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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition
2026-302

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1599

Oregon voters have made it very clear. This Transportation Tax Measure is to be voted on in the November ballot. Governor Kotek first tried to stop the citizen led referendum petition by delaying signing the tax measure until the very last minute. That did not work, over 200,000 signing the petition in the brief time span left by the Governor made it clear we want to vote on this in November.

And now the Oregon Democratic Party controlled Oregon Senate, Governor Kotek, are attempting to move this ballot vote to May. Clearly wanting to not have this on the same ballot in November in which Governor Kotek will be running for re-election to Oregon Governor, and historically there is a larger voter turn out.

We signed and supported the referendum to vote on this Tax issue in November, we want it in November.

You should be ashamed, but I am sure all involved in this will do the usual " its for the good of Oregonians " . Even though the majority of Oregonians are clearly saying NO.