

Submitter: Charlie Hall

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition
2026-302

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1599

I believe it's important to keep the transportation funding referendum on the November ballot so voters have the final say on whether the Legislature can raise taxes and fees for ODOT. This referendum gives everyday Oregonians a chance to weigh in on significant tax increases rather than having the decision moved to an earlier primary by SB 1599, which shortens the public's time to debate and prepare for the vote. It's about protecting voter choice, transparency, and giving people the opportunity to decide on major tax and fee changes themselves rather than letting lawmakers change the timing for political advantage.