indebtedness incurred in an amount which shall not exceed at any one time three-fourths of one percent of the true cash value of all the taxable property in the state, as determined by law to provide funds with which to [*redeem and refund outstanding revenue bonds issued to finance the cost of buildings and other projects for higher education, and to construct, improve, repair, equip, and furnish buildings and other structures for such purpose, and to purchase or improve sites therefor*] **acquire, construct, improve, repair, equip and furnish buildings, structures, land and other projects, or parts thereof, that the legislative assembly determines will benefit higher education institutions or activities.** 

Sec. 2. [The buildings and structures hereafter constructed for higher education pursuant to this amendment shall be such only as conservatively shall appear to the constructing authority to be wholly self-liquidating and self-supporting from revenues, gifts, grants, or building fees. All unpledged net revenues of buildings and other projects may be pooled with the net revenues of new buildings or projects in order to render the new buildings or projects self-liquidating and self-supporting.] Indebtedness shall not be incurred to finance projects described in section 1 of this Article unless the constructing authority conservatively estimates that the constructing authority will have sufficient revenues to pay the indebtedness and operate the projects financed with the proceeds of the indebtedness. For purposes of this section, "revenues" includes all funds available to the constructing authority except amounts appropriated by the legislative assembly from the General Fund.

**Sec. 3.** Ad valorem taxes shall be levied annually upon all the taxable property in the state of Oregon in sufficient amount, with the aforesaid revenues, [*gifts, grants, or building fees*,] to provide for the payment of such indebtedness and the interest thereon. The legislative assembly may provide other revenues to supplement or replace such tax levies.

**Sec. 1.** (1) Notwithstanding the limitations contained in section 7, Article XI of this Constitution, and in addition to other exceptions from the limitations of such section, the credit of the state may be loaned and indebtedness incurred in an amount not to exceed at any time three-fourths of one percent of the true cash value of all taxable property in the state, as determined by law.

(2) Proceeds from any loan authorized or indebtedness incurred under this section shall be used to provide funds with which to **acquire**, construct, improve, repair, equip and furnish [*those*] buildings, structures, **land** and **other** projects, or parts thereof, [*and to purchase or improve sites therefor, designated by*] **that** the Legislative Assembly [*for*] **determines will benefit** higher education institutions [*and*] **or** activities or [*for*] community colleges authorized by law to receive state aid.

[(3) The amount of any loan authorized or indebtedness incurred under this section by means of bonds to be issued in any biennium shall not exceed the dollar amount appropriated from the General Fund for the same or similar purposes. Any dollar amounts appropriated to meet the requirements of this subsection shall be specifically designated therefor by the Legislative Assembly.]

(3) The amount of any indebtedness incurred under this section in any biennium shall be matched by an amount that is at least equal to the amount of the indebtedness. The matching amount must be used for the same or similar purposes as the proceeds of the indebtedness and may consist of moneys appropriated from the General Fund or any other moneys available to the constructing authority for such purposes. However, the matching amount may not consist of proceeds of

### indebtedness incurred by the state under any other Article of this Constitution. Any matching amount appropriated from the General Fund to meet the requirements of this subsection must be specifically designated therefor by the Legislative Assembly.

(4) Nothing in this section prevents the financing of [*buildings, structures and*] projects, or parts thereof, by a combination of the moneys available under this section, under Article XI-F(1) of this Constitution, and from other lawful sources. [*However, moneys available under this section shall not be expended on or for any buildings, structures or projects, or parts thereof, that are wholly self-liquidating and self-supporting.*]

<u>PARAGRAPH 2.</u> The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at a special election held throughout this state on the same date as the next primary election.

Note: **Boldfaced** type indicates new language; [*brackets and italic*] type indicates deletions or comments.

### **Explanatory Statement**

Oregon's colleges and universities occasionally need more space for classrooms, laboratories, research programs, faculty offices, and other student and faculty needs. Ballot Measure 69 amends the Oregon Constitution to allow lowest cost general obligation bonds from Article XI-F(1) and Article XI-G to be used for these expansions into existing buildings, not just new facilities.

Articles XI-F(1) and XI-G of the Oregon Constitution were adopted in 1950 and 1964, respectively. Since then, the roles and nature of higher education institutions have evolved beyond traditional instruction into areas of research, public service and economic development. Ballot Measure 69 would eliminate outdated provisions and unambiguously allow Oregon to issue general obligation bonds for the types of facilities used by today's community colleges and public universities.

