



# OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

## NEWS RELEASE

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**For Immediate Release:**  
August 27, 2004

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Elections Division  
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The Office of the Secretary of State received a draft ballot title from the Attorney General on August 26, 2004, for initiative petition #8, proposing a constitutional amendment, for the General Election of November 7, 2006.

The draft ballot title is as follows:

**AMENDS CONSTITUTION: ALLOWS LAWS ADOPTED BY INITIATIVE  
OR 3/4 OF EACH LEGISLATIVE HOUSE REGULATING CAMPAIGN  
CONTRIBUTIONS, EXPENDITURES**

**RESULT OF "YES" VOTE:** "Yes" vote amends Constitution to allow laws limiting or prohibiting campaign contributions and expenditures if adopted by initiative process or 3/4 of each legislative house.

**RESULT OF "NO" VOTE:** "No" vote retains current constitutional prohibition on laws that limit or prohibit political campaign contributions or expenditures.

**SUMMARY:** Amends the Oregon Constitution. The Oregon Constitution currently prohibits laws that impose involuntary limits on, or otherwise prohibit, political campaign contributions or expenditures. The measure amends the Oregon Constitution to allow laws, if they are enacted or amended through the ballot initiative process or by the Legislative Assembly by a three-fourths vote of both houses, that limit or prohibit campaign contributions and expenditures to influence the outcome of any election. The measure allows the limitations or prohibitions on campaign contributions and expenditures to be of any type or description. Other provisions.

Chief Petitioner(s): David E Delk, 112 NE 45th Avenue, Portland, OR 97213.

Copies of the text of this initiative are available at Room 141, State Capitol for \$.25. Written requests for copies with your remittance of \$1.00 prepaid, should be addressed to: Elections Division, Room 141 State Capitol, Salem, OR 97310-0722.

There now follows an appeal period of 10 business days during which any member of the public may submit written comments which address the specific legal standards a ballot title must meet to the Secretary of State's office. This period ends September 10, 2004. Comments must be addressed to: Elections Division, Room 141 State Capitol, Salem, OR 97310-0722; fax (503) 373-7414.

The Secretary of State will deliver all written comments to the Attorney General. If comments are received, the Attorney General shall issue the certified ballot title not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> business day after receiving the comments from the Secretary of State. If no comments are received, the Attorney General shall issue the certified ballot title not later than the fifth business day after the deadline for submitting comments.

In addition, during this ballot title comment period, the Secretary of State will also seek statements from interested persons regarding whether or not a proposed initiative petition complies with procedural constitutional requirements for submission of proposed initiative petitions. The Secretary will consider the information provided in the statements received from interested persons. If you wish to comment, this period ends September 10, 2004. Comments must be addressed to: Elections Division, Room 141 State Capitol, Salem, OR 97310-0722; fax (503) 373-7414.

Any elector who is dissatisfied with the ballot title certified by the Attorney General, and who timely submitted written comments which addressed the specific legal standards a ballot title must meet, may petition the Oregon Supreme Court seeking a different title. This appeal must be filed not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> business day after the Attorney General certifies a ballot title to the Secretary of State.

The required number of signatures for placement on the 2006 general election ballot is 100,840. These signatures must be filed in this office not later than July 7, 2006.



**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**  
APPELLATE DIVISION

August 26, 2004

John Lindback  
Director, Elections Division  
Office of the Secretary of State  
141 State Capitol  
Salem, OR 97310

Re: Proposed Initiative Petition — Amends Constitution: Allows Laws Adopted By Initiative or 3/4 Of Each Legislative House Regulating Campaign Contributions, Expenditures  
DOJ File #BT-08-04; Elections Division #08

Dear Mr. Lindback:

We have prepared and hereby provide to you a draft ballot title for the above-referenced prospective initiative petition. The proposed measure relates to amending the Oregon Constitution to allow laws adopted by the initiative process or by three-fourths of each legislative house regulating campaign contributions and expenditures.

Written comments from the public are due to you within ten business days after your receipt of this draft title. A copy of all written comments provided to you should be forwarded to this office immediately thereafter.

A copy of the draft ballot title is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Misty Kintz  
Legal Secretary

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Enclosure

c: Peter Shepherd, Deputy Attorney General  
Don Arnold, General Counsel Division  
Lynn Rosik, General Counsel Division

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