

# AGENDA

**Thursday, October 23, 2025 – 1:00 PM**

**CLACKAMAS, MULTNOMAH, HOOD RIVER & WASCO COUNTY BOARDS**

**STATE SENATE DISTRICT 26 VACANCY APPOINTMENT JOINT MEETING**

Meeting Link: [https://clackamascounty.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_RYJHesASSvCaN-tK5kxa6Q](https://clackamascounty.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_RYJHesASSvCaN-tK5kxa6Q)

*Please note this meeting will be held via virtual format only.*

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

- Roll Call
- Meeting Purpose Statement
- Introduction of Nominees:
  - Christine Drazan
  - John Grant
  - Jeffrey Helfrich
- Explanation of Meeting Procedure

## **II. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

*Members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments to [bcc@clackamas.us](mailto:bcc@clackamas.us) by 4:00PM on Wednesday, October 22, for inclusion in the materials provided to all Commissioners.*

*Members of the public who wish to speak during the meeting must register in advance using the link provided above.*

*Please note testimony will be limited to one (1) minute per member of the public.*

## **III. NOMINEE OPENING STATEMENTS**

*Please note statements and answers will be limited to two (2) minutes per nominee.*

## **IV. BOARD QUESTIONS**

- A. Wasco County
- B. Hood River County
- C. Multnomah County
- D. Clackamas County

## **V. NOMINEE CLOSING STATEMENTS**

## **VI. DELIBERATIONS**

## **VII. VOTE**

| <b>County</b> | <b>Number of<br/>Registered<br/>Electors</b> | <b>Votes per<br/>County</b> | <b>Number of<br/>Commissioners</b> | <b>Votes per<br/>Commissioner</b> |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Clackamas     | 68,785                                       | 69                          | 5                                  | 13.8                              |
| Hood River    | 16,809                                       | 17                          | 5                                  | 3.4                               |
| Multnomah     | 8,932                                        | 9                           | 5                                  | 1.8                               |
| Wasco         | 14,637                                       | 15                          | 3                                  | 5.0                               |