Ballot Measure 69 would make it clear that community colleges and public universities could finance projects that benefit higher education institutions or activities. Current constitutional language may limit the projects that may be financed with bonds issued under Articles XI-F(1) and XI-G of the Oregon Constitution. Existing language does not specifically authorize the state to use these lower cost bonds to purchase existing buildings that are less expensive than new construction. Existing language further raises questions about the types of projects that can be financed with general obligation bonds issued under Articles XI-F(1) and XI-G.

Ballot Measure 69 continues the requirement that Oregon University System have enough revenues to pay for bonds issued under Article XI-F(1). Current language in Article XI-F(1) of the Oregon Constitution requires projects financed with bonds authorized by this Article to be entirely self-supporting through revenues, gifts, grants or building fees. Ballot Measure 69 changes existing language to allow moneys used to support such projects to originate from any source other than tax revenues appropriated from the General Fund. The measure would also eliminate confusing language that interferes with financing mixed-use projects with proceeds from bonds issued under both Articles XI-F(1) and XI-G of the Oregon Constitution.

Current language in the Oregon Constitution requires that Article XI-G bonds be matched by an identical amount of other funds. Ballot Measure 69 continues that requirement, but eliminates requirements that the matched funds be appropriated from the State's General Fund. The measure would allow the matching funds to come from any source other than the proceeds from other general obligation bonds issued by the state. Ballot Measure 69 does not change the process by which bonds are authorized for capital projects.

Committee Members:	Appointed by:
Senator Frank Morse	President of the Senate
Representative Tobias Read	Speaker of the House
Marion Haynes	Secretary of State
Emily McLain	Secretary of State
Jay Kenton	Members of the Committee

(This committee was appointed to provide this impartial explanation of the ballot measure pursuant to ORS 251.215.)

### **Legislative Argument in Support**

A <u>YES vote</u> on this measure will save money for Oregon taxpayers. A <u>YES vote</u> means more jobs for Oregonians. A <u>YES vote</u> will help make certain that Oregonians have access to quality and affordable higher education.

Oregon's community colleges and public universities use Article XI-F and Article XI-G bonds to finance their capital needs. As enrollment increases, so too does the need for additional classrooms and college and university facilities.

Article XI-F(1) and Article XI-G bonds are the least expensive financing option available to the state and provide Oregon more for its money. This measure will ensure that Oregon's community colleges and public universities can continue to use Article XI-F(1) and Article XI-G bonds to finance existing buildings, which can be less expensive than building new facilities.

A <u>YES vote</u> will enable the Oregon University System to continue to use general obligation bonds, which have lower interest rates and are therefore less expensive, and will save taxpayer dollars.

If this measure is not approved, the Oregon University System will be forced to use more costly forms of financing to pay for its capital needs.

(This legislative argument in support of the ballot measure was provided by the Legislative Assembly of the 2010 February Special Session.)

### **Argument in Favor**

### Vote Yes On Measure 69

The Associated General Contractors (Oregon Columbia Chapter)

#### The Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council

### Urge a "Yes" Vote on Measure 69

### To Help Create and Maintain Construction Jobs

The Associated General Contractors (Oregon Columbia Chapter) represents over 1,100 individual construction contractors around the state, who in turn provide 86,500 family wage jobs.

The Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council represents 25,000 workers in 21 different crafts, including: asbestos workers, boilermakers, bricklayers, electricians, glaziers, ironworkers, laborers, floor coverers, painters, plasterers, roofers, sheet metal workers, plumbers and pipefitters, cement masons, elevator constructors and teamsters.

As has been widely publicized, the construction industry has been devastated by the current economic crisis with unemployment rates in some sectors as high as 40 percent.

# Ballot Measure 69 will stretch state dollars further, help create jobs and protect funding for other essential educational needs, including teaching more students in trades like ours.

Ballot Measure 69 does so by updating current law to allow our public colleges and universities to **save money** by using lower cost financing to acquire and renovate existing buildings for classrooms, student housing and research facilities.

**Right now, state law is outdated**. It requires the use of more expensive more expensive bonds except when building an entirely new facility. That often results in a waste of state dollars that could be used to produce more jobs and educate more students.

