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Oregon Progressive Party Position on Bills at 2019 Session of Oregon Legislature:

SB 944: Oppose

Dear Committee:

The Oregon Progressive Party opposes this bill, which permits county clerks to decide whether to conduct hand count of ballots or instead doing "risk-limiting audits" following each primary, general or special election.

The existing statutes already require hand recounts when election results are close. We see no reason for introducing the vague concept of "risk-limiting audit" to be used in place of ordinary hand recounts of ballots. To us, this appears to add unnecessary complexity and opaqueness to the recount process.

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