

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF
WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON
DPWC # 2017-036**

**Regarding Opposition to Legislation that Would Remove PCP
Elections from Primary Ballots**

WHEREAS HB 2571 has been submitted to the 2017 Legislature at the request of the Oregon Association of County Clerks and not by a major political party, and

WHEREAS HB 2571 would remove the option for major political parties to elect Precinct Committee Persons (PCPs) in the Primary Election, and

WHEREAS elected PCPs have different voting privileges in party reorganization processes than appointed PCPs, and

WHEREAS HB 2571 would require changes to the bylaws of all major parties in Oregon (Democratic Party, Republican Party, Independent Party) and all associated county party organizations concerning PCP voting authority.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON (DPWC) THAT:

- 1 The DPWC strongly opposes the passage of HB 2571 and will advise all Oregon legislators and county Democratic parties of our position, and
- 2 THE DPWC will advise the Democratic Party of Oregon (DPO) of our opposition to HB 2571 in a timely manner* and urge them to do the same.

Submitted by Dan Jensen, February 2017; edited and approved by P&RC, 2-7-2016

* Before expiration of the 25-day deadline for submittal of resolutions prior to the DPO March SCC meeting – i.e. before 3/1/2017.

<https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2017R1/Measures/Overview/HB2571>

<https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2017R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/HB2571/Introduced>

Proposed Amendment

"Whereas only elected PCPs can vote for party leadership, thus guarding against "rush" appointments and the potentially unfair influence of newly active or temporary members."