Ballot Measure 69 brings Oregon law up to date, allowing colleges and universities to use lower-cost bond funding to save money and provide more benefits to Oregonians.

### Please join us in voting "YES" Ballot Measure 69.

This message is furnished by the Oregon Columbia Chapter of the Associated General Contractors and the Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council.

(This information furnished by Mike Salsgiver, Associated General Contractors (Oregon Columbia Chapter).)

### **Argument in Favor**

### Yes on Ballot Measure 69

Save Money While Helping Oregon's Public Colleges and Universities Build Our Future

By educating nearly 500,000 students in every corner of the state, Oregon's 17 public community colleges and 7 public universities play a critical role in the future of our state, its economy and our people.

- They train the workforce and conducting research that allows Oregon to compete in the world marketplace.
- Oregon's post-secondary institutions buy products from 8,311 local vendors who provide supplies and services to our campuses. These vendors provide thousands of jobs.
- In these challenging economic times, more Oregonians are turning to our public colleges and universities for training, education, employment assistance and the opportunity to get back to work.

We depend on our public colleges and universities. And we also need to ensure that every dollar counts. **That is why Ballot Measure 69 is important.** 

### Measure 69 Will Save Money

Right now, in order for a college or university to create more space for classrooms, worker training programs or other facilities, they can only use the lowest cost bond funds to purchase or build new facilities. They cannot buy existing buildings with these low cost bonds.

Voting Yes on Measure 69 will fix the law to allow colleges and universities to use the lowest cost bond funds for existing buildings, saving public dollars, preserving that money for student education and to retain the jobs that employ nearly 50,000 Oregonians.

Measure 69 Will Conserve our Resources and the Environment Many existing buildings are great candidates for filling the needs of Oregon's colleges and universities, their students and faculty.

Voting Yes on Measure 69 will allow more existing buildings to be acquired and renovated by colleges and universities for expansion needs, avoiding the expense and use of natural resources of building entirely new structures.

### Vote Yes on Ballot Measure 69

A Common Sense Measure for a Better Oregon Future

(This information furnished by Elizabeth Kaufman, Oregon Higher Education Alliance.)

### Argument in Favor

### The Oregon Business Council Supports Ballot Measure 69

The Oregon Business Council (OBC) is an association representing business leaders from throughout Oregon, with a mission to improve Oregon's quality of life and economy. Our affiliate, E3: Employers for Education Excellence, focuses specifically on actions to improve the quality of Oregon's schools.

# As leaders of OBC and E3, we support Ballot Measure 69 because it will save funds for Oregon's colleges and universities and help them better serve Oregon students.

Oregon's seven public universities and seventeen community colleges help power our local economies:

- Providing nearly 50,000 jobs at campuses around the state;
- Purchasing products to serve college students from over 10,000 local suppliers;
- Bringing in nearly \$400 million in federal grants and contract dollars each year which cycles back into the Oregon economy.

Ballot Measure 69 makes a small change in the law allowing colleges and universities to conduct their business more efficiently:

- When colleges and universities need more space, they would be allowed to use bond funding to expand into existing buildings instead of having to build new buildings for these needs;
- Funds saved could be put back into services for students and support for faculty, which in turn helps our economy and our local businesses.

Join us in supporting Ballot Measure 69.

Steven D. Pratt Chair Oregon Business Council Chairman & CEO ESCO Corporation

Julie Manning Chair E3: Employers for Education Excellence

Duncan Wyse President Oregon Business Council

(This information furnished by Duncan E. Wyse, Oregon Business Council.)

### **Argument in Favor**

### Associated Oregon Industries support Oregon's Colleges and Universities

### Join us in voting "YES" for Ballot Measure 69

Associated Oregon Industries is a broad group of businesspeople from Enterprise to Port Orford, from Astoria to Ontario and everywhere in between.

Our businesses depend on Oregon's colleges and universities – to train our workers, conduct research for current and future products, and to continue spinning off new businesses that supply and assist existing businesses.

Oregon's colleges and universities provide jobs, workers, leaders, research, and products for our state and local economies.

That's why we support Ballot Measure 69.

Oregon's colleges and universities are experiencing increased demand. More students than ever are enrolled and the numbers just keep growing. As a result, some colleges and universities are running out of space. That's where Measure 69 comes in.

We support the expansion of Oregon's colleges and universities when they need more space, and Measure 69 allows them a cost-effective way of doing so. Right now, the law is out of date and doesn't clearly state that expansion into existing buildings can be paid for with low-cost state bonds. Rather, these low-cost state bonds can only be used to expand to brand-new buildings. That just doesn't make sense.

Measure 69 updates the law so that our colleges and universities can use low-cost state bonds for expanding to existing buildings as well as new buildings. We believe this will save tax dollars and get them back into the classroom and the laboratories where funds are most needed.

Please join us in supporting Oregon's public colleges and universities. Oregon's businesses need them and so do our communities. Yes on Measure 69.

(This information furnished by Betsy Earls, Associated Oregon Industries.)

### **Argument in Favor**

#### Faculty and Education Employees Across Oregon Support Measure 69

The American Federation of Teachers-Oregon and the American Association of University Professors at Portland State University ask for your support for Measure 69.

#### Measure 69 will help serve more students

In order to serve the needs of the increasing numbers of students entering Oregon's higher education system, public colleges and universities need more space. They must expand by either building new buildings, or purchasing existing structures.

Oregon universities should be able to use low cost financing for purchase and renovation. With lower financing costs, universities will be able to stretch their dollars more efficiently to provide more classroom space for more students, while working to keep tuition affordable for thousands of families.

## Measure 69 updates the law so colleges and universities can save costs

It is significantly less expensive for universities to buy and renovate existing buildings rather than construct new buildings. Current law, however, is out of date and doesn't yet allow renovation of existing property to be financed with the state's low-cost bonds.

Passage of Measure 69 will allow Oregon colleges universities to finance building purchase and renovation through the low-est cost financing available.

Faculty members at University of Oregon, Portland State

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University, Oregon State University, Western Oregon University, and Eastern Oregon University urge you to vote "Yes" on Measure 69.

David Rives, President American Federation of Teachers-Oregon

Michele Gamburd, Vice President of Collective Bargaining American Association of University Professors – Portland State University (PSU-AAUP)

(This information furnished by David Rives, American Federation of Teachers-Oregon.)

### **Argument in Favor**

## The Oregon Education Association Supports a "Common Sense" Solution for Oregon Higher-Ed

In today's economy, increasing numbers of Oregonians are turning to our state's 17 public community colleges and seven public universities to revitalize job skills, learn new trades, and prepare for a better future. College instructors and faculty are committed to helping our students through tough times, but physically, **our state's higher-ed institutions are struggling to meet the demands of these surging enrollments**.

Under current law, in order for a college or university to expand classroom and training spaces, they can only use the lowest cost bond to purchase or build <u>new</u> facilities. The Oregon Education Association believes there's a more effective way to use these bonds to meet the needs of our students, which will save money and conserve resources.

Measure 69 will fix the law by allowing colleges and universities to use bond funds to purchase <u>existing</u> buildings for expansion needs. This will help our higher-ed institutions avoid the undue expense of building completely new structures, and will protect our state's precious environmental resources.

Our communities already have structures in place where we can create positive education experiences for our growing student populations. We can meet the needs of our students if the law provides accessible and fiscally responsible solutions.

Measure 69 ensures we make the most effective use of local resources for campus expansion projects by acquiring and renovating buildings that already exist in our communities – instead funneling money into new construction.

Most important – every dollar saved as a result of Measure 69 stays with our local public colleges and universities, supporting the programs our students need in order to be successful in the workforce.

Join Oregon's community college faculty and education advocates and VOTEYES on Measure 69 – the common sense solution for a better Oregon future.

(This information furnished by BethAnne Darby, The Oregon Education Association.)

### **Argument in Favor**

### **Oregon Business Association Supports Ballot Measure 69**

Oregon Business Association advocates for long-term enhancement of Oregon's business environment and quality of life, providing bipartisan, statewide business leadership that strives to ensure Oregon's long-term prosperity. Our members include businesses of all sizes and industries throughout the state – from our largest farm to two Fortune 500 companies.

# We support Ballot Measure 69 because it will save funds for Oregon's colleges and universities that Oregon businesses depend on.

Ensuring a world-class higher education system for Oregonians is critical to the state's ability to compete in the global economy and maintain a high quality of life for all Oregonians. Oregon's public universities and community colleges provide opportunities for Oregonians and a well-educated workforce for Oregon businesses. They also bring in millions of dollars in federal grants and contracts that contribute to the research and development that fuels the next generation of technologies to increase Oregon's ability to innovate, create new companies and generate new jobs to support Oregon's economy.

