

February 9, 2026

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my **opposition to SB 1599!** I believe it has been made quite clear to this legislative body that the people of Oregon have spoken and we want this referendum to go to a vote in NOVEMBER as stated **on each of the thousands of pages turned into the state.** It specifically states we wished for this to be on the NOVEMBER ballot and by law that is what is supposed to happen.

Oregonians are tired of you ignoring our wishes. You work for us, which it seems you have forgotten. As public servants you made an oath to serve this state and the people within it. When you completely ignore the wishes of your constituents it can only then be determined that you are acting instead in an authoritarian capacity which this constitution is not built upon.

After the delay by the Governor to ensure that we would not get enough people to sign this referendum, we STILL got way more than enough signatures in a very short amount of time. That alone shows you what the people want. Republicans, Independents AND Democrats all signed! We are allowed to have this on the NOVEMBER ballot as stated in the Oregon Referendum rules. Please do the right thing and allow the people to have their say. I believe there are ways to find the needed money if you can work together as a legislature and get this job done!

Thank you for your attention to this, we will be watching to see if you do the right thing.

Sincerely,

Denene Holbrook