

**Changes membership of Environmental Quality Commission; four of five required
from industries; cannot be removed**

Result of “Yes” Vote: “Yes” vote requires members from mining, agriculture, manufacturing, and timber industries on five-person Environmental Quality Commission; cannot remove members; residency restrictions.

Result of “No” Vote: “No” vote retains current law allowing discretion in appointments to Environmental Quality Commission; members may be removed before expiration of term; no residency restriction.

Summary: The Environmental Quality Commission is a five-member board that establishes policies and adopts rules and standards for the operation of the Department of Environmental Quality and enforces rules and laws relating to air and water pollution and environmental quality generally. Under current law, the governor appoints members to four-year terms, subject to senate confirmation. The governor may remove members before the expiration of their term; members may not serve more than two consecutive terms. Measure requires the governor to appoint one member each from the mining, agricultural, manufacturing, and timber industries, subject to senate confirmation. No two members may reside in the same congressional district. Eliminates governor’s authority to remove members.

A full and correct copy of the text of the initiative petition is available from chief petitioners.

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Instructions for Circulators

- 1 Only active Oregon voters may sign a petition. Ask each signer if they are an active registered voter in Oregon.
- 2 A single circulator must personally witness all signatures collected on any one signature sheet. After witnessing each signature on a sheet, use a pen to sign and date the circulator certification.
- 3 Initial any changes you make to the date you signed the certification. A complete list of allowable circulator certification corrections is provided in the Circulator Training Manual available at www.oregonvotes.gov.
- 4 **It is against the law for circulators to:**
 - Circulate a petition containing a false signature.
 - Make false statements to any person who signs the petition or requests information about it.
 - Attempt to obtain the signature of a person who is not qualified to sign the petition.
 - Offer money or anything of value to another person to sign or not sign the petition.
 - Sell or offer to sell signature sheets.
 - Write, alter, correct, clarify or obscure any information about the signers unless the signer is disabled and requests assistance or the signer initials after the changes are made.
 - Accept compensation to circulate a petition that is based on the number of signatures obtained.

⚠ Warning Violations of the circulator requirements may result in conviction of a felony with a fine of up to \$125,000 and/or prison for up to 5 years.

Instructions for Signers

- 1 Only active Oregon voters may sign a petition. Use a pen to sign your name, as you did when you registered to vote.
- 2 Provide the date you signed the petition, your printed name and residence address. Only you may complete this optional information.
- 3 Initial any changes the circulator makes to your printed name, residence address or date you signed the petition.
- 4 **It is against the law for signers to:**
 - Sign another person’s name under any circumstances.
 - Sign a petition more than one time.
 - Sign a petition when you are not qualified to sign it.