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Prospective Petition 2020-23-2

Local Initiative and Referendum

GAYLE V. TROTTER, County Clerk

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Petition Information

Type

This filing is an Original Amendment Initiative Referendum

Jurisdiction

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County City District Yes No

Title Subject or name you give your petition.

County Court Required to Meet to Promote Relocating Idaho Border

Website if applicable

www.GreaterIdaho.org

Petition Correspondence Select the method of receiving notices or other correspondence from the Filing Officer.

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Recipient Information

Name

Email Address

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Section 1. Findings:

1. Whereas borders between states have been moved or redefined many times in United States history. For example, after West Virginia was admitted to the Union in June 1863, the Virginia / West Virginia border was relocated to transfer Berkeley County to West Virginia in August 1863, and then relocated in November 1863 to transfer Jefferson County, and
2. Whereas Article XVI of the Constitution of Oregon provides for the relocation of state boundaries, and
3. Whereas Oregon and Idaho could legislate an interstate compact to place the following counties under the jurisdiction of Idaho rather than Oregon: Baker, Coos, Crook, Curry, Douglas, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Malheur, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, and Wheeler. The following territory could also be under the jurisdiction of Idaho rather than Oregon:
 - A. That portion of Wasco County that is east of the Deschutes River, plus the City of Maupin
 - B. All of Jefferson County except Deschutes National Forest and Warm Springs Indian Reservation
 - C. Deschutes County communities of Terrebonne, Redmond, southeastern Deschutes County, and La Pine, and
4. Whereas the region defined in this section can expect a great improvement in productivity and a reduction in cost of living when these areas are freed from Oregon regulations and taxes. This will make it a financial boon to Idaho, and
5. Whereas the region defined in this section has approximately 21% of Oregon's population. According to 2017 US government BEA statistics, adjusted for state prison population, this region had a per capita personal income of approximately \$41,248 per year, similar to that of Idaho, but Oregon as a whole had a per capita personal income of approximately \$48,137 per year. This means that the budget of the state of Oregon would improve if it allowed these areas to fall under the jurisdiction of Idaho, and
6. Whereas the region defined in this section votes differently than the remainder of Oregon and desires different policies from its state government. It gave about two votes to Donald Trump in the 2016 presidential election for every vote it gave to Hillary Clinton, similar to Idaho. In contrast, the remainder of Oregon gave more than 1.6 votes to Hillary Clinton for every vote given to Donald Trump, and

Section 2.

7. Whereas the purpose of this ordinance is to increase the chances that state border relocations will be favorable to the interests of Malheur County, and
8. Whereas it is the sense of the people of Malheur County that it is in the interest of Malheur County that Oregon begin negotiations with Idaho to relocate the Oregon/Idaho border to make the territory of Malheur county become territory of Idaho,

Section 3.

Therefore, the people of Malheur County ordain as follows:

The Malheur County Court shall meet on the second Monday of every January, May, and September to discuss how to promote the interests of Malheur County in any negotiations regarding relocations of Idaho state borders, irrespective of any other meeting dates that may be determined by that Court.

Section 4. Penalties:

- 1) If a Malheur County Court meeting does not occur on a date designated in Section 3, anyone within the jurisdiction of the County found to have willfully prohibited, cancelled, or hindered the meeting of that Court that was to have occurred on that date may be made a defendant in a civil proceeding by the county seeking redress of the violation, per ORS 203.065
- 2) Fines recovered under ORS 203.030 – 203.075 shall be paid to the clerk of the court in which recovery is had. After first deducting court costs in the proceedings, the clerk shall pay the remainder to the treasurer of the county for the general fund of the county, per ORS 203.065.
- 3) A civil offense against this ordinance is a Class D violation, per ORS 203.065, with a maximum fine of \$125, per ORS 153.018.
- 4) Any peace officer, as defined by ORS 161.015, may enforce this ordinance, adopted under ORS 203.035.

Section 5. Severability:

If any provision of this ordinance or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

Section 6. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage.