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On Behalf Of: Libertarian Party of Oregon
Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition
2026-302
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1599

My name is Will Hobson, Communications Chair with the Libertarian Party of Oregon.

Oregon Libertarians are **STRONGLY** opposed to SB 1599. This bill undoes a key part of the Gas Tax Referendum. The date of the Referendum should remain November 3, 2026. This is what was on the document that over a quarter million Oregon voters signed. Our most active Libertarian volunteers and many others worked hard, sacrificing their precious free time during the holidays, to get this is on the NOVEMBER ballot.

It is also uncertain if we will have adequate time to collect signatures for arguments for this Referendum should it be moved to May. If this is not addressed it confirms a clear pattern that the ruling coalition in Oregon resorts to artificially constricting the time available for Oregonians to engage in direct democracy.

Oregonians have spoken. Stop undermining their choices. Hands off the Referendum. Vote NO!

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