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Citizens' Initiative Review Commission Chooses Two Initiatives to Review: IP 35 & IP 36 (Corporate Kicker and Casinos)

The Citizens' Initiative Review Commission (CIRC) has chosen initiative petitions 35 and IP 36 to review prior to the November election. IP 35 proposes allocating corporate income/excise "kicker" refunds to fund kindergarten through 12th-grade public education and IP 36 would allow establishment of privately owned casinos. The review of IP 36 will include an examination of IP 38, a related statutory measure that would allocate a percentage of casino revenue to a state fund.

The Citizens' Initiative Review Commission was established by an act of the 2011 Oregon Legislature. The purpose of this new Commission is to oversee and administer the Citizens' Initiative Review, a new public service that will provide voters with clear, useful, and trustworthy evaluations of statewide ballot measures.

During the Citizens' Initiative Review, a panel of 24 randomly-selected and demographically-balanced voters is brought together from across the state to fairly evaluate a ballot measure. For each measure reviewed, a new panel is convened.

At the conclusion of the in-depth review, the panel then drafts a Citizens' Statement highlighting the most important findings about the measure. Each Citizens' Statement is published as a prominent page in the voter's pamphlet as a new and easily accessible resource for voters to use at election time.

The two reviews will take place August 6-10 in Salem and August 20-24 in Portland.

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