Ballot Measure 69 modernizes Oregon law to allow colleges and universities to:

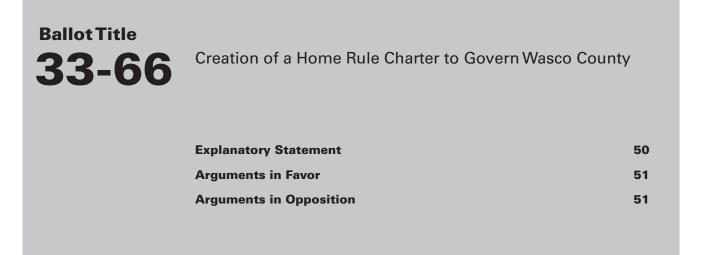
- Expand into existing facilities that have less cost than new construction;
- Use lower cost bonds to finance projects that benefit higher education institutions or activities;
- <u>Save money</u> that can be put back into services for students and support for faculty.

Oregon's long-term economic competitiveness is closely intertwined with the ability of the state's higher education system to continue to develop the talents of Oregonians in order to compete in the global economy.

Join us in supporting Ballot Measure 69.

(This information furnished by Ryan Deckert, Oregon Business Association.)

Referred to the Electorate of Wasco County by the Home Rule Charter Committee to be voted on at the Primary Election, May 18, 2010.



### Question

Shall existing laws that govern Wasco County be replaced by Home Rule Charter?

### Summary

A yes vote adopts home rule and reorganizes government functions. Increases number of elected commissioners from three to five non-partisan commissioners. Four commissioners elected from four individual zones of equal population (map of zones attached to ballot). Fifth commissioner is chair and is elected at large. Commissioners will be paid reasonably in an amount determined annually by the lay members of the budget committee. Commissioners' terms of office are four years. A county administrator will be appointed by the commissioners. The administrator will generally be responsible for the proper administration of county affairs. The administrator serves at commissioners' will, is responsible for the hiring and firing of all appointed county employees (unless otherwise delegated). Current elected offices of Assessor, Clerk, Surveyor and Treasurer will be abolished and those offices will be appointed by the county administrator. District Attorney and Sheriff remain elected officials. Charter sets minimum requirements for elected Sheriff. Establishes procedures for county elections, adoption of ordinances, adoption of an administrative code to govern county operations, and provides a transition process.

### **Explanatory Statement**

Measure 33-66 proposes adoption of a Home Rule Charter for Wasco County. Wasco County has operated in its current form since 1854 and exercises authority over all matters of county concern. Adoption of a Home Rule Charter would replace the existing form of government with Home Rule Charter form of government. A Home Rule Charter form of government also exercises authority over all matters of county concern.

Adoption of this Home Rule Charter would increase the number of County Commissioners from three to five. The Commissioners would be reasonably compensated as determined by the private citizens appointed to the budget committee by the County Commissioners. Four of the commissioners would be elected from individual zones. The map enclosed with the ballot is an illustration of what the zones may look like. The fifth Commissioner, the chair, would be elected at large and preside over meetings of the Board of Commissioners, determine the order of business at meetings, call for meetings, and enforce board rules. Commissioners would have power to adopt ordinances, adopt a new County Administrative Code, and set policies. The commissioners would be non-partisan.

This proposed Home Rule Charter creates a new government office of "County Administrator." The Administrator would be appointed or removed by the five county Commissioners. This County Administrator would administer all affairs of Wasco County, implement policy, and would be responsible for employment and termination of all appointed employees. The County Administrator would be the highest appointed official in the County and would be responsible for the running of the County. The salary of this person would be set by the County Commissioners.

The Office of the District Attorney is unchanged and the Sheriff remains an elective position. Minimum requirements for Sheriff are set forth in the proposed charter. The currently elective Offices of County Clerk, Assessor, Surveyor and Treasurer would be abolished. These positions or persons performing the functions of these positions would be appointed by the County Administrator and serve at the will of the County Administrator. The Commissioners would not have authority to appoint or terminate the people occupying these positions/performing these functions.

