

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

Having been born and raised in Eastern Oregon and now in my 80s, I have little faith that this Legislative committee will be interested in my testimony. Folks in rural areas don't have the "clout" in numbers to influence much in any State voting. Nonetheless, each of you has gained employment by the voters in your area and are tasked with finding out what their true desires are before you vote on something as important as this is. I ask you to consider that, as we know, around 250,000 registered voters from all over the State spoke out on SB 1599 to request the right to vote on such tax increases. Please be respectful as you discuss this and be honest enough in your intentions to not move the election date to May 2026 and away from November 2026 where there might be a larger voter turnout. Thank you