Automatic Recount
ORS 258.280

$1/5^{th}$ of 1 percent = .002

- When two or more candidates for nomination or office have an equal **and** highest number of votes;
  Example:

John Smith	100 votes
Jane Doe	100 votes

  OR

- When the difference in the number of votes cast for a candidate with the most votes **and** the votes cast for the closest defeated candidate is not more than one-fifth of one percent of the total votes for **both** candidates.
  Example 1:

John Smith	27,415 votes
Jane Doe	27,300 votes

  Example 2:

John Smith	27,415 votes
Jane Doe	27,335 votes

Example 1 Formula:
- 27,415 - 27,300 = 115
- 27,415 + 27,300 = 54,715
- 115 / 54,715 = .0021 **(greater than .002, <u>not</u> an automatic recount)**

Example 2 Formula:
- 27,415 - 27,335 = 80
- 27,415 + 27,335 = 54,750
- 80 / 54,750 = .00146 **(less than .002, which qualifies as an automatic recount)**

An automatic recount would not be officially determined until after certification of the election, which occurs by the 20th day after an election.