

Submitter: Dale Fisher
On Behalf Of:
Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition
2026-302
Measure, Appointment or SB1599
Topic:

Vote NO on SB 1599 — Respect Oregon Voters

Chair and Members of the Committee,

I'm writing to strongly urge you to vote NO on SB 1599.

SB 1599 is a political attempt to change Oregon's election timeline. More than 250,000 Oregonians signed petitions expecting this measure would appear on the November 3, 2026 General Election ballot, as explicitly stated on the signature sheets. My signature on the petition was specifically in favor of a November general election vote.

Changing the date now is unfair and disenfranchises hundreds of thousands of Oregonians. As Oregon leaders, you are aware that voter turn out is generally lower for May primary elections. I hope I am wrong, but can't help but think that this is the very reason you are trying to move to this date. That concerns me and saddens me as it is purely a political move with yourselves in mind rather than the people you represent who ultimately pay the price for your selfishness. The Legislature already had the chance to address this issue and chose not to.

Please do the right thing and respect the will of Oregon voters.

Vote NO on SB 1599.

Sincerely,
Dale Fisher
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