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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition
2026-302

Measure, Appointment or
Topic: SB1599

I am strongly opposed to changing the date of a vote on Referendum Petition 2026-302 from November May. This change is politically motivated to reduced accountability for those who voted in favor of increasing taxes on fuel and vehicle registration/licensing on Oregon citizens. If passed there will be a lawsuit and additional cost incurred in an effort to change the date of this vote. How does this benefit Oregon citizens?

In addition this bill should not have been proposed during the short legislation session which is supposedly only for budgetary purposes. If the date of the vote is changed it only shows that the majority party in the legislature believes they have no accountability to Oregon citizens.