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I N I T I A T I V E P E T I T I O N

The Elections Division received a draft ballot title from the Attorney General on December 16, 2021, for Initiative Petition **2024-001**, proposed for the November 5, 2024, General Election.

Caption

Amends Constitution: State funds provided for private school/ homeschooling; parents may select among public schools within district

Chief Petitioner

Marc Thielman 34392 Garoutte Road Cottage Grove, OR 97424

Comments

Written comments concerning the legal sufficiency of the draft ballot title may be submitted to the Elections Division. Comments will be delivered to the Attorney General for consideration when certifying the ballot title.

Additionally, the Secretary of State is seeking public input on whether the petition complies with the procedural constitutional requirements established in the Oregon Constitution for initiative petitions. The Secretary will review any procedural constitutional comments received by the deadline and decide whether the petition complies with constitutional requirements.

To be considered, draft ballot title comments and procedural constitutional requirement comments must be received in their entirety by the Elections Division no later than 5 pm.

Comments Due

January 3, 2022

How to Submit

Scan and Email: irrlistnotifier.sos@oregon.gov

Fax: 503.373.7414

Mail: 255 Capitol St NE Ste 501, Salem OR 97310

More information, including the draft ballot title and text of the petition, is contained under [2024 Initiatives, Referendums and Referrals](#) available at www.oregonvotes.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
APPELLATE DIVISION

December 16, 2021

Deborah Scroggin
Director, Elections Division
Office of the Secretary of State
255 Capitol St. NE, Suite 501
Salem, OR 97301

Re: Proposed Initiative Petition — Amends Constitution: State Funds Provided for Private School/ Homeschooling; Parents May Select Among Public Schools Within District.

DOJ File #BT-01-21; Elections Division #2024-001

Dear Ms. Scroggin:

We have prepared and hereby provide to you a draft ballot title for the above-referenced prospective initiative petition. The proposed measure relates to providing state funds for private schools and homeschooling, and the right to select among public schools within a child's school district.

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,

/s/ Megan Bradley

Megan Bradley
Paralegal

Enclosure

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DRAFT BALLOT TITLE

Amends Constitution: State funds provided for private school/ homeschooling; parents may select among public schools within district

Result of “Yes” Vote: “Yes” vote provides state educational services funds to parents for private school or homeschooling; parents may select among public schools within their district.

Result of “No” Vote: “No” vote retains current law. State funds public schools. No state funds for private school/homeschooling. Child is assigned public school in attendance area.

Summary: Amends Constitution. Requires legislature to annually calculate “basic school support funding amount,” which must be the greater of \$9,500 or average amount per public school student that state distributes to school districts. If child in grades K-12 attends private school/homeschool program, state must deliver 80% of basic support amount to account used by parent for educational services. Funds remaining after high school may be used for college in Oregon. Those receiving funds not required to change creed, education practices, admissions policy, curriculum. Measure gives parents right to select among public schools within their district; district must provide “full education services” (undefined) if selected school has room, but need not provide transportation to school outside child’s attendance zone. Applies to schooling starting in July 2025.