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

I strongly oppose SB1599. This is typical Democrat underhandedness. Referendum Petition 2026-302 signed by 250,000 voters stated that this would be on the November ballot and it needs to stay on the November ballot. Governor Kotek and her Democrat Supermajority's \$4.3 Billion Dollar gas tax was rigged and very underhanded from the start. ODOT needs an overhaul and a budget without the pet projects and Governor and her Democrat Supermajority needs a budget that doesn't include folivores spending. Oregonians across the State cannot afford this insane tax and spend by the Governor and her Democrat Supermajority. The Governor tried to put a stop to our referendum from the start by her refusal to sign it for 30 business she thought with so few days left that we the voters would fail to get the petition signed and turned in on time. She was wrong. The referendum was to be on the November ballot. Now the Governor and her Democrat Supermajority feel threatened because she and some of her cohorts will be up for reelection on the same ballot. Her fear that she could be defeated because the referendum is on the same ballot is not a good, honest, nor valid reason to move referendum to the May primary ballot. I sincerely hope that this committee will do the right thing and let "We the People" have our say in November.