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

I strongly oppose SB 1599

At every step of the gas tax process, it has been met with unfairness and disregard for citizen input and transparency.

- Ram-rodging the original gas tax during the final days of Session.
- Undue hostile pressure/controversy to force lawmakers to vote yes.
- Ram-rodging a hearing on Labor Day weekend.
- Governor's delaying the time citizens had to collect signatures.
- Governor's secret Friday night signing (and then hid for 3-days)

Now, we face another unfair disregard of voters by swapping out the election date from the popular General Election, to instead, be in May when voter turn-out is much less.

Voters signed the referendum petition where it clearly states on the front page, in bold, that the election will be November 2026. Please honor what voters signed.