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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition
2026-302

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1599

1. 250,000 voted to put this on the November General Election
2. Senate Bill 1599 SUBVERTS THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE. We signed for a November General Election
3. This is an effort to put the tax referendum (Petition ID 2026-302) in a (historically known) low election turnout time period, the May 2026 Oregon primary and even notes the option of a special election, even lower % known turnouts.
4. This is a trick also to get money out of people sooner, who are already saying, "Adjust the budget, we can't pay it." We would have to start paying it 6 months sooner should it fail, which it is a set up to do.
5. This is NOT an emergency. We note much publicity confirms budget needs were met.
6. 94% of Oregonians initially said no to these increases, during legislation discussions.
250,000 signers said no to tax increases, making great effort to show up, in person.
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7. You are our representatives and must represent the will of the people, but are not doing so.
8. Who are you
representing and whose will are you doing if you say no continually to the people?
We must vote on 2026-032 in November.

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Please read this into the record as testimony, against Senate Bill 1599