## **VIII. STATEMENT BY SELECTED NOMINEE**

## **IX. CONCLUDING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## ATTACHMENTS

**ATTACHMENT A:** Map of Senate District 26

**ATTACHMENT B:** Secretary of State Meeting Notification Letter

**ATTACHMENT C:** Nominee Materials

**ATTACHMENT D:** Written Public Comments (TO FOLLOW)

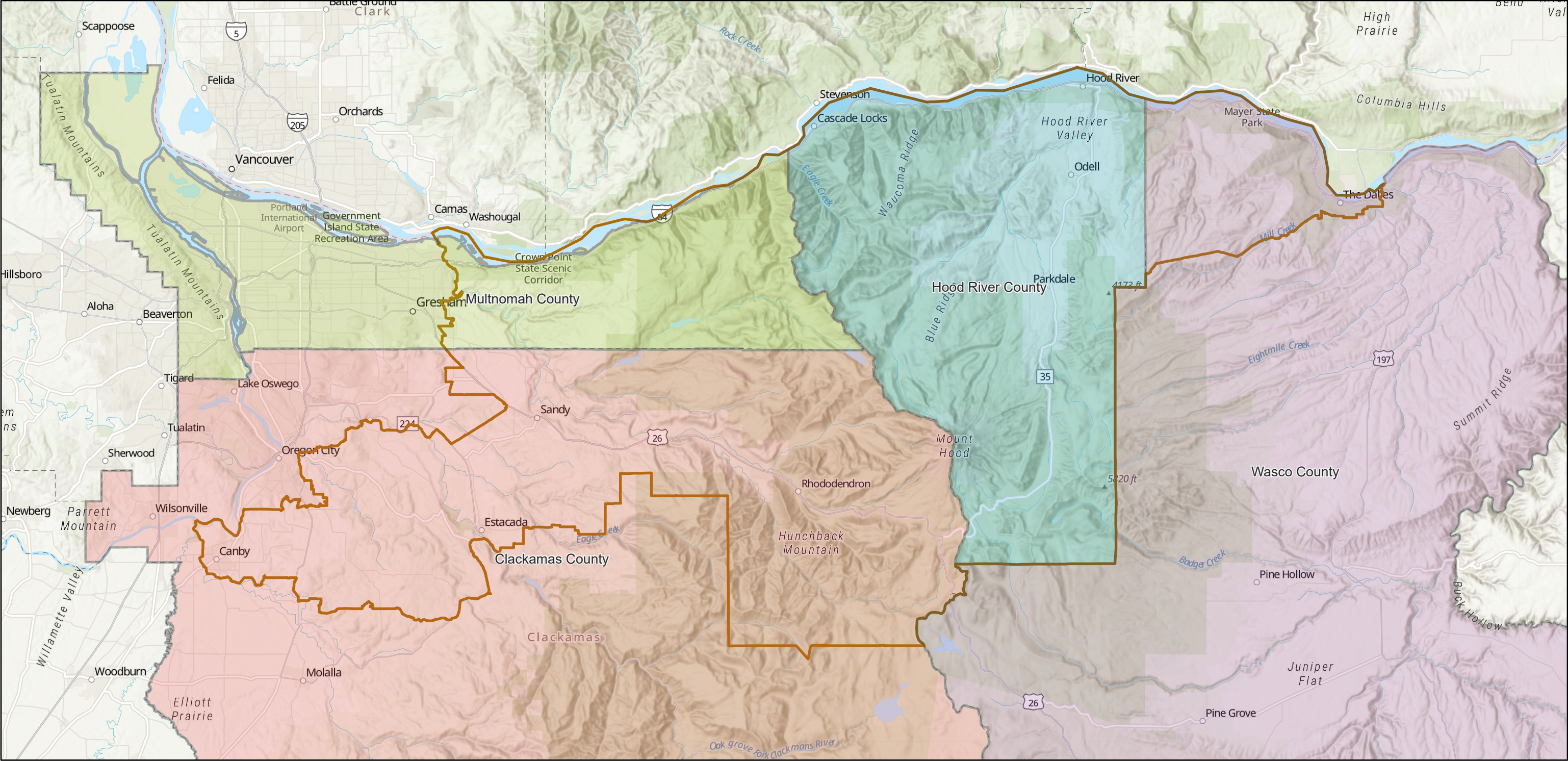
- SUBMISSION DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22 at 4:00PM
- [BCC@clackamas.us](mailto:BCC@clackamas.us)

**ATTACHMENT E:** Meeting Statement



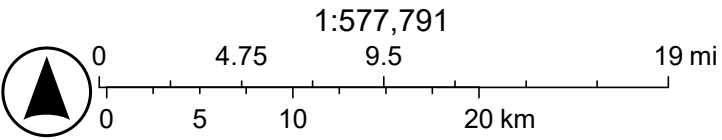
Attachment A

# Senate District 26



10/9/2025

- United States County Boundaries
- Multnomah County
  - Clackamas County
  - Hood River County
  - Oregon Senate (SD 26)
  - Wasco County
  - World\_Hillshade



Sources: Esri, TomTom, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, (c) OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS User Community, Esri, USGS





Dena Dawson  
Division Director



October 20, 2025  
*Sent Via Email*

Clackamas County Commissioners  
Hood River County Commissioners  
Multnomah County Commissioners  
Wasco County Commissioners

Re: Vacancy in State Senate District 26

Effective October 5, 2025, there is a vacancy in State Senate District 26 due to the resignation of Senator Daniel Bonham.

The Republican Party precinct committeepersons of State Senate District 26 met and chose nominees to fill the vacancy. The nominees chosen are:

1. **Christine Drazan**
2. **John Grant**
3. **Jeffrey Helfrich**

The Appointing Authority must meet to appoint one person from the list of nominees.

The vacancy must be filled **no later than November 4, 2025**, 30 days after the vacancy occurred.

Craig Roberts, Clackamas County Commissioner, has been asked to chair the joint meeting.

The time of the meeting is as follows:

**Date:**       **October 23, 2025**

**Time:**       **1:00 PM**

**Virtually**  
**by Zoom:**   <https://clackamascounty.zoom.us/j/85705535314>

Enclosed is a copy of OAR 165-010-0060 outlining the procedures for conducting a meeting to fill a vacancy in the Legislative Assembly.

Also enclosed is a Statement for use in notifying the Secretary of State of the appointment including signature and vote tabulation sheets. Please complete and return the completed Statement and Tabulation sheet immediately after the meeting, it can be emailed back to me at [Lydia.Plukchi@sos.oregon.gov](mailto:Lydia.Plukchi@sos.oregon.gov) or to [elections.sos@sos.oregon.gov](mailto:elections.sos@sos.oregon.gov).

