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I can only hope Oregon Democrats have finally overplayed their hand. By moving the vote on their No Tax measure to May's Primary instead of November's General Election, they're hoping it will fail due to low voter turnout. Imagine their surprise if it passes with the same overwhelming numbers the referendum produced to force it to a vote. Inasmuch as this entire issue was born from the need to produce more money to bail out ODOT, instead of trying to milk more money out of Oregon taxpayers, why not use some common sense and peel off some of the \$7 billion this state and its local governments spend on illegal aliens and the homeless population every year?