Ordinances may be adopted after one public hearing and reading of the ordinance at two separate meetings of the Commissioners. Copies of any proposed ordinance will be made available to citizens upon request and copies distributed to local news media representatives. Current ordinance adoption process is similar but requires publication at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county. Ordinances adopted under the Proposed Charter become effective 30 days after passage unless an emergency is declared. Currently, ordinances become effective 90 days after passage unless an emergency is declared.

The proposed charter was written by the Charter Committee which is not a part of Wasco County. Copies of the Proposed Charter are available for inspection at the Wasco County Clerk's Office, 511 Washington Street, The Dalles, Oregon or online at www.co.wasco.or.us.

(This impartial statement explaining the measure was provided by the Wasco County District Attorney.)

### **Argument in Favor**

### Yes for Home Rule

A vote for the Wasco County Home Rule Charter will be the first step in redirecting the operation of our county. The Charter will divide the county into four districts and each district will elect their own Commissioner for direct representation. The Chairperson will be elected at large. All positions are non-partisan and will be paid reasonable compensation. The intent is to pay stipends, (like Hood River County) eliminating the high salaries and all other benefits. The approximate stipend amounts for Hood River commissioners and chair are \$15,000 and \$18,000 respectively. Currently, Wasco County commissioners receive \$55,540.44, \$62,929.56 and the Chair \$99,980.64 including benefits. An Administrator, who was provided for in the Charter, has already been hired. With the exception of the Sheriff and the District Attorney, all other current elected positions could be re-hired by the Administrator.

A five-member commission has the potential for more expertise in various fields of business and community involvement. The Administrator will be responsible for the daily operations of the county, guided by the policies enacted by the Board of Commissioners.

Home Rule Charter is more responsive to local issues. Changes may be made to the Charter by referral to the voters.

Vote YES. Your Home Your Rules.

(This information furnished by Jack J. Hay.)

### **Argument in Opposition**

Should citizens of Wasco County drastically change their form of governance?

Before answering that question, please ask yourself what it is that would be accomplished by such a significant decision. Or does the Home Rule Charter represent a solution...looking for a problem?

Let's analyze changes, and probable outcomes, of adopting the Charter:

The Charter proposes one Commissioner for each of the four zones. Citizens will be allowed to vote for only two of the five commissioners, the one from their zone and the at large position. If they happen to be at odds with the Commissioner that represents their zone, where does that leave them...with only a minority of the Commission representing their interest? Currently, Commissioners have an equal obligation to all constituents in Wasco County.

Zones are proposed to create broader representation, will they? Probably not. Wasco County's population distribution is heavily weighted to the north, so every zone includes a significant number of voters from The Dalles area. Conceivably, all five Commissioners could be from The Dalles area. Wasco County has a long history of diverse representation that could be jeopardized with the change to zones.

The Charter will convert elected positions to appointed and make them directly responsible to an Administrator. This removes Commissioners from the direct oversight they now have, to primarily interacting with the Administrator who has ultimate authority. Appointed officials, unlike elected, will not have independent authority, the Administrator will be controlling their offices.

Will we save money with a new Charter? Even the Charter Committee agrees there is no savings. And the \$200,000 of savings that have recently been accomplished through reorganization will probably be lost. Additionally, new Commissioners will not only need computers, office space, and supplies, but the Commission will need a new meeting place since there is no more space in our current location for adding more Commissioners.

A wise saying: "If it ain't broke, don't fix it".

(This information furnished by Dan Ericksen.)



# **Voters with Disabilities**

The Oregon Secretary of State and the Elections Division are committed to making voting more accessible to people with disabilities.

### **Alternate Format Ballots**

The Alternate Format Ballots (AFB) are voting tools that are available to voters with disabilities. There are two types of AFB's. The e-ballot allows voters with disabilities who are unable to mark a printed ballot to vote privately and independently at home if they have, or have access to, a computer with a web browser and a printer. The Large Print Ballot (LPB) can be provided to voters with disabilities who are unable to read and mark the standard ballot.

Call 1-866-ORE VOTE/ 673-8683 or your county elections official for more information.

### **Accessible Computer Stations**

To accommodate voters with disabilities who do not have, or have access to, the required technology to vote the e-ballot from home, every county elections office will have at least two Accessible Computer Stations (ACS), one permanent and one portable. The permanent ACS is located at the county elections office and voters can go to the office and vote privately and independently using the e-ballot. The portable station allows county election officials to, upon request, take the ACS to remote locations or a location agreed upon by the voter and the county elections officials to accommodate participation in the voting process using the e-ballot.

