ORS 251,355

Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Measure Explanatory Statement Instructions

Filing Explanatory Statement - per OAR 165-022-0040

- 1. The governing body for any local government which has referred a measure to the voters shall submit an impartial, simple, and understandable statement explaining the measure and its effect.
- 2. The governing body of the local government which has submitted an initiative or referendum by petition measure to the voters shall submit an impartial, simple, and understandable statement explaining the measure and its effect, only if the local government has an ordinance requiring the submission of such a statement.
- 3. 'JCVP-05 Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Measure Explanatory Statement' shall be limited to 500 words/numbers maximum.
- 4. The County Clerk shall reject any 'Referred Measure' submitted without a JCVP-05.

General Information

- JVCP-05 either as an original, faxed, email attachment or copy must be received in the County Elections office by 5 pm on the 'Notice of Measure' filing deadline. Postmarks do not count. No changes will be allowed to a JCVP-05 submittal after the 5 pm deadline. Filings that are unsigned or received after the 5 pm filing deadline will not be accepted.
- 2. Submit the complete typewritten 'Measure Explanatory Statement' on a standard 8 ½" x 11" white paper attached to the complete and signed JCVP-05.
- 3. It is recommended that the filer email the text of the 'Measure Explanatory Statement' to the County Elections office. Both printed and emailed copies must be exactly the same. If there are discrepancies, the print version verbiage provided will be used for the Voters' Pamphlet production.
- 4. Pursuant to ORS 251.415, the County Clerk shall reject any statement which:
 - a. Contains any obscene, profane, or defamatory language;
 - b. Incites or advocates hatred, abuse, or violence toward any person or group; or
 - c. Contains any language which may not legally be circulated through the mail.

Deadline permitting, the County Elections office will attempt to notify the person(s) or jurisdiction/organization furnishing the JCVP-05 of the rejection and allow revision of the 'Explanatory Statement'.

Word Count

- 1. The total word count must not exceed 500 words/numbers. Required verbiage that must be a part of the statement does not count towards the maximum word count of 500. Please hand count your statement to ensure that your word count does not exceed the 500 maximum word/number count. The County Elections office will not print more than 500 words/numbers.
- 2. Generally, anything with a white space around it counts as a word. Hyphenated words that are listed in a dictionary as one word and can be used either with or without a hyphen will count as one word. All other hyphenated words will count as more than one word.
- 3. The County Elections office will not correct errors in spelling, punctuation, grammar or syntax. No corrections to these errors will be allowed after the filing deadline. Please proof your submission before filing; it will not be returned for proofreading after it has been filed.

Signatures

1. JCVP-05 must include the printed name and signature of the submitting person and the name of the governing body that this person is authorized to represent. Digital signatures will not be accepted for JCVP-05.

Contact Information

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JCVP-05

Use this form when filing a 'JCVP-05 Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Measure Explanatory Statement' with your County

Joint County Voters' Pamphlet

Measure Explanatory Statement				
0	Important!	Read all instruction	s before completing	g this form.

Elections office. If a local government/jurisdiction is located in more than one county, the County Elections office of the county in which the city hall of the City or the administrative office of the local government is located shall be the filing officer for the JCVP-05. **Filing Information** Primary _____ General Special Election: Measure # **Ballot Title Caption** Name of Person responsible for content of 'Measure Explanatory Statement' (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet): Name of Jurisdiction/Organization the person is authorized to represent (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet): **Contact Information:** Phone: Cell: ______ Work: _____ Home: ___ Email: **Signature** Signature of person responsible for the content of "Measure Explanatory Statement" Date **Measure Explanatory Statement** See attached for "Measure Explanatory Statement" (500 word/number MAX) For Office Use only: County: Word Count (500 max): Signed? O Yes O No Providing digital copy? Yes No Received digital copy? O Yes O No Intake Staff Initials: Review Staff Initials: