

# November 5, 2024 General Election

## House Bill 2004

**“Gives voters option to rank candidates in order of preference; candidate receiving majority votes wins.”**

### Estimate of Fiscal Impact:

This measure establishes ranked choice voting for federal, state, and some local elected offices. The Secretary of State must create rules for carrying out ranked choice voting and educate voters about ranked choice voting. The Secretary of State and County Clerks must present two reports to interim legislative committees by September 15, 2026. If the measure is passed by Oregon voters, ranked choice voting must be effective by January 1, 2028.

The measure is estimated to cost the state government \$0.9 million during the 2023-25 biennium. This cost is to pay for needed staff and consulting services for the Secretary of State to begin carrying out the measure. In the 2025-27 biennium, the cost of the measure is estimated to grow to \$5.6 million. This is to continue funding staff and consulting services, as well as outreach and IT needs.

The cost of the measure is less known for local government. County Clerks estimate that the measure will cost \$2.3 million initially. This funding will be used to improve technology, train staff, and test the new system. Every statewide election will cost an additional \$1.8 million for added printing and logistics. Software and maintenance contract costs will cost an additional \$0.4 million per year.

### Certification:

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that, pursuant to ORS 250.127(3), we have prepared the statement described under “Estimate of Financial Impact.”

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LaVonne Griffin-Valade, Secretary of State

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Tobias Read, State Treasurer

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Berri Leslie, Director,  
Department of Administrative Services

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Betsy Imholt, Director, Department of Revenue

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Ernest Stephens, Local Government representative

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