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FINAL INITIATIVE SIGNATURE VERIFICATION RESULTS FOR 2008

SALEM -- Secretary of State Bill Bradbury announced today that verification of signatures of initiative petitions submitted for the November 4, 2008 General Election ballot has been completed. Of the ten petitions submitted by the July 3, 2008 deadline, eight qualified for the November general election ballot and two failed to qualify.

The results of all initiative petition signature verifications for the 2008 cycle will become final on August 2, 2008, the constitutional deadline for certification of all of the initiatives submitted for the 2008 General Election.



The results of the verification show the following petition contained **enough valid signatures** to qualify to the ballot:

- Initiative #19: **PROHIBITS TEACHING PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT IN LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH FOR MORE THAN TWO YEARS**

This proposed statutory amendment required 82,769 valid signatures to gain ballot access. The petition contains 83,248 valid signatures, or 66.88% of the 124,476 total signatures submitted for verification.



The results of the verification show the following petition contained **enough valid signatures** to qualify to the ballot:

- Initiative #3: **CREATES AN UNLIMITED DEDUCTION FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAXES ON INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYERS' OREGON INCOME-TAX RETURNS**

This proposed statutory amendment required 82,769 valid signatures to gain ballot access. The petition contains 83,136 valid signatures, or 64.76% of the 128,380 total signatures submitted for verification.



The results of the verification show the following petition contained **enough valid signatures** to qualify to the ballot:

- Initiative #20: **TEACHER "CLASSROOM PERFORMANCE," NOT SENIORITY, DETERMINES PAY RAISES; "MOST QUALIFIED" TEACHERS RETAINED, REGARDLESS OF SENIORITY**

This proposed statutory amendment required 82,769 valid signatures to gain ballot access. The petition contains 83,724 valid signatures, or 65.10% of the 128,613 total signatures submitted for verification.



The results of the verification show the following petition contained **enough valid signatures** to qualify to the ballot:

- Initiative #40: **CREATES MANDATORY MINIMUM PRISON SENTENCES FOR CERTAIN THEFT, IDENTITY THEFT, FORGERY, DRUG, AND BURGLARY CRIMES**

This proposed statutory amendment required 82,769 valid signatures to gain ballot access. The petition contains 84,169 valid signatures, or 59.62% of the 141,168 total signatures submitted for verification.



The results of the verification show the following petition contained **enough valid signatures** to qualify to the ballot:

- Initiative #41: **AMENDS CONSTITUTION: ALLOCATES 15% OF LOTTERY PROCEEDS TO PUBLIC SAFETY FUND FOR CRIME PREVENTION, INVESTIGATION, PROSECUTION**

This proposed constitutional amendment required 110,358 valid signatures to gain ballot access. The petition contains 113,851 valid signatures, or 64.47% of the 176,609 total signatures submitted for verification.



The results of the verification show the following petition contained **enough valid signatures** to qualify to the ballot:

- Initiative #21: **EXEMPTS SPECIFIED PROPERTY OWNERS FROM BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS VALUED AT/UNDER 35,000 DOLLARS**

This proposed statutory amendment required 82,769 valid signatures to gain ballot access. The petition contains 83,869 valid signatures, or 65.65% of the 127,755 total signatures submitted for verification.



The results of the verification show the following petition contained **enough valid signatures** to qualify to the ballot:

- Initiative #25: **PENALIZES PERSON, ENTITY FOR USING FUNDS COLLECTED WITH "PUBLIC RESOURCE" (DEFINED) FOR "POLITICAL PURPOSE" (DEFINED)**

This proposed statutory amendment required 82,769 valid signatures to gain ballot access. The petition contains 87,348 valid signatures, or 66% of the 132,347 total signatures submitted for verification.



The results of the verification show the following petition **did not contain enough valid signatures** to qualify to the ballot:

- Initiative #51: **LIMITS AMOUNT OF CONTINGENT FEES THAT LAWYERS MAY CHARGE CLIENTS FOR REPRESENTATION IN CIVIL CASE**

This proposed statutory amendment required 82,769 valid signatures to gain ballot access. There were insufficient signatures to proceed with signature verification.



The results of the verification show the following petition **did not contain enough valid signatures** to qualify to the ballot:

- Initiative #53: **COURT MUST SANCTION, UNDER SPECIFIED CIRCUMSTANCES, ATTORNEYS WHO FILE FRIVOLOUS PLEADINGS OR MOTIONS IN LAWSUITS**

This proposed statutory amendment required 82,769 valid signatures to gain ballot access. There were insufficient signatures to proceed with signature verification.



The results of the verification show the following petition contained **enough valid signatures** to qualify to the ballot:

- Initiative #109: **CHANGES GENERAL ELECTION NOMINATION PROCESSES FOR MAJOR/MINOR PARTY, INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES FOR MOST PARTISAN OFFICES**

This proposed statutory amendment required 82,769 valid signatures to gain ballot access. The petition contains 89,892 valid signatures, or 75.45% of the 119,142 total signatures submitted for verification.

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