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The Office of the Secretary of State received a draft ballot title from the Attorney General on June 29, 2006, for initiative petition #25, proposing a statutory amendment, for the General Election of November 4, 2008.

The draft ballot title is as follows:

**PROHIBITS USING MONEY COLLECTED WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES FOR
POLITICAL PURPOSE; REQUIRES SEGREGATING FUNDS; MANDATES PENALTY**

RESULT OF "YES" VOTE: "Yes" vote prohibits persons, entities from using money collected with public resources to finance "political purpose" (defined), with exceptions; requires segregating political funds; mandates penalty.

RESULT OF "NO" VOTE: "No" vote retains current law, which does not prohibit political use of money collected with public resources or require segregating such money from political funds.

SUMMARY: Current law does not prohibit using money collected with public resources for political purposes or commingling such money with political funds. Measure prohibits using money collected, wholly or partially, with use of public resources (including money, public employee work time, buildings, equipment, supplies) for political purposes, except elections, official voters' pamphlet, most lobbying. Prohibits commingling such money with money used for political purpose. "Political purpose" includes: candidate, political committee, political party, initiative or referendum committee, supporting or opposing candidate or ballot measure, including signature gathering for proposed measure or petition. "Money" includes in-kind contributions, independent expenditures, pass-through contributions. Prohibitions apply to individuals, corporations, firms, companies, unions, organizations, associations, committees, other groups. Violation requires civil penalty, denying public resources to collect money. Other provisions.

Chief Petitioner(s): Bill Sizemore, PO Box 343, Beavercreek, OR 97004.

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 a comment 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 July 14, 2006. 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 10th 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 10th 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 July 14, 2006. 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 10th business day after the Attorney General certifies a ballot title to the Secretary of State.

The required number of signatures for placement on the 2008 general election ballot is determined by the total votes cast for all candidates for governor at the 2006 general election. These signatures shall be filed in this office not later than July 3, 2008.



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
APPELLATE DIVISION

June 29, 2006

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

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK
SECRETARY OF THE STATE

Re: Proposed Initiative Petition — Prohibits Using Money Collected With Public Resources For Political Purpose; Requires Segregating Funds; Mandates Penalty
DOJ File #BT-25-06; Elections Division #25

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 prohibiting using money collected with public resources for political purposes and requiring segregating funds and mandating penalties.

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
Steve Wolf, General Counsel Division

Bill Sizemore
P.O. Box 343
Beavercreek, Oregon 97004

DRAFT BALLOT TITLE

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