In accordance with ORS 171.062 and ORS 171.064, when a vacancy occurs in a legislative district encompassing two or more counties, each county is entitled to one vote for each 1,000 of its electors or major fraction of 1,000 (more than 500 registered electors, but less than 1,000) residing within the district at the time the vacancy occurred. However, any county having electors in the district shall be entitled to at least one vote. Each county commissioner is allotted the following number of votes:

| County     | Number of Registered Electors | Votes per County | Number of Commissioners | Votes per Commissioner |
|------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Clackamas  | 68,785                        | 69               | 5                       | 13.8                   |
| Hood River | 16,809                        | 17               | 5                       | 3.4                    |
| Multnomah  | 8,932                         | 9                | 5                       | 1.8                    |
| Wasco      | 14,637                        | 15               | 3                       | 5.0                    |

These votes are apportioned to each county commissioner. If for any reason a county commissioner is unable to attend the meeting on October 23, 2025, that county commissioner's vote would not be cast. The votes are not reapportioned for the remaining county commissioners to cast.

If further information is needed, please contact me at (971) 358-9651. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Lydia Plukchi  
Compliance Specialist

c: Catherine McMullen, Clackamas County Cler  
Trent Wilson, Clackamas County Government Affairs Manager  
Andrew Jarocki, Clackamas County Clerk to the Board  
Brian Beebe, Hood River County Clerk  
Tim Scott, Multnomah County Elections Director  
Chrissy Zaugg, Wasco County Clerk  
Christine McNamara, Executive Assistant

Attachment C

October 19, 2025

*Sent Via Email*

Oregon Secretary of State

Lydia Plukchi, Compliance Specialist: [Lydia.PLUKCHI@sos.oregon.gov](mailto:Lydia.PLUKCHI@sos.oregon.gov)

Elections Division: [elections.sos@sos.oregon.gov](mailto:elections.sos@sos.oregon.gov)



Re: Nominees to Fill Vacancy – Senate District 26

Dear Secretary Read,

Pursuant to ORS 171.051, the Oregon Republican Party convened a Nominating Convention on October 18, 2025, for the purpose of selecting nominees to fill the vacancy in Senate District 26.

Following the proceedings of the Convention, the following three nominees (listed alphabetically by last name) were duly selected by acclamation to be forwarded to your office for consideration by the County Commissioners within Senate District 26:

1. Christine Drazan
2. John Grant
3. Jeffrey Helfrich

Please contact me if you require any further documentation or information.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Connie Whelchel

Connie Whelchel

Chairwoman, Oregon Republican Party

[connie.whelchel@oregon.gop](mailto:connie.whelchel@oregon.gop) | 541.905.7380



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OCT 20, 2025 8:00 AM

**Elections Division**

Legislative Vacancy  
Statement of Nominee's Willingness to Serve

SEL 145

REV. 05/2010 OHS 1171.000

This filing is an

☒ Nomination

☐ Election

Office Information

Office of: State Senator

District: 26

Party Affiliation: Republican

Nominee Information

Name of Nominee

First

MI

Last

Suffix

Christine

Drazen

Residence/Route Address

Street Address

City

State

Zip

13203 S. MacDonald's Pl.

Oregon City

OR

97045

Mailing Address and Contact Information: Only one phone number and an email address are required.

Street Address or PO Box

City

State

Zip

PO Box 196

Canby

OR

97045

Work Phone

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Fax

503-680-6387

Email Address (required)

Web Site, if applicable

christine@christinefororegon.com

By signing this document, I hereby state that I will accept the appointment for the office indicated above



Warning

Supplying false information on this form may result in conviction of a felony with a fine of up to \$125,000 and/or prison for up to 5 years. (ORS 260.715).

