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Subject: Public Testimony on IP 31 Financial Statement

To: Financial Estimate Committee (IP 31, 2018)

From: SEIU, Oregon State Council

Re: IP 31 Financial Statement

Members of the Financial Estimate Committee:

I am writing on behalf of SEIU to request an amendment to the IP 31 Financial Estimate.

Currently, the statement reads that the financial impacts of IP 31 are indeterminate. While this statement is not untrue, it fails to capture the spirit and motive of the measure. It's been made clear by the proponents of IP 31 that the intended purpose is to make it harder to close wasteful tax loopholes, harder to pass legislatively approved fees, and hamstringing local government into gridlock so that it's harder to fund schools and other critical services that Oregonians rely on. Failing to include this context in the Financial Estimate is a disservice to voters, who deserve to know that passing this measure would put future funding for services at risk.

To that end, the Financial Estimate should be amended to include the following information:

State Government: The financial impact to state revenue and expenditures is indeterminate.

Local Government: The financial impact to local government expenditures and revenues is indeterminate.

The measure amends the constitution to increase barriers to funding for state services.

Thank you for your consideration,

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