

# Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Measure Explanatory Statement

**! Important! Read all instructions before completing this form.**

Use this form when filing a "Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet" with your County Elections office. If a local government is located in more than one county, the County Clerk 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 "Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters/Pamphlet".

### Filing Information

Election:  Primary \_\_\_\_\_  General \_\_\_\_\_  Special \_\_\_\_\_

Measure # \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

### Ballot Title Caption

Name of Person responsible for content of '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: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail:

### Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of person responsible for the content of "Explanatory Statement" \_\_\_\_\_ Date

### Explanatory Statement

See attached for "Measure Explanatory Statement" (500 word/number MAX)

#### For Office Use only:

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Word Count (500 max):

Signed?  Yes  No

Providing digital copy?  Yes  No

Explanatory Statement attached?  Yes  No

Received digital copy?  Yes  No

Intake Staff Initials:

Review Staff Initials:

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

## General Instructions

1. An original, faxed, e-mail attachment or copy of a typewritten and signed 'Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet' must be filed with the County Elections office no later than 5 pm on the 'Notice of Measure' filing deadline. Postmarks do not count. **Measure Explanatory Statement filings will not be accepted after the 5pm filing deadline.**
2. Submit the 'Measure Explanatory Statement' complete on a standard 8 ½" x 11" white paper containing the 'Measure Explanatory Statement' and attach to the signed form. 'Measure Explanatory Statement' is to be submitted type-written.
3. **The word count must not exceed 500 words/numbers. The County Elections office will not print more than 500 words/numbers.**
4. The 'Measure Explanatory Statement' shall include the name and signature of the person responsible for the content of the statement and the name of the governing body that person is authorized to represent.
5. 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.
6. The County Clerk will not correct spelling, grammar, punctuation, or syntax errors. The 'Measure Explanatory Statement' will not be returned for proofreading after it has been filed.
7. In addition to filing the 'Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet', **it is recommended that the responsible party for the 'Measure Explanatory Statement' e-mail the text to the County Elections office.** Both copies should be exactly the same. If there are discrepancies, the print version verbiage provided will be used for the Voters' Pamphlet production.

## Contact Information

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