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The Office of the Secretary of State received a revised draft ballot title from the Attorney General on December 31, 2013, for initiative petition #38, proposing a statutory amendment, for the General Election of November 4, 2014.

The revised draft ballot title is as follows:

Changes Election Nomination Processes;

Replaces Current Primary System With Unified Primary For All Candidates

Result of "Yes" Vote: "Yes" vote changes election nomination processes for most partisan offices; all candidates run in unified primary; top two primary candidates compete in general election.

Result of "No" Vote: "No" vote retains the current party primary election system, retains procedures for the nomination of minor political party and independent candidates to the general election.

Summary: Currently, major parties nominate candidates to general election through party primaries; minor parties, independents nominate candidates directly to general election; and multiple candidates for office may appear on general election ballot. Measure changes those nomination processes for most partisan offices, including United States Senator; Congressional Representative; Governor; Secretary of State; State Treasurer; Attorney General; State Senator; State Representative; any state, county, city, district office that is either partisan or for which law authorizes political party nominations. Primary ballots contain all prospective candidates; elector may vote for one or more candidates regardless of party affiliation. Top two candidates in primary compete in general election. Primary, general election ballots must contain candidates' party registration, endorsements. Eligible person, regardless of party affiliation, may fill vacancy. Other provisions.

Chief Petitioner(s): Mark Frohnmayer, 1263 W 5th Avenue, Eugene, OR 97402.

Copies of the text of this initiative are available at www.oregonvotes.gov.

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 January 15, 2014. Comments must be addressed to: Elections Division, 255 Capital St NE Ste 501, Salem, OR 97310; 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 January 15, 2014. Comments must be addressed to: Elections Division, 255 Capitol St NE, Suite 501, Salem, OR 97310; 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 2014 General Election ballot is 87,213. These signatures shall be filed in this office not later than July 3, 2014.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
APPELLATE DIVISION

December 31, 2013

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Salem, OR 97310

Re: Proposed Initiative Petition — Changes Election Nomination Processes; Replaces
Current Primary System With Unified Primary For All Candidates
DOJ File #BT-38-13; Elections Division #38

Dear Mr. Williams:

We have prepared and hereby provide to you a draft ballot title for the above-referenced prospective initiative petition. The proposed measure relates to

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.

Kim Kastl
Legal Secretary

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Mark Frohnmayer
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REVISED DRAFT BALLOT TITLE

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