



ACTION OF THE WEEK

October 30, 2018

The Voters Guide and Ballots are out!

Your Action of the Week is to fill out your ballot and get it to a drop box or in the mail. Also do everything you can to encourage everyone you meet to vote.

One of our previous Actions urged you to vote yes on Ballot Measure 102 and no on the four dangerous ones 103, 104, 105 and 106. Those four are serious threats to the movement to Universal Health Care, several have tax giveaways to corporations or are discriminatory.

Help us by getting involved with the following:

103: Get involved at <https://noon103.org/> and share with others. This is an unprecedented change to Oregon's constitution that would permanently exempt a wide range of transactions such as e-cigarettes and vaping products from any taxes and fees. It's risky, misleading, and completely unnecessary. There is no proposed tax on groceries. The measure is also retroactive, so it would even put Medicaid funding at risk. Just look at who is funding the Yes campaign and then decide if you are likely to benefit: Albertson/Safeway, Am. Beverage Assoc, Fred Meyer & Kroger, Costco, Oregon Soft Drink PAC have contributed close to 5 million to convince you that you should vote Yes. Don't buy it; this is not in your interest.

104: Get involved at <https://noon104.org/> and share with others. Measure 104 is a wasteful and unnecessary constitutional amendment that would lock in tax loopholes and perks for special interests and increase political gridlock by requiring a super-majority vote in the state legislature for bills increasing revenue. It would risk a government shutdown and threaten Oregon's schools and healthcare. Oregon Center for Public Policy just issued a report on the racist historical roots of the movement to create super-majority requirements. Read it [here](https://tinyurl.com/ocppnoon104) [<https://tinyurl.com/ocppnoon104>]

105: Get involved at <https://orunited.org/> and share with others. This could open the door to racial profiling and families being torn apart, simply because someone is perceived to be an undocumented immigrant. 105 violates our Oregon values of fairness and looking out for our neighbors.

106: Get involved at <https://nocutstocare.com/> and share with others. This sets a dangerous precedent by allowing voters to make medical decisions. Measure 106 takes away the full range of reproductive health care that women deserve. Women have a right to choose the procedures which affect their bodies and that right should not be diminished because they are low-income or are state workers.

Although we can't recommend, due to our nonprofit status, any candidates, we trust that UUs will vote for candidates who embody our UU Principles.

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