

SB 800 summary states “provides for Governor to appoint Attorney General” instead of elections as the AG is not a constitutional position as is the Governor. The Attorney General appears nowhere in the Oregon Constitution. It is claimed the Attorney General is an ‘executive’ branch entity, yet, the AG claims to represent the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Branches all at the same time. The AG claims to represent every legislator and legislative employee along with every former legislator and former legislative employee at this time. This is a serious constitutional conflict of interest. The separation of powers no longer exists in Oregon. The AG provides legal direction to numerous committees of the legislative assembly at this time in violation of the Oregon Constitution. The AG claims to represent both sides of state level government conflicts at the same time. The Attorney General’s gross violation of Or Const Art III Sec 1 separation of powers must be ended. Make the Governor responsible as the public perceives today. The Governor is the chief executive of the Executive Branch. The Governor should appoint the chief prosecutor of the executive branch of the State of Oregon.