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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition  
2026-302

Measure, Appointment or  
Topic: SB1599

To the Committee:

This is a blatant and shameless attempt (the fourth, by my count) to derail the vote on the referendum petition regarding ODOT fees and taxes, etc. Changing the election date for voting on this referendum to May instead of November is a purely political maneuver designed to reduce voter turnout. The Oregonians who signed that petition did so with the understanding that they could vote on the referendum in the November election.

This is a pattern. It demonstrates a willingness to prioritize political goals over transparency and accountability to the voters.

Oregonians are FED UP with these shenanigans. Please do \*not\* pass this bill out of committee.

Sincerely,

William Burt