### **Voting Assistance Teams**

Any voter with a disability who needs assistance can request assistance from the county elections office. A nonpartisan voting assistance team can provide assistance marking a ballot, using the ACS to mark an e-ballot, providing a LPB, or completing a voter registration card.

Call 1-866-ORE VOTE/ 673-8683 or your county elections official to request assistance.

### **Educational Videos**

Go online at www.oregonvotes.org to view two educational videos about the Alternate Format Ballot/Accessible Voting Station and Assisting Voters with Disabilities. If you are an organization that provides services to people with disabilities you can request a copy of the videos on DVD by calling **1-866-ORE VOTE/ 673-8683**.

### Signature Stamp Attestation Card

If, because of a disability, a person is unable to sign a ballot or registration card, they may use a signature stamp or other indicator that represents their signature. A signature stamp attestation form must be completed along with an updated (or new) voter registration card.

Call 1-866-ORE VOTE/ 673-8683 or your county elections official for more information.

### **Large Print Voter Registration Card**

Large print voter registration cards are available for voters with visual disabilities.

Call 1-866-ORE VOTE/ 673-8683 or your county elections official for more information.

### **Statewide Voters' Pamphlet**

Digital audio and accessible text versions of the Statewide Voters' Pamphlet are available on the web at: www.oregonvotes.org. A CD version (MP3 audio files) of the Statewide Voters' Pamphlet is available by request.

Call 1-866-ORE VOTE/ 673-8683 to request a copy.

### **Other Voter Guide Resources (for statewide elections)**

The SOS, with the help of HAVA funds, partners with Talking Book and Braille Services, Disability Rights Oregon and the League of Women Voters of Oregon Educational Fund to produce, print and distribute alternate formats of the Easy Voter Guide and Standard Voting Guide.

### **Easy Voter Guide**

Available in digital audio and accessible text versions on the web at **www.lwvor.org/votersguide.htm**. Printed versions in both English and Spanish are also available from the partner organizations listed above.

### **Standard Voters' Guide**

Available in digital audio and accessible text version on the web at **www.lwvor.org/votersguide.htm**. Large print, Braille, CD and NSL compatible 4-track cassette versions are also available.

ContactTalking Book and Braille Services at 1-800-452-0292 to request this voting guide.

### **Registering to Vote**

To vote in Oregon you need to be registered in the county where you reside.

You can register if you can answer yes to these three questions:

- → Are you a resident of Oregon?
- $\rightarrow$  Are you a US citizen?
- → Are you at least 17 years of age?

If you are 17 years of age, you will not receive a ballot until an election occurs on or after your 18th birthday.

### How to register

You can register to vote online at www.oregonvotes.org or you can get a voter registration card at any of the following places:

- $\rightarrow$  in this Voters' Pamphlet
- $\rightarrow$  any County Elections Office
- $\rightarrow$  the Secretary of State's Office
- → some state agencies such as the Division of Motor Vehicles
- $\rightarrow$  a voter registration drive

You can fill the card out in person or send it in by US mail.

You can also print out a registration card online at: www.oregonvotes.org.

To vote in the May 18, 2010, Primary Election, your completed voter registration card must be either:

- ightarrow postmarked by Tuesday, April 27, 2010
- → delivered to a county elections office by Tuesday, April 27, 2010 or
- → delivered to any voter registration agency (e.g., DMV) by Tuesday, April 27, 2010.

If you register to vote online, your registration must be submitted by 11:59pm on Tuesday, April 27, 2010.

### What information is required to register?

To complete your registration you will provide your:

- → Full legal name
- → Home address
- → Date of birth
- $\rightarrow$  Signature
- $\rightarrow$  Valid identification

### What are the identification requirements?

 If you have a current, valid Driver's License, Permit or ID number issued by the State of Oregon Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV), you must provide it in Section 4 of the card.

A suspended Driver's License is still valid; a revoked Driver's License is NOT valid.

