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On Behalf Of: Myself
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2026-302
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1599

My name is Robin Vasquez, and I reside in Lebanon, OR....Regarding SB 1599----To all those who possess the power to go against the wishes of Oregon Voters, I would just like to say that I am not only appalled with the Governor of Oregon.... Kotex,, but equally appalled with all of those who are going along with this little "Shenanigan" she is trying to pull on the Oregon Voters! It began with the Recall, Oregonians got the signatures required to recall Kotex from the Governor's seat, and there was some mixup on the timeline for getting in the Ballots, which is now in an appeal process. Next she tried to shove this huge "Gas Tax Bill" down our throats, so we "The Oregon Voters" were required to come up with required signatures to file a Referendum in a 6 week window. So we all come together from all over Oregon to make this happen, and not only did we meet the 75,000 signatures, but we collected 250,000 valid signatures. This was not a small bout, nor is it for the faint at heart, but it took all of us Oregonians coming together and fighting for our rights.

Now out of the blue, we are faced with yet another unfair, crooked little game they like to play when they are being defeated. The Governor is going to try and put this on the May Ballot, knowing most voters show less interest in the May Primary, than the November Primary, therefore, it lessens Oregonians chance of being successful in our goal. I don't think it's fair to give that choice to the Governor, as we are the people doing all the work to stop it from sliding through without any say coming from the voters. Oregonians have expressed over and over, time and time again, "We the Oregon Voters" should have the right to choose the November Primary over the Primary in May due to less voters in that one!

This State has gone down hill enormously since the beginning of the Democratic party, when Kate Brown first took Office, this is just another repeat of that, maybe even worse! We have expressed over and over our request, as well as, right to choose the election that brings us the most votes. As you can tell, Tina Kotex is not who we the people want to lead our State. This is why we want to go back to Poll voting with legal pictured I.D., as well as, an active Voters Registration card for all future votes in this State, The reason it has turned to this is because we can no longer trust those who represent the State of Oregon! Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony, and just remember one thing, we are the voters who are suppose to vote on the laws, but how can we accomplish that, if the State Governor isn't listening to the taxpayers, making her own rules as she goes...all in her favor of course, and continue to pull her little mischievous moves on the voters. I guess she won't be happy until the remainder of the businesses here in Oregon leave our State,

as well as, many more citizens due to her lack of running this state adequately!
Please take the voters wishes into account for once. Working with People, rather
than forcing them, is what makes a true Leader!!