

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

I am writing in opposition to the legislators attempt to move this Referendum Petition 2026-302 from the November ballot to the May ballot. We the people created this referendum petition, gathered 250,000 signatures from all across the state signing these petitions with the November ballot being stated and in our minds as the date we wanted this to go to a vote of the people. The legislative body has not rights to attempt to circumvent the will of the people, this vote needs to remain on the November ballot as approved so that we can have our say and input in accordance with the approval of the referendum in the first place.

Attempts to circumvent the will of the people like this are clear examples of how Salem has not cared about the people or the will of the people for the past several decades. We are beyond our ability to continue to be taxed to death for Salem's lack of ability to spend within their means and keep on budget. We can not afford to continue to be taken advantage of and see these attempts as clear reasons why corporations that started in Oregon are continuing to leave their home state for others that actually listen to their constituents.

Thank you,
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