

My Name is Steve St. Martin and I live in Central Point, Oregon.

I am writing to strongly oppose SB 1599.

This bill would move the transportation tax referendum from the November 2026 general election to a May election with historically lower voter turnout. That is unacceptable to voters like me in Central Point and across Oregon.

More than 250,000 Oregonians signed a petition with the clear understanding that the vote would take place in November. Changing the election date after the fact undermines public trust and silences voters.

Oregon law is clear, and the will of the People is clear. Lawmakers do not get to change the rules because they dislike the outcome.

I urge you to oppose SB 1599 and ensure this referendum remains on the November ballot, where the greatest number of Oregonians can participate.