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**Voter suppression has no place in Oregon**  
***SB 761 will silence the voiceless***

SALEM, Ore.—When lawmakers fail to heed the voices of Oregonians, voters' only recourse is to refer these policies to the ballot with the hopes of repeal. Revealing their awareness that some of their policies lack broad, statewide support, the Democrat supermajority is working to reduce the chance of repeal by making the referendum process needlessly difficult. With Senate Bill 761, Oregonians would be prohibited from signing a petition sheet they did not personally print out themselves.

If passed, Democrats are hindering access to our initiative and referendum process, effectively silencing Oregonians across the political spectrum.

**Thatcher released the following statement:**

*“Voter suppression has no place in our state, it violates our shared Oregon values of inclusiveness, open elections and fair access to government. Lawmakers are here to serve the People, not rule over them.”*

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