- If you do not have a current, valid Driver's License, Permit or ID number issued by the State of Oregon Division of Motor Vehicles, you must affirm this on the card by marking the circle in Section 4 and you must then provide the last four digits of your Social Security Number in Section 4a of the card.
- 3. If you do not have a Social Security number, you must affirm this on the card by marking the circle in Section 4a of the card.
- If you do not have a Driver's License, Permit, ID number, or a Social Security number, and you are registering by mail, you must provide a copy of one of the following:
   → valid photo identification
  - $\rightarrow$  a paycheck stub
  - $\rightarrow$  a utility bill
  - $\rightarrow$  a bank statement
  - $\rightarrow$  a government document
  - → proof of eligibility under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) or the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act (VAEH)

If you do not provide valid identification, you will not be eligible to vote for Federal races. You will, however, still be eligible to vote for state and local contests.

### Selecting a political party

You may want to select a political party when you register but it is not required.

Major political parties require you to be registered as a member of their party in order to vote for their candidates in the Primary Election.

### Updating your voter registration

Once you have registered, you are responsible for keeping your information up to date. You can do this online at www.oregonvotes.org or by completing and returning a voter registration card with the new information. You should update your registration if you do any of the following:

- ightarrow change your home address
- → change your mailing address
- $\rightarrow$  change your name
- $\rightarrow$  change your signature
- → want to change or select a political party

If you notify your county elections office of your change of residence address after May 13, 2010, you must request that a ballot be mailed to you or go to your county elections office to get your ballot.

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### Vote by Mail Frequently Asked Questions

### As a voter, what do I have to do?

Your ballot packet will automatically be mailed to you between April 30 and May 4, 2010. Inside the packet you will find the ballot, a secrecy envelope and a return envelope. Once you vote the ballot, place it in the secrecy envelope and seal it in the pre-addressed return envelope. Be sure you sign the return envelope on the appropriate line. After that just return the ballot either by mail or at a designated dropsite.

### What if I am uncomfortable voting my ballot at home?

Privacy booths are available for you to cast your ballot. There are privacy booths at your county elections office and there may be others at dropsite locations elsewhere in your county. For further information, call your county elections official.

### What if my ballot doesn't come?

If you are registered to vote and have not received your ballot by May 7th, call your county elections office. They will check that your voter registration is current. If it is, they will mail you a replacement ballot.

### What if I have moved and have not updated my registration?

If you were registered to vote by April 27 but now have a different address, call your county elections office for instructions on how to update your registration and receive a ballot.

### Do I have to return my ballot by mail?

You have the choice of mailing your ballot or returning it to any county elections office or any designated dropsite in the state. You can find your nearest dropsite along with a map of how to get there by going to www.oregonvotes.org or you may contact your county elections office.

### How much postage is required to mail the ballot back?

Your voted ballot can usually be returned using a single  $44\phi$  first-class stamp. In those instances where additional postage is necessary, it will be clearly indicated on the ballot materials.

### When must the voted ballot be returned?

The voted ballot must be received in any county elections office or designated dropsite by 8pm on election night. Postmarks do not count!

### How do I know if my ballot is received?

You can call your county elections office and ask if they received your ballot. A record is kept showing each voter whose ballot has been returned.

### Can anyone find out how I've voted once I mail my ballot?

No. All ballots are separated from the return envelope before the ballots are inspected. This process ensures confidentiality.

### What if I forget to sign the return envelope?

Your elections office will contact you, if possible, to come to the elections office to sign it. If the return envelope does not get signed before 8pm on May 18, the ballot will not be counted.

### Can the public watch the election process?

All steps of the process are open to observation by the public. Contact your county elections official to make arrangements.

#### When will election results be known?

Initial results are released at 8pm election night and will continue to be updated through election night until all ballots have been counted.

### **Provisional Ballot Information**

You will be issued a provisional ballot if:

- → there is a question about your eligibility as a voter (for example, there is no evidence on file that you are an active or inactive voter in Oregon)
- → you need to vote at a County Elections Office in a county other than the one you live in

In order to obtain a provisional ballot, you need to fill out a Provisional Ballot Request Form in person at the County Elections Office.

Your provisional ballot will not be counted until it is determined that you are eligible to vote.

After you have voted the ballot, you can call 1-866-ORE-VOTE (1-866-673-8683) or the County Elections Office in which you voted to find out if your ballot was counted. If your ballot was not counted, you can also find out the reason it was not counted.

If it is determined that you are ineligible to vote in this election, the completed Provisional Ballot Request Form will serve as your voter registration for future elections.

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