Christine Drazen  
Nominee's Signature

10/11/2025  
Date Signed

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# Legislative Vacancy

## Statement of Nominee's Willingness to Serve

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This filing is an

☒ Nomination☐ Election**Office Information**

Office of: Senate

District: 26

Party Affiliation: Republican

**Nominee Information****Name of Nominee**

First

MI

Last

Suffix

John

A

Grant

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**Residence/Route Address**

Street Address

912 Federal St.

City

The Dalles

State

OR

Zip

97058

**Mailing Address and Contact Information:** Only one phone number and an email address are required.

Street Address or PO Box

912 Federal St.

City

The Dalles

State

OR

Zip

97058

Work Phone

Home Phone

Cell Phone

(619)977-0261

Fax

Email Address (required)

johnagrnt4@hotmail.com

Web Site, if applicable

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Nominee's Signature

Date Signed



**Legislative Vacancy**  
**Statement of Nominee's Willingness to Serve**

**SEL 145**

rev 01/20 ORS 171.060

This filing is an

☒ **Nomination**

☐ **Election**

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|---------------------------|--------------|--|--|
| <b>Office Information</b> |              |  |  |
| Office of:                | State Senate |  |  |
| District:                 | 26           |  |  |
| Party Affiliation:        | Republican   |  |  |

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| <b>Nominee Information</b> |
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| <b>Name of Nominee</b> |    |          |        |
| First                  | MI | Last     | Suffix |
| Jeffrey                | A  | Helfrich |        |

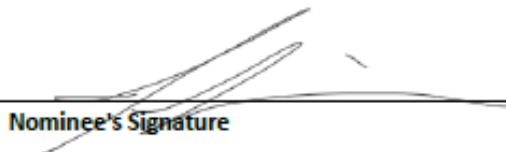
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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------|
| <b>Residence/Route Address</b>                                                                           |                         |              |       |
| Street Address                                                                                           | City                    | State        | Zip   |
| 2114 May Street                                                                                          | Hood River              | OR           | 97031 |
| <b>Mailing Address and Contact Information: Only one phone number and an email address are required.</b> |                         |              |       |
| Street Address or PO Box                                                                                 | City                    | State        | Zip   |
| 2149 Cascade Ave #106A-216                                                                               | Hood River              | OR           | 97031 |
| Work Phone                                                                                               | Home Phone              | Cell Phone   | Fax   |
|                                                                                                          |                         | 503 313-2477 |       |
| Email Address (required)                                                                                 | Web Site, if applicable |              |       |
| jeff@jeffhelfrich.com                                                                                    |                         |              |       |

*By signing this document, I hereby state that I will accept the appointment for the office indicated above*



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Nominee's Signature

10-06-2025

Date Signed

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Attachment E

BEFORE THE CLACKAMAS, HOOD RIVER, MULTNOMAH AND WASCO  
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

In the matter of  
Filling the Vacancy in the Legislative Assembly,  
State Senate District 26

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WHEREAS, in accordance with procedures established by the Secretary of State, the Clackamas, Hood River, Multnomah and Wasco County Board of Commissioners considered the nominations at a public meeting on October 23, 2025; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the public meeting the appointing authority voted to appoint \_\_\_\_\_ (nominee) to fill the vacancy, said nominee having received the highest number of votes as indicated on the vote tabulation attached as Exhibit A,

NOW, THEREFORE, \_\_\_\_\_ is selected as the appointee to fill the vacancy in the Legislative Assembly, State Senate District 26;

This Statement shall promptly be forwarded to the Secretary of State as required by ORS 171.060(3).

ADOPTED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2025, By:

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Craig Roberts  
Chair, Clackamas County Commissioner

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Paul Savas  
Clackamas County Commissioner

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Martha Schrader  
Clackamas County Commissioner

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Ben West  
Clackamas County Commissioner

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Diana Helm  
Clackamas County Commissioner

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Jennifer Euwer  
Chair, Hood River County Commissioner

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Ed Weathers  
Hood River County Commissioner

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Leticia Moretti  
Hood River County Commissioner

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Chad Muenzer  
Hood River County Commissioner

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Arthur Babitz  
Hood River County Commissioner

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Jessica Vega Pederson  
Chair, Multnomah County Commissioner

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Meghan Moyer  
Multnomah County Commissioner

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Shannon Singleton  
Multnomah County Commissioner

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Julia Brim-Edwards  
Multnomah County Commissioner

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Vince Jones-Dixon  
Multnomah County Commissioner

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Scott Hege  
Chair, Wasco County Commissioner

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Phil Brady  
Wasco County Commissioner

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Jeff Justesen  
Wasco County Commissioner



EXHIBIT A  
VOTE TABULATION

In the matter of filling the vacancy in the Legislative Assembly, State Senate District 26,  
the following votes were cast at the public meeting held on October 23, 2025:

**Nominee**

Craig Roberts  
Chair, Clackamas County Commissioner

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Paul Savas  
Clackamas County Commissioner

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Martha Schrader  
Clackamas County Commissioner

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