

Argument Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet (2022)

Ballot Title Caption: _____

Measure Number: _____ Word Total (325 Maximum): _____

Argument in Favor

Argument in Opposition

(Argument Statement Shall Be Typed)

Person responsible for the content of the Argument Statement:

(Typed) _____

(Signed) **X** _____

Name of the Organization the person represents, if any. _____

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Word Count (325 Maximum):

Grand Total: _____

Receipt #: _____

Check #: _____

Amount Paid: _____

Instructions

1. The Argument Statement **shall be typed. The text of the Argument will be printed as submitted.** The County Clerk's 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.
2. The word total shall be limited to 325 words and shall fit within 30 square inches of space.
3. Generally, anything with white space around 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.
4. The Argument Statement shall be signed by the person responsible for the content of the argument and shall include the name of the organization the person represents, if any.
5. All information cited or quoted from previously published material must include the source and date of publication. (Example: *The Oregonian*, January 2, 2006.)
6. Any endorsement by an individual or an organization, which was not previously made public, must be accompanied by an Endorsement Form.
7. The Election Official shall reject any Argument Statement (ORS 251.415) 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 mails.
8. The Argument Statement and filing fee or petition **shall be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. as shown in the table below.**

ELECTION:	March 8, 2022	May 17, 2022	August 23, 2022	November 8, 2022
Deadline:	January 10, 2022	March 21, 2022	June 27, 2022	September 12, 2022

9. **Filing by Fee:**

Electoral District's Active Voter Registration	Argument Statement Filing Fee
Less than 1,000 within the county	\$100
1,000 to 4,999 within the county	\$200
5,000 to 9,999 within the county	\$250
10,000 to 24,999 within the county	\$350
25,000 and over within the county	\$400

10. **Filing by Petition:**

A petition shall contain the signatures of at least four percent of the electors in the district eligible to vote on the measure or the signatures of 1,000 electors in the district eligible to vote on the measure, whichever is less. A petition shall be verified before filing the Argument Statement.

11. **Submitting your Filing:**

- a. The text of the argument may be submitted on a separate piece of paper with the Argument Statement form completed, signed and dated. Indicate on the form in the area designated for the text "SEE ATTACHED". **The Attachment must be signed.**
- b. Print, sign and submit original form with payment to: Deschutes County Clerk's Office
1300 NW Wall Street, Suite 202
PO Box 6005
Bend, OR 97708-6005
- c. Email an electronic version in a word processing format to: **Filings@deschutes.org**

12. Argument Statements shall become public record on the 4th business day after the filing deadline.

13. Voters' pamphlets are prepared county by county. If the measure will be on the ballot in more than one county and you would like to have your Argument Statement in the voters' pamphlet in those counties, you must submit an Argument Statement and filing fee or petition with each county's election office. Check with each county for appropriate forms.

**Candidate Statement / Measure Argument Endorsement Form
Deschutes County Voters' Pamphlet**

ORS 251.405

Primary Election 20____

General Election 20____

Special Election _____

(date)

Endorsement for:

Candidate's Statement: _____
(name of candidate)

Measure Argument: _____
(measure # and name of person who furnished argument)

Designation Box

Type or print the name of person and/or organization person is authorized to represent exactly as it should appear in the voters' pamphlet statement or argument. An organization's name should be used only if the organization is endorsing the argument or statement. The person's title must also be listed if it is to appear in the voters' pamphlet statement or argument.

I consent to the use of my name or the name of the organization I am authorized to represent exactly as it appears in the Designation Box above.

Signature

Date Signed

Note: Submitting A False Signature On This Statement Is A Violation Of ORS 251.405.

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Instructions

If the name of a person or organization is used in your candidate statement or measure argument, you must either:

1. Use the name of the person or organization with a quotation made by the person on behalf of the person or by an authorized person on behalf of an organization. The quotation must have been disseminated to the public prior to its inclusion in the statement or argument and it must be identified in the statement or argument by its source (such as the name of the newspaper in which it appeared) and date of dissemination/publication. Examples for identifying the source of a quote are:

James Joyce, *The Oregonian*, 1/22/90

Bob Dole, *Time Magazine*, July 7, 1997

John F. Kennedy, *Profiles in Courage*, 1960

OR:

2. File an Endorsement Form signed by the person, or by an authorized person on behalf of an organization, stating that the person consents to the use of the name of the person or organization in the statement or argument. An organization's name should only be used if the organization is endorsing the statement or argument.

This Endorsement Form must be filed with the statement or argument it relates to by the voters' pamphlet filing deadline.

Attention: If an Endorsement Form is not received, the person or organization whose name is mentioned will be edited from the candidate statement or measure argument. If the information contained in the Designation Box on the front of this Endorsement Form does not match what is printed in the statement or argument, the statement or argument will be edited to match the Designation Box.

SIGNATURE SHEET

PETITION FOR INCLUSION OF ARGUMENT IN THE DESCHUTES COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET

To the Deschutes County Clerk, we the undersigned electors, request that the attached argument in support/opposition to Measure _____ be included in the Deschutes County Voters' Pamphlet. We have not previously signed a petition for inclusion of this argument.

PRINT NAME	DATE SIGNED MONTH/DAY/YEAR	SIGNATURE	RESIDENCE ADDRESS NUMBER AND STREET	CITY	PRECINCT
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I, _____, hereby state that every person who signed this petition sheet did so in my presence, and I believe that each individual is an elector eligible to vote on the measure. (ORS 250.045)

(Signature of Circulator)

(Printed Name of Circulator)

(Address of Circulator)